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THIS THE YEAR TO ACCOMPLISH MUCH

First Let All Become Acquainted with Our Own Greatness. Then We can Inspire Others.

That La Grande has grown to be one of the leading cities of the state is patent and the same conditions that have caused its development in the past will cause future growth.

There is not a citizen but knows and realizes that there is going to be an unusually large emigration to the Pacific coast this year and that every community is going to alert to secure as many good citizens as possible and all will be more or less successful, for no matter where you go, the great northwest offers inducements and possibilities unsurpassed in the east.

HOW TO ATTRACT

A clear active, running, rippling

creek attracts healthy trout, a sluggish stream suckers. Herein lies the basis of our future prosperity. Live people want and will seek only live communities, such as we are and have been.

It is a fact nevertheless that we do not realize the greatness of our surroundings. Where is there another section in this state that one year with another exports every other day an entire train load of products and it is certain that there is not another single county that has such diversified interests that each and every one are carried on in such a large scale. Our 30 saw mills cut 45,000,000 feet

of lumber annually. This means an army of men employed continuously to keep these lumber factories grinding. The product of which means the distribution of over half a million dollars every twelve months. Our wheat, oats, barley and hay means a greater distribution, equalling quite \$1,000,000, annually. Our stock interests, cattle, hogs, and horses are another large revenue producer, likewise our fruit, our best industry, our dairy interests.

This article is not written with the intention of being circulated in foreign ports but is intended solely for our own people. When they will take pains to investigate and ascertain how Union county is equalled by no section for her productiveness and industries that are growing and will continue to grow then and not until then are they in a position to intelligently talk to any stranger with a view of securing them to locate among us.

Another very important factor that simply raising the price of town lots does not make a city. La Grande was not built that way.

Another idea worth considering. While there is room here for the manipulation of large amounts of capital. That class of men do not generally invest in a city that lies dormant and is always waiting for some outsider to come and build up the property. La Grande was not built in this manner. Who owns the business property on Adams and Washington Avenues. Such pioneer names like Sommer, Palmer, Huntington, Henry, Foley, Steward, Erickson, Anson, Bohnenkamp and many others. Who built our Opera House? Not outside parties. This is cited to show how in the past we have grown to our present position largely through our own efforts and to a very large extent must depend our future.

There are quite a number of enterprises that would be welcomed and sustained and we should take steps to secure men of experience and capital interested in these various lines.

The number of new homes built last fall and now in course of construction are movements of faith and confidence in this city and taken with a united and enthusiastic community cannot but impress any intending purchaser that this is the most progressive and fertile county and that La Grande is the coming city of the inland empire.

Let us all acquaint ourselves with our actual surroundings and great news.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE PUT INTO PARAGRAPHS

Governor Gooding of Idaho recommends a liberal policy towards all the state institutions. He also recommends the establishment of an insane asylum in north Idaho, the employment of convicts and completion of prison building and construction of prison on that veterans of the Spanish American war be eligible to enter the Soldiers home that the standard of the educational institutions be raised.

That the constitution be recommended that the people may assist in the construction of a north and south railroad.

That a system of juvenile courts be established.

That a state land agent be named to have charge of all the land boards outside work.

That request of timber companies for extension of time in which to remove timber from state lands be denied.

That a bond be required in connection with permits for irrigation and power projects to insure prompt beginning and zealous prosecution of work.

That the appropriation for the Portland exposition be increased \$10,000.

That the office of sheep inspector be abolished and that of state veterinarian be established.

That the insurance commissioner be made state bank examiner and traveling auditor.

That interest on farm loans be reduced to 5 per cent.

That capitol building be enlarged.

That state depository law be enacted.

That the two mile limit law be left intact.

That a stringent anti-polygamy law be passed.

Full Time

The federal courts hold that private F R Stubbs of the 19th U S Infantry must serve the full sentence of five years imposed in a lower court for killing another soldier at the American Lake encampment last summer.

Russian Losses

In the defense of Port Arthur 11,000 Russians were killed and 18,000 were wounded and incapacitated by sickness.

Several Reforms

Governor Toole, of Montana, in his biennial message, advocates the adoption of the initiative and referendum direct primaries and election of United States senators by direct vote.

THE NUMBER GROWS

Tokio, Jan 6.—A report from General Nogi's headquarters, which was received today, largely increases the figures of the surrendered garrison and estimates the force handed over to Japanese at Port Arthur at about 32,000, exclusive of 15,000 or 16,000 sick and wounded, making a rough total of 48,000. The report is as follows:

"As previously reported the transfer of objects mentioned in article 2 of the capitulation compact took place on January 4, and the transfer of the forts and batteries has been completed. The prisoners will be assembled at places appointed on January 5, but the investigation relating to these prisoners is so complicated that the result cannot be reported at present.

"Reports received up to date are as follows:

"Eight generals, four admirals, 57 colonels and majors, 100 captains and commanders, 531 army captains and lieutenants, 230 naval lieutenants and naval officials, 99 army officials, 109 surgeons, 20 chaplains; of the rank and file of the army, 22,434; of the rank and file of the navy, 4,900; army non-combatants, 30,465; naval non-combatants 500; total, 32,207.

"Besides these there are about 15,000 or 16,000 sick and wounded in the hospitals. The volunteers are chiefly included in the list of non-combatants. "One hundred saddle horses and 1870 draft horses were surrendered.

GEN. STOESSEL TO BE COURT-MARTIALED

The Announcement has Provoked General Enthusiasm All Over Russia.

St. Petersburg, Jan 6.—It is officially announced that General Stoessel must come home to stand a court-martial for the surrender of Port Arthur.

This announcement has provoked an outburst of protest from the press of the country, who point out that not a single member of the royal family is at the front in the far east. Criticism of this type has resulted in the suppression of the Russ.

The Nova Vremya states: "By all means, let us have a court-martial and make it, if possible severe and cruel. The judge will perhaps deal leniently with those who have given blood and lives for their country. Perhaps, also, the court will determine why the fortress known to be threatened by blockade was not supplied with necessary food and ammunition to enable it to hold out."

Among the people of the country

the proposed court-martial of General Stoessel is indignantly received. Stoessel is looked upon as the hero of the war and his gallant defense gives him a deep hold on the hearts of the populace. The work of the Port Arthur garrison receives nothing but praise.

The fact is pointed out that Russia has had 11 months of hard but valuable experience in the art of war under the new conditions imposed by modern warfare and it is unanimously asserted that Russia cannot afford to quit a losing fight. The autocracy is held to blame for the fall of Port Arthur, and not Stoessel and his band of defenders. A special from Mukden says that fighting is proceeding along the Shkabo river. The Japanese have attacked the Russian line in several places, but so far have met with only repulses.

An Epiphany Party

Today is the beginning of the season known in the ecclesiastical year as the Epiphany Season which commemorates the manifestation of Christ as the saviour of the Gentiles as well as of the Jews. The Episcopalians of St. Peter's parish are contemplating

having an Epiphany party during this season at some hall in this city. It will be a social party and light refreshments will be served free and a general good time will be had. All members and friends of the Episcopal Church, including children, will be invited. There will be some sort of program.

TO THE PUBLIC:

The rush of Holiday trade is over and business in general has got back to its normal condition. I wish to inform all my patrons, and those not my patrons but who are liable to be, that I am now in a position to take care of all watch, clock and jewelry repairing with dispatch. I have secured all the necessary help in all the latest tools and materials known to the trade, as well as the best workmen that money can procure.

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Jewels Are Sold

New York, Jan 6.—The now famous Dodge jewels, seized by customs inspectors five years ago, when Mrs Phyllis Dodge attempted to evade the payment of duty on them, were sold today at public auction and brought about 50 per cent less than the appraised value. A pearl necklace valued at \$3,000 abroad with a duty of \$21,000 in the United States making a total \$56,000 sold for \$21,000. A diamond dog collar valued with duty at \$7200 sold for \$3500.

Curley Ousted

Boston Jan 6.—The Massachusetts house today unelected Representative Thomas F Curley of the Seventeenth Suffolk district. He is serving a jail sentence for fraud against the United States government in connection with the civil service examinations.

Made Good

Mrs Margaret Traller, aged 83 years, of East St Louis, for several months predicted that she would die at the bells heralded the dawn of the New Year. She died at the home of her daughter at midnight of December 31.

Young Trout

One hundred thousand eggs of lake trout have been received by the superintendent of the Clackamas river hatchery from Wisconsin, for transplanting into the streams of that locality.

Need Room

There are 70 pupils in the state school for mutes, but others have been refused admittance for lack of room. Quarters are needed for 125.