

The Farmers and Traders National Bank

of La Grande Oregon
NO. 4452

Capital	\$ 60,000.00
Surplus	14,000 00
Liability of Shareholders	60,000.00
Total	\$134,000.00

For the protection of its depositors! Depositors of this Bank are accorded such liberal treatment as shall be in keeping with the character and value of their accounts. We would be pleased to have your account.

JOSEPH PALMER,
PRESIDENT.

J. W. SCRIBER,
CASHIER.

G. E. McCULLY,
ASST. CASHIER.

T. J. SCROGGIN,
ASST. CASHIER.

BIG REDUCTION SALE ON ALL CHRISTMAS GOODS IS NOW ON AT HILL'S DRUG STORE

Very complete line to choose from, in books, Perfumes, Toilet Sets, Manicures, Hand Bags, Vases, Smokers' Sets, Ink Wells, Mirrors, Albums and many other nice things. Call and see what we have.

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LA GRANDE, OR



Suction Eye Glass

It does not wrinkle your nose and make you look older than you are.

Holiday goods are beginning to arrive. Best line ordered ever brought to the city.

J. H. PEARE.

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Ready For Business

WITH A FULL LINE OF FEED, HAY AND GRAIN

We are ready to buy all kinds of hay and grain, and pay the highest market prices.

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RAISING the cover brings every corner within reach without removing trays. Saves 1/4 the time of an ordinary trunk to pack or unpack. Easy to operate. Nothing to get out of order. Will stand all the knocks and hard usage of traveling. Costs no more than a common trunk.

24 Style of.....\$5.00 and up.

BARGAINS THIS WEEK

Fifty dollar Camera and outfit 4x5 and 5x7 for \$15.00
Reed Rockers. Fine for Christmas. Others Ash \$12. We want \$9.00.

1 50-gallon pressure water tank, used a short time, cost \$28 new, for \$6.50

50 piece Flowered Dinner Set \$3.65.

20 per cent discount on all Heaters. We mean this as we want to close them out.

F. D. Haisten,

PHONE RED 1161

Highest prices paid for Second Hand Goods.

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IDEAS OF STUDENTS

Reports of cruelty inflicted by college students on selected victims of their number appear in the press with disgusting frequency. One would think a youth who was interested in the endurance of physical hardship might go off and exhibit it himself instead of combining with a dozen of his fellows to torture some member of their college, as younger males are accustomed to torture dogs or beetles. Analogous indications of student intelligence may be extracted from these expressions in a private letter from a theatrical manager in answer to a request for information about newspaper accounts: "The students did cut up pretty roughly Saturday night. We cut the show down considerably, as they threw all kinds of things, programmes, etc., on the stage. The climax being just before we rang down, when one of them threw a small glass onto the stage. It struck one of the chorus girls in the forehead and cut quite a little gash, but, being a light glass, the blow was not such as to stagger her or anything of that kind. We thought it was then about time to close up, which we did. One of the students also took one of the automatic candy boxes off the back of the seat and threw it on the stage. You know, these are quite weighty—I should say weighing a couple of pounds each—but, fortunately, this did not strike anyone." Why fortunately? The student's joke was incomplete. His idea was to strike some one, and thus carry out his views of a diverting incident—Collier's Weekly.

CHRISTMAS HAS GONE

Christmas has gone, but the memories of the pleasant acts and kind and cheering words that lightened millions of hearts on that day will never perish. Hearts and souls that were made happy yesterday will carry the impressions received through the countless ages of eternity and in their glad songs around the shining throne will remember with thrills of the foretaste of celestial bliss that Christmas songs and kindness opened to their visions on earth.

No ceremonies that men indulge in gives so vivid a glimpse of what life on earth will be, when a full realization is reached of what human life will be when "Peace on earth and good will toward man" is the universal condition as the kindly greetings and friendly acts of Christmas.

Christmas is the one day in the year wherein children are remembered by priests and rulers and thus has become dear to childhood and a forceable illustration of how the human family will be blessed when the world ceases its mad strifes, urged on by this ambition and greed of adults, and in the offices of kindness "become as little children."

Not an arrest Saturday, Sunday, Monday or up to the time of going to press today. This is a record that few cities of 5000 can equal. La Grande passed the "wild and woolly" age, several years ago.

The citizens of Oregon have reason to rejoice that United States Senator Fulton and President Roosevelt thoroughly understand each other and will work in harmony in the future. This means much for Oregon.

The ice crop will soon be ready to harvest at Perry.

HONESTY AS TAUGHT IN BUSINESS

Fifteen or 20 years ago Bill Smith was a well-known character in a Missouri town whose name need not be mentioned here. Bill was a colored boy who roamed the streets at will. One day he found a pocketbook containing \$40. and the owner's name was stamped on the book.

But Bill burned the pocketbook and spent the \$40 in riotous living. Of course it was found out and Bill was arrested, tried and found guilty, and sent to the penitentiary for two years. He served his time, and when he emerged he knew something about making shoes. The day he returned to his home town an old acquaintance met him and asked:

"Well, what did they put you at in the prison, Bill?"

"Dey started in to make an honest boy out'n me sah."

"That's good, Bill, and I hope they succeeded."

"They did, sah."

"And how did they teach you to be honest, Bill?"

"Dey done put me in de shoe shop, sah, nailing pasteboard onto shoes fo' soles, sah."

A QUIBBLE

"That is quibble, mere quibble," said Walter Camp, Yale's athletic adviser, in a discussion of football rules.

He laughed ironically.

"That reminds me," he said, "of the children of a friend of mine whom I visited in the summer."

"These children, two boys, got on none too well."

"Here," said their mother to the elder of them one day, 'here is a banana. Divide it with your little brother, and see that he gets the lion's share.'

"The younger child a few minutes later set up a great bawling."

"Mamma," he shrieked, John hasn't given me any banana."

"What's this?" said his mother, hurrying in.

"It's all right," explained the older boy. "Lions don't eat bananas."

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the stockholders of the La Grande National bank at the La Grande National bank building in the city of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 9, 1906, at two o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of nine directors, and any other business the transaction of which shall legally come before this meeting.

F. L. MEYERS, Cashier.

Dated this 11 day of December, 1905



CHRISTMAS IS NEAR

And it should not be forgotten that we have the finest line of fresh confectionery in the city for the holiday trade. All of the delicious and luscious flavors put up in the most attractive forms.

OUR LINE of goods for trimming and decorating Christmas trees is complete, elegant and attractive.

TOYS OF ALL KINDS AND PRICES

Dolls from 10 cents to \$1.60

Mistletoe, for decorating, 5c bunch

SELDER, The Candy Man

J. R. OLIVER.

UNION COUNTY

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Best equipped abstracter in Union county. Many years experience gives me a great advantage. It is folly to purchase real estate without first securing a proper abstract. An abstract from my office will show the title just as it appears on the official record.

J. R. OLIVER,

LA GRANDE, OREGON

Room 3 Sommer Building

XMAS

SUGGESTIONS

Christmas Bells will soon be ringing and the old problem of "what shall I give him for Christmas" will once more confront you.

We have made a few suggestions and should you fail to find a suitable item on the list we would be pleased to have you call and we'll do all in our power to assist you.

SUSPENDERS
OVERCOAT
HAT
HOSIERY
UMBRELLA

GRAVENETTES
SUIT
NECKWEAR
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HOUSE COAT
UNDERWEAR
GLOVES
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KERCHIEF

A good rule to follow in selecting gifts for man is to buy what he would be apt to buy himself. All our prices are moderate, and we are alway at your service.

ASH BROS.

CLOTHIERS AND HABERDASHERS.

Call up Main 29 for

NEW WALNUTS

ALMONDS

BLEACHED SULTANAS

Cluster Raisins

Muscatel Raisins

Citron and Lemon Peel

Dates

Figs

Heinz Mincemeat

BAKER BROS.

PHONE MAIN 29

Adams Ave.

Now is the accepted time

To do Your Christmas Shopping

We Have the Goods

BOOKS, DOLS, GLOVES, ETC

Presents for old and young

E. M. Wellman & Company

ADAMS AVENUE

BLOKLAND BROS.

ISLAND CITY, OREGON.

Breeders of Berk hire and Poland China Swine

We have a number of hogs on hand, and we are prepared to furnish a few well bred Poland China Gilts, at reasonable prices, bred to one of our three herd boars.

We also have both ball and beardless barley. Call us up on long distant phone 2065, also on the Farmers Line.

Union Woolen Mills Indian Robes

We have received a consignment of Union Fleece Wool Indian Robes which we have on sale. These robes are suitable for couch covers, steamer robes and ornamental for Indian corners. The price range is from \$5.50 up

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