

Build up your own community first. The other fellow will look after his

La Grande Evening Observer

VOLUME VI

LA GRANDE, UNION COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15 1906

NUMBER 6

LIGHTING SYSTEMS OF WALLA WALLA, ATHENA, WESTON AND PENDLETON ARE CRIPPLED BY WIND AND RAIN STORM, LEAVING THESE CITIES IN TOTAL DARKNESS

HURRICANE DEALS MUCH DESTRUCTION IN LA GRANDE

The scare caused by the false fire alarm this morning was slight compared with the alarm caused by the hurricane which hit portions of the city shortly after six o'clock this morning. The gale blew in a southeasterly direction, and apparently came down Grande Ronde Canyon. Early in the morning the wind began to shake frail structures and by six o'clock, every house in the central portion of the city was groaning under the pressure of the wind.

ROUND HOUSE RAZED

Eight stalls of the new round house were all but razed. Roof timbers had been placed on the first nine stalls beginning from the west end and these stalls remained intact. Beginning with the tenth stall, the brick wall had been thoroughly braced but the precaution was unavailing. The rear wall is well punctured with windows, thus leaving considerable more window space than actual brick wall. The entire wall is today leveled for a distance of eight stalls to a level with the window sills.

The fire wall between the sixteenth and seventeenth stalls is partly knocked down and the fraction left standing is warped out of shape. The east end still stands but will have to be razed and rebuilt, as the wind has sagged the middle several inches. According to the contractor's statement, it will take a crew of half a dozen men, seven or eight days to rebuild the walls. The dislodged bricks are heaped promiscuously around the rear wall.

PLATE GLASS BROKEN

The huge plate glass in the west wall of the Bohnenkamp Hardware Store, was fairly ground to bits. Mr. Bohnenkamp is ignorant as to the exact cause of the breakage, but blames it to suction, caused by the wind swirling around the corner and suddenly ceasing, thus leaving a vacuum, which would, of course splinter the glass. The loss is considerable, as the plate was of double thickness and measured about 8x10 feet.

SIGN BOARDS DISLODGED

The large sign board opposite the Commercial club was tumbled over, as were several smaller boards in various portions of the city.

ELECTRIC WIRES DOWN

Trees were blown on the Grande Ronde Electric Light Company's main wires at the mouth of Mill Creek Canyon. A crew of men spent the forenoon clearing away the obstructions.

TELEGRAPH WIRES DOWN

Mrs. Houser, local agent for the Western Union, stated this morning that telegraph wires between Meacham and Pendleton and between The Dalles and Portland were completely demolished, cutting off communication with Portland and intermediate points. For this reason the Observer office has been only to communicate with the Scripps News Association at Portland today, consequently lessening the telegraph news from the Northwest.

OTHER MINOR DAMAGES

The section of the city lying under the shelter of the mountains was unmoistened. The farther north and east, the harder the wind. Reports have been coming to the office during the day of minor damages. Chimneys and smokestacks were blown down everywhere. Awnings in the business section were either torn loose or ripped. Woodsheds and weak structures were racked and twisted.

SUYDAN HOME TWISTED

The S. R. Suydan home on the North Side was twisted on its stone foundation a distance of four inches. Mrs. Suydan becoming alarmed at the increase of the wind, took her child and went to the home of a neighbor. She had no sooner left the building than a ferocious gust of wind lifted the structure and twisted it thru an arc of about four inches.

MOVED HOUSE

A large 16x26 house on the North side which for the past few days has been standing on posts, that a foundation might be built under it, was blown from its pedestals and moved a distance of twelve feet. Not a window was broken or a board loosened.

THROWN IN GRANDE RONDE RIVER

Mr. Neil Suydam, deliveryman for Fred Jacob's Second hand store was returning this morning from Perry when the outfit was suddenly seized by a whirlwind and thrown over the embankment into the Grande Ronde river. His unmediated cold bath, stimulated his surprises and he was soon busy getting his team and van out of the river. He sustained no injuries. A severe wind has been blowing in Perry and Hilgard all night and today. A few old buildings have been wrecked and twisted.

BARN WRECKED

(Observer Special) Summerville, Nov. 15—Barns were twisted and racked, fences scattered and various other damages performed by the winds here this morning.

SEVERE AT COVE

(Observer Special) Cove, Nov. 15—The wind storm which hit this town early this morning broke phone wires and demolished several woodsheds. Several telephone poles were broken.

NO DAMAGE IN ELGIN

(Observer Special) Elgin Nov. 15—The wind commenced blowing here last night and is still blowing with considerable fury. However, no buildings are wrecked and phone wires are undamaged.

PHONES WRECKED

(Observer Special) Imbler, Nov. 15—The Bell Telephone Company suffered considerable loss to its lines and poles in this vicinity. No damage to buildings is reported.

FENCES DEMOLISHED

(Observer Special) Alicel, Nov. 15—Sheds and fences were scattered this morning by the heavy wind storm that tore over the valley. No heavy damages are reported.

THE UNITED STATES HATCHERIES.

(Scripps News Association)

Washington, Nov. 15—Operations at the thirty-two stations in the United States where fish are hatched are proving successful. Fish to the number of over a billion and a half were hatched and distributed through the country. The amount of fry and fingerlings or yearlings hatched and distributed were as follows: Black spotted trout (6,588,031), brook trout (1,083,454), crappie and strawberry bass (859,592), large mouth black bass (713,111), and sunfish (447,908). The government also gave away (mostly as fry) 398,899, 120 pike perch, 329,368 000 whitefish, 203,358,000 flatfish, 144,779,236 yellow perch, 169,557,000 cod, 116,214,000 lobsters, 117,681,188 chinook salmon (mostly in eggs), 122,640,000 lake herring, 41,324,735 lake trout and 33,237,000 shad (mostly fry). The output, especially, of black bass (both large and small mouth) crappie and cat fishes were inadequate.

IMPORTED PIG IRON

(Scripps News Association) London, Nov. 15—The total value of pig iron exported from this country to the United States during the present year amounts to 5,376,983 while hundreds of tons of the same material are being gotten ready for further shipment from Newcastle on Tyne, Shiel, Cardiff Swansea and other ports.

A REMARKABLE WOMAN

(Scripps News Association) Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 15—Mrs. Vina Winkler who lives at Kokoma, this state, is 96 years old and is at the head of six generations. She is the ancestor of eighty six grandchildren, thirty great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. Her oldest child Mrs. Anna Durbin of Charleston, Ill., is 76 years of age.

GREAT ORANGE CROP IN ARIZONA.

(Scripps News Association) Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 15—It is confidently predicted that this seasons orange crop in this state will be the heaviest in its history. Not only is the quality highly satisfactory but the fruit is of large size and very healthy.

MADE MAP OF MT. MCKINLEY

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, who on September 15 for the first time made the ascent of Mount McKinley, 29,308 feet high, the highest mountain peak in North America, has reached Seattle, accompanied by Russell W. Porter, topographer of his party.

The ascent of Mount McKinley was made after three unsuccessful attempts. As a result of this expedition a map of the Mount McKinley District will be published by Dr. Cook. An unmapped peak between 15,000 and 16,000 feet high was discovered by the party. The peak lies almost south of Mount McKinley, but is wholly separated from the big mountain by a deep depression. More than 3,000 miles of territory was explored by the party, all of it lying south and southeast of Mount McKinley.—Pendleton Tribune.

WHIRLWIND LIFTS MAN HORSE AND BUGGY

Geo. Ball, rural mail carrier on route number one, is today suffering from several bruises sustained this morning in the wind storm. Mr. Ball had reached a point on his route about nine miles from La Grande, when he, his horse, and his covered mail wagon, were literally lifted high in the air and dropped to the ground on the other side of a wire fence running parallel with the highway. He was on the foothill road near the Marian Stanley ranch, and had just reached the butte, which is located at that point, when the already high wind, suddenly increased to a whirlwind. Mr. Ball affirms that he was lifted twenty-five feet in the air. At any rate it is a certified fact that the entire outfit including the driver was thrown over the fence. The servant of Uncle Sam was, of course, bruised and injured. While Mr. Ball is not seriously injured, it took him some time to recover from the shock. The horse was bruised considerably and the vehicle more or less damaged. Mr. Ball is expected to complete his circuit today.

TELEGRAPH WIRES, EAST AND WEST, ARE DOWN

For less than half an hour this morning the Western Union was in communication with eastern points, but that soon ceased and practically all day La Grande has isolated from outside points, other than Huntington and intermediate points. The tangle of wires in the Blue Mountains is so severe that there is no hope of getting Pendleton either by telephone or telegraph until tomorrow morning. All wires east of Huntington are down and have been all day.

As a result of these mishaps to the telegraph system of the Northwest, the Observer was unable to secure but a few scattering files of the telegraph news today.

DIAMONDS IN ARKANSAS

(Scripps News Association) Camden, Ark., Nov. 15—Several diamonds have recently been found in this state and as it is believed they can be found in paying quantities a company is about to be formed to exploit some land in the Murfreesboro district.

ARGENTINE WHEAT CROP SHORT

(Scripps News Association) Buenos Ayres, Nov. 15—The wheat crop this season will fall much below the average. Recent storms have practically destroyed the crop in the Rodario and Santa Fe districts.

W. L. Rider and Frank E. Smith of Elgin came in last evening on the Elgin branch.

SENATOR HALE'S SON WEDS

(Scripps News Association) New York, Nov. 15—The marriage took place here today of Miss Eunice Terry, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Roderick Terry, and Mr. Eugene Hale Jr., son of Senator Hale of Maine. The bride's father officiated and she was given away by her brother, Mr. Roderick Terry, Jr. Mr. Frederick Hale acted as his brother's best man.

NO MORE CHINESE LABOR

(Scripps News Association) London, Nov. 15—The Transvaal Labor Ordinance comes into force today. Under its principal sections the recruiting of Chinese labor is entirely stopped and the introduction of chinamen into the country made a penal offence.

How We Make You Safe

In buying the preparations that enter so largely into prescriptions, we procure those made by houses who use assayed drugs. These are drugs that have been subjected to analysis and their medicinal strength determined. Such preparations cost more than many druggists care to pay, but no other should go into prescriptions. Though we employ the highest grade drugs, our prices are low and we do not believe are ever beaten.

NEWLIN DRUG CO.

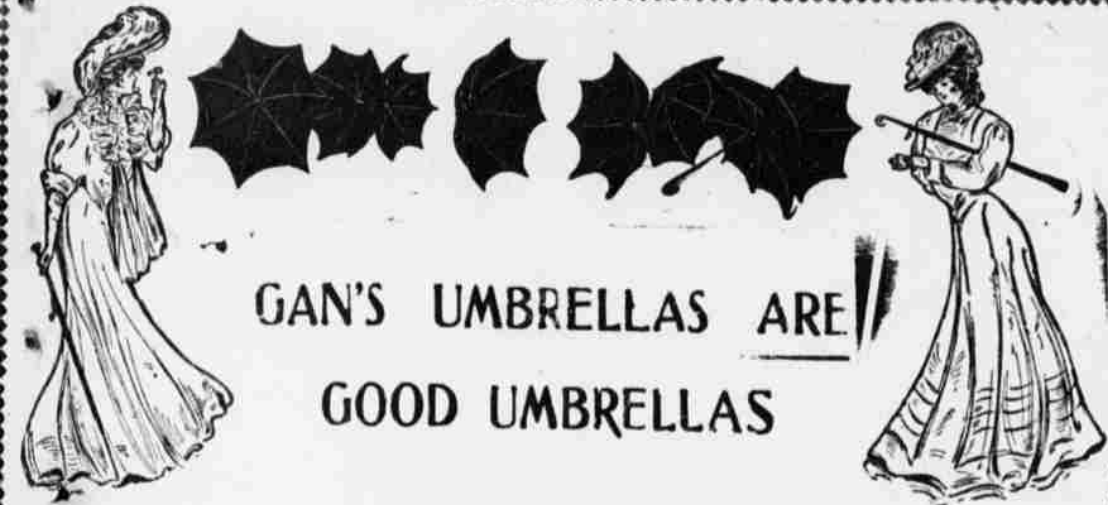
La Grande, Oregon.

La Grande, Oregon.

LA GRANDE, OREGON, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15 1906

sails from Christobal for Porto Rico this evening.

In the meantime he spent the day in La Grande, Oregon.



They're 'made (borne) in Baltimore, they're sold (raised) everywhere.' If they didn't embody "quality," first of all, the foregoing wouldn't be at all fitting—but it is.

These umbrellas stand foremost among umbrellas all over the country—they're made on steel Paragon frames—frames that won't rust—and you know rust is injurious to any umbrella fabric.

Gan's umbrellas are made in several qualities—for instance: Women's at from \$1.25 to \$6.00 Men's at from \$1.25 to \$5.00

However when you buy an umbrella with the words "Born in Baltimore raised everywhere" in it—you buy the best in the country at the price

Look for the label inside.

NEW TODAY

Ladies' Silk Rain Coats one of the best at New York of the season. All Colors Full Length \$15.00 to \$22.50

NEW TODAY

Just received by express from N.Y. Ladies' and Misses' Coats in all the Popular Styles. LADIES' COATS \$7.00 to \$25.00 MISSES' COATS 3.00 to 10.00

NEW TODAY

By Express Ladies' Furs, Scarfs and Muffs. It is conceded that Wm. H. Miller & Co's line of Furs take the lead for Style and Quality. Call and See

Phone Black 130

The Fair THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

Vergere No. 27