



THE GREATEST THING GEORGE WASHINGTON EVER DID WAS TO TELL HIS FATHER THAT HE CUT DOWN THE CHERRY TREE. HE SET A GOOD EXAMPLE. IT IS EASY TO TELL THE TRUTH WHEN YOU HAVE A LINE OF MERCHANDISE TO TELL ABOUT THAT IS AS REPUTABLE AND WELL KNOWN AS THE BORN LINE OF MERCHANT TAYLORS. THE HISTORY OF THIS FIRM DOES NOT DATE BACK AS FAR AS THAT OF THE CHERRY TREE, BUT ITS PRESENT REPUTATION IS WHAT WE CAN BOAST OF. THAT IS, ITS BEING UP TO THE PRESENT TIME, OR AS BUSTER SAYS UP TO THE MINUTE IN STYLE OF CUT, PATTERNS, AND FRABRICS.

WE HAVE A COMPLETE LINE OF 1-1-3 YD. SAMPLES, LARGE ENOUGH SO THAT ONE CAN TELL HOW A PATTERN WILL LOOK WHEN IT IS MADE UP, TO SELECT FROM, AND THE GUARANTEE OF A PERFECT FIT OF EVERY GARMENT. A GLANCE IN OUR SHOW WINDOW OR THROUGH OUR LINE OF SAMPLES WILL PROVE TO YOU THE PATTERNS ARE THE CORRECT THING FOR THE COMING SPRING IN MEN'S SUITS. GENTS FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

THE GOLDEN RULE COMPANY

1308, 1310, 1312 ADAMS AVENUE
LARGE STOCK **SMALLEST PRICES**

LOCAL ITEMS

Miss May Noyes accompanied the basket ball team to Baker City today.
 J. E. Reynolds is visiting at Hot Lake today.
 Prof. C. M. Christol is convalescent after a serious attack of la grippe.
 Miss Fannie Bull has returned from a visit with her sister in Echo.
 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Melquist of Lostine are in the city today, attending the Harris funeral.
 Mrs. George Hanson returned to her home in North Powder today after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Fritts.
 Miss Mertie Aldrich returned last evening from Elgin where she went to take the teacher's examinations now being given in Elgin.
 Mrs. Maggie Mitchell returned last evening to her home in Union after visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary Mitchell of this city.
 Miss Ollie Crawford left last evening for Pendleton where she will assume the duties of bookkeeper and time keeper for her father, D. C. Crawford the constructing engineer.
 The following rooters accompanied the girl's basket ball team to Baker City today: Fred Wines, C. Mack, Clyde Greenwood, Ben Noyes, Merrill Childers and Charles Reynolds.
 C. D. Huffman is among a number of the farmers in this vicinity who have sold their rail fence to the wood dealers in this city. After replacing the old fence with a wire one, Mr. Huffman finds he has a new fence and several dollars besides. It is an evil wind that blows no good.

NO ACTION YET

While it was generally announced that the Elks would take final action last evening on the reports of the committees on sites and finance for the Elk hall which will be erected this spring, nothing definite was accomplished. The Elks feel that they are undertaking an extensive project and prefer to make careful preparation thus insuring a satisfactory ending of the proposition.

ERROR IN OREGONIAN

County Treasurer Frawley today received a telegram from Senator McDaniel informing him that the Oregonian had made an error in printing a synopsis of the report of the legislature, and that the bill provided an increase in his salary from \$1000 to \$12,000.

This is better. Everyone conversant with the clerical work of the treasurer's office knows that Mr. Frawley has never had any assistance, on the contrary during the busy months of the year, when taxes are paid, he worked hours each day overtime and that in all departments the laborer is worthy of his hire. The county treasurer is compelled to give a large bond for the handling of the thousands of dollars that annually go thru his office and the salary is not in excess of the duties and responsibilities.

TAX NOTICES

Sheriff Childers is sending out the tax notices for 1907. If payment is not made by the first Monday in April, ten per cent penalty is added; also twelve per cent interest.
 If one half of the tax is paid by the first Monday in April, no penalty or interest is added to the remaining one half, until after the first Monday in October.
 If the entire tax is paid by March 15th, three per cent rebate is allowed.

UP AGAINST IT

Billed out from La Grande on February 3, delayed in Pendleton 24 hours, at Barnhart 48; reached Umatilla 7th, am still here. Such is the wording of a telegram received by the Realty Loan & Collection Agency from Thomas Briscoe who left La Grande with a carload of household goods bound for Portland. If the weather and railroads see fit, he may possibly reach his destination.

VERDICT AGAINST O'SULLIVAN

The jury which heard the case of Peter O'Sullivan vs. J. M. Blakely, Sheriff of Wallawa county, which went behind locked doors at noon today returned a verdict a few hours later in favor of the defendant.

RAILROAD COMMISSION

The Chapin bill, providing for a railroad commission, passed both houses, and provides for a board to appoint the members instead of the Governor.

EIGHTEEN DOG LICENCES

City Recorder Snook has up to date, issued eighteen dog licences. Seventeen of these are for male dogs.

IF YOU WANT DIRT

If you want choice soil you had better place your orders with J. L. Mars immediately. In a few days he will have a force of teams on excavation work and when he starts he will handle it quick.

LOGGING TOOLS

I have a complete line of logging tools such as Cante Hooks, Peaveys, Axes, Sledges, Saws, Chain and Cable in fact everything needed for logging.

WASHING MACHINES

I have the celebrated 1900 machine which is absolutely guaranteed they are the easiest running washing machine on the market. Try one and be convinced. I also have clothes wringers all grades and price.

MRS. T. N. MURPHY

Hardware and Grockery

BROKEN JEWELS

Your watch may run if a jewel is cracked or broken and it may keep fairlp good time.
 The pivot revolving in such a jewel, however, soon cuts and frequently breaks, thus increasing the damage and cost of repairing.
 If your watch is varying, it will pay you to have it examined.
 All repairs given my personal attention.

Heidenreich Building
 Op't Bohnenkamp's **O. M. Heacock,** NEW JEWELER AND OPTICIAN

LATE JEWELRY ARRIVALS NOW ON EXHIBITION



J. H. PEARE,
 La Grande's Leading Jeweler and Optician
 Opposite U. S. Land Office

FINEST STOCK OF DEPENDABLE JEWELRY IN CITY

Free Oregon State Lands Irrigated

You are entitled to 20, 40, 80 120 or 160 acres FREE
 you simply pay for the cost of irrigation, which is \$10.00 per acre, payable one-fourth cash, balance in three equal annual payments. Title direct from the STATE OF OREGON. This land is going fast; do not delay; call or write today.

EASTERN OREGON COLONIZING CO.

Foley Block
 La Grande, Oregon

STRICT ATTENTION
 is given to orders and there are no vexations, delays due to misunderstandings. Each patron gets precisely what he calls for and as far as possible all little individual tastes are considered.
 There is no better popular priced restaurant within many miles. The food is excellent and well prepared and is put before the guest in an appetizing way.



THE MODEL RESTAURANT

J. A. Arbuckle, Proprietor

SOCIETY

A new method of entertaining guests at least so far as precedents in La Grande are concerned, was introduced by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Cleaver last evening. At ten o'clock, when the usual crowd at the skating rink had taken its departure, fourteen guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cleaver, took possession of the floor. Needless to say the absence of a large crowd made roller skating a real pleasure.

GLEE CLUB TONIGHT

Mrs. J. Ireland and Miss Mertie Aldrich will be hostesses tonight, at the home of the latter on 4th street, of the members of the Methodist Glee Club, and invited guests.

VALENTINE SOCIAL

The young people of the Baptist church held a delightful social in the home of Mrs. E. G. Adcock last evening. The arrangements and program were in the hands of Misses Maggie Colman and Bernyce Ellsworth. Covers were laid for forty-five and a most delicious lunch was served. Menu was of the best: icecream, cake, candies, fruits ect. Two hundred thirty-four branded sweethearts were enclosed, and a guessing contest planned. Bulah Ellsworth won the first prize and Earl Short the second.
 Cupid being present inspired sentiments of love and devotion, therefore each guest gave either an original or a quoted love sentiment. From the many we quote a few, some bear the amateur's imprint.

"Here's to your wives and sweethearts—
 May your sweethearts soon be your wives
 And your wives your sweethearts ever,
 Two minds with but a single thought,
 Two hearts that beat as one.

Be thy pathway with sweet roses strewn,
 And thy hours to care unknown
 Sorrow cloud thy pathway never
 And happiness be thy lot forever.

Long may you live, and happy may you be
 Nice little man with a kid upon each knee

Listen to my pleadings, I pray,
 Be my own sweetheart; don't say nay
 Love is nice but O how bitter
 To love a sweet girl and then not git her
 The social hour ended at midnight and all went home happy.

The Pansy class of the Methodist Episcopal Junior League will give the Sunbeam and Clover classes a Valentine party at the home of Mrs. Bolton next Saturday afternoon from 5:30 till 8 o'clock.
 They claim they are going to surprise their guests.

The Ladies of the Methodist church will give a George Washington party Tuesday Feb. 19 at the home of Mr. Sriver on 4th street. A musical program has been arranged as follows:
 Instrumental Solo Miss Massee
 Vocal Solo Miss Williams
 Duet Vocal Mr and Mrs Cleaver
 Reading Mrs. Bridges
 Vocal Solo Starwood Williams
 Instrumental Solo Miss Long
 Vocal Solo Miss Aldrich

AMUSEMENT

"HUMAN HEARTS"

If there is any virtue in newspaper commendation, and if the endorsement of the public at large, for the past ten years to be taken as a criterion, then "Human Hearts" which will be presented at Steward's opera house Wednesday Feb. 20, is certainly entitled to take rank as the "Great American Drama."
 During the many years that "Human Hearts" has been presented in this country, the praise accorded it by newspaper critics and the general public has been universal. There have been no dissenting voices; the verdict of approval has been unanimous. Even rival Managers have graciously acknowledged that "Human Hearts" is a mighty good play.

BUCKLEY TO REFEREE

Dick Buckley has been secured to referee the athletic contests at the opera house next Monday night. Tickets on sale at VanBuren's tomorrow morning. Prices one dollar, seventy-five and fifty cents. Seats on the stage can be had for \$1.50.

BOISE MUSIC A FAILURE

The St Valentine dance given by the Laws String orchestra of Boise, at the Commercial Club auditorium last evening, was well attended. But the music was of such quality that dancers had left the hall before midnight.

FIVE FIRMS LOCATED IN NEW HOMES

The following firms and professional men have taken possession of their respective offices in the new bank building: The Wilcox Lumber Company, The Gen Palmer Lumber Company, Doctor Moor-master, Doctors Bacon & Hall and Attorneys Cochran & Cochran.

IN NEW QUARTERS

The Home Independent Telephone Line has leased the room in the Masonic building for a term of years and have installed their offices. Paint is now at work retouching the interior. This makes a convenient location for their central station which connects with all of the phones in this and Wallawa counties.

MOVING OFFICE

The Eastern Oregon White Pine Agency today moved its office from the room it formerly occupied in the rear of the Eastern Oregon Colonizing Company to the office rooms formerly occupied by Doctors Bacon and Hall.

CONFERENCE TOMORROW

The quarterly conference of the Southern Methodist church in this districts will be held in this city tomorrow and Sunday, Feb. 16-17, in the Methodist church South corner 3d and Jefferson.

There will be preaching at 7:30 Saturday evening. Also at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday by F. A. Looney. Details of business session will be announced later.

HARRIS INTERRED

The funeral of the late Jack Harris was held this afternoon with Rev. E. B. Hays officiating. Interment was made in the Masonic cemetery.
 The local lodge of Eagles formed a part of the cortege.