

La Grande Evening Observer

Published daily except Sunday.

CURREY BROTHERS, EDITORS AND PROPRIETORS

United Press Telegraph Service.

Daily, per month .60
Daily, single copy .05
Daily, one year in advance \$6.50
Daily, six months in advance 3.50
Weekly, one year in advance \$1.00
Weekly, six months in advance .75

Entered at the postoffice at La Grande as second-class matter.

This paper will not publish any article appearing over a nom de plume. Signed articles will be received subject to the discretion of the editors. Please sign your articles and save dis- appointment.

Advertising Rates. Display ad. rates furnished upon application.

Local reading notices 10c per line first insertion; 5c per line for each subsequent insertion. Resolutions of condolence, 5c a line, 25c a line.

RETURNING EMIGRANTS. Consul General Richard Guenther of Frankfurt, quotes a prominent German journal, representing tourist and traveling affairs, which discusses the hegra of emigrants which has recently set in from the United States toward Europe, as follows:

The emigrants returning via Bremen and Hamburg are mostly Russians, Hungarians and Austrians, and have paid their fares to their respective countries. They are in possession of considerable means, as is shown by the fact that those who arrived at Bremen on November 21, exchanged more than 75,000 marks (mark equals 23.5 cents) in Bremen banking houses for currency of their home countries. This sum is only part of their savings, as many of them carry with them American gold and other coins obtained at New York, also drafts on banks in their native countries. It has been ascertained that some of them have more than \$500 each in their money belt bags.

Most of the passengers will go again to the United States when the economic conditions there have resumed normal shape. They make good use of this forced vacation to revisit the old home and relations and to take rest and recreation after many years of arduous work in America. The native countries of these immigrants have good cause to receive them with great satisfaction, because they bring with them not alone very desirable cash funds, but also a large fund of practical knowledge acquired and experience gained in America.

ONE MONTH WITHOUT SALOONS.

The state of Georgia has been without saloons since the first of January. Atlanta is the largest city in the state and also is the capital. It has been without saloons long enough to furnish some interesting comparisons. In January last year the police court of that city had before it 1643 prisoners, 341 of them charged with drunkenness. This was when the city had its saloons.

January of this year Atlanta had no open saloon. Last month there were 768 prisoners in the police court, of whom 64 were charged with intoxication.

It will be seen that the total number of arrests in January of this year is less than half the number of a year ago, while the arrests for intoxication were 80 per cent fewer than when the saloons were in operation.

It is safe to assume that a large per cent of arrests made for other causes than drunkenness can be traced directly to the open saloon and that with no saloons crimes of all kinds are greatly diminished.

Of course there is drinking in Atlanta, even though there are no open saloons. The stuff is shipped in to some extent, but there are no open groceries to entice the man who cannot control his appetite. Atlanta has also lost a certain element of her population as a result of prohibition, but it is an element which is hurtful to any city.—Toledo (Ohio) Blade.

The Chicago Tribune states that the business of the mail order houses in that city declined \$7,500,000 last year. One big house, that in the fall of 1906 had to have an extra force of packers in the corresponding season last year laid off 1100 of their men. This is an evidence that the people

are realizing that it is best for them to spend their money where they make it.

How do the doors swing in the halls and churches in this city? Are they to be depended on to open outward in case of a fire?—The Dallas Chronicle.

WIFE OF AUTHOR A HOMEBREAKER

MRS. OSBOURNE FEARS MRS. R. L. STEVENSON.

Fearing for the Safety of Her Children Mrs. Louis Osbourne Has Left Her San Francisco Home and is Hiding Near Portland—Says Wife of Popular Author Has Offered Her a Big Sum to Secure a Divorce From Her Husband.

Portland, March 9.—Fearing that her two sons, Allan and Louis Osbourne, would be kidnaped by Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson, Mrs. Lloyd Osbourne, wife of the well known short story writer, and stepson of the famous English novelist, has left her San Francisco home and is in hiding at the home of Col. H. E. Dosch, near Portland. Mrs. Osbourne reached here Saturday night after a short trip to New York. While there she discovered that an allowance given her by her husband since their separation, and which ceased suddenly last winter, had been ordered stopped by Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson. This information was given Mrs. Osbourne by her attorney.

"I am not seeking a divorce from Mr. Osbourne," she declared at the Dosch home today. "Mr. Osbourne is in New York at present and we are good friends. All that is between us is Mrs. Stevenson. She is apparently insanely jealous of me. Because of this, Mr. Osbourne and I agreed it would be better to separate for a time. Mr. Osbourne is a clever man and very much of a gentleman, but is weak under another's thumb. Mrs. Stevenson has offered me a large sum of money to secure a divorce but I have declined. I left San Francisco and came here because I feared that Mrs. Stevenson would try to get possession of my children. I thought no one would find me in Oregon."

ELECTION QUIET BUT LIVELY

(Continued from page 1.)

caused by the freeholder system is generally lacking.

The Officers.

Ward 1.—Judges: Messrs. Warnick and Clark; clerks, McMurray and Curtis.

Ward 2.—Judges: W. H. Stoner, George Ball and John Baker; clerks, Ed Coolidge and T. B. Johnson.

Ward 3.—Judges: John Cates, J. M. Hitts and Perry Stephenson; clerks, E. S. Scott and C. C. Hamilton.

Ward 4.—Judges: B. Logsdon, Wm. Thompson, U. W. Van Fleet; clerks, C. G. Cummings and A. H. Stoll.

No Guess at Outcome.

So quietly yet earnestly have the two factions been working today, that there has been but little ulterior evidence of an election. The many conveyances representing the various candidates have been actively engaged all day. What the outcome of the election, as far as the majority is concerned, is a mystery, and the count of the ballots will be necessary before even a logical guess can be ventured. Both sides are claiming the victory by a considerable majority. There is nothing evident to bear out the candidates' statements, however.

The Minor Offices.

There is a considerable fight in the race for marshal. The outcome there, like the mayoralty, will need the official count. For recorder D. E. Cox evidently has the inside track and appears to be a winner. David Bay is running hard in the second ward, and will undoubtedly prove the wreath-getter.

In the third ward the race for councilmanic honors is proving a strong fight. C. S. Dunn claims the office by a good majority, while George Krelger is likewise confident.

WANTED—To rent, Smith-Premier typewriter; must be in good condition. This office.

THE BANKRUPT SALE



OF THE

Edward Propeck Stock

One only, 6-foot extension; \$8.50, now \$4.50

OF

FURNITURE, KITCHEN FURNISHINGS AND HARDWARE

Must be closed out REGARDLESS OF COST and store vacated before March 20th. BEST VALUES ever offered our patrons in exclusive NEW GOODS



3 Couches Values

\$14.00 now \$9.50
11.50 now 8.00
9.00 now 6.75

I have 2,000 pieces of Granite ware at prices never printed heretofore. \$1.25 Berlin kettles, 85c; 85c dish pan, 61c; 90c water pail, 63c. All kinds of pudding and sauce pans at 30 per cent below wholesale cost. Also a large assortment of white crockery in good grades and a few fancy pieces of china that will tempt you at these prices.



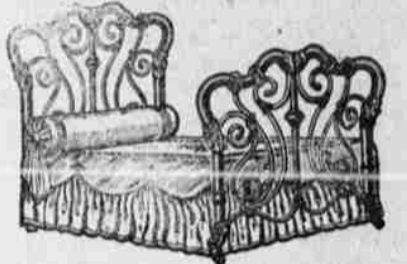
Three Charter Oak Ranges. \$48.50 Values, with reservoir \$35.75 \$47.00 Value, without reservoir, large top \$35.00



18 WETHERED CHAIRS 18

Regular \$2.25, upholstered seat, now \$1.65 Regular \$1.85, saddle seat \$1.35

You are cordially invited to inspect these goods.



Seventeen Iron Beds.

\$3.50 Values, now \$2.25
\$7.00 Values, now \$4.00
\$11.00 Values, now \$7.00
\$16.50 Values, now \$10.25

At these prices until all are sold.

Sale is on Today at the Edward Propeck Store on Fir Street

Phone Black 641. 213 FIR STREET.

F. D. HAISTEN

Phone Red 1161. 1411, 1413, 1415 Adams Avenue.

FUNERALS HELD.

Nineteen Unidentified Bodies Buried in One Grave.

Cleveland, O., March 9.—Business in Collinwood was suspended today while 21 victims of Wednesday's disaster were buried. Nineteen of the bodies, all unidentified, were buried in one grave. Three mothers fainted during the funeral services.

Honor Confederate Dead.

Washington, March 9.—Provisions of the act appropriating \$200,000 for the marking of the graves of the soldiers and sailors who died in northern prisons where they died, have been extended for two years from today, by a recent joint resolution of congress. The time originally set for the expenditure of the appropriation expires today, but there is still a surplus of \$183,000 available for this purpose.

Charged With Slaying Wife.

Topeka, Kan., March 9.—Ephraim Vancil, charged with the murder of his wife, will be placed on trial for the second time at Lawrence, Kan., today. At the previous trial the jury was unable to agree, standing seven to five for conviction.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore., January 17, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892,

DAVID E. COOK, of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5902, for the purchase of lots 1, 2 and 3, of section No. 18, in township No. 4 south, range No. 24, E. W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 13th day of April, 1908.

He names as witnesses: Volney J. Dawson, John T. Williamson, Peter J. Lilly and George B. Scott, all of La Grande, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 13th day of April, 1908.

E. W. DAVIS, Register.

All the local and the world's news of interest in The Observer each eve-

WANTED—Boy to strip tobacco. Inquire at factory, 1409 Adams Ave. The advertisements of La Grande read religiously. They contain store- merchants in The Observer should be news of vital interest to every reader.

BANKRUPT SALE

BEGINS

SATURDAY, FEB. 29

Having purchased the Heacock stock of Jewelry from the Trustee in Bankruptcy at a small per cent of its real value, it is our intention to dispose of the entire stock with in as short a time as possible and in order to accomplish this result we have marked down the original price to nearly

ONE-HALF PRICE

The Heacock stock is one of the largest and contains the most varied assortment of strictly high grade jewelry in Eastern Oregon. The stock contains a splendid assortment of Watches, Clocks, Cut Glass, Hand painted China, Rings, Chains and Lockets. The line of solid and plated silverware is as fine as can be found outside of Portland. Buyers will find that never before have the people of Union county been offered reliable jewelry at such remarkably low prices. We are not jewelers, and do not expect to become such. We simply purchased this stock as an investment and in order to make it a satisfactory one we must dispose of it at once. We have made the price so low that we believe that within a short time the entire stock will have been disposed of. A call at the store will convince you that we have marked prices down to the limit.

THE LA GRANDE INVESTMENT CO. LA GRANDE, OREGON