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THE CONGRESSIONAL RACE.

Under the above caption The Daily Optimist pushes the following editorial comment:

"There are three candidates for the republican nomination for congress in this district—ev-Governor Geer, W. R. Ellis, the present representative, and George S. Shepherd, a Portland attorney. Of these Mr. Geer is by far the best known, has had a much wider experience in the public affairs of the state and is decidedly the best equipped to represent it in the halls of congress. Reports from every part of the district indicate that he will be nominated by a large plurality, if not by a clean majority vote.

"Mr. Geer is a native of the state and has spent all his life here, living when a younger man, in eastern Oregon, in Union county, for nearly 11 years, and has since kept in close touch with its affairs and wants. He has served four terms in the state legislature, being the speaker of the house in the session of 1891. In 1896 he was one of the McKinley electors, stumping the state in every portion of it, and it was generally conceded at the time that his speeches to the farmers on the silver fallacy did more to carry the state for the gold standard than any other single agency. He was chosen to take the electoral vote to Washington in January, 1897, by his associates.

"In 1898 Mr. Geer was nominated for governor at the republican state convention by acclamation, the only instance of the kind in the history of the party in Oregon. In the following June, after campaigning in every county in the state, he was elected by a majority of nearly 11,000 over his democratic opponent, the largest majority by far ever given in the state for governor.

"At the end of his term he was defeated for a renomination through the agency of factional troubles in the party, and at once appealed to the people as a candidate for United States senator, and though carrying the state over the democratic candidate by 14,000 majority, the same influences which defeated him for the gubernatorial nomination, controlled the legislature and he was again defeated.

"For many years Mr. Geer has by common consent been regarded as the most effective campaigner in Oregon, and as he is perhaps more thoroughly acquainted with all its people and the wants of every community in every county in this district, he would make a most valuable representative in congress. The Optimist freely predicts that before he has been there four years he will have become a national figure among the big men of that body.

"Two years ago, when a candidate for the nomination for governor, though defeated by but 260 votes in the entire state, he carried 11 of the 16 counties in the district without spending any money or making a campaign. His plurality in the district was over 2000 votes, and reports from different counties at this time indicate that he will succeed in this contest by a much larger figure.

"Mr. Geer is not making a campaign against anybody else, but for himself and is actively pushing it along, visiting every county in the district and most of them several times. He stands on the right side of the great questions now of interest to the

people, and the Optimist hopes to see him win out in the present race, as Oregon requires men of his caliber and wide acquaintance with its needs in the national congress."

There are hundreds of homeseekers coming to the coast on every west-bound train passing through our city. Yesterday a trainman stated that there were 650 homeseekers aboard. All the transcontinental lines are reported to be heavily loaded and the prediction made by the railroads several weeks ago, that the travel this spring would exceed any other year by many thousands, seems to be borne out by the heavy loaded trains. Why not? We have just the country those who are being forced out of the congested east are looking for, and every family that buys and lives here a few months, writes to other friends, urging them to come. They are coming by the thousand and this great northwest can absorb millions, and each thousand that does come, makes it that much easier for the next thousand to cast their lot with us.

The owners of automobiles in Seattle are elated over the gasoline war that is now being waged by the California oil companies and the Standard Oil company. The price has now reached the lowest point at which gasoline has ever reached in the northwest—16 1/2 cents per gallon. The owners of autos in this valley would not be adverse to a little competition here. We may have to wait until the Vale oil wells come to our relief.

SIX ENGINES ARE COMING

In about one week, reports Traveling Engineer Kennedy, the Baldwin Locomotive works of Philadelphia, will start the second consignment of new engines westward for La Grande, and in something like six weeks the order should arrive here.

The batch is composed of six engines, a little different than those now in use here. They are similar to the 190 class, except that they are the 10-wheeler type. This class does not carry trailers.

There is another order of six engines that will pass through La Grande about the time the La Grande consignment arrives. These, however, are for Portland and will be used on the extreme west end of the O. R. & N.

The three engines which reached here recently in charge of Mr. Kennedy, will be set up soon and be ready for service when needed.

It is believed the 10-wheeler class will prove more effective on mountain service than the 12-wheeler type. The wheel base is not as long on the former as the latter, and make less danger in going around curves rapidly.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE.

Topic for Neighborhood Club Meeting Next Tuesday Afternoon.

The Neighborhood club will hold its regular meeting Tuesday, March 17, at the home of the president, Mrs. A. T. Hill, 1804 Third street, instead of in the club parlors. The subject is "Domestic Science." Leader, Mrs. E. C. Moore. Roll call to be responded to by a cooking recipe. There will be numerous talks and demonstrations. A full attendance of the members is desired.

This Year's Assessment.

Assessor R. A. Hug will soon have his deputies at work making the 1908 assessment. His plan is to make no change in the general basis of valuation that has been in vogue in this county for the past two years.

Store Closed.

The store of J. M. Berry will be closed Thursday and Friday. The National Brokerage & Sales Co., has a force busy remarking and rearranging the stock for the big sale beginning Saturday.

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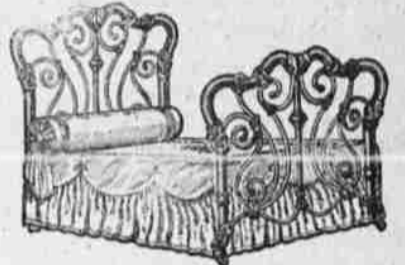
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TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore.,
January 20, 1908.

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,

EDWARD MORRILL, of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5906, for the purchase of lot 12, section 24; lot 1 of section No. 25, in township No. 1 south, range No. 35, 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 Tuesday, the 14th day of April, 1908.

He names as witnesses: Henry K. Charlton, Denver Charlton, William D. Adams, J. E. McCoy, all of Kamelea, Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 14th day of April, 1908.
E. W. DAVIS, Register.

TIMBER LAND ACT, JUNE 3, 1878.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore.,
January 10, 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,

MARY A. VAN BLOKLAND, of Island City, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 5891, for the purchase of the E 1/2 of the SW 1/4, and lots and E of section No. 6, in township No. 4 south, range No. 28, 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 her claim to said land before the register and receiver of the U. S. land office at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 30th day of March, 1908.
She names as witnesses: John Van Blokland, of La Grande, Ore.; George Pierce, of La Grande, Ore.; John Schilling, Jr., of La Grande, Ore.; Daniel B. Clapp, of Island City, Ore.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 30th day of March, 1908.
E. W. DAVIS, Register.

Better Than Spanking.

Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box W, Notre Dame, Ind., will send free to any mother her successful instructions. Send no money, but write her today if your children trouble in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

All the local and the world's news The advertisements of La Grande read religiously. They contain store of interest in The Observer each evening—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

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