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PRAISE BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

In the May American Magazine Ray Stannard Baker writes of "An Ostracized Race in Ferment." It is the story of the two great factions of negroes in this country. In the course of his article Mr. Baker pays the following tribute to Booker T. Washington:

"I have not said much thus far in these articles about Booker T. Washington, but as I have been travelling over this country, south and north, studying negro communities, I have found the mark of him everywhere in happier human lives. Wherever I found a prosperous negro enterprise, a thriving business place, a good home, there I was almost sure to find Booker T. Washington's picture over the fireplace or a little framed motto expressing his gospel of work and service. I have heard bitter things said about Mr. Washington by both colored people and white. I have waited and investigated many of these stories, and I am telling here what I have seen and known of his influence

among thousands of common, struggling human beings. Many highly educated negroes, especially in the north, dislike him and oppose him, but he has brought a new hope and given new courage to the masses of his race. He has given them a working plan of life. And is there a higher test of usefulness? Measured by any standard, white or black, Washington must be regarded today as one of the great men of this country; and in the future he will be so honored."

THE WEST WINS.

"Business has steadily increased since the first of the year," says C. M. Levy, third vice-president of the Northern Pacific, "and there has been a steady growth of traffic in the north-west since the first of the year," says the Spokane Chronicle.

Coupled with that assertion comes the statement that the Northern Pacific will spend \$1,500,000 during the next 60 days for the purchase of freight cars, in anticipation of increased business.

Western railroads are making bigger and faster gains in traffic and in net earnings than are the eastern roads. The financial solidity of the great west has been clearly demonstrated, for it was in the west that the effects of the panic were last and least felt, and it is the west that is most rapidly recovering from the subsequent business depression.

Governor Chamberlain in his opening campaign speech insisted that nowadays there was no difference between the two great parties. It was urged by him that the two great classes of public thought were traversing the same lines. It would be interesting, no doubt, if Governor Chamberlain would tell us tonight whether or not he will endorse the next republican national platform and whether or not he will vote for the candidate nominated by the next republican national convention. If President Roosevelt endorses the nominee of that convention, Governor Chamberlain, owing to his unrivaled affection for Roosevelt policies, ought not to hesitate to do so.

Governor Chamberlain will address the people of La Grande tonight. The experience of the democratic candi-

date in campaign speaking insures those who attend the meeting a first-class democratic campaign speech. It will be none the less entertaining, for the governor has well earned the name of "The Great Promiser," in as much as most of his speeches in the past have been replete with great things the governor would do, if elected. Let every one, irrespective of party, endeavor to hear the effort of the democratic candidate.

Now that the council has arranged a practical street naming system, it is well that they commence to place new name plates at the corners of each street and avenue with its correct name, where the old ones are defaced.

Machine is Popular.

The new carpet cleaning machine which is now being operated by Scott & Altheide, is daily proving more and more popular. It cleans carpets without taking them up and is the friend of the housewife.

Mrs. Lois M. Blume, Arthur L. Carter and Mr. Carter, sr., of Baker City, had business at the land office today.

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TO EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD FOR EVERY DOLLAR YOU SPEND WITH US, WE WILL PRESENT YOU FREE ONE TICKET TO THE ELECTRIC THEATR. THUS YOU SEE \$5.00 PURCHASES ENTITLES YOU TO FIVE TICKETS. BUY A \$55.00 "ACME," THE BEST RANGE MADE, AND GET 55 TICKETS AND SEE THE BIG SHOW WITH US.

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LADD CANYON

Ladd Canyon, May 6.—(Special)—County School Superintendent E. E. Bragg visited our school Monday. He gave us a very pleasant little speech advising us to always look for flowers instead of weeds or, always look on the bright side of life instead of the dark.

Misses Alta and Mary Banton spent Saturday and Sunday with friends and relatives in La Grande.

James McClure has gone to San Francisco to see the battleships and to meet "Fighting Bob" Evans. He expects to be gone the greater part of the month viewing California and points along the coast.

Mrs. James Mulholland is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turnbow and three children are expected to arrive from Wallowa county this week to visit at the home of Frank Counsell. Mrs. Turnbow is a sister of Mrs. Counsell.

Miss Kate Braden returned home

from Perry Monday morning, where she went to visit relatives. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Mrs. Ed Heath, who will remain here a few weeks visiting.

Mrs. L. W. Drumsmith is visiting on the hill above La Grande with her brother and family.

The Ladd Canyon boys are planning to have a game of baseball with the Grange hall boys at Grange hall Sunday.

Mrs. Lucy Graham gave a party Friday night in honor of the anniversary of her daughter's 13th birthday. The evening was spent in games and at a late hour light refreshments were served. Those present were Louie Phillips, Eugene Banton, Katie Counsell, Henry Counsell, Frankie Peebler, Ruth Peebler, Kittle Mulholland, Tommy Crawley and Bryan Crossen.

Mrs. Oscar Crossen, who has been quite ill, is now very much improved.

For Sale. To Exchange.

Want to exchange second-hand organ for some team work; also want some poles. See Hendricks, the reliable piano tuner.

Clean Coffee



Folger's Golden Gate Coffee

is roasted by a direct flame, which burns off all impurities and unclean matter. Weighed and packed by machinery in aroma-tight tins—No hand touches the Coffee until it reaches the consumer. Order whole roast and let your grocer grind it, or, better still, grind it at home.

J. A. Folger & Co., San Francisco

HURRAH! FOR SATURDAY

Saturday, May 9, the day of Auto Parades, Races, Band Concerts--A full day of shopping opportunities at our store

An eventful day which you should not fail to spend in La Grande. The Entertainment Committee will provide for your pleasure in the fullest measure. AT THE FAIR THERE WILL BE BARGAINS--SPECIAL BARGAINS--AUTOMOBILE DAY BARGAINS--HIGH-CLASS, SEASONABLE MERCHANDISE AT PRICE REDUCTIONS BEYOND YOUR GREATEST EXPECTATIONS



\$1.25-\$1.50 MEN'S SHIRTS, \$1.00.

20 dozen men's Dress Shirts in light, dark and medium colors, in pleated and plain fronts with separate or attached cuffs; special for Saturday, each\$1.00

15 dozen 50c Four-in-Hand Ties, 35c.

In any color you may desire, all popular widths and styles; in this lot we include all our Ties in solid colors: black, brown, tan, blue, black and white, made from extra heavy silks; special 50c values, choice Saturday35c

25c values, Men's Fancy Hose, 3 Pair for 50c; 7 pair for \$1.00.

In great variety of color combinations. Made in fine gauge and from extra fine soft cotton.

35c Hose 25c.

In lace stripe, plaid and check effects; special25c

75c Fancy Hose 49c.

Large assortment in Geneva Silk, and fancy Lisle Hose; special the pair49c



Ladies' Belts

Worth up to \$1.25 Special 25c

Ladies' Hand Bags

worth up to \$3.50 Choice 78c

Ladies' Suits, Skirts and Jackets at

special prices for Saturday

\$15.00, \$15.00, \$16.50 MEN'S SUITS--

SPECIAL, \$10.85.

\$17.50 to \$20.00 MEN'S SUITS--

Special, \$13.85.

Suits in single or double breasted cuts; light, medium and dark colors in the latest cuts from best makers; clothing of thorough worth and reliability; no exceptions; nothing reserved; all Suits, \$15.00 to \$20.00, at above special prices for Saturday, only \$10.85 and 113.85

Men's 65c and 75c medium weight ribbed Underwear; special39c



Young Men's and Boy's Suits at a Saving.

\$3.50 to \$4.50 Suits, in sizes 3 to

15; special\$2.29

\$5.00 to \$6.50 boys' Suits, in sizes

3 to 15; special\$2.98

\$6.50 young men's Suits, worth,

regularly up to \$8.50; special for

Saturday \$2.89

\$7.00 boys' 3-piece Corduroy

Suits; special\$4.89

Special Shoe Bargains

Hundreds of pairs in Mens' Bo's, Children's Misses and Ladies on our shoe bargain counters at a saving of from 50c to \$1.50 a pair.

LADIES' OXFORDS

For all the newest and most wanted styles in Tans, Browns and Blacks; Button, Lace and Blucher cuts, 2.50 2.75, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00 up to 5.00.

MENS' OXFORDS SPECIAL \$2.29

Regular 3.50 values in Black Vici Kid, in Lace and Blucher cuts, \$2.29

\$22.50 LADIES' BLACK SUITS, \$12.50.

In Panama, Serges and lightweight Chevots in short and medium length Jackets, strap trimmed and silk-lined; \$18.50 to \$22.50

Suits; special\$12.50

SPECIAL \$25.00 SUITS, SATURDAY\$21.00

These are regular \$27.50 and \$30.00 Suits, but on account of arriving late we marked them at the special price of \$25.00. They come in tan, blue and browns, in Panama and Chiffon Panama, handsomely trimmed and silk-lined; special\$21.00

SOME EXTRAORDINARY VALUES, DRESS SKIRTS\$10.00

These Skirts are in every respect equal to any \$15.00 Skirts on the market; in colors: Gray, Brown, Red and many pleasing two and three-color effects; pleated and trimmed in folds and straps; good assortment\$10.00

SKIRTS WORTH UP TO \$9.50; SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY\$3.98

SKIRTS WORTH UP TO \$6.50; SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY\$2.98

\$10.00 Ladies' Silk Jackets\$6.50

\$16.50 Ladies' Silk Jackets\$7.50

\$6.50 Misses' three-quarter length Silk Coats\$3.50

La Grande Oregon

THE FAIR

La Grande Oregon

1 PRICE

25 Ladies Suits

In Tan, Black, Grey, Blue, and Novelty Mixtures in Light and Medium Weights, on Saturday at

1-2 Regular Price

1 lot Mens' and Boy's 25c and 35c CAPS

10c