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Three thousand apple trees are being distributed in this city today. It will not be a very long period until these 3000 trees will be sending 20 carloads of fruit to far-away markets. Our fruit interests are developing more rapidly than many realize. We will soon be sending solid trainloads of apples from Grande Ronde valley. When we do, we will get better prices than we are now receiving. When buyers can go to one locality and fill their orders, they are willing to pay more than if they have to scour the entire country and get a few carloads here and a few there. We have thousands of acres of fine fruit land, and each year notes the increased acreage.

This is President Roosevelt's birthday. He is 59 years of age and is one of the liveliest combinations of flesh and blood that has been produced in this country. We, as a nation, may never know to what extent we are indebted to this peerless leader. He dared to do right and did it. The United States is today on a higher plane than it has ever been. We are beginning to respect law. This is a healthy state, and means anything but stagnation, commercially and morally.

A good slogan for a "dry" town: "If found guilty give 'em the limit." Ignorance of the law excuses no one and as the local option clause is fresh in the minds of most every man and woman who can read and write, it is hardly probable that anyone dealing in "wet goods" is not familiar with the recent ruling made by the voters of Douglas county.—Douglas County News.

Baker City is in the throes of a city campaign. The issue seems to hinge on a wide-open town. But, as is always the case, the issue is being sidetracked. The result seems to be in doubt. Baker City is about the only town in the state that tolerates public gambling at this time.

It is too bad that Thanksgiving comes so soon after a presidential election. Everyone cannot eat turkey. Some have to partake of crow.

If you cannot pick out the presidential winner at this date, you are a mighty poor guesser.

BOYS; GUNS; A TRAGEDY

Reston, Wash., Oct. 27.—While hunting in the mountains, William Adams, son of County Commissioner Willis Adams, was mortally wounded by the accidental discharge of his companion's rifle while he was riding along the road. Adams was ahead and his companion's horse became frightened, causing the discharge of the gun. The bullet entered the right side, coming out at the left shoulder. He lived eight hours, riding 25 miles horseback and five miles in a rig before reaching the hospital here.

Pictures.

Nice pictures—not expensive—at Ferguson's.

TALKFEST ON GOOD ROADS

ALL STORES IN LA GRANDE WILL CLOSE AT 2 O'CLOCK.

Judge Scott Will Arrive Tonight—
 Automobile Men Are Invited to Attend Meeting Which They Helped Bring Here—City Should Attend—
 Many Farmers Coming.

All county roads will lead to the Elks' auditorium tomorrow afternoon and all business men in La Grande will be in attendance at the Good Roads convention set for 2 o'clock, if present indications stand for aught. Tomorrow at 2 o'clock every business house in the city will close its doors by mutual agreement and the proprietors and most of the clerks will attend the meeting.

Judge Scott of Salem, who will be the moving spirit, will arrive tonight from Baker City, and be in attendance with his live boosting wires. That he will inculcate a virus of good roads fever is a foregone conclusion. Farmers to the number of 200 or 300 have been notified by special or roundabout invitations, and it is thought many of them will attend.

It behooves the city itself to attend as a body as farmers feel this is not a meeting for them alone, but for every one. Automobile men of the county have been generous in meeting expenses of the convention and they are especially invited to attend this talk-fest.

SHARP BLOW AT LOCAL OPTIONISTS

MEDFORD CASE CAN BE DUPLICATED ANYWHERE.

Supreme Court Upholds Decision of Jackson Circuit Judge, Ruling That Cities Can Change Their Charters to Exempt Them From County Vote on Local Option Issues—Opinion Written by Justice Moore on Judge Hanna's Recent Action.

Sale, Oct. 27.—A decree of Circuit Judge Hanna, enjoining the court of Jackson county from making an order declaring the result of a majority of votes cast in June in the entire county in favor of prohibition, and deciding absolutely on the interdiction of sale of liquor so that the mandate affects Medford, was affirmed by the supreme court today. The opinion was written by Justice Moore and means any city may amend its charter exempting it from the operations of the local option laws, so that outsiders in the county cannot vote the cities dry.

Doomed Prisoner Escapes.
 Eureka, Cal., Oct. 27.—Twenty armed men have been searching the hills in this vicinity all night for Denny Hazel, the condemned murderer, who escaped jail last night by locking Jailer Dudley in his cell behind him. He was sentenced to hang on October 29 for the murder of Joseph Silva last June.

Bold Diamond Robbery.
 Spokane, Oct. 27.—The police are looking for the thief who stole the diamonds belonging to Miss Laing, a companion of Mrs. John A. Finch, wife of a mining millionaire last night, valued at \$5000. They were taken under the very nose of the household. It is not known whether the thief entered the second story window or walked boldly by the servants.

Elkins Wedding in November.
 Turin, Oct. 27.—Doubt concerning the Abruzzi-Elkins wedding were removed today following the announcement by the duke that Katherine would become his bride some time in November, either at Washington or at Elkins, W. Va. He said: "I am planning to leave for America immediately and will return with Miss Elkins."

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