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### A LESSON.

Time to me this truth hath taught—  
 'Tis a truth that's worth revealing—  
 More offend from want of thought  
 Than from want of feeling.  
 Many a fear of wounded pride,  
 Many a fault of human blindness,  
 Has been soothed or turned aside  
 By a quiet voice of kindness.

The machinery of the city will soon be empowered with authority of enforcing the local option law. For many weeks the city government has been more or less severely criticized for its inactivity along these lines. Under the old charter, after the passage of the general local option law, the city government was deprived of legal authority to act. This matter was rectified in the new charter and the passage of the ordinance passed last night which will go into effect January 4 next, will give the police department every power and authority that exists by the sheriff or county officials. The ordinance also provides the same punishment as the state law. With this addition a conviction before the city recorder does not prevent the county from taking up the same case and securing a conviction. In other words, if a violator of the local option law pleads guilty before the city recorder, the records of the city could be produced before the grand jury or the circuit court and would be sufficient to convict. It often requires a little time to get the machinery of justice revolving and now that the city officers can no longer remain silent and blind without excuse, and the city can realize an income from the fines it is expected that the present number of violations will soon be materially reduced.

Users of bicycles had better inform themselves of the fire limits, equip their wheels with bells and lanterns and carry a surplus of \$5 bills in their inside pockets in case they violate the bicycle ordinance. The authorities are going to enforce the ordinance. The people generally demand it and it is the same old story when they demand a thing they usually get it. The ordinance is all right. It should be enforced and it will be. A few fines will make every one sit up and take notice. Bicycle riders and pedestrians have rights. The law provides what these rights are. Keep within the law and save trouble.

Those having bills against the city must remember that bills will not be allowed the first evening presented. This, in some instances, will work a hardship on some men; however, it is the only thing to do. No finance committee can do itself or the city justice by auditing and passing upon a large batch of bills the night they are presented. Since the council, under the new charter, must meet twice each month hereafter, claimants against the city will have no longer to wait for their money than under the system we have been working under.

What is your opinion? Did Chief of Police Biggy drown accidentally, commit suicide, or simply step into another boat and skip out? Whatever

you may think, you will find not a few of the same opinion. If things keep on as they have, by the time Heney gets able to continue to prosecute, the grafters will either all be dead or out of the way.

The placing of the court house grounds in a neat appearance will be hailed with delight by all. Shade trees and a nice green lawn will make a wonderful difference in the grounds.

Grand ball Friday evening at Elks' hall.

## TO CHANGE TIMETABLE

### GREATEST CHANGE ON THE WESTBOUND TRAINS.

Removed That Nos. 2 and 5, and 6 and 1 Will Pass in La Grande—Delay in Leaving Portland, But Hurry on to Chicago Under Faster Time—Means Radical Reduction of Running Time to Compete With the North Bank Schedules.

Next Sunday morning a new schedule will become effective on the main line of the O. R. & N. that has for its primary purpose the permission of successful racing by the Harriman transcontinental line with the Hill lines that rush into Portland over the new North Bank road. It is the purpose of the Harriman officials to reduce the running time several hours between Chicago and Portland, and in two instances the new schedule will have a considerable effect in La Grande. While nothing definite is announced, rumors have it that passenger trains Nos. 2 and 6, the eastbound, will not leave Portland as early as formerly and consequently reach La Grande at a later hour. This is especially true of the morning train which is rumored to be due, after Sunday, at 8 o'clock rather than at 6:45. What the changes with No. 2 will be, if any, is not announced, either.

**The Westbound Trains.**  
 The westbound trains will reach La Grande considerably earlier hereafter. It is said that No. 5 will reach here about the same time that No. 2 does, and in the morning. No. 1 will arrive in La Grande at 8 o'clock. These schedules are entirely rumors and nothing definite can be announced until the new time table reaches here. Local officials know nothing about the proposed change in time, except as herein stated.

**Observation Car Tomorrow.**  
 The first of the new observation cars which have been promised for the O. R. & N. is coming through La Grande tomorrow morning on No. 1, according to treatment from Green River this morning. The appearance of the new cars has been delayed a few days.

## FREEZE UP LIGHT PLANT

Because cold weather came on at a time when the water in Rock creek was at a low stage, thereby causing a freeze-up, that is the reason why the Baker Light & Power company has experienced no end of tribulations this past week, says the Baker Democrat this morning. It is one of those non-preventable things that the weather has all to do with, however much the power company makes an effort. Manager Lambirth said yesterday:

"The interrupted service is caused by ice lodging in the nozzle at the Rock Creek power house. The company has spared no expense to remedy this difficulty and is employing 12 extra men chopping ice to allow the flow of water to the reservoir. This condition is always brought about by the first freeze, especially when there is a low stage of water as there is this year, but it is only a temporary hindrance. A fall of snow will prevent a recurrence."

The above reason also explains the trouble in La Grande yesterday, which was remedied by the Grande

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## BENEFIT TO NEW PARK

A social event that should net the Riverside Park association a snug sum of money and incidentally furnish local dancers with an evening's entertainment that will long be remembered as the peer of them all, is announced for next Wednesday night. While having the color of the season's most elaborate social function, the affair is intended primarily as a benefit to the Park association. La Grande's women are not the only feminine boosters of the highest caliber in the city; the young ladies have put themselves down as similarly endowed with a similar spirit. Eight young ladies properly patroned by leading society women, will give an invitation ball at the Elks auditorium on Wednesday night. Tickets are \$1.

**Donation All Around.**  
 The invitations have been donated, the musicians have bought tickets though they are going to play and cannot dance, the electric light company is furnishing the light free of charge, and the Elks will be asked to donate the hall auditorium for the occasion. In this way the receipts will be far above the normal.  
 Invitations will be issued to 200, insuring the cream of society in attendance, yet not an overcrowded dancing floor.  
 The hostesses for this event are: Mae White, Floy Massee, Ona Scriber, Lulu Gulling, Dorothy Zuber, Frances Massee, Florence McCall and Gertrude Ralston. The patronesses for the evening are Mrs. William Bohnenkamp, Mrs. Ernest Polack, Mrs. Robert Newlin, Mrs. John Donnelly and Mrs. Joseph Carr.

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