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The Boise and Payette valley people for several months had a moving picture show traveling in the middle western states, showing the resources of their country. It follows every large gathering. For instance, this week it is in evidence at a corn show in Iowa. Last week it was at Omaha. It is very effective advertising and is doing much to attract a great deal of attention, not only to southern Idaho, but the entire northwest. One scene will show a large desolate sagebrush district with nothing to even suggest either the possibility of a home or commercial activity. The next scene will be less than 10 years later with several cities of from 4000 to 6000 inhabitants, with branch railroad running, power lines running across the country along county roads dotted with fruit and alfalfa farms and sheep and cattle feeding about numerous haystacks. These pictures are not overdrawn; they are typical of the scenes the passengers on every train witness daily. Water has worked there almost miracles. Within the next few years there will be no less than 200,000 people living in these two valleys more than is now in the entire state of Idaho.

The city council is now considering two phases of the near beer problem. A petition is before them asking that an ordinance be enacted prohibiting the sale of all malt products. The reason for this is apparent to all. We have places in this city who are known to sell almost anything contained on the usual liquor menu under the guise of near beer or some similar malt product. Other cities in dry districts have been compelled to prohibit their sale and many people in this city are of the opinion that it is necessary here. Mayor Hall has been making some investigation and at the last meeting of the council presented to the council for consideration, a copy of the Pendleton ordinance which licenses the sale of near beer, and this ordinance is now in the hands of a committee of the council which will no doubt report at the next meeting. Some of the councilmen favor licensing, but with a number of restrictions such as prohibiting minors from such resorts. This may or it may not reach the desired end, the chances are not, but I will be a decided improvement over present conditions.

As usual the first few cold or really winter blustery days we will all forget what a delightful summer and fall and so far, winter we have enjoyed. There is ample time yet for a great deal of falling weather and it is to be hoped that it will arrive on schedule time. Just remember, however, all these bright sunny days we have had and do not permit yourself to commence knocking at the weather the first time it rains, snows or freezes. If these things did not come we would none of us be here. The facts are it would doubtless be of lasting benefit to this valley to have one good dry year this very season. Our people would then appreciate the value of water and 20,000 acres could be raised in 20 days, and then those under the ditch would not worry about the rain or snowfall; they would know that they were secure.

There is every reason to believe that if the president and congress really begin the investigation of the workings of the secret service relative to the

acts of certain senators and congressmen, we may expect several interesting messages from the executive during the next few weeks. Both branches seem bent on descending to know what the president meant in his message and he has indirectly stated that he would be glad to accommodate them. The public will doubtless relish a few weeks of "pork" in aftermath of the holidays. Doubtless will not be disappointed.

There is no question but what 10,000 acres on the south side of the river can be secured for the irrigation project. This will extend to Catherine creek and will mean the subdivision of these present large holdings and will be no small factor in securing an electric road across the valley. Irrigation makes many things possible that otherwise is not.

Our every act for the next few days will revolve around Christmas. The world's festivity as no other, appeals to humanity. "Peace on earth and good will toward men," has been running down through the ages for 20 centuries, gaining momentum with each passing year.

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.

From the Little Shop.

Miss Nell has placed the Kiser hand-colored photographs with us, and you may see them in our window until Thursday evening. More water colors from Miss Stoddard's studio.

FERGUSON'S.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

- No. 1—6-room house, bath, toilet, pantry, gas cellar, wired for lights; also some good furniture. Location on Jefferson avenue. \$2,000.00.
- No. 2—7-room house, fair condition. 4 lots on W street. \$1,000.00.
- No. 3—5-room house, bath, toilet, pantry, cellar, wood house; wired for lights; location on First St. \$2,100.
- No. 4—5-room house, bath, toilet, wood house; wired for lights; location on Z street. \$2,000.00.
- No. 5—5-rooms, bath, toilet, pantry, fair cellar, barn; 2 lots set to good fruit trees; location on 2nd street. \$2,000.00.
- No. 6—4-room house, barn, two lots. Location on Trowbridge St. \$1,000.00.
- No. 7—6-room house, wood house, one lot. Location on First street. \$1,200.00.
- No. 8—6-room house, hen house, wood house, 2 lots. Location on S street. \$1,000.00.
- No. 9—5-room house, pantry, large barn, 20 bearing fruit trees; elegant outside home place. Location on North Fourth street. \$2,500.00.
- No. 10—5-room house, 3 1/2 lots; 12 fruit trees. Location North Fourth street. \$1,170.00.
- No. 11—4 rooms, cellar, wood house, some fair furniture with house. One lot. Location on S street. \$1,200.00.
- A part of the above list can be purchased with one-tenth down, balance easy payments.
- No. 12—4-room house; 4 acres land, 4 shares water; wood house. \$1,300.00.
- No. 13—3-room house, 1 acre land, 1 share water; good wood house; nice lot berry bushes. \$1,050.00.
- No. 14—5-room house, 3 closets, pantry, cellar, wood house, on 2 acres best land near town; 2 shares water; fine berry bushes; fruit trees. \$2,250.00.
- No. 15—3-room house, 1 acre land, 1 share water; wood house. \$950.00.
- No. 16—20 acres, 2 1/2 miles from La Grande. All in cultivation; running water on place; no buildings. \$1,500.00.
- No. 17—13 acres, 4 year-old orchard; 5-room house nearly finished; all new; good water for place; one mile from postoffice. \$5,400.00.
- No. 18—40 acres near Summerville; 2-room house, log barn; mostly fenced. \$450.00.
- No. 19—160 acres; 40 acres splendid timber; 12 acres under cultivation; 20 fruit trees; 2-room house, fair stable; good water; partly fenced; lots of wood on balance of farm. \$900.00.

The above is a partial list of real estate we have for sale. Let us know your wants and we will try and supply your needs.
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Notice of Sale of Impounded Stock.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will on the 18th day of December, 1908, at the hour of 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, sell at public auction at the city pound in the city of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, the following described animal, to-wit: One red and white cow, 3 or 4 years old; brand resembling H on left hip; ear marks, square crop, off left ear; square croft off and underbit and slit in right ear, marked with three due laps. Impounded December 7, 1908. Said animal will be sold for cash in hand to the highest bidder at said time and place under and by virtue of the ordinance of the city of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, providing for the impounding and selling of animals found running at large in said city.

Dated this 16th day of December, 1908.

J. W. WALDON,
 Chief of Police, La Grande, Ore.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that Otho Eckersley, administrator of the estate of William J. Shoemaker, deceased, has filed his final account as administrator of said estate and the county court of Union county, Oregon, has set Monday, the 4th day of January, A. D. 1909, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, and the county court room in the court house, La Grande, Oregon as the time and place for hearing said report and all objections thereto.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 4th day of December, A. D. 1908.
 OTHO ECKERSLEY,
 Administrator.

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