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#### TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13, 1908.

Notice is hereby given to all persons who may have claims against "The Farmers & Traders National Bank of La Grande," Oregon, that the same must be presented to Walter Niedner, Receiver, with the legal proof thereof, within three months from this date, or they may be disallowed.

LAWRENCE O. MURRAY, Comptroller of the Currency.

#### WANT BOUNTY.

Union, Baker and Grant County Wool-growers Ask for Protection.

Following the dictation of Baker-Grant-Union County Woolgrowers' associations, a committee appointed by those bodies on needed legislation, has been busy at work for several days drawing in a concise form just what they deem is best for the protection of sheep against wild animals, relates the Baker City Herald.

As outlined to the legislators from Baker county, woolgrowers ask that a bounty of \$1 per head be placed on coyotes, and that the law when passed will be harmonious to the Washington and Idaho laws of similar intent. There is no seal offered for the scalps of cougars and other mountain animals that prey upon sheep, but it is anticipated that the new law shall deal with them also.

Several years ago Oregon had a law that placed a bounty of \$2 on each coyote scalp. The amount of revenue paid out by each county in eastern Oregon was great, but there was little complaint. Western Oregon, however, could see no need for such a law and it was repealed as few coyotes roamed at will in those parts. There was not many sheep raised in that region at that time, either.

There is another development that adds to the coyote bill's importance now, however. Western Oregon has embarked in the Angora goat business quite extensively and goat raisers find their bands have attracted the coyote, resulting in considerable loss each year.

It is thought that little difficulty will be encountered in securing the passage of a suitable coyote law during the coming session.

#### Where is Reginald Wick Briscoe?

If Reginald Wick Briscoe, son of Richard Briscoe, late of Birkenhead, Cheshire, England, will communicate with the undersigned, he will hear of something greatly to his advantage.

In 1891 he was working on a farm near North Powder, Union county, Oregon, U. S. A., in the name of John or Jack Murphy. Any information concerning him should be sent to Woolley & Whitfield, solicitors, 1 Great Winchester street, London, E. C., England.

#### Together.

Robert Herrick's new book, "Together," at Ferguson's. Also Charles Rann Kennedy's "The Servant in the House."

#### Imbler Property

For sale by owner.  
Hotel and barn with 7 lots; price \$2,000.  
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For terms, call on or write  
W. T. HARTLEY,  
Imbler, Ore.

#### ARTISTIC CARTOONS.

Waldo Geddes Sketches Features of Coming Football Game.

Some of the most conspicuous windows in the city are today decorated with nifty cartoons on the coming football game between La Grande and Pendleton. The cartoons were penciled by Waldo Geddes and are up to standard. "Mickelson's Dream," "The Conqueror," "The Gladiator" and the "Bone of Contention" are the titles of the sketches.

WANTED—Local manufacturer's agent to sell and install our Never-Cool Boiler Insulator and Fireless Cooker; sells in every household; permanent income of \$1500 to \$2000 per year; few hundred dollars required to handle proposition in this town. Address for particulars, Range Boiler Insulator Mfg. Co., 359 E. Wash. St., Portland, Ore.

#### Big Russian Loan.

Paris, Dec. 22.—At a meeting today between French financiers and representatives of the St. Petersburg government, it is thought arrangements will be completed for a big Russian loan. The bonds will bear 4 1/2 per cent and will be issued in about a month.

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## We Want Your Wants IN Our Want Ad Column

Your want is placed before a thousand or more want-seekers every day—Can you afford to spend one cent per word of your want ad whose results are the keynotes?

#### FOR RENT.

##### For Rent.

I have some nice pleasant rooms for rent, with or without board. Transient people solicited. Mrs. Laura L. Stults, 1629, corner Sixth and Spring.

##### For Rent or Sale.

A six-room furnished house; will sell furniture and rent the house, or will sell both furniture and house at a bargain.

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FOR RENT—Three-room house on Second street. Inquire of Maggie Mahaffee, corner Washington and Second streets.

FOR RENT—Five-room house; close in. Inquire at Geddes grocery.

FOR RENT—Seven-room house, with bath. Mrs. Ralston, 1499 Washington Ave. 'Phone Black 1041.

#### WANTED.

WANTED—To sell or exchange 10-acre fruit ranch in bearing, with many improvements, for La Grande city property. Telephone Black 932.

#### LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—Long neck fur on road 9 miles east of La Grande, two weeks ago last Saturday. At Observer office.

LOST—A bunch of keys, between the Sommer house and the postoffice. Leave at Sommer house. James Dick.

LOST—Two small pieces of carpet on the road between La Grande and Wm. Hunter farm. Finder leave at M. & M. store, Island City, or 'phone T. J. Snider.

LOST—On the streets of La Grande Saturday, one dozen baby photos. Finder please return to Mrs. Harley Smith, or this office.

#### FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Two to four acres of suburban property, well improved. 'Phone Black 1532, or see E. W. Kammerer, 2904 Adams avenue.

FOR SALE—Small house and a 140x 120-foot lot. Buy from owner and save commissioner's fee. Inquire of J. Bachant, Cherry street.

#### Land for Sale.

40 acres of fruit, garden or alfalfa land for sale cheap if taken soon. C. D. Huffman, R. F. D. 2, La Grande.

#### For Sale.

The George Hansen property. Seven room house with bath and pantry, closet room, corner lot; good location. Street and sidewalk improvements done; part cash. Terms made known on application. A bargain if taken soon. Inquire at Ferguson book store, 12-3-1m.

FURNITURE FOR SALE—A snap if taken at once. Mrs. Fred Housh, at 1701 Fourth street.

#### WE WANT

500 to 1000 acres of land suitable for apple orchard; must be able to irrigate same. Also, houses to rent. We have demands. Why leave your house idle. THE VAN DUYN REALTY CO., LA GRANDE, ORE. Office in Scriber Block. Both phones.

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