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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.

COUNTRY BOYS WANTED FOR BUSINESS POSITIONS

Business men of Oakland and San Francisco, and other large cities, want young men reared in the country to prepare for commercial positions. Experience has shown that the average boy from the farm has habits of industry and integrity that make for success.

The Polytechnic Business College of Oakland, Cal., has made a phenomenal record in training and placing young men and women in business positions and the College is located as to provide homelike accommodations at very low rates.

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For sale by owner. Hotel and barn with 7 lots; price \$2,000. Shop with 6 lots; price \$400. 6-room house, with 6 lots; price \$1600. 3-room house with 3 lots; price \$700. For terms, call on or write W. T. HARTLEY, Imbler, Ore. 12-18-26t

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"The Devil's Auction."

Gorgeous almost beyond description is the scenic investiture of the "Devil's Auction," which appears at the Steward, January 1, while every feature of the presentation is sustained by an artist with more than ordinary ability.

Re-written and re-arranged the portions of the production a dozen years ago would hardly recognize the "Devil's Auction" under any other name.

Features in the past unknown to the presentation enhance the spectacular to a degree that makes it practically beyond adverse criticism. The initial act is about the only one that carries a strong resemblance to the

The curtain goes up revealing the same Mephisto, the evil one, the imp of darkness, the witches, skeletons, goblins and demons as of old and each is well carried, especially good being the Thomas and the



"WHAT AM I UP AGAINST?"

Scene From "Devil's Auction."

George Topack, the funny man of the combination, comes in evidence in the first act and never drops out until the curtain goes down for the evening.

"The Volcano of Hades" is an electric novelty that holds the audience closely. With every movement of the characters almost there is a change in the scenery, every piece of which is rare in its richness and most delightful in its effect.

The singing and dancing numbers are wholly unlike anything ever shown with the presentation before, and during the entire performance there is not a dull or insipid one.

In the chorus there are a number of pretty faces and graceful forms, and the voices are sweet and pleasant to hear.

FUNERAL ON WEDNESDAY

If Charles England arrives home from Missouri next Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning, the remains of Z. L. Benton who died Saturday morning, will be laid to rest next Wednesday morning. Mr. England left for La Grande last Saturday evening, and unless his trains are delayed, he will be here as stated. Should there be a delay in his arrival, the funeral will be postponed further.

The services will be held at the England home Wednesday morning, according to the present plans, and Rev. W. H. Gibson will be the officiating clergyman.

Two Feature Teams.

There are two features at the Seattle this week which will please vaudeville lovers. There is truth in the announcement from Manager Gardiner that the coming week's attraction in vaudeville has never been equaled before. The two feature teams are here with others less strong to back them up, but this week he has two strong teams. Brett & Mason put on sketches, three changes during the week, each and every one being high-class stuff. The Gilbert sisters are tip-top singers and entertainers.

Union ice cutters have been putting up ice this week. Ice is from five to six inches thick, which is heavy for this country. Last winter there was no ice to put up at Union.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Stewart and son left for Portland Tuesday to spend the winter, and will be located at 35 East Twelfth street. They are certain to come to Union again in the spring.

The city charter election is next in order, January 7. Let there be a full expression of public sentiment on this proposition—a step toward the installation of a municipal lighting plant.

Joseph Wright last week received a fine new 30-horse power Mitchell auto, costing \$1500. The machine is a beauty and when the season opens up, Mr. Wright will set the pace for some of the fast ones in this section.—Union Republican.

MORE CHUTES An addition is being built to the traveling coal chutes, connects to the elevated railroad in the local yards which will facilitate the filling of locomotives with coal. The pockets are included in the addition making 12 in all. The coal which previously piled itself about the pilings of the elevated, has been removed on one side completely to allow construction of the protection wall that will forestall damage to the piling by spontaneous combustion.

- Advised Letters. Mrs. J. J. Baxter. Miss Hazel Brover. Violet J. Johnston. Mrs. Marie Morgan. Mrs. H. A. Moss. Mrs. Bell Millspough. Mrs. Ella Rinehart—3. Mrs. Emma Wright. Mrs. Margaret Wigner. Miss Gertie Williams—2. Clarke Alexander. Henry Blahm. Fred Buetow. George Dewey. Thomas Johnson. Mrs. George Kansas. A. J. Hunt. Michael Kenney. Frank Moore. Z. A. Nielson. B. J. O'Connor. Charles E. Scott. Bill Wade. G. M. RICHIEY, Postmaster.

NERVE FAILED HER.

Oakland Woman Crazy Because Husband Had an Affinity. San Francisco, Dec. 27.—Crazed by her husband's confession that he loved another woman, Mrs. Mary Planne of Oakland, yesterday leaped from a ferry boat. Her condition is serious. Leaving the side of her 5-year-old daughter, the woman sprang over. On striking the water her instinct to live asserted itself and she managed to keep her head above water until a boat reached her. She was married in Hawaii six years ago, and was happy until her husband confessed he had an affinity.

We Want Your Wants 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 as when 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, 1620, 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. LA GRANDE INVESTMENT CO. FOR RENT—Five-room house; close in. Inquire at Geddes grocery. FOR RENT—Seven-room house, with bath. Mrs. Ralston, 1409 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. LOST—Last Saturday, between Imbler and R. M. McKinzie ranch, a pair of white Angora shaps. Finder please return to, or phone J. L. Woodell ranch. Reward. 24-2t

- FOR SALE. FOR SALE—Two to four acres of suburban property, well improved. Phone Black 1532, or see E. W. Kammerer, 2004 Adams avenue. FOR SALE—Small house and a 140x130-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—1 chiffonier, 1 center table, 1 single bed with mattress, 1 refrigerator, 1 lady's saddle; cheap if taken at once. Phone Red 871, E. Sebbelov, opposite sugar factory. 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. 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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