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- 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.

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## WHAT OTHERS SAY OF IT

The first performance of a week of the "Devil's Auction" at the Colonial theater was given Sunday night with a good house. The music was especially enjoyed by the audience, and the extravagant number of stage specialties were a constant surprise.

George Topack, or "Tobey," the donkey that was transformed into a man and became the favorite of the heroine was also the favorite of the spectators. The "hit" of the evening was the direction of "Tobey," when disturbed after being put to sleep by the magic wand of the devil: "Wake me when they have the R. G. W. depot completed."

"Devil's Auction," associated everywhere with the name of Charles H. Yale, probably has been seen at least twice in every city or any pretensions in the United States, and has been applauded by millions in the many years that it has been going about the country, breaking into every circuit where there was a stage large enough to take care of the marvelous scenery which is necessary to the proper presentation of this extravaganza.

Despite the fact the people hang to it tenderly and still go to see it, wherever it plays and whenever it is put on. It always pleases, as the jokes and music are kept up to date all the time, and are localized in such a way that they get the laughs where newer jokes might strike zero weather.

The costuming of the company that is with the production her this week is new and fresh, the songsters have their voices with them and all goes well. One who has not seen "Devil's Auction" should remedy it at once. It is usually worth the trouble.—Inter-Mountain Republican, Salt Lake. The "Devil's Auction" appears at the Stewart January 1.

### AIM TO RECHRISTEN THE TOWN OF ECHO

J. B. HORNER REPRESENTS UNION COUNTY ON BOARD.

Name "Echo" Not Suitable for Stock-feeding Town, Says the Geographic Board—Other Changes.

Pendleton, Dec. 28.—That the name of the town of Echo may be changed to a name believed by the Oregon Geographic board to be more appropriate and to one of historical significance, is the opinion of Major Lee Moorhouse, who returned yesterday from Portland, where he has been attending the first meeting of the board of which he is a member.

Echo, according to the plan discussed at the board meeting, may be known as Henrietta. The name will carry a reminiscence of the stirring Indian wars of '56, at which time Ft. Henrietta was established in that vicinity by soldiers from Ft. Dalles. The name was originally given in honor of Henrietta Haller, wife of Major Haller, in command at The Dalles, who, when the soldiers were ordered into this section to fight the Indians, furnished them with a wagon to haul their supplies.

Later J. H. Koontz and Major Moorhouse called the town Echo, in honor of Mr. Koontz's daughter, the late Echo Koontz Miller. Now a movement is on foot to restore the old name.

#### Many Changes Discussed.

Many other proposed changes were discussed, according to Major Moorhouse, at the first meeting of the board, which was held in the office of the president, Will G. Steel, in the Lumber Exchange building. The

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board divided the state into districts in each of which one member will gather data regarding the history of the localities in which names are objectionable. In this work Major Moorhouse will have the counties of Umatilla, Wallawa, Morrow, Malheur, Harney, Grant, and Baker. The other divisions were:

Will G. Steel—Multnomah, Clackamas, Hood River (Klamath, Lake, Josephine and Jackson).

Joseph Schafer—Lane, Douglas, Coos, Lincoln, Linn and Curry.

John B. Horner—Union, Crook, Gilliam, Wasco, Wheeler, Polk and Benton.

George H. Himes—Clatsop, Columbia, Marion, Tillamook, Wasco, Washington and Yamhill.



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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 371. 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

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

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