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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.

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CANNERIES EXPLAINED

CONCISE STATEMENT OF WHAT AND WHO BENEFIT.

The Benefits to Be Derived From a Cannery in La Grande Are Varied—Farmer, Business Man and Laborer

During the present agitation for a cannery in La Grande, the questions come up, "What do they do? What are they? and How does the public benefit?"

The Observer takes pleasure in publishing what is perhaps the best condensed synopsis of the benefits of a cannery, that has yet been compiled in eastern Oregon:

A cannery factory will give the farmers a ready cash market for vegetables and fruits.

Sweet corn will be a money crop, the advantage will be that the farmer will know before he plants the sweet corn just how much per ton he will get for it; he will have a binding contract with the Canning company for so many acres at \$7 per ton in the husk. Besides yielding a large cash sum per acre, the farmer has stalks, husks and green cobs for feed.

Strawberries, raspberries and blackberries are worth about 5 cents per quart at a cannery; the crates and cups are returned to the grower, as the factory has no use for them, thus with no expense for crates, cups, freight, commission, etc., etc., it would pay to harvest every last berry.

Peaches, apples, pears can be very profitably disposed of at a cannery factory. Thousands of bushels of culls and windfalls can be turned into money.

Beans will net the farmers about \$200 per acre, and at 60c a bushel when canned, will bring \$2 to \$2.40, leaving good profit to stockholders.

Tomatoes, pumpkin and beets are also profitable to the farmer where there is a ready cash market and are also a profitable article for a cannery factory to pack.

A cannery factory will benefit the farmer. This will benefit every business man. It will give the farmer more money and ready cash, and many will not ask for credit as often as they do now, as cash is always preferred by merchants.

Suppose each farmer plants and markets a few acres of pumpkins, sweet corn, tomatoes, beans, beets, etc. It means increased revenue from his farm \$200 to \$1000 a year, according to acreage.

Is not every farm worth more? Will it not sell for more, or rent for more, and the buyer or renter be more sure to make his payments when he can diversify his products and get cash at various times in the year by the use of a cannery factory?

These are some of the reasons why farms which are located near a cannery factory sell for more and rent for more than farms that are distant from such an institution.

Benefits to Labor.

A cannery factory will employ 75 to 150 hands. Boys and girls can earn a nice sum, as cannery factories are run to full capacity when there is no school. Farming becomes more diversified, land produces four to eight times as much per acre in cash and farmers are better able to hire help.

Two or three hundred acres of ordinary farm lands will grow sufficient raw material for a cannery factory.

A factory will can pumpkins, berries, peaches, sweet corn, cabbage, beets, beans, apples, etc., which means unlimited market for the farmers who take shares, as their products are preferred. Tomatoes can be canned if grown, and growing them enriches the land and yields from 500

to 500 bushels per acre and always bring from 25 to 35 cents per bushel, an average crop being 400 bushels, or \$120 per acre.

Raw material for the factory will bring hundreds of dollars per acre, so that a small patch will increase the earnings of a farm more than many times the cost of several shares.

A farmer thinks nothing of losing money by feeding pumpkins, etc., to hogs. Why not put some money in a cannery factory, so all the above products can be sold in the can at the highest market price, as the factory has the world for its market? The demand for canned goods is growing daily. They are shipped for cash only and cannot perish.

A cannery factory gives the producer a cash market for his product, the middle men are done away with, consigning is at an end. The producer is put in direct communication, or as near as possible, to the consumer, and that is the way it should be.

Only your co-operation is required to establish a cannery factory here, which would be of inestimable value to the community.

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that H. M. Bennett has been appointed by the Hon. County Court of Union county, state of Oregon, administrator of the estate of Iza W. Bennett, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, to the said administrator at his home about two miles southeast from Elgin, Oregon, or to R. H. Lloyd, attorney for said estate, at Elgin, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1908. H. M. BENNETT, Administrator of Said Estate. R. H. LLOYD, 29-4-11-17-24 Attorney for Said Estate.

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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.

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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 140x 130-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. Seibelov, 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

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