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**SONG OPTIMISTIC.**  
 ♦ A cheerful word will smooth a frown,  
 ♦ A blithe word stop a tear;  
 ♦ A laugh may go resounding down The dull aisles of a year.  
 ♦ A nod may make a friend for you,  
 ♦ A song may still a sigh  
 ♦ Within a heart where sorrow grew.  
 ♦ And win a sweet reply,  
 ♦ —Stacey E. Baker in the Circle.  
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The trainload of tourists that passed through on this morning's train, went into raptures over our beautiful valley. Of the thousands that are actually coming into our state, we in time will secure our share. We have the natural resources and diversified interests to make a great commonwealth and with the advertising that has gone from the Pacific coast the past few years, and is being sent out broadcast every day, is securing results in the way of crowded trains over all our transcontinental lines.

We heard some say last fall that the alfalfa hay business was being overdone in this valley. The present prices do not warrant the assertion. The facts are, we are just beginning to raise alfalfa, and the more we raise the more dairy products we will market and the more trainloads of stock will be shipped out. If we grow more then we can consume, we can grind it into meal and ship the product. Alfalfa is too valuable a stock food to ever cause an over-production.

The recent deep snow in the mountains is hailed with delight by all. It means prosperity later.

**No Nearer Solution.**  
 Newark, March 11.—Although several members of the congregation of the St. Stanislaus Polish Catholic church are under arrest, the police are no nearer a solution of the murder of Rev. Ernest Awonjo yesterday, in the rectory of the church. It is now thought Miss Tonista, the house-keeper shot by the assassin, will recover. She was the only witness.

**ALBUQUERQUE STORM**

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 unidentified American was found frozen to death near Islet and five Mexican sheepherders were lost on the mesa several days ago.  
 The storm is general throughout this territory. Reports tell of heavy property loss. A report from Roswell says the new armory building was blown down during the blizzard and several other buildings wrecked.

**Cooper Defense Arguing.**  
 Nashville, March 11.—Attorney Washington today resumed the argument for the defense in the trial of Col. Duncan Cooper and John Sharpe, charged with the murder of Senator Carmack. He declared Robin was justified in shooting Carmack to protect his father.

Superintendent D. W. Campbell, Trailmaster J. D. Matheson and Master Mechanic J. T. Langley returned in Mr. Campbell's special car from a tour of inspection on lines between here and Joseph, this afternoon.

**RULE FAVORS LOCAL MEN**

**SUCCESSOR TO ROBERTS MUST BE AN EXPERT.**

**Ballinger Sets New Precedent in Political Practice by Demanding Expert Accountant as Successor to Reassigned Receiver—Leaves Outsiders Out of Race—All La Grande Men Seeking Appointment Are Already Skilled Accountants.**

A rather new and certainly laudable ruling has gone out from Secretary of the Interior R. A. Ballinger at Washington, to the effect that political influence will not alone suffice in the appointment of a successor to A. A. Roberts, receiver of the land office in this city, whose resignation has been accepted. The ruling strikes a new pose of the situation, which in every respect is favorable to the La Grande candidates for the office. Jonathan Bourne has the say in the recommendation, but he must be guided by competency.

According to Secretary Ballinger—who hails from the far west and has already proved to President Taft his fitness for secretary—Bourne must name a successor to Roberts who is an expert accountant.

Fortunately for La Grande candidates, all hold that distinction. It is reported that Patterson, of Baker City, had the strongest political influence for the position, but being a young and promising attorney, has naturally overlooked the expert accountant clause. It is thought that Patterson is out of the race. The Pendleton man is said to be in the same category. Bourne will name the lucky person just as soon as the special session convenes.

**HOME CURE FOR ECZEMA.**

Oil of Wintergreen, Thymol, Glycerine, Etc., Used as a Simple Wash.  
 It really seems strange that so many people suffer year in and year out with eczema, when it is now no longer a secret that oil of wintergreen mixed with thymol, glycerine, etc., makes a wash that is bound to cure.  
 Old, obstinate cases, it is true, can not be cured in a few days, but there is absolutely no sufferer from eczema who ever used this simple wash and did not find immediately that wonderfully soothing, calm, cool sensation that comes when the itch is taken away. Instantly upon applying a few drops of the wash the remedy takes effect, the itch is allayed. There is no need of experiment—the patient knows at once.  
 Instead of trying to compound the oil of wintergreen, thymol, glycerine, etc., in the right proportions ourselves

we are using a prescription which is universally found the most effective. It is known as the D. D. D. Prescription, or Oil of Wintergreen Compound. It is made by the D. D. D. Co. of Chicago, and our long experience with this remedy has given us great confidence in its merits. Newlin Drug Co.

**HATED HIS GOLD.**

**Italian on Train Near Baker Anxious to Throw Money Away.**

With \$75 piled on the window sitting in a chair car, an Italian on an eastbound train proclaimed to his fellow passengers that Jesus had no money and for that reason he wanted none, relates the Baker Herald. Traveling Passenger Agent Jack O'Neil was on the same train and was

attracted by the strange statement of the Italian. He remonstrated with the foreign brother, admitting that money was a great curse but stating that it is also a necessary adjunct when one is travelling on the O. R. & N. or any other transportation line. O'Neil ascertained from the conductor that the man was ticketed for Baker City. This pleased O'Neil and he remarked, "There is no town on the line that will take better care of this man."

When the train reached this station the Italian brother, who had become deranged over religion, was taken off and the money that he refused to touch was turned over to Agent Daugherty, who gave the man a receipt for it. He was then taken to the Sisters' hospital, where he will remain until his mind settles.

**PHONE BLACK 1251**  
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**The Second Hand Dealer**  
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**STEWARD'S OPERA HOUSE**  
 Event of the Season  
**MONDAY, MARCH 22nd**  
 ENGAGEMENT OF THE DISTINGUISHED ACTOR  
**MR. CHARLES B. HANFORD**  
 Accompanied By **Miss Marie Drofna**  
 IN A BRILLIANT SCENIC PRODUCTION OF  
**"The Merchants of Venice"**  
**MR. HANFORD as "SHYLOCK"**  
**MISS DROFNAH as "PORTIA"**  
 And a Company of Thirty  
 Seats on Sale Saturday Morning, March 20. Prices:  
 \$1.50; \$1.00; 75c; 50c.

**Steward Opera House**  
 D. H. STEWARD, Manager  
 Four Nights Starting Thursday March 11th  
 THE POPULAR AND EVER-PLEASING  
**Curtiss Comedy Co.**  
 SUPPORTING THE CHARMING ACTRESS  
**MISS LEOTA HOWARD**  
 Opening Thursday Night in the Absorbing Semi-Military Play  
**"LYNWOOD"**  
 You now Our Prices: 10c; 20c and 50c. No Higher **MATINEE SATURDAY**

Cut this out	Sec. _____	Curtiss Comedy Co. <b>LADIES FREE TICKET</b> This Ticket will Admit ONE LADY FREE	Cut this out
	Row _____		
	No _____	PRICES 10c 20c 30c No Higher	
	to the Performance of "LYNWOOD" at the Steward Opera House, Thursday Night, March 11th, when Accompanied by either Lady or Gentleman with ONE PAID THIRTY CENT TICKET		

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 Just the kind of drinks for cold weather.  
**CLAM BROTH** **BEEF TEA**  
**CHOCOLATE With Whipped Cream**  
**SELDER, THE CANDY MAN : : :**

**SIREN DEVELOP THE BUST**  
 SHE'S A QUEEN! SHE'S A SIREN!  
 is an expression that is always heard at sight of a well developed woman. If you are flat-chested, with undeveloped, a swamy neck, thin, lead arm—remark will never be applied to you. "SIREN" wafers will make you beautiful, bewitching. They DEVELOP THE BUST in a week from 3 to 6 inches and produce a fine, firm, voluptuous bosom. They fill out the hollow places, make the arms handsome and well modeled and the neck and shoulders shapely and of perfect contour.  
 Send for a bottle today and you'll be pleased and grateful. "SIREN" wafers are absolutely harmless, pleasant to take, and convenient to carry around. They are sold under guarantee to do all we claim or MONEY BACK.  
 Price \$1.50 per bottle. Inquire at good drug stores or send DIRECT TO US.  
**FREE.** During the next 30 days only—we will send you a sample bottle of these beautifying wafers on receipt of 10c to pay cost of packing and postage if you mention that you saw the advertisement in this paper. The sample alone may be sufficient if the defects are trifling.  
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