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Where are those parties who were figuring on an apple drier and varegar factory last fall. Now is the time to begin operations in that i'ne. Each year makes such an industry more and more required as our fruit industry is growing much more rap-Idly than few of us realize. New acreage in both large and small tracts is the order of the day and has been for several years, and will continue. There are several speculators at this time figuring on putting out large tracts and selling it out in ten and twenty acres. This has proved a profitable investment where ever attempted in the past few years and has resulted in hundreds of acres of fine growing orchards in the valley that otherwise would not have ben. Many people are willing to pay for young orchards and ment market, says a correspondjust going into bearing when they ent.

La Grande Evening Observer are not willing to go to the trouble of selecting fruit land setting out the trees and caring for them during the waiting period for an income.

Early closing

Spring work is begining earlier this season than usual. The weather has Daily, per month......... 65c had great deal to do with this con-Daily, six months in advance...\$3.50 dition, usually it is not safe to conemence building this mouth, but build-Weekly, six months, in advance.. 75c ings of all kinds have progressed all winter. Our usual late springs give cause for nervousness to those engaged in business and trades as they expect things to open sooner than they

> District Attorney Jeroma of New York who used to make material for front page stories for several years and in fact was one of the forerunners of the present day reform in manieipal matters, seems to have lost none of his old time vigor as he organized a raid on several gambling dens the other day, which created no small

> Among the next big paydays for his community will be the cashing of the first dividend of 45 per cent on the Farmers & Traders bank. This will be several weeks honce, but it will be looked forward to with expectation for not a few.

> every way. The first do touble inprovement came with the increased railroad traffic, no more holidays and the extra list is almost a thing of the

We had little touch of reputable March weather for an hour or more recently, but the sun was shining bright this morning to greet the early

Monmouth need a harness shop

William D. Shell died at the Orton home at an early hour this mocning after a lingering illness the chief ailment being heart disease. Friends here have wired to relatives in Iowa to ascertain what disposition will be made of the remains.

Mr. Shell came to La Grande several years ago and during almost his entire stay here was employed in the La Grande Iron Works as expert pattern maker. Of late he has, but been able to work but little and the last two months, no work at all.

He is survived by four children three of whom live in Iowa and a daughter Cleda, aged 8 years, who now makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Cleaver of this city.

Demand for farm labor has been much greater than the available help the last week is the report from La Grande real estate men and employment agencies. Farmers want men quite badly, but little response is made to the advertisements for labo .-ing men. Greeks are plentiful, but as a rule they are confined to section work as few farmers care to hire.

At this early date the employment agencies are surprised at the numerous demands and they predict that workmen will be scarce this number. Wages now are \$30 per month and board, for farm work.

La Grande will add one more to ber when for the first time banks in this county will close at 3 a clock. This action on the part of the flacticial institutions may seem a hardship to merchants, at least for a time, but

thusiasts among the bank suployees. Sugar continues

NOVEL PEATURES.

Band Concert to Produce That Novel Overture, "Sky Pilot."

It would seem almost impossible nowadays to write an overture containing any novel features, but Mr. Laureng has succeeded in the case of 'Sky Pilot," which will be rendered as one of the features in the La Grande band concert at the Steward April 5. The musician has composed a spirited number, full of original and most strking effects. No finer overture has been written in a long time.

Foresters of America.

Attention is called to a special summon meeting of Court Maid Marion No. 22, F. of A., in their hall this evening at 8 o'clock for election of delegates to Grand Court. Every member is urgently requested to be pres-

H. B. HAISTEN, Chief Ranger.

WANTED-Experienced man wants position as gardner. Spading, seeding gardens and repairing lawns a specialty. Address "A," 'Observer.

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ALMOST NOTHING

In order that homeseekers and land buyers may see Alberta at the lowest possible expense, the Canadain Pacific Railroad Company has made a rate of but \$15.25 from Pendleton to Calgary, the lowest rate ever offered between these points and places the trip to the Calgary district within the reach of every homeseeker.

The Canadian Pacific Railroad Company has just opened up the central section of its 3,000,000 acre tract in the Bow River Valley, east of Calgary. This immense tract is divided into three sections and heretotore the western section has been upon the market. Recentlo all the wheat land in the western section has been advanced to \$15.00 per acre, making a handsome profit for those who bought last fall at \$10 per acre. In the central section, which has just been opened, the company is now offering excellent wheat land on the main line of the Canadian Pacific and on the line of the Canadian Northern at \$10. \$11.50 and \$13.50 per acre on ton years time. This land is excellent wheat land and is in the midst of a new irrigated district where a half a million dollar reservoir is to be constructed this year and where the company will spend hundreds of thousands of dollars in ditch construction and other developments.

With railroads being built through the country and settlement advancing at a rapid rate this new land will advance from \$5. to \$8 per acre within the next few months. You cannot afford to let money lie idle with such land investment open to you. Pay one-tenth in cash and let the crops pay the remainder, or sell at a handsome profit before another pay-

ment is due.

Fortunes have been made and are today being made in Alberta wheat lands and you are missing the last best opportunity to secure cheap good lands on the American Continent.

Next Party Goes April 5th

J. E. Reynolds, La Grande, Oregon Jonathon Johnston, Pendleton, Oregon