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### The Annual Migration.

Our grandsires lived on the "old home place"—

The Spot where they were born!  
We well may say it with crimsoned face

And voice of shame and scorn.  
Their life in a stupid circle ran,  
Dull, foggy folk were they;

Hurrah for the man with the moving van—  
Hurrah for the first of May!

How odd to stick to the selfsame view,  
Ceiling and floor and wall.

When agents at ten or half-past two  
In automobile will call!

How odd, consecutive years a span,  
At one address to stay!

Huzza for the man with the moving van—  
Huzza for the first of May!

Midst all the city of house and flat  
Are some we have not seen—  
They fill those visions o' night, begat  
By wanderlust, I ween.

'Tis out, 'tis out, for remain who can?  
The prick of spring obey!

Three cheers for the man with the moving van—  
Hip, hip, for the first of May!

Up with the rugs, good-by, farewell,  
Meet you again, maybe.

Where do we go? Can't yet quite tell,  
Whenever we stop we'll see.

Chair and picture and pot and pan,  
Haul them away, away!

Oh follow the man with the moving van,  
For now is the first of May!

Edwin L. Sabin.

State Engineer John H. Lewis, in a lengthy speech at La Grande, explained the new water code adopted by the last legislature. His explanation is no doubt complete, but when she gets to the end of it this is the conclusion: Under the former laws of Oregon water litigants had redress in the circuit court, while under the new law water litigants must first air their grievances to the commission after which it is taken to the circuit court. In other words, we find our way to the same place only in a little more circuitous route. The burden of litigation rests on the circuit court now just as it did before. Then where is the new water code of such great benefit? It serves chiefly to give Mr. Saxton and another Chamberlain advocate at Klamath, a job each of \$200 a month. That probably is of considerable consequence to the men appointed and may help Chamberlain but the people at large fail to see wherein they are benefited.—Baker City Herald.

Several of the leading magazines are printing a series of articles pertaining to the knowledge gleaned from our public schools by the students.

If this knowledge is not practical, is it not pitiful? Neither in the school room nor at home have girls been taught to place marriage, wifehood and motherhood on the same plane with history or civics, says the Woman's Home Companion, "And if you do not know what this means—then this incident may help you to understand."

Mrs. Hetty Green, worth fifty millions in her own name, and a woman of many eccentricities, but great shrewdness, was waiting in a Brooklyn courtroom for a case to be called. Thirty women seeking freedom from matrimonial fetters were waiting to be called.

Hetty Green looked them all over, and then she turned to a reporter.

"Poor things," she said, "poor things! And if they'd ever been taught to take care of a home, to love a home, they wouldn't be here. They didn't think that marriage meant anything more than someone to pay for the cheap finery they had paid for themselves before marriage. They did not know that happiness in being married lies in knowing how to make a comfortable home for themselves and their husbands."

The question of changing the constitution of our state to permit the state to build and operate railroads will be one of the live issues of the next campaign; but it depends very much on the policy outlined whether or not it will prevail. If these sections of the state that now do not have transportation facilities desire to bond themselves to build railroads, well and good, but those sections of the state that have railroads will hardly vote a tax on themselves to build roads into territory not tributary. There are precedents that can be cited showing where this policy has been successful, and on the other hand there are states which have tried it and made dismal failures in attempting to go into the railroad business. There is no question but what the growth of this state has been greatly retarded by not having proper transportation facilities; but it is possible that before election time arrives considerable activity in railroad building will be in evidence.

It is strange why Elgin's sister towns can never say a good word for her. A stranger came in this week and said if he hadn't met an Elgin man in La Grande he would hardly have known that Elgin was on the map, being informed that the field of opportunity was limited here. Not only one town, but nearly all seem to be knocking us. There must be some good thing here of which we know nothing about. Our neighbors are either scared of us or else they are a lot of narrow soled, thinned crusted individuals. Elgin people are too busy boosting for Elgin to say a harmful word of her sister towns.—Elgin Recorder.

You've got the wrong hunch, brother La Grande is not knocking Elgin. Your informant was talking to a sore head.—Ed.

There are several corporations in the state that for many years have been holding large tracts of land that was secured years ago at a few cents per acre, that will reap the harvest they have been looking forward to for many years when the interior of the state is traversed with transportation lines.

Only a few more weeks of school. The boys and girls are beginning to look forward to their vacation. The worst of it all is, the examinations come first.

According to a daily press report a safe lock has been invented which is provided with phonographic mechanism so that it can be opened only by the voice of the owner. A mouth-piece like that of a telephone takes the place of a knob on the door, and this is provided with the usual style or needle which travels in a groove in the sound record of the phonograph cylinder. Before the safe can be unlocked the password must be spoken into the cylinder by the one who made the original record. The report does not state what would occur if the owner should come down to his office with a bad cold.

Already real estate has begun to move on the strength of the irrigation project. Just wait until the bonds are placed, or rather, until the necessary amount of acreage is signed up to warrant the issuing of the bonds. Then the way real estate will be in demand will be a revelation to many. The year or two following the coming of the sugar factory will simply be an incident.

Next Monday when the Supreme Court meets in Pendleton the familiar face of Judge Bean will be missed by the bar of Eastern Oregon. However, Judge McBride will receive a loyal welcome as this will be his first official work as the successor of Judge Bean.

Those in the eighth grade have the impression that examinations this year are to be much more exacting than is usual in order that as few as possible may be promoted into the high school, owing to the crowded condition. Whether this is true or not, those who fail to pass can take this view of it.

A number of our people are already planning to visit Willowa late this summer when the outing season opens, and it is expected that several excursions will be run at intervals during the summer. Joseph will undoubtedly become one of the greatest summer resorts of the State.

It is stated that nearly 150 teachers have applied for positions to teach in the La Grande public school next year, by far the largest number to select from in the history of the school. The board will select teachers next week.

### EYE SPECIALIST.

George E. Thome, representing Dr. Pons, the eminent eye specialist of Boise, is in the city. Dr. Pons will arrive Sunday night. (5-1)

### FOR THE LADIES.

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