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DELIVER US FROM MORE.

Some one in Oregon is working overtime to coin new laws for the "people." The danger is that this law coining disease will spread and soon every community will have its "statemen" ready to float a new measure...

Now it is proposed to juggle the presidential electors, hold special primaries, etc., for which the dear "people" must put up the expense. That is getting too strong. Take the statutes of Oregon at the present time and read them over. You will notice that there are many laws in force that you know nothing about and care nothing about them.

What we need in Oregon is a legislature that will kill a whole lot of useless laws and not pass a single one. But the legislature nowadays is not the only source of alarm. Under the initiative, which may in time prove all right, any citizen who has the bulldog tenacity and a pipe dream can float a measure of his own making.

Along this line of reasoning would it not be well to use the pruning knife on a number of useless commissions and inspection departments? Here in Oregon we have a barber board which is supposed to inspect all barber shops thus protecting the customers. In a good barber shop cleanliness is observed, not because the state board says it must, but because it is essential to hold the business and usually a good barber will never think of permitting uncleanness. Yet the barber board meets and resolves and adjourns and draws its salary. And then there is the factory inspection department, but what is the use to enumerate these Chamberlain products. George had to have a political machine and in many instances he had to make room for the boys. But the people of Oregon are paying the expense. Just how long they will stand for this is hard to

say, but for goodness sake do not pile any more new laws on the public. The state is law ridden now. It is groaning under its legal load. The supreme court has been augmented by two more judges, and where will this end be?

ACTIVITY IN REAL ESTATE.

All the places that are booming in real estate transactions are doing business with a great deal of paper, and that has ever been true of activity in real estate. When one hears of the big deals in Portland and very large sums of money are named as considerations, quite often 80 per cent of that sale is represented by notes and mortgages. In Seattle it has often been said that men could turn a \$50,000 investment with \$1000 and it is true. The same holds good in Hood River, the Palouse country and the Rogue river valley.

Some may say, but that is a poor way to do business. It may be, but it is the old way and the only way that a booming country does business with a few exceptions.

One thing is sure it starts values and when once started never know when to stop unless a panic hits them square in the face. Right here in the Grande Ronde valley if there were 50 sales being made each day, no matter how much paper was included in the transactions there would be an activity the like of which has not been seen in many days.

What we want and must have here is to get things started, and then everyone push with all his might. It is surprising what combined effort will do to moving great loads.

This does not mean that there are not many healthy real estate transactions being made here right along, but it bears directly on getting this portion of Oregon started on high pressure basis with other communities in the northwest, many of which have nothing near the amount of resources to offer that the Grande Ronde valley and Wallowa county has.

Talk this over earnestly and honestly and devise a plan of action, for action is all that is needed here.

SUPPOSE CALIFORNIA HAD IT

Los Angeles has been experiencing some bank troubles and one of the institutions suffered from a heavy run. Now had Mr. Bryan's "guaranty deposit" been in force in California it might have had a better tryout than it did in Oklahoma City a short time ago. But it got what was coming to it in the latter place for it proved without question as such a law is unfair to both the depositors and to the banks. Bryan's banking measure puts a premium on the crook who enters the banking business. It makes a strong institution its brother's keeper even though the brother is the proverbial black sheep. Instead of instilling confidence in banking as no doubt was its intention, it places the business on a shoddy plane and if constantly practiced would drive good bankers into other fields. Under it a man's personal business standing counts for little. Reputations that have taken years of honest dealing to build are thrown to the winds, opening the banking field to the conscienceless promoter and others who do tricky things. It takes good men to run banks, and

while there may be some time a banking law adopted to govern the elastic of currency in time of need. Yet there never can be a law made that will make tricky men honest.

Card of Thanks

We desire to sincerely thank our friends who with heartfelt sympathy have aided us during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother.

G. W. ROBERTSON AND FAMILY.

Farmers Attention

There will be a call meeting of the La Grande local F. E. C. of A. on Saturday, May 1, for the fruit and vegetable men. A full attendance is desired.

J. W. McALLISTER, President.

Card of Thanks

We take this means of thanking the many friends for their many acts of kindness shown us during the illness and burial of our beloved husband and father.

MRS. WM. LANE AND FAMILY.

SELDER FEELS GOOD

GLAD COUNTY IS OUT OF DEBT AND PROSPEROUS.

County Commissioner Has Lived To See Hopes Realized

County Commissioner J. M. Selder stated to the Observer last evening that he was glad to know Union county is out of debt and starting on a clean page of the ledger. When Mr. Selder was elected he was the only republican member of the board and he took a stand at once for wiping out the indebtedness carried by Union county. It has taken six years to do this, and the last few years he has been assisted by another republican commissioner and a republican county judge. But the job is done now and the entire court feels very comfortable over it.

Mr. Selder is one of the early settlers in Cove. He is a large land owner in that garden spot and says the fruit crop this year has splendid prospects. While he will not admit that he is in politics any deeper than the county commissioner's job, several of his friends have been grooming him for the sheriff's race this fall on the republican ticket.

FALL TERM OPENS SEPT 12.

School Board Selects a Number of Teachers for Next Year

At a meeting of the board of education held last evening in the office of Clerk Williams it was decided to begin the fall term of school in La Grande on September 12th. Eight more teachers were elected for the coming year and this leaves but a few places vacant. The board used caution in choosing the teachers and dwelt heavily on the recommendations and references furnished.

The teachers chosen were, Nina Kame, La Grande; E. Danforth, of North Yakima; Pearl Huff, Eugene; Roy C. Clark, Beaver, Utah; F. A. Epling, Valparaiso, Ind.; Ferdinand Neubauer, Eugene; Harry Spessard, Anville, Pa.

WILL SPEND 3 YEARS ON ISLAND

BAKER CITY LAD HERE VISITING BEFORE DEPARTING.

Accepts Contract to Teach For Uncle Sam in Philippines.

J. V. Brownell of Baker City departed today from this city after spending the day with his friend here, H. A. Corpe, secretary of the Merchants Protective Association, headed for the Philippines where he will spend three years in the service of Uncle Sam. Mr. Brownell is but a young man, just in his twenties, but has answered the call of the wild as it were, and for three long years will brave the fevers of the over-heated islands.

He is under contract to remain that long in the capacity of teacher in the public schools there.

He sails from Seattle on next Tuesday.

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BALANCE IS ON RIGHT SIDE

CITY TREASURY SHOWS EACH FUND WITH BALANCE

Finances of the Municipality Are in Good Condition

Without preliminary the city council merged into arduous business session last night and threshed out the usual grist of bills. A report of the treasurer showed the following sums in the different funds.

Table with 2 columns: Fund Name, Amount. Water Fund \$2539.97, General Fund 4218.56, Beaver Creek Fund 4371.94, Special interest 16,076.02, Contingent fund 34.21, Reservoir fund 1643.41

The matter of continuing the electric light streamers in the business section was taken up and a proposition for the city to continue paying \$25 a month toward the expenses was decided upon and the whole matter referred to the street committee with power to act. Among the bills to be acted upon at the next meeting is the expense of extending the water mains to various parts of the city.

The matter of leasing the newly purchased property for refuse consumer was referred to the mayor with power to act.

What was termed a missing link in the petition to pave a block east of Hemlock was righted last evening when the name of Ed Staple a large property owner was added. He was out of the city when the petition was up before.

Only one bid was submitted for macadam, that of J. L. Mars. This was advertised well but Mr. Mars seemed to be the only man desiring to do the work. His bid was 75c per square yard for macadam, 60 cents per cubic yard for excavation, 50 cent per lineal foot for cement curbing.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Union County George Palmer Lumber Company, a private corporation, Plaintiff, vs. F. M. Byrkit, Defendant.

To F. M. Byrkit, the above named defendant, you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action on or before the last day prescribed in the order for publication of this summons made by the court in this ac-

tion which order requires the summons to be published in the La Grande Daily Observer for the period of six weeks: You will take notice that if you do not so appear and answer the complaint filed in the above entitled action within the time named that judgment will be taken against you for the sum of \$5,200.00, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the first day of October, 1908, and for the further sum of \$600.00, reasonable attorneys fees in said action and costs and disbursements. You will take notice further that the summons is published in the La Grande Daily Observer, a daily newspaper published in La Grande, Union County, Oregon, for the period of six weeks, by order of the Honorable J. W. Knowles, Judge of said Court, made and dated in La Grande Oregon, the 28th day of March, 1910, and that the date of the first publication of said summons is the 2d day of April, 1910.

T. H. CRAWFORD, Attorney for Plaintiff

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION ISOLATED TRACT

Public Land Sale. Department of the Interior. U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, May 4th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provision of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906 (34 Stats., 517), we will offer at public sale to the highest bidder; at 10 o'clock a. m., on the 6th day of July, 1910 at this office the following described land:

The NW 1-4 SE 1-4 Sec. 18, T. 4 S., R. 35 E. W. M., Serial No. 06676. Any person claiming adversely the above described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale F. C. BRAMWELL, Register. COLON R. EBERHARD, Receiver.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION-ISOLATED TRACT

Public Land Sale. Department of the Interior. U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, May 2d, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provision of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906 (34 Stats., 517), we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, at 10 o'clock a. m., on the 7th day of July, 1910, at this office, the following described land:

The NE 1-4 SE 1-4 Sec. 33, T. 3 S., R. 35 E. W. M., Serial No. 06912.

Any persons claiming adversely the above described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

F. C. BRAMWELL, Register. COLON R. EBERHARD, Receiver.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon of Union County. J. H. Hubbard, plaintiff, vs. Frank Hyde, defendant.

To Frank Hyde the above named defendant. In the name of the State of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons and if you fail to so appear and answer for want thereof the plaintiff will take judgment against you for the sum of \$170.00, together with costs and disbursements. And at the same time the plaintiff will take an order of the court to sell the property attached in the above entitled action to wit one note signed by Sarah E. Swallberg, and payable to the defendant for the sum of \$160.00, and to apply the proceeds of said sale to the payment of plaintiff's claim. This summons is published by order of the Hon. J. W. Knowles, Judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Union County, which order was made and entered on the 2d day of May, 1910, and requires said summons to be published in the La Grande Weekly Observer once a week for six successive weeks.

The date of the first publication of this summons is the 6th day of May, 1910. EUGENE ASHWILL, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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