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DEATH STOPS ALL COMMERCE.

How few of us realize the importance of a king. Especially the American people who are taught that monarchies are wrong and that royal blood is no better than the blood which furnishes life to the man who digs a sewer ditch.

Yet the death of King Edward has practically stopped all business transactions of any size. The great English nation stands with bowed head and sorrowful heart today, forgetting its commercial duties in order to pay just and proper respect to the man who ruled the nation.

As a matter of fact the odium attached to the title of king is overdrawn. It has been handed down to posterity from days when tyrants reigned and thereby has acquired the hatred of liberty loving people. King Edward's power was probably not as great as the president of the United States, yet he was looked upon with that peculiar feeling always shown to a king or a monarch of any title.

His desire to help his people was always foremost and instead of ruling like kings in a story book Edward adopted as near a democratic manner as was possible in England. He was a great man—a man who was capable of large undertakings.

Commerce is silenced just as it should be while his body lies in state, and the English nation is quivering today lest the king who follows Edward will not be able to make good.

ONE WAY TO HAVE A FRUIT COUNTRY.

There has been a fruit inspector appointed for Union county, which is the proper thing. It is impossible to have a fruit country unless the laws of spraying and pruning are strictly observed, and the only way to have them observed is to have an officer see to their enforcement. Humanity is a little negligent at best, and if there is nothing done to demand spraying and pruning usually everything goes along in the same old way.

Hood River has made good for two reasons: The climatic conditions and soil are right and the fruit growers observe the laws of spraying and pruning to the letter. In the Grande Ronde valley the climate and soil are doing their part, but the grower in many cases is not doing his.

It is easy to turn capital seeking fruit land away from this valley for the very reason that growers are not

carrying for their trees properly, for fruit growing is something that is wholly a community proposition. Refusal of one grower to follow directions may start a breeding place for insects that will contaminate a large area.

Give your support to the inspector. Aid him to find out all information regarding the care of trees and in doing so you will help to make the Grande Ronde valley a top notch for fruit industry.

A PROBLEM NEVER SOLVED.

The good roads problem is one that is never solved. Here in Union county the court has begun work which if continued for a number of years will have a beneficial effect and cause the desire for macadam to spread.

This county is fortunate in having some action taken in this important matter for usually there is a wave of agitation and then the good roads are forgotten for many weeks.

More than a year ago Judge Scott came up from Salem and talked good roads. Somehow the Judge failed to make his vaccination stick and in a few days no one thought any more about it. There was some suspicion that the judge was grooming a gubernatorial boom at the same time, although such may not have been true. At any rate Judge Scott's visit did not cause any road making.

On May 19th La Grande is to have a federal good roads man here who will talk highways from the government's viewpoint and it will be well for a large number of people to hear him.

Everyone admits that better roads mean money saved. It is easy to figure and always has been, but the road question is one that invariably goes by default unless it is taken by a county court as in the case of Union county.

One thing is very pleasant: No one is trying to connect Uncle Joe Cannon with the scandal of the Illinois legislature.

A news story says, "Hill Likes Oregon." And it might be handed back that Oregon is stuck on Hill, for through him the cork of the bottle was pulled letting a great empire see the light of day. Oregon would like to have Jim Hill for a citizen.

In extending its line on to Elgin the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company is keeping pace with the general growth of this part of the country. While most of the current is generated in the sparsely settled regions of Baker and Grant counties it is fine that a valley so thickly settled as the Grande Ronde offers a good market for that current.

Baker county republicans have adopted the "Assembly" plan and selected delegates a few days ago to attend the state meeting at Portland. The democrats there have not stated just what they will do, and they may have no place for the favored few to meet since Sam White has moved his law office to Portland.

Portland must not think that Seattle will not show up well in the census business. If there is anything the Seattle bunch are past masters in it is in making figures look as they want them to look.

Milton, Oregon is to have a strawberry day in June, which really should be a luscious occasion.

An editorial appeared in the Observer last evening taken from the Joseph Herald. It was captioned, "Oh, Pahaw," but no credit appeared. Evidently the Joseph Herald seeks to have a little fun with the La Grande high school. But the editor of that paper does not realize what he is talking or he would go slow.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION—ISOLATED TRACT

Public Land Sale. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, April 16th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the commissioner of the General Land Office, under provisions 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 2d day of June, 1910, at this office, the following described land:

The S 1-2, SE 1-4 Sec. 32; SW 1-4 SW 1-4 Sec. 33, T. 2 S., and the NW 1-4 NW 1-4 Sec. 4, T. 3 S. R. 37 E. W. M., Serial No. 06729.

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.

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Notice of Street Improvement

To whom it may concern—Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of La Grande, Oregon, on the 2d day of May, 1910, creating Improvement District No. 14 and designating Fir Street as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said Common Council on the 27th day of April, 1910, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Fir Street, in said Improvement District as hereinafter described by laying thereon Bitulithic pavement, the Council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Fir street, from the North curb line of Washington Avenue to the south curb line of Monroe Avenue. Notice is hereby further given that the Council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$19,115.00. That the Council will on the 11th day of May, 1910, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment. La Grande, Oregon, April 27, 1910. City Council of La Grande, Oregon, By D. E. COX, Recorder of the City of La Grande.

Are you frequently hoarse? Do you have that annoying tickling in your throat? Do your cough annoy you at night, and do you raise mucus in the morning? Do you want relief? If so, take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you will be pleased.

Notice to Fruit Growers.

To the fruit growers of Union county: I have been appointed fruit inspector by our worthy county court and approved by the honorable district commissioner of the fruit industry, Mr. Judd Geer of Cove. Laws of Oregon compel people to spray and prune against all insects, pests and diseases, and it will be my duty to see the laws are strictly enforced. I will be pleased to have anyone notify me by phone or letter if any orchard is not pruned or sprayed according to law, and I will attend to it at once.

LORENZO STILLWELL, Fruit Inspector for Union county. Independent Phone 16-G.

Call For Bids.

Notice is hereby given that the County Clerk of Union County, Oregon will receive sealed bids for the purchase of one hundred cords of 3 foot, eight inch yellow pine or red fir wood to be delivered and piled in the basement of the Court House, at La Grande, Oregon. Said bids to be filed with the County Clerk of Union county, Oregon, on or before 12 o'clock m, June the first, 1910. The County Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 5-9-10 ED WRIGHT, Clerk.

Sale of House Plants.

The semi-annual sale of all kinds of house plants, including ferns, begins Wednesday, May 11, and will continue through the week at Mrs. M. Anthony's, 1606 6th street.

Ice Scooters on Lake.

A view of a motor scooter, an ice boat invented during the past year and capable of making 120 miles an hour under favorable conditions. Two fast boats of this character, of radically different type of construction are shown in an exciting race. The picture is interesting because of its novelty and its beauty and is enhanced by careful photography. To be shown at the Isis today.

Treasurer's Call for City Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that there are now funds on hand to pay all outstanding warrants issued on General Fund of La Grande City, up to and including No. 8066, endorsed Dec. 17, 1908.

Interest on all warrants on General Fund from No. 7939 to No 8066, inclusive, ceases from this date. La Grande, Oregon, May 4th, 1910. RAY W. LOGAN, City Treasurer.



There are Dentists and Dentists

They all advertise some way. Some by their good work and some by their bad work; some through the newspapers who tell things they can do, and other through the papers who tell things they cannot do. A dentist to be a benefactor to the community in which he lives should not only be skillful and conscientious in his work but should TELL the people what can be done in the way of keeping the mouth, that most important part of the human anatomy, in the best possible condition to promote their health and happiness. Then the man who you would intrust with the care of your teeth should be a man who has studied the theory as well as the practice of the work. These days most of people look carefully after their finances, it is necessary with the increased cost of living and the like. Extracting 50 cents. DR. STEVENSON.

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Current Comment.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
The fact that a Chinaman has ordered 150 seats at the Johnson-Jeffries fight proved beyond doubt that there is going to be some color to this affair. —Omaha Bee.

FOR SALE—Household goods. Must be sold by Thursday noon. Mrs. E. T. Walker, 1605 Washington Ave.

WANTED—Situation as cook or as housekeeper by lady with 7 year old daughter. Address Box 213, La Grande.

Art Epigrams.

Art is simply bringing into relief the obscure thought of nature.—Amiel.

It is not natural to enjoy an art only when one is by oneself.—W. B. Yeats.

Art must be a servile copy of nature. Imperfection comes in the copying.—Auguste Rodin.

A national art to be the enduring record of a nation's history must be the work of the nation itself.—Phillip H. Rathbone.

Train and Track.

Of the 1,023 locomotives built by one firm last year 197 were electric.

When Diaz came into power in Mexico in 1877 the railroads of that country measured only 578 kilometers. Last year the measurement ran to 24,160 kilometers.

A piece of railroad construction was recently completed by which the island of Japan now has a system running throughout its full length. The total length of the newly finished line is 1,750 miles.

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