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PASSING OF THE PIONEER

When death claims a familiar person such as Grandma Palmer was to everyone in this part of Oregon, it takes from this active world a decidedly important person. While the grim reaper is a thing none can avoid, and it is best to be ready to meet the end, we can none of us hear of the death of a sturdy pioneer without a feeling of personal loss.

Grandma Palmer and those of her kind were not peculiar in this day. She knew what it was to endure hardships that make men and women. The present generation reclines on a bed of roses, as it were, compared with those excellent human beings who braved the desert heat and storms to cross the divide and settle such beautiful valleys as the Grande Ronde. They deserve the profound love and respect of all of us, and we believe they have it.

Building a country and making history every day after they left their eastern homes, these early settlers laid a strong foundation for the present great and glorious states of Oregon and Washington. To them nothing was too severe an obstacle to overcome and master. Had it not been so one by one they would have sunk by the wayside and the west would not have been permanently settled until years after it was.

The remarkable woman who has just been called to her long home possessed a very strong character. As an individual she was remarkable. In the closing years of her life she frequently recited early history of the east and west, giving accurate accounts of important happenings and always delighted in giving young people the benefit of knowledge she had gained while assisting in building the west.

Grandma Palmer will be greatly missed and the Grande Ronde by her death, lost a good mother and valuable citizen.

REGISTERS HIS OBJECTION.

The following letter was received by the Observer from Hubbard, Oregon and speaks for itself:

To the Editor—I notice on the editorial page of yesterday's Oregonian an article credited to the Observer. I wish to thank you for words fitly spoken in regard to the horde of in-

spectors living off the tax payers of the state like won many coronants. The last time the factory inspector inflicted his presence on us he had to admit that the law favored the large corporations. And now they want to impose on us yet more by having a building inspector, so that if one wanted to rebuild his hen house or his pig sty, one would first have to call the inspector, who would come in the most expensive way over the longest route he could find, charging fees and mileage either against the builder or against the "Deer People." How long, Oh! Lord how long must the people be inflicted with these Urenic measures. Then there are the county division abuses and the Good Roads Bond issues. Let the voters who have the good of their state or county at heart turn out and vote no on these propositions with a big X.

The writer lived nineteen years in a county with a bonded, road indebtedness, and has been twenty-one years away from there, and these bonds issued in 1871 are today three times the original amount and the end is not yet. Do we want such a condition here—that is the question? Again thanking you for your timely words and hoping that I will not exhaust your patience I sign myself yours truly,

J. S. YODER.

Some of these days we will hear of a fortune being made in some of the mines around Joseph and there will be a rush to the Wallowa country and it will be the liveliest spot west of the Rocky mountains for a while. There is a cause for this belief. Take a look at some of the ore samples that are coming from that counr..

When men like Louis Hill openly charge the government with splitting hairs over the public domain. It means a great deal. It has become almost impossible for a man to live in a region where there is government land without becoming entangled with some special agent for the department.

In speaking of Hot Lake kindly bear in mind that it is located just outside the city limits of La Grande and is a part and portion of this community. And we might add that it is a part of which La Grande and the whole of this valley is proud.

It has been suggested that Elgin have a float this year at the apple show showing the Garden of Eden. But what is the use of a float? Climb to one of the high points in the foothills and view the Grande Ronde valley.

You should be a thoroughbred to thoroughly enjoy yourself at Union, but no questions will be asked as to breeding and there will be fun and amusement for all at the stock show on June 3 and 4.

It does not make everyone fat to visit Washington city. At least the trip did not add many pounds to Col. Ivanhoe and he dined at the New Willard and other swell hotels while absent from La Grande.

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SITUATION IN DOUBT.

Nothing Clear Can be Gained From Seat of Rebellion Today.

New Orleans, May 27.—The real situation in Bluefields today is doubtful. Messages received from Bluefields say that the Madriz troops are successful, while others declare that Estrada was successful and compelled Madriz to retreat. Messages telling of Estrada's success were sent from the wireless at Bluefields which Estrada controls. The others were sent out from the stations that Madriz controls. Private messages say that a desperate battle was fought. It is generally believed that Estrada was successful.

DISPATCH WITH TELEPHONES

G. N. Installs New Method of Running its Train Service.

Wenatchee, Wash, May 27.—The G. N. railroad today inaugurated a telephone system for train dispatching between Spokane and the Puget Sound, marking the beginning of the end of telegraphers on the Hill roads. Phones were also started between Spokane and Leavenworth and those between Spokane and Troy, Montana, will be ready inside of a week. The railroad will then have 22,000 miles of phones.

HANG PRISONERS BY THE ARMS.

Prisoners Object to Poor Food—Are Cruelly Punished in Return.

Columbus, O., May 27.—One hundred and forty-seven convicts of the state penitentiary quit striking today and returned to their posts after Warden Jones had them "hung up." He put their arms in hand cuffs and pinned them to hooks above their heads, making them stand on their toes. They struck because the food was poor.

SHERIFF WON'T INTERFERE.

San Francisco County Authorities Will Not Aid the Churches.

San Francisco, May 27.—Sheriff Finn of San Francisco county said today he would not take any action at the present time toward interfering with the Jeffries-Johnson fight, following the demand by the church federation of Los Angeles that they will be given assurances he will stop the fight.

KAISER IS ILL.

German Ruler Will Have to Undergo Operation Say Physicians.

Berlin, May 27.—Kaiser William is suffering from an abscess on his right hand and an operation has been declared necessary by the court physicians in consultation.

Will Make Arduous Trip.

Seattle, May 27.—Brigadier General Marion Maus, commander of the Department of the Columbia, is enroute to Alaska today on board the steamer Dolphin, with the most arduous trip ever undertaken by any army commander before him. He will make the trip from Fairbanks to Valdez on foot with one guide and will land at Skaguay and take the railroad to White Horse and go by boat to Fairbanks. He expects to make the trip in a month and a half.

Cooked Food Sale.

Section No. 1 of the Methodist Aid society will give a cooked food sale in the Russell meat market on Saturday afternoon.

SATURDAY

We will have the following Fresh Fruits and Vegetables for your dinner Sunday.

- STRAWBERRIES
- CHERRIES
- GOOSEBERRIES
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- 65-cent Brooms 48c
- 50-cent package Chocolate 45c

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- 10 pounds Good Rice 65c
- 2 packages Postum 45c
- Children's Buster Brown Belts, 25c value 19c
- Ladies' White Wash Belts 15c
- Children's 15-cent Hose 10c
- Ladies' Ribbed-top Hose, worth 20c, going at 12 1-2c
- Ladies' 15-cent Tan Hose 11c
- Children's 20-cent Tan Hose 16c
- See Our Laces at 5c
- 7-cent Cotton Toweling, per yd. 4 1-2c
- 15-cent Towels 10c
- 90-cent Lace Curtains 65c
- \$1.25 Lace Curtains 98c
- \$2.00 Lace Curtains \$1.48

Bargains in Ladies' and Men's Underwear

- Flexibone Corsets at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.50
- 15-cent Curtain Poles 10c
- 25-cent Curtain Poles 20c
- White Oil Cloth 23c
- Fancy Oil Cloth 21c
- Men's 75-cent Black Sateen Shirt 65c
- Men's Black Half-hose, worth 15c, our price 10c
- 25-cent Bottle Peroxide 15c
- 25-cent Tooth Powder 15c
- Local Post Cards, three for 5c
- Three packages Envelopes 10c