

Revolutionary Quilt Contest



Have You an Old Quilt at Home?

Or a quilt with a history? If so, enter it in our REVOLUTIONARY QUILT CONTEST which begins next Monday and continues all week.

\$500.00 IN PRIZES ARE OFFERED

for the thirty most interesting, oldest, most unique or most artistically made quilts entered in the contest and you will perhaps gain a distinction of owning the most valuable quilt in America.

Get one of the Books of Rules

THEY'RE FREE FOR THE ASKING

No purchase is necessary to enter your quilts in the contest, and the entries may be seen at the store next week absolutely free.

We want some woman in La Grande to win the first prize, which is now being contested for by women all over the country.

Get a Booklet today

AND LEARN ALL ABOUT IT

And while at the store ask to see "REDDISODE" COTTON BATTS—stitched together in full quilt size ready for the covering.

The Peoples Store

The George Palmer LUMBER CO

RETAIL DEPARTMENT

We solicit your orders for Shingles, Rubberoid Roofing Deadening Felt, Building Paper.

We are prepared to furnish and deliver material, promptly. Phone Main 8.

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"DON'T TALK POLITICS TO ME!"



—New York Press.

Trusts Are Holding America Back.

By BENJAMIN IDE WHEELER, President of the University of California.



PEOPLE ABROAD SAY THAT THE CHIEF MATTER FOR CONCERN ABOUT THIS COUNTRY IS THE WAY THE TRUSTS ARE INCREASING. THEY THINK THAT WE CANNOT CONTROL THEM; THAT THE OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE GIVEN THEM, ESPECIALLY THROUGH THE TARIFF, HAVE ENDOWED THEM WITH POWER WE CANNOT OVERCOME.

No doubt the tariff is at fault. It has built up an artificial false work which some day will have to fall, and the trouble that day will be very serious. It has ENCOURAGED THE MAKING OF MONEY BY INDIVIDUALS here and there in enormous sums, but this money has not been distributed among the people.

Germany is having remarkably prosperous times. I should say the cause is the diffusion of industrialism. They HAVE NO BARRIERS, and their export trade is ADVANCING TREMENDOUSLY.

They proceed with manufacturing in a scientific manner, training men to study and to learn the requirements of trade.

Science Will Soon Make Us All Vegetarians.

By Dr. WILLET M. HAYS, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

THE SCIENTIFIC BREEDING OF PLANTS IS DESTINED IN THE NOT Distant FUTURE TO GO A LONG WAY TOWARD KEEPING DOWN FOOD PRICES IN THIS COUNTRY AND MAKING US ALL VEGETARIANS.

Were it not for this prospect we should, with an expectation of two hundred millions population sixty years from now, have reason to fear a condition of affairs wherein good things to eat would be beyond the reach of most folks.

Take the case of corn, for example. It is our greatest cereal, the American grain crop par excellence. At the present time it yields a little more than twenty-five bushels to the acre. With improved methods we shall be able, by planting better varieties, to make the OUTPUT FIFTY BUSHELS.

Again, consider the case of wheat. Our output of this grain, enormous though it is in the aggregate, averages LESS THAN FIFTEEN BUSHELS TO THE ACRE. In England it averages thirty bushels and in other European countries even higher. Why should this be so? Mainly because our wheats were originally bred for the moist and cool climate of Europe. We are RAISING THE SAME VARIETIES IN A DRY AND WARM CLIMATE.

What we are now starting in to do is to cross breed the best of these wheats and obtain a new set of varieties suited to our climate and soil.

Undoubtedly as our population increases we shall eat more grains and vegetables and less meat. Plant products, you must remember, are always in competition with live stock. Primitive peoples depend chiefly on the flesh of animals for food, but when a country becomes crowded the tendency is to EAT WHAT COMES DIRECT FROM THE SOIL.

This in China, which is a very crowded part of the world, cattle and sheep are not raised to any extent for slaughter. The inhabitants CANNOT AFFORD TO FEED THEIR PLANT PRODUCTS TO ANIMALS and then to eat the latter, this being always a more expensive mode of deriving sustenance from the soil.

RELATIVELY SPEAKING, THEREFORE, WE SHALL IN THE COURSE OF TIME BECOME VEGETARIAN IN HABIT.

beyond His Capacity.
"Didn't you come back rather suddenly from your vacation?"
"Well, you see, I was the only man among ten women at the resort."
"What was the matter with that?"
"Nothing, only before I knew it I was engaged to the entire ten."
"And did they make it hot for you?"
"No; they were pleasant enough about it."
"Then why didn't you stay?"
"I ducked when three more women got off the train."

Practical Test.
"What are you looking so glum about?"
"I have a raging toothache."
"Pshaw! Pain is all imaginary."
"Think so?"
"I know it. Just think you haven't got it and it will vanish."
"Would you mind letting me drop this fatron on your toe?"

Longing.
If Cook did not discover
The very northmost spot
I'd like to be as close to it
As the explorer got.

Finished Product So Different.
"It is awfully funny."
"What is awfully funny?"
"You know Mrs. Brown?"
"Yes."
"Well, she takes in washing."
"What of it?"
"And she lets out rooms."

It is easier to want the good opinion of others than it is to get it.

The man who works for \$2 a day isn't apt to get arrested for disorderly conduct.

\$65,000

City of La Grande, Oregon Improvement Bonds

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Mayor and City Council of the City of La Grande, Oregon, until Wednesday.

October 5th, 1910

At the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. for the purchase of \$65,000 improvement bonds, the proceeds to be used for the construction of Bitulithic pavement, bonds of the denomination of \$1000 each, rate 6 per cent per annum to be paid annually, maturity ten years from date thereof, subject to call by the City Treasurer at any time that there is money in the Local Improvement Funds bonds to be paid in numerical order.

Bids shall be sealed and marked, "Bids for Local Improvement Bonds," and shall be accompanied by a certified check of \$5,000. The Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Bonds are secured by lien on abutting property.

La Grande, Oregon, September 9, 1910.

F. L. MEYERS, Mayor.
D. E. COX, Recorder.

D-Sept. 9 to 20.

SEE

J. H. PEARE

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When in need of anything in watches, clocks, jewelry, cut glass, hand painted China, or any other article carried by a first class jewelry store, investigate our prices before buying and you will save money, and be sure of securing first quality goods.

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AND

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