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WELCOME TEACHERS.

Today La Grande has for her guests several hundred Eastern Oregon school teachers. They have come to attend their annual meeting and this city unites in extending those connected with the schools the hand of welcome.

The hand that rocks the cradle may rock the nation's destiny, according to an old statement, but we would supplement it by adding, provided the hand that rocks the cradle is aided by a competent and honorable teacher.

So today and for three days following this city belongs to the visitors. Everything in the city is theirs. Knock and all doors shall open, and a request for anything not in sight will immediately bring it if the community possess it.

THE PRICE OF LOGS.

Sawlogs, like practically every other commodity that is bought and sold, have a value that is affected by both quality and supply and demand, is the opinion of the Oregonian. For that reason it is not surprising to learn that two sawlogs reported as selling for \$7.50 per thousand were \$7.50 logs and not the No. 1 logs which still command \$10 to \$12 per thousand.

Stumpage values have reached a point where the amount of money involved is sufficiently large to prevent owners cutting timber until they have reasonable assurance that there will be a market for the logs as satisfactory prices. Water shipments of lumber from the Columbia river this year will break all records.

This store will be Open All Day Thanksgiving

FRESH BOOTH OYSTERS in quart cans 80c each

Royal Grocery and Bakery

is a certainty that the total output for the year will be the largest on record. In such circumstances there has been but slight accumulation of the raw material, and as yet there are no signs of the first-class logs being placed on the bargain counter.

The days of haphazard logging and lumbering are about over in the Pacific Northwest, and it is highly improbable that we will ever again see the time when it will be necessary for loggers to make a 25 per cent reduction in prices in order to move their stocks.

Count Tolstol is dead, and with his passing the world loses one of its most eccentric characters. He chose the life of an exile prior to death, not because of poverty but for novelty.

No industry in the Grande Ronde valley, whether large or small, should be overlooked by those who have the welfare of this valley at heart. To achieve the advancement due this region every inducement should be given any enterprise that will locate here, whether it be one of large or small dimensions.

It really does not make much difference whether Mexico sends a delegation across the line into this country or not, for if war is declared there will be nothing to it but additional country for the stars and stripes to wave over.

When the mail order houses cut their melons it must please the local citizen who has patronized them to know that he helped swell the enormous dividends.

The city election is not waxing warm, but there seems to be a feeling of safety on every hand that competent officials will be named.

TRACING COUNTERFEITS.

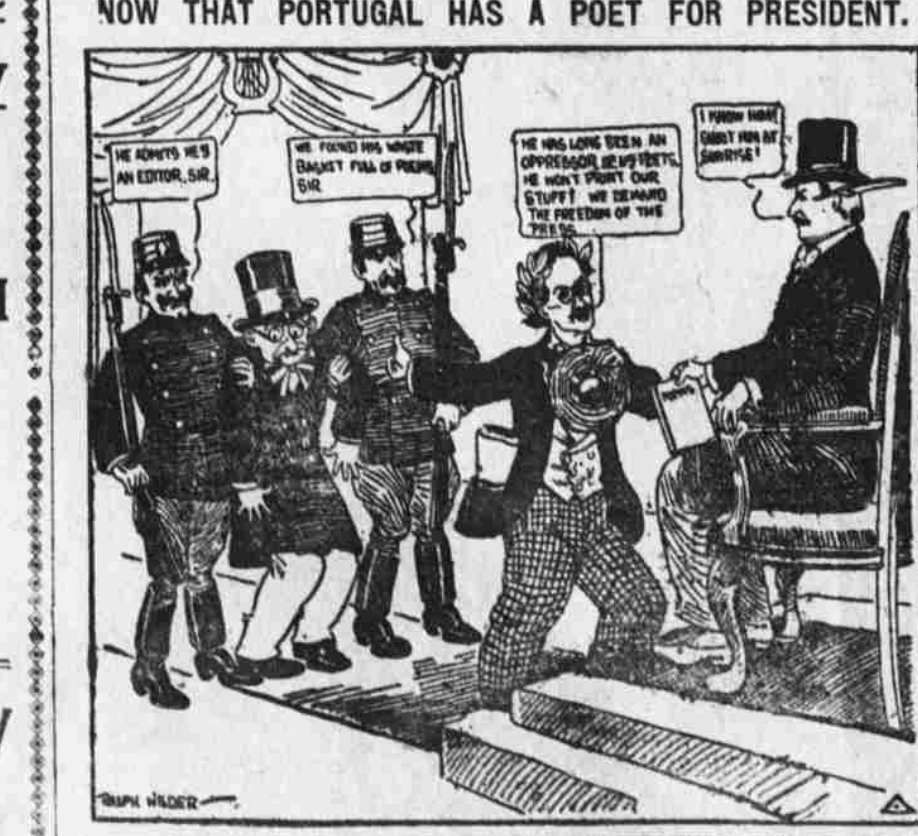
Exciting Employment For Skilled Secret Service Men. The tracing of counterfeit bills back to the persons responsible for their issue is a curious and exciting employment.

A bank clerk in Cleveland had detected a counterfeit twenty dollar bill in the deposit of a small retail grocer. An expert was sent for and undertook the case.

He found that the grocer had received the bill from a shoe dealer, who had it from a dentist, who had it from somebody else, and so on, until the secret service man finally traced the bad note to an invalid woman who had used it to pay her physician.

When questioned this woman said that the money had been sent her by her brother, who lived in New Orleans. The sleuth looked up the brother's antecedents and soon became convinced that he was the man wanted.

NOW THAT PORTUGAL HAS A POET FOR PRESIDENT.



when he had gone so far, so he took the next train for Pittsburg.

The tenant of the house in Pittsburg proved to be a traveling oculist who spent most of his time in the middle west. The secret service man had the good luck, however, to catch him just as he had returned from a trip, and the man at once recognized the bad bill as one that had been given him by a patient in Cleveland, the very point whence the sleuth started.

The patient was a boss carpenter. The secret service man got his address from the oculist and went right after the new clew. At this point he had a premonition that something was going to happen, and he wasn't disappointed.

The carpenter, an honest old fellow, said that he had received the bill from a certain Parker. The said Parker was the small grocer in whose bank deposit the counterfeit had turned up.

Afterward it was shown beyond question that the grocer was the agent of an organized band of counterfeiters. His shop was a mere blind. That the bill which he gave the carpenter should get back into his own funds after traveling all over the continent was one of those miracles of chance for which there is no explanation.

A Dean Ramsay Story. Dean Ramsay's memoirs contain an anecdote of an old woman of Startspesey. Just before her death she solemnly instructed her grandnephew, 'Willy, I'm deen', and as you'll see the charge of 'a' I have, mind, now, that as much whisky is to be used at my funeral as there was at my baptism.'

Willy, having no record of the quantity consumed at the baptism, decided to give every mourner as much as he wished, with the result that the funeral procession, having to traverse ten miles to the churchyard on a short November day, arrived only at nightfall. Then it was discovered that the mourners, halting at a wayside inn, had rested the coffin on a dike and left it there when they resumed their journey. The corpse was a day late in arriving at the grave.

Interest in Ancient Days.

As a rule, the ancients frowned upon the idea of interest. They called it usury, and, except in the case of wardships and trusts, when the law insisted upon money being usefully invested they looked upon the man who lived by investments as a bad character and his trade as a disreputable one.

Sunday Traveling.

Old time acts of parliament in Great Britain aimed to stop Sunday traveling. In 1689, for example, two men were found guilty of the crime of walking from Bristol to Bath on a Sunday and were at once fined 20 shillings (\$4.80) each.

Headed For the White House.

The small newsboy was leaning up against the wall, sobbing bitterly. 'Cheer up, my little man,' said a passerby. 'What's the use of worrying? You may be president some day.'

Underwear Headquarters

FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

Our line of warm Woolen and Cotton Underwear has never been so complete before. We can please the most particular buyer.

STEPHENSON STALEY BRAND Underwear FOR MEN

All weights All qualities All sizes Two-piece garments \$1.25 to \$3.50 Union Suits \$2.50 to \$6.00 Once a wearer always a booster.

MUNSING Perfect Fitting Underwear for Ladies and Children

Satisfactory in every way -you can't wash out a Munsing fit. 2-Piece Garments Union Suits Recommended by millions of satisfied Munsingites.

ATHENA Underwear for Ladies

PERFECTION describes this line of high grade underwear perfectly. 2-Piece Garments Union Suits A new line added this year for the benefit of our customers who desire something better.

Exclusive Agents for Dr. Deimel Linen Mesh Underwear for Men

Cotton and Mixed Underwear in All Qualities and Prices

N. K. WEST, THE QUALITY STORE

Nov'er Sale of Ladies Suits, Coats, Jackets & Misses Coats

The Perfect Figure. 'John, dear,' queried the young wife, glancing up from the physical culture magazine she was perusing, 'what is your idea of a perfect figure?'

'Well,' replied her husband, '\$100,000 may not be perfection, but it's near enough to satisfy a man of my simple tastes.' -Chicago News.

Facetious Nomenclature. 'The people of Wales escaped much when it was decided to call them Welshmen instead of Whalers.'

He who brings ridicule to bear against truth finds in his hands a blade without a hilt. -Landon

There is no beautifier of complexion or form or behavior like the wish to scatter joy and not pain around you -New York Times.

Geraldine-You haven't been to see me since you asked my father for my hand. Gerald-No. This is the first time I've been able to get about. -Human Life.

The melodrama, as of yore, Resumes in fall, you know, And virtue reigns supreme once more At fifty cents a throw. -Pittsburg Post.

One of the visiting clergymen at the Methodist ministers' conference the other day was telling the ministers of his experience at an old fashioned camp meeting.

'In one respect it was like paradise,' he said. 'There were so many persons there I didn't expect to see, and so many that I thought would be there were at some other place.' -Philadelphia Times.

If your sorrows you're anxious to double And still in the shadows would stay, If you come from the country of trouble, Get out of prosperity's way. -Atlanta Constitution

'I had been troubled with constipation for two years and tried all of the best physicians in Bristol, Tenn., and they could do nothing for me,' writes Thos. E. Williams, Middleboro, Ky. 'Two packages of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured me.' For sale by all dealers.

ROYAL ACCOUNTS.

Methods of the King of England in Transacting Business.

No advertisement is more valuable to a British tradesman than the royal warrant, which allows him to place the royal arms over his place of business and describe himself as 'purveyor by appointment to his majesty the king.'

Each tradesman who has the royal custom must send in his bill at the end of the month. It is compared with his ledger account kept at Marlborough House and if correct is paid in the first week of the month. No discount is asked on any of the royal accounts.

Coal is supplied to Marlborough House by contract, the contracts being made for three years and the contractors paid in equal half yearly payments. Window cleaning, carpet cleaning and chimney sweeping are all done by contract, and the glass frames of large pictures are also kept clean by contract.

Servants' wages are paid monthly, the upper servants being paid by check sent to each from the treasurer's department. The king's accounts for clothes, cigars, theaters, newspapers, books and other personal articles are sent to his secretary, not the treasurer, and are also paid monthly. -Toronto Times.

Utilizing the Waste. 'Why don't you grow hair on your head?' 'Soll is too thin, I guess.' 'Did you ever try beans?'

Evident. His lines were cast in pleasant places. So I'll not be disappointed. As it were, I'll be all right, as long as the fish were in the sea.

Every family has need of a good, reliable liniment. For sprains, bruises, soreness of the muscles and rheumatic pains there is none better than Chamberlain's. Sold by all dealers.

Classified Advertising

FOR SALE-Two choice timber claims in 4 north 41 east Wallowa county. Price \$1500 each. Apply J. M. Haywood, Woodstock, Ore. Nov 18-25

WANTED-Position by a man as cook and wife as helper. Camp preferred. Call at Observer office. 11

WANTED-Responsible party to take the agency of Union and Wallowa counties for the Phelps Carbine Feed Acetylene Generator for individual home lighting.

For further particulars write Oregon Acetylene Lighting Co., Inc. 230 1-2 Yamhill st. Portland, Ore. Oct. 20-21.

WANTED-Woman to do general house work. Call Savoy hotel. Phone Main 713.

WANTED-Girl for housework. Require of Mrs. T. J. Scroggin. Wage \$5.00 per week.

Limited number of roomers and boarders wanted. Apply corner of Sixth and O streets.

FOR RENT-Furnished four-room house. Apply 1307 O avenue or phone Red-821.

The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger from pneumonia and other serious diseases. Mr. B. W. L. Hall, of Waverly, Va., says: 'I firmly believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be absolutely the best preparation on the market for colds. I have recommended it to my friends and they all agree with me.' For sale by all dealers.

A special soap sale is now on at the Wright Drug store.

Notice to Trespassers. Positively no hunting allowed on premises. Do not ask for permission. Blockland Bros.

Foot Ball THANKSGIVING, 3 P. M. Lincoln Ball Park. Admission, 25c & 50c

High School vs. Alumni