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GRANGES SHOW REAL ACTIVITY.

Great activity is being manifested among the grangers of this county, especially in securing permanent homes for the locals. Riverside grange of La Grande has taken the lead in this work and has a large hall rapidly nearing completion, while Mt. Fannie grange of Cove has raised the funds, secured a location and in a few weeks will begin the construction of a hall. These two granges have formerly held their meetings in school houses but they have so increased in membership to such an extent that it has become necessary to secure permanent locations. Blue Mountain grange, the oldest in the county, has also outgrown its present hall and plans are under way for an addition and other improvements. County Grange Master C. D. Huffman is being highly commended by the state officials for the excellent

condition of the organization in his county. Union county does not stand alone in grange prosperity, however, as the same conditions exist through Oregon. This state has gained over 2,000 members since the state session and when the 35th annual session convenes in May at Corvallis, thirty of the 34 counties of the state will be represented, a record but few other organizations can boast.

LOOKS VERY GOOD.

The long looked for rain came last night and apparently there is more to follow; new poles are being erected by the telephone company on Elm street paving shirduetaolshrdiuetain street today; street paving continues at a rapid rate; the water system is undergoing repairs on Second street; freight has begun to move and indications are that the railroad will put on more crews; land is changing hands, and in fact everything is looking very fine.

La Grande never looked so well. She never had such an appearance of growth, of prosperity, of future greatness as at the present time. Even the baseball team is carrying the banner high in the air and is playing shutout games with all competitors.

If there was ever time for a La Grande citizen to take an extra hitch in his suspenders and get in the game it is now. There is no cause for feeling tepid as the pastures may be greener far away, for such is not the case. Several men from Oklahoma toured the Willamette valley and the coast and returned to La Grande with the report that labor conditions were bad in those localities; that work was hard to get. Yet they had not been here 24 hours until their names were on one of La Grande's pay-rolls. Doesn't this seem to be proof of the pudding?

Think it over and if you agree with the conclusion try and do something to help La Grande go forward, and the first thing you can do without expense is to get the spirit and say a few things complimentary to conditions here. Keep it uppermost in your mind and lose no opportunity to let thy lips speak what is in thy head. You will not bore your friends if you tell them the same story of progress a dozen times. It is the knocker and pessimist who makes everyone hate him.

But the work of the community is not over regarding the county fair. It has only begun. The first few nights ago and election of a board of directors did not mean that the board was to do all of the work. Did you get that?

Edna went at Pendleton the air will be rent with many eloquent appeals to the supreme court. Talent from the Eastern Oregon country has congregated in the Umatilla county seat for the purpose of settling legal matters right. Let it proceed.

Most legislators, congressmen and senators could accomplish more good for the country if they would spend their time clearing up a piece of logged off land, rather than do what they are doing.

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