

# CARELESS PEOPLE CARRY CASH

**IT** costs \$1,000 sometimes for a skeptical person to learn that a bank is a safer depository for money than a hand bag. That is what it cost a lady recently to learn this bitter lesson .. .. .

*An enterprising burglar who was aware of her foolish distrust of banks watched his opportunity and the money was gone. The savings of almost a lifetime were lost merely because of the foolish fear that the bank would break. Think of the millions and millions of dollars in banks every day and night and the loss by the breaking of a bank is not one dollar in a hundred millions.*

**DON'T TRY TO BE YOUR OWN BANKER. YOU MAY REGRET IT**

## U. S. National Bank

LA GRANDE, OREGON

### SHOW SURPRISE TO AUDIENCE

**JUVENILES PROVE THEMSELVES  
WINNERS AT STEWARD.**

Small Audience Last Night Out Boosting for Show Today.

A score of pretty girls last evening entertained a small audience at the Steward in the finest sort of fashion



Thom Hellene, one of the popular actresses with the "Boston Juveniles," who will be seen again at the Steward tonight under auspices of the Modern Woodmen of America.

and almost to a man the audience is

out boosting for the Boston Juveniles, brought here by the local Modern Woodmen of America. The singers are well trained and pretty, the show is full of snap and pepper and at no time is there a dull moment in the production. The "Rose of Blandeen" will be presented tonight and for testimonials of the company ask anyone of the audience last evening. There is a freshness of voice and a spirit of action that the long-drilled and over-worked adult comic opera casts can not duplicate.

General surprise at the high plane of excellency when the company attains was expressed at the production last evening. The house was almost in constant laughter. There are 20 stars in the cast and to mention one would be to the improper discredit of the others.

## BLACK'S FIRM IS CHANGED

**L. C. PRATT OF PORTLAND IS NOW  
WITH FIRM.**

**Black & Pratt, New Firm Name, and  
Business to Be Continued.**

L. C. Pratt, for several years in the custom office at Portland, has joined with C. J. Black of the Black real estate office and has formed a partnership with Mr. Black. The firm will be known as Black & Pratt, and will conduct a realty business the same as now. Mr. Pratt has moved his family to La Grande and as soon as he can find a suitable location will establish a permanent home. He is a young man, experienced in real estate and insurance and will no doubt prove himself a valuable adjunct to the firm.

"I have been negotiating with Mr. Pratt for some time and feel that I have added an enterprising and competent man to my firm," said Mr. Black in announcing the new firm. "We will continue a regular real estate and insurance business and the public will find in Mr. Pratt a genial individual who has become attracted by the future of La Grande and is to be one of us."

Mr. Pratt is a cousin of O. P. Pratt.

the Union merchant and has been keeping in touch with La Grande for some time, being well satisfied with its rapid development and bright future.

## OPEN BIDS JUNE 22 IS ORDER

**CONSTRUCTION OF FEDERAL  
BUILDING ASSURED.**

**Bids Being Advertised for and Will Be  
Let Early This Summer.**

Bids for the construction of the federal building in La Grande will be let immediately after June 22. The postoffice department at Washington today authorized the Observer to publish notice of bids from contractors and these will be opened on June 22. At that time the bids will be let and though government wheels move slowly, there seems no valid excuse for delaying actual construction beyond the month of July. In such an event the building will be completed and ready for occupancy along in the fall some time.

One local contractor said today that he doubted if any builders of this city would enter the competition for the work. The contracts let by the gov-

ernment are so exacting in detail that the contractor seldom realizes any profit on Uncle Sam's work. However, it is still possible that some local firm will undertake to land the job. The plans and specifications are now on file at the postoffice.

### MORE PAVING IN ALBANY.

**Twenty-Two Blocks of Bitulithic Or-  
dered by the Council.**

Albany, Oregon, May 15.—The city council last night passed ordinances ordering the construction of about 22 blocks of bitulithic pavement. The work will commence immediately and be finished promptly.

A special committee appointed by the council has just returned from a trip of inspection to determine the merits of various pavements used, and especially that of concrete—the latter being claimed by some of our citizens to be cheaper than bitulithic. In view of the committee's adverse findings concerning concrete the council proceeded to continue their policy of laying bitulithic, which has been in vogue here and very popular for five years.

The supporters of concrete are now thoroughly satisfied that concrete pavement, even though cheap, is not a good investment.

### Oregon Strawberries Here.

Freewater strawberries reached the city this noon from Freewater. This is the first shipment of Oregon berries

and come in quart boxes. The E. Polack grocery store received a shipment on the delayed No. 6.

### COVE, THE BEAUTIFUL.

In the far blue hills of Oregon  
Mt. Fanny greets the morning sun,  
And watches from her peaks of snow  
Its passage to the vale below  
Where at her foot serene and still  
Lies Cove, supremely beautiful.

The land where the mammoth cherries grow  
Pomona, fair, delights to know;  
Producing by her mystic powers  
A fairyland of fruit and flowers.  
And happy homes where you go  
In Cove, where the mammoth cherries grow.

In the land where mammoth cherries grow  
On winter nights, with the lights turned low  
And the old folks dreaming in sleepy land  
Young people build air-castles grand

And welcome the darts from Cupid's bow  
In Cove, where the mammoth cherries grow.

The dancing brooks, the rippling rills  
Sing merrily as water can  
And sparkle on the sunlit hills,  
A priceless benefit to man.

Above the foot-hills, mantled green

Appears the timbers' darker hue  
White old Mt. Fanny's head is seen  
Amid the sky's ethereal blue.

Appreciate the blessings sent  
Oh! People of this favored spot:  
Don't sow the seed of discontent  
And sigh for what you haven't got.

Don't magnify your troubles, vast,  
And little difficulties swell,  
But think the Lord your lot is cast  
In Cove, the grand and beautiful.

M. L. CARTER.

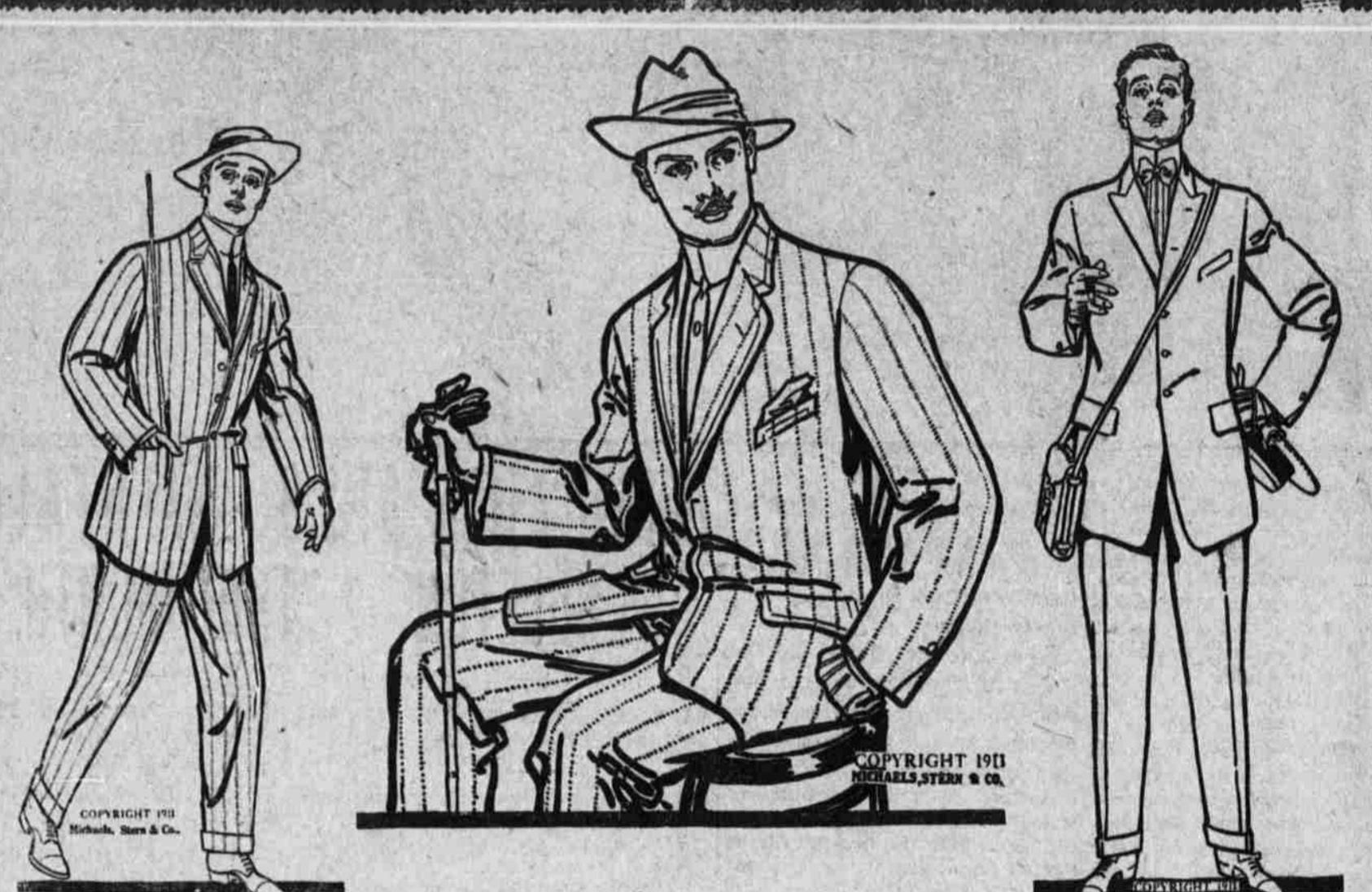
## The Grocery

STAGEBERG & SANDBORG.

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and Butter**

**Armour's Hams  
Bacon and Lard**

**Hill Bros.' Highest Grade Red  
and Blue Can Coffee for  
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