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GOING TO UNION TOMORROW.

The question to be heard on all sides this morning is, "Are you going to Union tomorrow?" Invariably the answer is in the affirmative, which means that "La Grande day" at the Union stock show will be a big event...

Arcade THEATRE

"Spinster's Legacy".....Lubin
One of those good old Lubin comedies, around an old country grocery store...

the way of making the show a great success. So, tomorrow La Grande will lay off and go over to enjoy the day with her neighbor.

The story that North Powder is to have an Armour packing plant is pleasing to hear. But from the history of the Armour company it would seem that the story is overdrawn.

Ex-Governor Hanly as Fourth of July orator for La Grande sounds very well. Let the eagle scream, and all come and shake the hand of this governor.

Today was circus day and everyone was up early to see the elephant and hear the music.

A NECESSITY FOR OUR CHILDREN

School Gardens to Better Educate Them.

WOULD GREATLY HELP TOWN.

Vacation is Near, and Healthful Garden Work Would Do Much to Keep the Boys From Wasting Their Time on the Streets.

School gardens have come to stay—that is, where they are in existence. They have rooted firmly, spread rapidly, developed prodigiously and, feeding on hidden sources of nutriment in child nature, will not easily be eradicated, says H. W. Livermore.

One of the recent educational facts which are being driven home into the public consciousness is that the child who has to leave school at fourteen years and go to work is not fitted for life. His school days have not been made a sufficiently definite asset to him.



A LESSON IN PLANTING.

tem is planned for the few who go to college instead of the many who go to work.

In some towns school gardens have sprung up in response to the demand that education must fit the masses for life as well as the minority for college. Geography, history and arithmetic have in consequence been pushed back severely, and the educational sap is seeking an outlet in new directions.

The school garden is a great educational force which must be reckoned with in the near future. Why? Because it is a rare combination of essential educational qualities. It is a happy mingling of play and work, vacation and school, athletics and manual training, pleasure and business, beauty and utility, head and hand, freedom and responsibility, of corrective and preventive, constructive and creative influences, and all in the great school of out of doors. It is the corrective of the evils of the school-room. It is the preventive of the perils of misspent leisure. It is constructive of character building. It is creative of industrious, honest pro-



A SCHOOL GARDEN CLASS.

ducers. In fact, there is no child's nature to which it does not in some way make a powerful appeal.

Here, if ever, children are on an equality. For once the weakling or the lame child does not cower before the street bully. His garden may be better and even envied by the bully.

School gardens, therefore, are not only good to educate the children, but they also benefit the town. The children in this town have as much need of school garden education as the rest of young America. And why can't we give it to them? Our facilities are as good as any other town in this country. Our schools can be utilized in this healthful education as well as the vacant grounds with which almost every residence is provided.

Summer time is near, during which time our schools close, leaving some of the pupils with nothing to do but to loaf around and idle away their time. Why couldn't we begin right now to interest the children with this school garden plan, so that by the time the schools close the plan will have become interesting enough to keep them busy during the coming summer.

All that is needed is the co-operation of the community.

SLUMS FOUND WHEREVER THERE IS CONGESTION.

Lack of Adequate Transit Cause of Crowded and Dilapidated Houses.

Lack of adequate transit and transportation facilities is one of the chief causes of congestion, says G. A. Ford in the American City. With no good means of going to and from the heart of the city people are forced to remain in the near vicinity of their work, and in this connection we use the word "adequate" advisedly, for it is perfectly possible for a subway to be so placed that its operation tends to increase rather than decrease congestion.

Again, congestion often appears as a result of the lack of adequate city regulations with regard to open space, sunlight, etc. These regulations would differ in different communities, but the smaller community must be careful not to adopt standards for these things such as have been adopted by the greatest cities, as this often tends to incite builders in the greater cities.

Speculation in land, due to the desire of each individual to get the maximum possible return on his holdings, this return often being out of all proportion to anything that the owner himself has done to bring it about, probably accounts more than anything else for the worst phases of congestion.

That congestion has a marked effect on health no one can doubt. Its tendency is to crowd tenements so closely together that a good circulation of air or the admission of sunlight into living rooms becomes impossible. The rooms are dark. The air in the narrow slits of shafts and wells becomes stagnant and foul. There is no incentive to self respect on the part of the dwellers in these hovels. The shafts become a receptacle for the constantly increasing accumulation of garbage. It is nobody's business to see that it is cleared out.

Advertisement for Wooltex featuring a large 'T' logo, the text 'THE STORE THAT SELLS WOOLTEX', and 'THE Charms of Wooltex are mostly due to the fact that THE STYLE'S SO DIFFERENT'. It also includes a list of features like 'The Best of America's Tailoring' and 'Highest Quality Materials all through That's Wooltex'.



TRUTHFUL... The Merchant Who Cannot Use It Is Sure to Be a Failure. Here is an unimpeachable true argument made by the advertising expert of the New York Evening Mail: 'In smaller communities, where everybody knows everybody, there is very little likelihood of the public being deceived by advertisements. The merchant there knows he must make good. He knows if he does not he will not do any business.'

In larger communities, where there are great throngs of people—transient and resident—the advertising faker thinks he can escape the consequences of misrepresentation, and he does, sometimes for a long period, but in the end he gets his deserts, as he always does. 'The increasing faith in advertising is being brought about because the majority of advertisers—a big majority, too—live up to their agreements. The good merchants should unite with good newspapers in driving out the frauds in every community.'

CONJECTURES. Our best conjectures as to the true spring of actions are very uncertain. The actions themselves are all we must pretend to know from history. That Caesar was murdered by twenty-four conspirators I doubt not, but I very much doubt whether their love of liberty was the sole cause.—Chesterfield.

For summer diarrhoea in children always give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil, and a speedy cure is certain. For sale by all dealers.

Directory of the Fraternal Orders of La Grande, Oregon

A. F. & A. M.—La Grande Lodge No. 41, F. & A. M. holds regular meetings first and third Saturdays at 7:30 p. m. Cordial welcome to all. Masons, L. M. HOYT, W. M. A. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

NEBEKAHS—Crystal Lodge No. 60 meets every Tuesday evening in the I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting members are invited to attend. MRS. KATIE ARBUCKLE, W. G. MISS ANNA ALEXANDER, Sec.

W. W. A.—La Grande Camp No. 7703 meets every Monday in the month at the I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting neighbors are cordially invited to attend. E. E. DANIELS, ED. HEATH, Clerk.

WOMEN OF WOODCRAFT—Grand Ronde Circle No. 47 meets first and third Thursday evenings in the month at the I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting members are invited to attend. CARRIE ROBBES, G. M., LIZZIE ELLSWORTH, Sec.

Advertisement for 'Five Minute Washing Powder' and 'Royal Grocery'. It states '20 WASHINGS FOR 15 CENTS' and 'H. Pattison, Prop. Not in the Association'.

Advertisement for 'Old Friends and New' by La Grande National Bank. It describes the bank's long history and lists its capital and resources: CAPITAL \$100,000.00, SURPLUS 100,000.00, RESOURCES 1,100,000.00. It also lists the names of its officers: Fred J. Holmes, Pres.; W. J. Church, Vice Pres.; F. L. Meyers, Cashier; Earl Zundel, Ass't. Cashier.