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B. P. O. E.—La Grande Lodge No. 423 meets each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in Elk's club, corner of Depot street and Washington avenue. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend. H. J. RITTER, Ex. Rul. W. COOLIDGE, Rec. Sec.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—La Grande Lodge No. 169 W. O. W. meets every second and fourth Saturdays at K. P. hall. All visiting members welcome. D. FITZGERALD, C. C. J. H. KEENEY, Clerk.

M. W. A.—La Grande Camp No. 7702 meets every Monday in the month at the I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting neighbors are cordially invited to attend. W. A. DUNN, WILL LANDRUM, Clerk.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Red Cross Lodge No. 27 meets every Monday night in Castle hall, (old Elk's hall.) A Pythian welcome to all visiting Knights. A. C. HAYNES, C. C. R. L. LINCOLN, M. of R. & S.

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O. E. S.—Hope Chapter No. 13. O. E. S. holds stated communications the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Visiting members cordially invited. CARRIE B. HUNTER, W. M. MARY A. WARNICK, Sec.



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COMMUNICATION FROM MR. WAGENER.

La Grande, Dec. 7.—Editor Observer.—In your Thanksgiving issue you commented lightly on the probable results of the city election, and that Mr. Wines' election for mayor was not probable, as the business interests would not vote that way believing that a socialistic victory would impair the credit of the city. I want to ask the editor to cite me to a single instance where such is the case? I am prepared to prove that such is not the case; and that in every instance where socialistic government has had full power, the credit has been brought to a high standard.

I consider the above statement very poor logic, and misleading as coming from the editor; he undoubtedly has not investigated socialism to any great extent, and if the above statement or reason is the only one he can give for wanting a socialistic city administration he had better try and persuade the so-called business interests to vote for Wines. The credit of the city depends largely on how the affairs are handled. Any city to have abundant credit (unquestioned) must be managed along conservative lines within the bounds of available resources; and to do this, the good will and hearty co-operation of the tax payers and citizens at large must be maintained, so that the warrants can be kept at par. While I do not know as much about the city's affairs as some, I can see very plainly that it doesn't take a Debs to know that its credit is about to the limit. Furthermore, the taxpayers haven't overlooked the fact that they are paying interest on some \$14000.00 water bonds, of which the money has never been used for any legitimate purpose, to their knowledge. Is this conservative financing, mismanagement, or pulling the wool over the people's eyes?

How about the Second street pipe line, which costs the tax payers some \$5,000.00 more than the original contract to get a satisfactory job? And how about the committee report on the falsification of the records, concerning the acceptance of said line? The report must have died; and yet the editor seems to want some more of this same "dope" so that he may die also. I suppose this kind of doctoring is what makes the city's credit so healthy? The tax payers and voters who are paying the bills have not been deaf and blind all together; they are taking their medicine with a grain of salt, and at the coming election will no doubt prefer something more agreeable for the palate.

Right here allow me to impress our well meaning editor, that under a socialistic administration he need have no fear as our concoction will be absolutely pure and without adulteration. Our policies are to establish better financial conditions for all. We believe in public improvements and in beautifying the city to the extent that we are able without impairing its credit; we do not believe in using arbitrary official power where matters of public interest are at stake; we believe the people should have a voice in all matters pertaining to public works and that every adult citizen (male or female) should have the right of suffrage.

In conclusion, will say that no doubt on Dec. 11th, the voters will voice their sentiments of approval or disapproval, on the administration they have been receiving in the past six years.

Respectfully yours, GEORGE J. WAGENER, Candidate for City Recorder

In the above communication Mr Wagener doubts the editorial assertion of this paper as to what will follow if socialism is accepted in this city, but he does not point to some of the eastern cities which have had very unpleasant experiences after electing a socialist administration. There is positive proof by men here familiar with some of those cities to the effect that after press dispatches announced to the world that a certain eastern city had elected a socialist administration there was an influx of idle men from adjacent country, many of whom

NOTICE.

Notice of the recorder of the city of La Grande, Oregon, of the assessment of Monroe avenue from the south line of North Fir street to the north line of North Spruce street.

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the improvement of Monroe avenue from the south line of North Fir street to the north line of North Spruce street, being in Improvement District No. 7, in the city of La Grande, Oregon, under the provisions of Ordinance No. 570, Series 1911, entitled, "An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Monroe avenue from the south line of North Fir street to the north line of North Spruce street in the city of La Grande, Oregon; determining the property benefited thereby, levying an assessment thereon to defray the costs and expenses of the improvement; providing for the assessment roll of the same and directing the entry of said assessment in the docket of city liens; providing a time when the same shall become delinquent and requiring the city recorder to prepare a

CHAPLIN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LA GRANDE, OREGON

| Block | Lot Name of Owner | Am't of Ass't |
|-------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| 124 | 16 and 17 Dan Marks | \$ 74.72 |
| 123 | 3 and 9 Freeman Ladd | 50.00 |
| 123 | 10 Steve Richardson | 25.00 |
| 122 | 1 and 2 Joseph Petch | 49.68 |
| 147 | 7, 8 and 9 Ed. M. Cross | 80.07 |
| 147 | 10 Wm. Salling | 23.25 |
| 147 | 11 and 12 Estella M. Davis | 46.50 |
| 147 | 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 A. E. Flower | 144.00 |

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claiming to be socialists were put to work for the city and paid by the city. There is also proof in plenty that the municipal bonds of a city that has chosen socialism are neither sought nor desired in the usual avenues of trade that purchase bonds. Mr. Wagener's reference to the editor of this paper seems to bear a tinge of sarcasm all of which is overlooked because of a realization that he is a candidate and wanted to make his

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special assessment roll in accordance with the assessment herein levied and to collect said assessment," the same being in Improvement District No. 7, in said city of La Grande, Oregon, is now in my hands for collection and that any assessment therein may be paid to me at any time in ten (10) days from the 6th day of December, 1911, without penalty, interest or cost; and each property owner is hereby notified that on application to the undersigned within ten (10) days from the 6th day of December, 1911, which is the first publication of this notice, they will be allowed to pay such assessments in ten (10) annual installments, the first installment thereof being due and payable on or before the 6th day of December, 1912; if application is not made as above provided the whole amount will be and become due, payable and delinquent on the 16th day of December, 1911.

All property owners interested are hereby notified to appear at my office in the city hall and pay the same. The assessment roll is as follows:

ORIGINAL TOWNSITE OF LA GRANDE.

| Block | Lot Name of Owner | Am't of Ass't |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 2 D street | 5 Lucy Nelson | \$32.52 |
| 2 D street | 4 Albert E. Patterson | 32.92 |

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communication as "peppery" as possible to attract attention of the voters. But the fact remains that if La Grande elects a socialist administration she has crippled herself materially and rendered unto herself a business injury which will require a long period of time to overcome. This is a truth which every property owner and every person seeking to advance the city should take to the polls with him next Monday.

NOTICE.

Notice of the recorder of the city of La Grande, Oregon, of the assessment of Second street from south curb line of H avenue to north curb line of C avenue.

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the improvement of Second street from south curb line of H avenue to north curb line of C avenue being in Improvement District No. 8, in the city of La Grande, Oregon, under the provisions of Ordinance No. 571, Series 1911, entitled, "An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Second street from south curb line of H avenue to north curb line of C avenue, in the city of La Grande Oregon; determining the property benefited thereby, levying an assessment thereon to defray the costs and expenses of the improvement; providing for the assessment roll of the same and directing the entry of said assessment in the docket of city liens; providing a time when the same shall become delinquent and requiring the city recorder to prepare a

ARNOLD'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LA GRANDE

| Block | Lot Name of Owner | Am't of Ass't |
|-------|-------------------|---------------|
| 7 | 5 John McNeely | \$38.43 |
| 7 | 4 John McNeely | 33.35 |

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ARNOLD & DRAY ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LA GRANDE

| Block | Lot Name of Owner | Am't of Ass't |
|-------|-------------------|---------------|
| 3 | J. A. Riggs | \$56.11 |
| 3 | H. C. Dray, Jr. | 49.92 |
| 8 | H. C. Dray, Jr. | 41.54 |
| 13 | 5 Leo Bowers | 40.57 |
| 13 | 4 Leo Bowers | 41.41 |

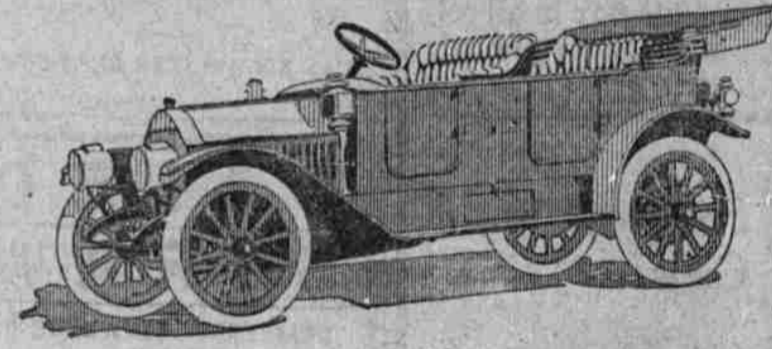
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| Block | Lot Name of Owner | Am't of Ass't |
|-------|-------------------|---------------|
| 94 | 5 J. H. Wilson | \$ 9.42 |

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