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SENATE AND RUSSIA.

Ironclad considerations of trade should not be permitted to interfere with the favorable action by the senate on the Sulzer bill, calling for the abrogation of the treaty with Russia of 1832.

The Russian ambassador, too, is reputed to have made an implied threat to the state department if the resolution passed by the house is put into effect.

Neither Russia's threats nor the loss of money in trade should make

our government officials hesitate in a course that seems right to them. The clamorings of those who will be hurt in pocket have been heard whenever at a crisis the United States has contemplated taking serious action with a foreign country.

There is no occasion, however, for demagoguery, and Speaker Champ Clark, who is quoted as belligerently declaring that congress has a right to pass such resolutions as it pleases, should also remember that it is an inherent right of congressmen, not infrequently exercised, to make idiots of themselves, when acting in anger or undue haste.

A VALUABLE ASSET.

The mountain of black marble up Hurricane canyon is beginning to attract wide attention and the Portland Commercial club has taken cognizance of it. The marble is now being used to make lime of a superior quality.

John Arbuckle, head of the coffee and sugar company that bears his name, is advertising for an assistant. Maybe he did not know that John D. Rockefeller is out of a job.

The receipts at the postal bank show that the students of Leland Stanford university saved only \$1.00 in 14 weeks. Maybe the Leland Stanford eleven did not have much luck this fall.

The telegraph companies announce a very material reduction in the cable rates between this country and Europe. That will be good news to helmsmen and others who want to telegraph home for money.

With Mrs. La Follette writing for the papers, her daughter on the stage making conquests and Robert M. making a bid for the presidency, there is no measure by which to measure the ambition of the family.

Republican Chairman Lee says Taft cannot carry Indiana, probably because he is neither poet nor novelist, nor does he wear whiskers.

J. P. Morgan is going to be decorated by Germany, but not on the center of his face.

An eastern genius has invented a noiseless hammer. Sewing circles please take notice.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

- December 22.
1620 - Landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, Mass.
1727 - William Ellery, American revolutionary patriot, born. Died Feb. 15, 120.
1807 - United States Congress passed the second embargo act.
1818 - Sir Phillip Francis, generally considered to have been the author of the Junius Letters, died Born Oct. 22, 1740.
1859 - Ground broken for the foundations of the Dominion parliament buildings at Ottawa.
1880 - Marian Evans ("George Eliot"), famous novelist, died. Born on Nov. 22, 1819.
1894 - Cedarcroft, the home of Bayard Taylor at Kennett Square, Pa.

Arcade Theatre

"AJACCO, Birthplace of Napoleon" Gaumont
"THE MESQUITE'S GRATITUDE" Kalem
An interesting Indian love story, with splendid background
"JIMMIE'S MIDNIGHT FLIGHT" Gaumont
"A PURITAN COURTSHIP" Pathe
A picture of an early New England courtship.
"GIT A HOSS" Lubin
A lively comedy by this popular company.
Mr. Williams will sing:
"CAROLINA CUTEY."
Note - On Sunday Mr. Williams will sing "OLD JIM'S CHRISTMAS HYMN."
Free matinee tomorrow to all children under 12 years of age.

What Makes a Strong Bank?

- 1. AMPLE RESOURCES - Our resources are \$1,100,000, composed of well secured loans and cash.
2. AMPLE CASH RESERVES - Our cash reserves are usually 26 to 30 per cent of our immediate liabilities (deposits subject to check, and always more than 15 per cent of our total liabilities, the amount required by law.
3. ADEQUATE CAPITAL - Our capital is \$100,000.00, and our surplus, which is profits earned and retained as additional capital, is \$105,000.00.
4. CAPABLE MANAGEMENT - Ever since its organization 25 years ago, this bank has been under careful management. Its officers and directors are men who have achieved success in the banking and other lines of business. The fact that we have safely weathered every financial storm during our career, and are today greater and stronger than ever is evidence of good management.

If you are not already a depositor or client of this strong and successful bank, become one now. If you are, tell your friends about us.

La Grande National Bank

LA GRANDE, OREGON.
CAPITAL \$ 100,000.00
SURPLUS 105,000.00
RESOURCES 1,100,000.00

Fred J. Holmes, Pres.
I. Meyers, Cashier
W. J. Church, Vice Pres.
Earl Zundel, Ass't. Cashier

Store Closes
5 p. m.
Open
SAT. NIGHT

N.K. West
The Quality Store

Store Closes
6 p. m.
Open
SAT. NIGHT

IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT WILL PLEASE HUNDREDS. ALL PRICED SO LOW THAT YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO LET THE OPPORTUNITY PASS.

Remember Christmas Comes but Once a Year

GIFTS THAT WILL PLEASE A LADY

- Fur sets and fur coats \$3.50 to \$75.00
Plush and Velvet Hand Bags \$1.25 to \$12.50
Pendleton Indian bath robe, priced low \$18.50
Box of Irish linen handkerchiefs \$1.50 and up
Silk Hose, all colors and sizes, Special values.
Sweaters, all wool Shaker knit \$4.00 to \$7.50
Keiser Neckwear, Special Xmas Values.
Pendleton Indian Blankets \$6.00 to \$8.50
Extra values in linen sets, silk kimonas, dress gloves, umbrellas and fancy house slippers.

USEFUL GIFTS FOR A MAN.

- Silk Shirts, priced \$2.50 to \$4.00
French Flannel Shirts \$1.50 to \$3.00
Silk Hose, all colors and sizes 40c to \$2.50
Silk Mufflers, all the new styles 50c to \$4.00
An all wool bath robe \$6.00 to \$18.50
House Coats, plain and fancy \$4.50 to \$12.50
Leather Bags, special values \$3.50 to \$22.50
Immense showing of neckties 25c to \$1.50
Box of linen handkerchiefs \$1.50 to \$2.00

IF IN DOUBT GIVE A MERCHANDISE COUPON FOR ANY AMOUNT, REDEEMABLE ANY TIME.

- destroyed by fire.
1904 - George L. Shoup, former United States senator from Idaho, died Born in Kittanning, Pa., June 15, 1836.
1905 - Herbert H. D. Pierce appointed first United States minister to Norway.

CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDING
Portland Girl at Agricultural College Tells How It Should Be Made.
Corvallis, Ore., Dec. 22 - How to make a Christmas plum pudding is told by Miss Keren Davis of Portland, a senior in the domestic science department at the Oregon Agricultural college, in an article on "Christmas Cookies and Plum Puddings," in the December Oregon Countryman. The ingredients, which are to be combined in the order given and steamed four hours, are as follows: 3 eggs, 3 cups flour, 1 cup chopped suet, 1/2 cup candied lemon, 1 cup each of molasses and sweet milk, 1 teaspoon each of soda and salt, 1 cup of citron, one-third teaspoon spices, 1 cup raisins, 2 teaspoons cream tartar, 1 cup currants, 1 cup brown sugar.

Classified Advertising

- FOR RENT - Furnished rooms for light housekeeping on ground floor, one block from high school. Phone Black 832. 12-19-11
SEVEN ROOM HOUSE FOR RENT; two blocks from Elk's club. Phone Main 32. 12-20-11
WANTED - A girl for general housework. Call 2602 Oak street. 12-11-11
MESSENGER SERVICE - P. O. News Stand. Phone Red 3111. Mrs. O. C. Combs.
FOR SALE OR TRADE - One and one-half acres adjoining city. 5 room house, barn, chicken house, family orchard, etc. Fine for chickens. Good terms. Call at Grand Union Tea Co., 209 Fir street. 12-9-11
STRAYED - Yearling calf, red and white spotted, branded G-5 on left hip, two silts in right ear. G. G. TAAL, La Grande.
WANTED - Woman to do family washing once a week. Inquire Mrs.

C. E. Cochran, corner Second and Washington. 12-9-11

FOR SALE - Ludwig piano. Sideboard, organ, heater, gas cart, cook stove, kitchen treasure, extension table, stand table, etc. Inquire 1417 Wash. Phone Red 752. 12-19-11

FOR RENT - Light housekeeping rooms. Modern. One parlor suite for three gentlemen. Apply 905 Spring. Call Black 3881. 12-4-11

FOR RENT - Furnished house in South La Grande. Inquire of John Adams at Eagle saloon. 2-4-11

WANTED - Position as bookkeeper. P. O. Box 236. 12-18-11

760 WHEAT LAND near Condon to trade for good alfalfa or orchard

STORAGE WAREHOUSE

We can store almost anything, and at reasonable rates.

Waters-Stanchfield Produce Co., Main 706
1527 JEFFERSON AVENUE

For WOOD AND COAL
Phone Main 6



land near La Grande. Let me know what you have. Address Box 274, Athena, Oregon. 12-21-6t

LOST - Pair of bowed glasses on 3rd street between Jefferson and Grandy. Leave at Observer. 12-20-11

FOR RENT - Six room house on Cher-

ry street and Cove avenue. City water, one acre ground. Rent \$12.00. Phone Red 3621. 12-21-6t

LOST - God watch, well worn, between Grande Ronde hospital and Sixth St. Return to Newlin drug store and receive reward. 12-22-11

Free Matinee AT THE

ARCADE

For All Children Under 12 Years Old
Saturday Afternoon
SPECIAL PROGRAM

By special arrangements the Arcade theatre will give to every boy and girl under 12 years of age who will attend a specially prepared program absolutely free, Saturday afternoon. Doors open at 2 p. m., and entertainment will last until 4 o'clock. County people entitled to bring their children. Remember no charge for children of 12 years and under.

Good Cheer to All

Is our frequent wish to the public generally and we are surely doing our share by furnishing you strictly fresh good Candies.
We will be pleased to give you prices on your Xmas Candies, which are home made.
Hot Tamales 15c and 25c. SELDER'S