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MEMORY IN MUNICIPAL BUSINESS

With all the book-keeping, labor and time-saving devices usually found around a city hall the memory of men still plays an important part in all matters, even municipal affairs. This is best illustrated by the recent decision of the railroad company to join the city in paving Jefferson avenue. For some time effort has been made to accomplish this improvement, but a railroad company has several hundred cities to consider and naturally does not consider an improvement in La Grande with the same heartfelt interest that citizens here do. Nevertheless, due credit must be given the company for always finally getting around to a point of agreement with the municipal authorities when reasonable things are to be considered.

It seems that years ago the city decided one-half of Jefferson avenue to the railroad company; that there were some conditions mentioned then which were not embodied in black and white. Time has moved along and the entire transaction was lost sight of until the improvement of the street was brought up. Julius Roesch was on the council in the early days when the Jefferson avenue matter was adjusted and recently he called to the attention of railroad officials some of the conditions of the contract. That settled it. The officials were rather anxious to pave the street anyway and when the memory of Mr. Roesch, which is recognized as authority by all who know him, was brought up that settled the whole transaction and the company will do its part toward paving Jefferson as well as making other improvements in La Grande.

What are you preparing for exhibition next week. Remember, every-

thing is welcome, from the plump Grande Ronde baby to the best bag of oats.

Governor West's moral crusade in Portland is now collecting data, according to reports. The gas seems to have become exhausted and the spotlight is growing very dim.

Attend the auction of box seats Saturday evening at the band concert and secure a box for the fair.

Well, the fuel dealer should be abundantly happy, anyway.

AT THE THEATRES.

Roosevelt Will Draw Crowd.

There is expected to be a large crowd in attendance the day Theodore Roosevelt speaks in La Grande and everyone will grasp the opportunity to hear this famous man. There will also be a large crowd at the Elks tonight to see the exceptionally fine program offered its patrons. The special is the picture, "The Heart of Esmeralda," featuring Miss Edith Strong and the favorite, Miss Helen Gardner.

Good Vanderville Act at Arcade.

Finchett & Mays proved themselves to be first class entertainers and kept the large audience in a continual uproar. Their singing is above the average and the act goes with a vim. Also tonight, "The Honor Squad" a feature picture by Thanhouser.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, on the 11th day of September, 1912, for the construction of a cement sidewalk and the grading of the parkway on the east side of block 49, Chaplin's addition, same being known as the Court House block; all bids to be accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of the whole amount bid. The council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

La Grande, Oregon, September 4th, 1912.

C. M. HUMPHREYS,
City Recorder.

Sept. 6-5t

S.S.S. NATURE'S
PERFECT TONIC

Something more than an ordinary tonic is required to restore health to a weakened, run-down system; the medicine must possess blood-purifying properties as well, because the weakness and impurity of the circulation is responsible for the poor physical condition. The blood does not contain the necessary quantity of rich, red corpuscles, and is therefore a weak, watery stream which cannot afford sufficient nourishment to sustain the system in ordinary health. A poorly nourished body cannot resist disease, and this explains why so many persons are attacked by a spell of sickness when the use of a good tonic would have prevented the trouble. In S. S. S. will be found both blood-cleansing and tonic qualities combined. It builds up weak constitutions by removing all impurities and germs from the blood, thus supplying a certain means for restoring strength and invigorating the system. The healthful, vegetable ingredients of which S. S. S. is composed make it splendidly fitted to the needs of those systems which are delicate from any cause. It is Nature's Perfect Tonic, free from all harmful minerals, a safe and pleasant acting medicine for persons of every age. S. S. S. rids the body of that tired, worn-out feeling so common at this season, improves the appetite and digestion, tones up the stomach, acts with pleasing effects on the nervous system, and reinvigorates every portion of the body.

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The Newest Modes
In Ladies' Garments Now Ready

When women of La Grande visit our exclusive ready to wear department they are indeed surprised at finding a showing of high grade garments that is usually shown only in the largest stores. Would like to have you come in and look through our fall showing which comprises all the newest styles from America's best garment makers.

The Coats An endless variety of clever styles and materials for every occasion. Long and medium long styles in rich diagonals, Chinchilla cloth, imported weaves and worsted.

Prices Range from \$12.50 to \$40

The Suits

A remarkable showing is here for your choice. Smart, authoritative styles that appeal to the woman who must be well and correctly dressed. You who appreciate perfection in tailoring, careful finishing high quality materials and correctness in style will be delighted with these new Fall models.

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The Dresses were never more beautiful than this season. In woolen and silks alike you will find the latest fashion features. Copies from the best creations of Parisian modistes in dresses for party and evening wear.

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Models to please the fancy of every woman. Beautiful styles from the wide, sweeping rims to the jaunty close-fitting types.

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THOUSANDS RAISE OBJECTION

Mother Jones to Lead Parade Protesting Against Guards.

Charlestown, W. Va., Sept. 6.—Ten thousand miners from the Paint Creek district augmented by hundreds of business men and mountaineers poured into Charlestown today to participate in a demonstration against the employment of private guards by mines affected by the strike in Paint Creek district. Mother Jones, labor's foremost woman leader, stirred by personal investigation, alleges that brutal treatment accorded to miners' women by detectives, will lead a parade tonight which will mass at the capitol. She will plead with Governor Glasscock not to allow private guards to return to the Paint Creek district after martial law is lifted.

OLD COUPLE RESCUED

Aged Man and Woman Saved From Deep by Resort Idlers.

Sunset Beach, Cal., Sept. 6.—Adrift in a leaking sailboat off Sunset Beach an aged man and woman who refused to tell their names, were rescued today by summer visitors who reached them after two hours' work in the surf trying to launch a life boat. Neither were injured. The had floated all night. News of their plight was brought ashore by a youth who swam to shore from the boat.

TAFT ELEMENT ACTIVE.

Californians to See Scrap Over November Ticket Fight.

Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 6.—Taft nominees at the primaries declared today that they will not sit in the convention with the Rooseveltians when they meet Sept. 24, according to the primary law. They threaten they will maudlin the secretary of the state to give them a column and put Taft's

name on the November ballot and also recognize them as a separate convention entitled to name a state committee to adopt a separate platform.

Autumn Race Meeting at Montreal.

Montreal, Sept. 6.—Everything is in readiness for the opening tomorrow of the autumn race meeting of the Montreal Jockey club. The stables at the Blue Bonnets track are filled with fast horses and all indications point to a week of excellent sport. The big events for the opening day will be the classic King's Plate, one mile and a quarter, for three-year-olds and up, owned, bred and raised in the Province of Quebec, and the Earl Grey Handicap, one mile and a quarter, for three-year-olds and up, with \$1,200 added by the Montreal Jockey club.

M. E. Ingalls 70 Years Old.

Cincinnati, O., Sept. 6.—Melville E. Ingalls, former president of the "Big Four" system and for many years one of the leading railway executives of the country, reached his 70th birthday anniversary today. Mr. Ingalls, who so many other men who have risen to eminence in America, is a product of a New England farm. He was born and educated in Maine and was a practicing lawyer, when, in the early '70s, he began his railroad career as receiver of the old Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette road. By a series of reorganizations and consolidations he put the railroad and its successor, the C. I. St. L. and C., on a sound footing. In addition to his connection with the "Big Four," Mr. Ingalls served for more than ten years as president of the Chesapeake and Ohio road.

To Inspect Irrigation Works.

Calgary, Alta., Sept. 6.—Leaving this city tomorrow, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and their party will enter upon a week of travel that will embrace much interesting sight-seeing and carry them into the heart of the Canadian Rockies. The first important stop will be at Gleichen, where

their royal highnesses will inspect the great irrigation works and the dam that is being constructed by the Canadian Pacific across the Bow river. A short stay will also be made at Cochrane, in the foothills, after which the royal train will proceed to Banff, which point will be reached one week from today.

Taft at Waterways Meet.

New London, Conn., Sept. 6.—President Taft visited New London today and delivered an address before the convention of the Atlantic Deep Waterways association. The address was delivered at historic old Port Griswold, on Groton Heights. The president arrived on the yacht Mayflower and was greeted with a salute of 21 guns from the battleship Illinois now in the harbor. A detail of Connecticut militia acted as escort to the Hotel Griswold, where the president was entertained at luncheon.

General McArthur.

Milwaukee, Sept. 6.—Preparations for the funeral of General McArthur, U. S. A., who died in an apoplectic stroke last night, while addressing a reunion of the old soldiers here, are not completed today.

WANTED—Small furnished cottage or furnished housekeeping rooms. Telephone Main 191.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, for the construction of a cement lined storm sewer, or conduit, along the west side of First street between the south line of Adams avenue and Spring avenue, the top of which shall form a cement walk. Plans and specifications for this work may be seen at the office of the city engineer. All bids to be received until 3 o'clock p. m. September 11th, 1912.



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