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STATE INCOME TAX.

This afternoon the state of Utah received from the David Eccles estate \$400,000. This is obtained under the Utah state law which provides for the taxing of incomes. It will be remembered that David Eccles passed out of this life a few days ago and the automatic action of Utah's state law adds nearly a half

million dollars to the state funds from the Eccles estate in this brief period.
At a distance this law seems to be of benefit. Such estates as Mr. Eccles left can well afford to pay a portion of its earnings to the state treasury, and his added to amounts raised by taxation enables the state to make permanent improvements without levying special taxes on the rank and file of the people. Utah is building a million dollar state capital at the present time and doubtless the Eccles income will assist materially in the expense of this improvement.

One La Grande lady offered to serve on the coroner's jury a few days ago. She happened to be doing the family washing when the coroner called her up, and her reply was, "Sure, I'll serve on the jury. I think I can make more money at that than I can doing my family washing." But there were not enough ladies of the same opinion so Coroner Bacon dropped the idea of having a woman jury on the case.

We Now Have On Deposit \$800,000.00

of money accumulated by residents of La Grande and the Grande Ronde valley.

We Now Have Loaned \$700,000.00

to business men, farmers and others in this community.
The money deposited here is not "laid away" as some of it might be if its owners had not deposited it, but it is industriously at work all about us, doing good.
By depositing your income here on open account and paying it out by check, you will safeguard your interests, build your credit and cultivate an acquaintance at a strong financial institution, which can and will help you when you need help.
Don't delay, you can begin with a small deposit at the

La Grande National Bank

La Grande, Oregon

Capital \$100,000.00 Surplus, \$120,000.00 Resources, \$1,110,000.00
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Ladies' Neckwear
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50c to \$2.50.

100 Newest Coats Just Arrived by Express ONE HALF PRICE

Some are still wondering how the ladies voted, but the ladies are satisfied to let these same people ponder over the matter. It is rather womanlike to keep as many guessing as possible, anyway.

More cases of smallpox running at large causes everyone to wonder how many times exposure has occurred. If there is a shortage in yellow flags perhaps a contract had better be let by the state for a few dozen.

In the great woman's suffrage parade at Columbus there was one glaring omission. There was no float bearing husbands darning socks.

An Ohio girl knocked one man down and put two others to flight.

Perhaps they had referred to her as a member of the weaker sex.

Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the La Grande National Bank, will be held at their banking house in La Grande, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 14th, 1913, at 2 o'clock p. m.

At this meeting a board of seven directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be elected, and such other business will be considered as may

properly be offered at said meeting.
F. L. MEYERS,
Cashier.

12-11-30t

Big Sale Dec. 11.

I will hold a public sale Saturday, December 14th, at the J. F. Irby farm one and a quarter miles northwest of Imbler when I will sell horses, farm implements and 60 head of Duroc-Jersey hogs. All registered

or eligible to registry. See handbills for further particulars.
JOHN F. IRBY.

12-6-6t

FOR RENT—Rooms. Case in. 901 Washington avenue. 12-10-6t

The Turkey trot is proving too slow for the Bulgarians, so a new dance will have to be invented.



Pajamas
House Coats
Neckwear
Suspenders
Hat
Hosiery

GIFT Suggestions

Nothing else does quite so well as a gift to a man as something he can wear, and the fact that he'll wear it is the best test of appreciation.

Our store is filled with useful, serviceable things!

Even outside of our Holiday stock, there isn't an article or garment in the store that would not be a most acceptable gift.

A Merry Christmas for Him

Suits
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