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LET CRITICISM CEASE.

It makes no difference now whether you were in favor of war with Mexico; whether you have been against or with the present administration in the past; it is high time now that criticism cease and every effort be lent to harmonize matters in the nation to the end that President Wilson may have the united support of his country in the ordeal with Mexico, whatever that may prove to be. Right or wrong, the climax is upon us and a true patriot will know but one thing—and that is unfaltering support to the present administration. Wilson will make just as strong a war president as the people of his nation will support him. With things at home in harmony he can do great work, while with criticism flowing freely he will be handicapped in many ways.

CLEAN UP THE BACK YARD.

Along with other important things to do in the spring time is the cleaning of the back yard. It is essential that places for flies to breed be eradicated; it is essential that the tins be conveyed to the city dumping ground; that the branches and trimmings from trees be carted away from the center of population. A little work done by each citizen will amount to much in the aggregate. Let us all get in and do that little bit of work and do it now.

Union people are pleased with the Elks of La Grande for staging the big minstrel show in that town on the 29th and turning the proceeds over to the Stock Show committee. It is the graceful and proper thing to do. People in La Grande are anxious to do it for the time will come when Union will be on hand to do a friendly turn to this community, just as she has done many, many times.

Now that the fruit has withstood all of these bluffs of nature, it is hardly probable that anything will affect this year's crop. And with nothing to shorten the crop the railroad company will have to increase its rolling stock in order to ship out the Grande Ronde tonnage.

TODD WOULD COME HERE.

Is in City Investigating Possibilities of Training Horses.

C. W. Todd of Baker, is in the city looking into the matter of bringing his entire string of race horses to the city for the La Grande Matinee that has been proposed for the latter part of May and preceding the Union horse show.

He states that the track is in fine condition and that he will bring the horses here for training provided he can get some guarantee that the track will be kept in good condition and provided also that the grounds be furnished with free water.

Dr. Charlton has taken the matter in hand and is doing something to that end. It was stated some time ago that both Todd and C. W. Wilbourn of Baker contemplated coming here for training, provided they could get some concessions and guarantees that the track would be kept in good shape. This according to Dr. Charlton is not difficult. All that is required is consistent sprinkling and harrowing to keep the track soft and cushion like.

TWO FINES ATTACHED

Jap Boy Pays Fine But Girl is Paroled And Leaves the City.

Twenty-five dollars fine was collected off Arthur Arata, a Japanese, in Municipal court last evening when he and Helen Allen, a white girl, were tried on a disorderly conduct charge, the specific charge being occupation of a room in a down-town rooming house last Saturday night. The two were tried jointly, and fined \$25.00 each by Judge Eakin, but the girl was paroled and instructed to leave town, which she did. The Jap paid the fine. City Prosecutor John Hodgkin handled the case for the city and W. B. Sargent was counsel for the defendants. The girl, employed in the Palace restaurant of late, was about to leave the city when arrested by Officers Driscoll and Barnhill. It is understood she has gone to Pendleton. The fine was made light as it was believed she is not an inveterate sinner.

JUDGE LAWRENCE T. HARRIS



Lane County Judge Who is Republican Candidate For the Supreme Bench and Who is in La Grande Today.

COURAGE.

They can conquer who believe they can. * * * He has not learned the lesson of life who does not every day surmount a fear.—Emerson.

The soul, secured in its existence, smiles at the drawn dagger and defies its point.—Addison.

Courage in danger is half the battle.—Plautus.

Falsehood is cowardice. Truth is courage.—Lowell.

I beg of you take courage. The brave soul can mend disaster.—Catherine II.

Courage, an independent spark from heaven's bright throne By which the soul stands raised, triumph high, alone.—Farquhar.

THE MAN'S LOVE.

Upon the sands, the shifting sands, Beside the cruel, sorrow laden sea, The woman came to me.

Her gown of foam, of airy foam, Above the spreading hush of endless waves, Was mist of secret caves.

Her voice of dream, of echoing dream, Murmured the timeless passion of the wild, Tender and mother mild.

Her brooding eyes, desiring all, Enslaved me on the balmy breast of life, So I took her to wife.

Yet through the night, the infinite night, Beyond the woman—and beyond the sea— My feeble soul is free.—Flora Field in New Orleans Times-Democrat.

HABIT.

Sow an act and reap a habit; sow a habit and reap a character; sow a character and reap a destiny.—Thackeray.

Each year one vicious habit rooted out in time ought to make the worst man good.—Franklin.

One conquers a bad habit more easily today than tomorrow.—Confucius.

The diminutive chains of habit are seldom heavy enough to be felt until they are too strong to be broken.—Samuel Johnson.

TOMORROW.

Tomorrow's fate, though thou be wise, Thou canst not tell nor yet surmise.

Pass therefore not today in vain, For it will never come again.—Omar Khayyam.

Tomorrow the dreams and flowers will fade.—Milton.

Tomorrow comes, and we are where? Then let us live today!—Schiller.

Tomorrow is a satire on today And shows its weakness.—Young.

Tomorrow yet would reap today, As we bear blossoms of the dead. Earn well the thrifty months, nor wed Raw Haste, halt sister to Delay.—Tennyson.

COMFORT.

Comfort one another, For the way is often dreary And the feet are often weary, And the heart is very sad. There is heavy burden bearing When it seems that none are caring, And we half forget that ever we were glad.

Comfort one another, With the handclasp close and tender, With the sweetness love can render And the looks of friendly eyes. Do not wait with grace unspoken, While life's daily bread is broken. Gentle speech is oft like manna from the skies.—Margaret E. Sangster.

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Dainty Crepe Waists in many attractive styles and all qualities—New Tango, China Blue, Mahogany, Purple and regular shades. Prices From \$4.00 to \$7.00.

New Silks Just Received in Dress Goods Department.



New Jet Trimmings and Bead Novelties.

BRYAN SAID TO HAVE QUIT

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Western department officers are expecting orders hourly to rush troops to the front.

There are many important developments in the military situation on the Pacific Coast. First in importance was the news that National Guard troops will need to be called out to patrol the Mexican border between California and Mexico, in order that the regular troops may not be obliged to perform such duty, it being the intention of the military authorities to hold regiments, brigades and if possible the third division on the Pacific Coast, which is scattered through the states of California, Oregon, Washington and Utah, intact for work in Mexico.

Illustrating the gravity of the situation as military authorities see it, letters were sent out today to all retired army officers with the exception of those who have retired because of the age limit, to report to the nearest Army post for physical examination to determine their fitness for temporary service.

Western department officials today received word from the California-Mexico border line that the coast artillerymen at Fort Rosecrans, near San Diego, have the situation well in hand and that everything is quiet. It is acknowledged, however, that the present state of calm may not continue, and for this reason the militia will be called on for border work, leaving the sterner duty of entering Mexico to the regulars.

LOCAL MAN IN WRECK.

W. A. Winters, Of This City Bruised In Sumpter Valley Smashup.

Five people were hurt yesterday noon in a wreck a mile and a half

from Green Wood on the Sumpter Valley line, one of them being W. A. Winters, district superintendent of the M. E. church for the La Grande district. One truck jumped the track but the hand of fortune was kind, for had the car tipped the opposite direction from which it did, it would have rolled down an embankment and the injuries would have been fatal, it is admitted. Of the five hurt, two were seriously so, and word received from Mr. Winters today is to the effect that they did not recover consciousness for some time afterwards. Mr. Winters was bruised somewhat but not seriously hurt, and advised his family in La Grande accordingly.

EAT WHEATLETS

THE BREAKFAST FOOD THAT MAKES YOU HAPPY ALL DAY

ASK YOUR GROCER

DON'T PUSH A DULL LAWN MOWER

It is hard to do, and there is no reason for it when for a small price we grind them like new. We have the machine that is used at the factory where lawn mowers are made.

SAVE YOUR MUSCLE AND BE HAPPY.

--Leighton Garage--

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