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BACK TO THE LANDS?

Now that the first breezes of spring and a few warm days and a little sunshine and the other things necessary to make the weather feel like spring, the city fellow and the man who lives in the ordinary sized town will redream those dreams of going back to the soil, where independence, a good living and God's great out-of-doors are waiting for him.

He is tired of the noise and bustle, the tumult and uncertainty of the city. He sees only the well-filled granary, the fattened stock, the pail of creamy milk, the loaded cellar, and the everlasting insurance against the wolf of poverty.

Sometimes he sees right, but not always. Farming is a man's game, and that means that it is a game in which it is easy to lose. A game in which thousands do lose every year.

Most of these losers are men who do not know how to farm and farm well, for in farming it is just as necessary to know your business as in banking, medicine, railroad building or law.

You might be the most willing man on earth, the hardest worker and yet plaster the best farm in the Grande Ronde valley under mortgages deep enough to hide yourself.

Of course, there is such a thing as learning to farm. If you want to go back to the land and stick there, the very best thing you can do while you are still on your city job is to study farming; fill your brain full of agriculture knowledge.

When you have done this you are about ready to make the best start on the land. It can't be done in the summer, but in the meantime, most of us have back yards in which we can practice what agricultural teachers preach.

This is of special importance now that the wave is on in La Grande to utilize the back yards and vacant lots by sowing them to grasses and planting them to gardens.

The Commercial club is to be commended for the action it has taken calling upon the ladies of this city to superintend this important work; for nothing so militates toward the beauty of a city as carefully kept parkings and clean yards, with a family garden growing. There is also a chance for many a youngster to pick up a few dollars from the produce raised on the vacant ground.

LET ALL THE GUILTY SHARE THE BLAME.

Recently at a meeting of National Educators in Cincinnati it was agreed that high school girls at the present time are thinking more of dress, telephone calls, joy rides, and society than class work. The high school Miss was made the brunt of the resolutions. Why not the high school boy, who frequently tries to annex the city pool honor, keeps the smoke shops busy, and almost breaks up the "old man"?

buying bob-tailed, close-fitting suits? The high school young men go off on a same unthinking way as the girls. The educators should not blame the high school pupils only. The home environment that develops these extravagant tastes is to blame. The home continues to be the most fundamental educational system in the world in spite of the universities and their million dollar endowments. Parents, if your daughter thinks she is too much of a lady to put her hands in dishwater, or the son argues that running the washing machine is not the proper duty for the high school class president, don't blame the school system. Just look back in the earlier life of those children, when you failed to make them mind you. You are the one to blame.

I. R. Snook is the deputy assessor for La Grande precincts. This is one time Snook's friends will go around the block to keep from meeting him.

The Knights Templar of Eastern Oregon have decided to stay home this Easter. Which is a remarkable thing for lodge men to decide.

No one pretends to deny that C. C. Penington is right when he says that La Grande raises a perfect rose.

SPRING WEATHER IDEAL

FARMERS AT BIG CREEK ARE EXTREMELY ACTIVE.

Personal Mention and News Items From Medical Springs.

Medical Springs, March 25.—Big Creek's literary society held its last meeting of the season last Friday. An interesting program was rendered.

Ed. Bergman is about to complete his saw mill, two miles from Medical Springs.

The telephone company has resumed work on its Baker line and hopes to have it completed within a few weeks.

The weather here is fine and farmers are all busy. Roads are in splendid condition and many autos make the trip from Baker to the Springs each day.

G. W. South returned from Baker yesterday, his weekly shopping trip.

Miss Edna Duncan, of Portland, is a guest of Miss Foye.

Mrs. Phillips, of Sumpter, and Mrs. Brown, of Cornucopia, are guests of the Medical Springs hotel.

The annual brander, or roundup, will be held May 15 and 16, and many attractions are already billed to make it bigger and better than ever.

John G. Hoke has sold his farm to Portland people, and will make his home in Baker.

Sheriff's Sale on Execution.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Union County, under the seal of said court, upon a judgment rendered and docketed in said court on the 12th day of March, 1915, in a suit wherein Beatrice Hamilton and Fred C. Hamilton, executors and trustees of the estate of W. R. Ham-

ilton, deceased, are plaintiffs, and Ray W. Logan, Bertha M. Logan, E. Sullivan, and Ray W. Logan, and E. Sullivan, as heirs of Laura B. Sullivan, deceased, J. F. Campbell, Julius Fisher, The United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, a corporation, American Bonding Company, a corporation, C. O. Ramsey and Charles H. Marsh, are defendants, in favor of the plaintiffs and against the defendants, Ray W. Logan, Bertha M. Logan and E. Sullivan, heirs of the estate of Laura B. Sullivan, deceased, for the sum of \$2500.00 with interest thereon at 10 per cent. From the 9th day of March, 1910, till paid, the further sum of \$558.62 with interest on \$484.95 at 8 per cent per annum from March 4, 1915, till paid, \$249.38 attorney's fees and \$28.45 costs and disbursements, and for the foreclosure of one certain mortgage given by said defendants to secure said debts on lots 1 and 2 of block 117 in Chaplin's Addition to the Town of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, and against the other defendants, (excepting Charles H. Marsh) for the foreclosure of subsequent mortgages; and judgment in favor of the defendants and cross complainants, J. F. Campbell, Julius Fisher and C. O. Ramsey, against the defendants Ray W. Logan and Bertha M. Logan for the sum of \$1500.00 with interest thereon at 8 per cent per annum from April 27, 1914, till paid, \$150.00 attorney's fees and \$18.65 costs and disbursements, and the foreclosure of one certain mortgage given by the said Ray W. Logan and Bertha M. Logan on lots 1, 2 and 3 of block 117 in Chaplin's Addition to the Town of La Grande, Union County, Oregon; also, judgment in favor of the defendants and cross complainants, The United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company and American Bonding Company, for respectively the sums of \$1337.50 and interest thereon at 8 per cent per annum from the 26th day of April, 1914, till paid, the sum of \$133.75 attorney's fees, and the sum of \$3663.50 with interest thereon at 8 per cent per annum from April 28, 1914, till paid, and the sum of \$366.35 attorney's fees, and the costs taxed at \$15.00, against Ray W. Logan, and for the foreclosure of one certain mortgage given by the said Ray W. Logan and Bertha M. Logan on lots 1 and 2 of block 117 in Chaplin's Addition to the Town of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, to said companies to secure said sums.

Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of April, 1915, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, in front of the Court House in the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, I will in obedience to said order of sale and decree of lien, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash subject to the lien of the certificate of delinquency now held by Charles H. Marsh for the taxes for the years 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912 and 1913, aggregating about the sum of \$1675.00, the said lots 1, 2 and 3 of block 117 in Chaplin's Addition to the Town of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, free from said mortgage liens, lot 3 aforesaid being sold separately.

Dated this March 19, 1915.

A. HUG, Sheriff of Union County.

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ALLEGORICAL WEDDING SET

Pasco-Kennewick Celebration Mar. 4 to be an Unique Affair

Pendleton March 27.—Pendleton has been asked to furnish a bridesmaid and man of honor for an allegorical wedding of the Columbia and Snake rivers, which is to be the leading feature of the Pasco-Kennewick celebration of the opening of the Celilo canal on May 4. The request was received this morning by J. F. Fobinson, chairman of the local celebration committee, from A. J. Elrod secretary of the Pasco-Kennewick committee.

The staging of the wedding, as explained by the letter, will be substantially as follows: Kennewick on the Columbia to furnish the bride, made up as the Goddess of Liberty or Miss Columbia; Lewiston on the Snake to furnish the bridegroom; Spokane, Pendleton, Walla Walla and North Yakima to furnish a bridesmaid and man of honor; Senator Wesley L. Jones of Washington to perform the ceremony; Captain Gray of Pasco, admiral of the fleet, to give away the bride; the bride and her maids to be grouped on an appropriately decorated float and given a conspicuous position in the parade and the groom and his attendants to follow in autos. Immediately after the parade in Pasco the whole party will be transferred by special train to the Kennewick side of the river where the wedding will be performed in a grove by the docks.

In asking Pendleton to participate in this extent, Mr. Elrod makes it plain they do not wish to detract from the Umatilla celebration on the 5th and, if Pendleton sends a bridesmaid and man of honor they will be taken on to Umatilla by boat.

Firemen Overcome in Blaze

Walla Walla, March 27.—Several firemen narrowly escaped death from breathing poisonous gasses and nearly \$20,000 damages was done to the W. P. McKean clothing store stock of merchandise and Swartz building in which it was located at Fourth and Main streets yesterday morning, by a fire which was discovered in the basement of the building about 10 a. m.

The basement was a mass of flames at one time but prompt work saved the building and the entire block from destruction. When the fire was under control, nine firemen



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from the Central station and one from No. 2 keeled over unconscious from the effect of a deadly odorless gas generated by the smoke in the close basement. This gas was said to be like that found in the bottom of a well or in a mine. Nearly all the doctors in the city were called to assist in reviving the firemen whose heart action had been affected by the gas, which had replaced the oxygen in their bodies.

FOR SALE—Black Minorca and white leghorn setting eggs from selected winter layers. Phone Red 192.—Mrs. Geo. Chapman. 3-18-1m

To Contractors and Builders. I will accept bids for the construction and completion of a residence upon my property on Main street, La Grande, Oregon, until 6 o'clock, p. m., April 6th, 1915. Contractor will be required to execute and deliver to undersigned, a bond satisfactory to undersigned, conditioned for the performance of all the provisions of the contract. Plans and specifications can be consulted at the office of J. L. Slater, architect, in the West-Jacobson building, La Grande, Oregon. I reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Dated this 27th day of March, 1915.—F. S. Ivanhoe.

Adv. 3-27-2t.

WANTED.—To hear from owner of good farm for sale. Send cash price and description. D. F. Bush, Minneapolis, Minn. 3-27-1t-pd

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