

THE OBSERVER

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HORRIBLE BEYOND DESCRIPTION.

The sinking of the Lusitania, with her passenger list almost entirely composed of Americans is, from the viewpoint of America, terrible.

But if it was a German submarine or a German torpedo that wrought the damage, it is likely the Berlin view of the matter would be quite different from the American view.

Then comes up the question: Is the highway of the world to be blocked by warring nations against use by other people in the world?

The sinking of the Lusitania is fearful, to say the least, and it opens the door for more questions of state; more questions of international law, and decidedly more possibility of trouble for all concerned.

MR. CHAPMAN'S "VOTER."

True to his promise, C. C. Chapman, former secretary of the Portland Commercial club, has issued the first number of his "Voter," a weekly publication devoted to state affairs and advising the vox populi how to vote.

The publication is a very neat little magazine, and most of the contents is well written by Mr. Chapman.

No advertising appears in the "Voter," and the subscription price of

\$2.00 per year will prevent many of the rank and file from becoming subscribers to this attractive publication.

And tomorrow is Mother's Day—the sweetest day of all the year. With the world torn asunder by war; with strife and tumult on every hand; with every newspaper telling bitter news of conflict, let everyone in grand old America worship God tomorrow in the manner that good mothers worship Him.

Addition to the roundhouse and shops of the O.-W. in La Grande will be welcomed with a loud hurrah.

China is playing a conservative game. Instead of rushing headlong into war with Japan, she made some important concessions to her little brown brothers.

The mayor of North Bend has resigned to start a campaign for congress. Is this man progressing or retrograding?

Several royal welcomes have been given that river fleet on the Columbia. Probably a welcome was pulled off every time a new invoice of champagne was hauled up.

The high school girls of Aberdeen have discovered a "fern salad." Getting back to the fodder, only under a stylish name.

A TONIC THAT TASTES GOOD AND DOES GOOD

In Meritol Wine of Cod Liver Oil you get all the remarkable tonic and strength-building properties of the oil with the bad taste and the digestive difficulties left out.

It builds up the tissues of the body, restores energy and cures chronic throat, lung and bronchial troubles.

Very pleasant to take and helps almost from the first dose.

LEGAL NEWS.

Frank A. Engel to Flossie Engel his wife \$1 etc Warranty deed conveys N 1/4 of SE 1/4 of sec 33 S 1/4 of NW 1/4 and S 1/2 of NE 1/4 and SW 1/4 of sec 34 T 3 S R 38 E and also a portion of N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of said sec 34 com on sec line 106 rds N of SE cor of said sec 34 run then W 132 rds then S 18 rds then W 28 rds to center line of said sec then N 72 rds to center of said sec then E 160 rds to NE cor of SE 1/4 of said sec then S 24 rds to beg.

Will French and Fiske E. George recites that Will French has heretofore engaged Fiske E. George as a salesman etc and it is hereby agreed that said Will French assumes and agrees to pay all debts and liabilities incurred by or charged to the Interstate Selling company from the day of time to the present day and said Fiske E. George surrenders to said

Will French or said Co save and except commission due from Cheney Bros Silk Co of N Y City up to May 1st 1915 and all commissions earned by himself hereafter etc.

Will French and Fiske E. George recites that Will French has agency for representation as salesman and representative of Cheney Bros Silk Co of N Y City and that for consideration of \$1 sells and transfers to said Fiske E. George all his right and interest to represent said North of City of Pendleton lying East of Cascade range of mountains and all that part of Idaho reached by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern and other railroads in Northern Idaho. etc.

Mabel McKenzie ptf vs Chas McKenzie def. Suit for divorce. Lillie M Parker ptf vs Sam Parker def. Suit for divorce.

In the matter of estate of Geo W Ruckman estate declared to be exempt from inheritance tax.

In the matter of estate of America F Rees deceased. H C Rees appointed adm.

In the matter of estate of Theo Harm deceased estate, settled and closed.

CUT LOCAL LADY WITH AXE

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this morning and had hoped to get at it early, and this leads Mr. Moon to think that she might have arisen earlier than customary, but the evidence seems to point to the theory that she had been aroused from her sleep by a noise on the back porch.

Gun Laid at Bedside. The blood-bespattered axe and revolver were brought in and left at the bedside, and were there found.

Mr. Moon, father of the woman's husband, and Mr. Moon, the husband, assisted the doctors in dressing the wounded woman.

There are two distinct theories that have taken shape during the preliminary investigation. One assumes that it is probable that when she stepped to the back porch of the home, she was jerked from the step and then attacked. The axe used belongs to the McClure family, across the way, and this would lead to the conclusion that he had equipped himself with it before going there for the purpose of breaking into the house.

The ground is clear of grass near the porch, and immediately around it, but there are a number of confusing tracks, placed there by a man who inserted screens in the basement window recently, although there is a distinct footprint among them.

Then there is another theory, based on considerable matters of apparent fact. The west window of the home shows it to have been pried open and a piece of wood left to keep the window up. Footprints, or partial footprints, on the wall show where he scaled the house to get in.

Women who went to the house after the crime was discovered, report finding muddy tracks circling the dining room table. This leads to a theory which District Attorney Ivandhoe is inclined to give the most credence to, that the woman heard the noise and provided herself with a revolver which lay on the bureau, but which was "knocked down" and had to be assembled; furthermore, the husband avers that it was not loaded, ordinarily. It follows, as feasible, that Mrs. Moon rigged up the revolver, which, by the way, was not shot off and still works poorly, and went out to meet the intruder.

It might easily be inferred that they met in the dining room and that after circling the table, one protecting herself and the other attacking, she bolted for the back door, but was overtaken and pounded. Clots of blood in the soil near the porch tell the story of just where the main attack took place. The bloody trail begins just above the porch. To learn which of these theories—if any—is true, or just what the facts are, will perhaps never be known unless Mrs. Moon can herself relate them later.

Tramp Theory Exploded. The theory that a tramp who was seen in that neighborhood, did the work, is exploded by police records. The tramp identified as the one who was seen in that vicinity last night, was arrested as a vagrant last evening. He was very anxious to avoid arrest and gave the policemen a long chase. He is still in jail.

A tramp appeared at the J. H. Keeney home this morning asking for a coat, but there was nothing unusual about his appearance.

IN PENDLETON.

Statements of Pendleton Citizens Are Always of Interest to Our Readers.

To many of our readers the streets of Pendleton are almost as familiar as those of our own town, and we are naturally interested to read of happenings there. The following report from a well-known and respected citizen will be helpful to numbers of men and women here in La Grande.

William McGregor, prop. blacksmith shop, 711 Lillith St., Pendleton, Ore., says: "Kidney complaint came on me suddenly and I got so bad that I couldn't bend my back to shoe a horse. The kidney secretions were filled with sediment and painful in passage. I had no strength at all and my back was lame and sore. One of my family who had been cured of kidney trouble by Doan's Kidney Pills, advised me to use them and I did. In a short time, all these troubles left me and I was able to work all day with ease. My health is fine now and my back is strong."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get

Extra Special!! Entire Line of Ladies' TRIMMED HATS REDUCED. Our millinery department is known by every woman, as selling High Grade, Exclusive, Distinctive, one of a kind Hats, at always moderate prices, and now come these special price inducements right when the season is beginning.

The Only Store in La Grande Showing "SOCIETY BRAND" SUITS, "BENJAMIN" SUITS, "HIRSH-WICKWIRE" SUITS, "FIDELITY" \$15.00 SUITS. Come, see the new models—try them on: You will be surprised how well we can fit you.

Seed Potatoes Change Your Potatoes Have a Few Sacks Netted Gems for Sale Eastern Oregon Produce Co. Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. McGregor had. Foster-Milburn

Grande Ronde Meat Co. PRIME RIBS of beef are the most popular, the most satisfying, the most nourishing and the most economical of all roasts. NOW IS THE TIME to buy your HOME cured HAMS and BACON at reasonable prices, they will advance soon.

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