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MAY AVERT HIGH WATER.

While we shiver in the cold wind of the past few days do not complain, for this may be a blessing in disguise.

Not very many realize how nearly certain extreme high water is scheduled for this Spring. The heavy snows still in the mountains will, with a few warm days, let loose torrents of water and the Grande Ronde river will be transformed into a raging stream of dangerous proportions.

"GIVE ME SOME BUTTERMILK."

This took place down at Ulrich's recently:

A big, brawny man from the logging camp came to town. He had on big boots, pants cut logger fashion, and seemed to possess a roll of money.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure Made from Cream of Tartar NO ALUM—NO PHOSPHATE

It's lost! It's lost! I wish I had been a Careful man and put it in a Safety Deposit Vault



Put your valuables in our Vaults

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Capital \$200,000.00, Surplus \$50,000.00, Resources \$1,000,000.00
Fred J. Holmes, President; C. G. Pennington, Vice President; F. L. Meyers, Cashier; E. Zundel and H. E. Coolidge, Assistant Cashiers.

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brass rail and yawning said: "Give me some buttermilk."
"Yes, sir," said Henry who has been on the job for several months, and as the logger smacked his lips over the buttermilk, Henry industriously scrubbed up the "counter" saying as he did so, "Things surely have changed since father was a boy."

The campaign on in some parts of the state by banks to reduce the rate of interest on time deposits from 4 to 3 per cent. will eventually mean a reduction in the rate of commercial interest in Oregon from 8 to 7 per cent. This has been the history of such reduction in other states and Oregon will hardly be an exception.

Portland's perpetrator of alleged election frauds has been dismissed and the crime stands with the criminal unpunished. A fine example for the state of Oregon to look upon. If there is any one crime that should call for punishment regardless of cost or of effort on the part of officials it is the crime of tampering with elections.

Whiskeytown in California has changed its name. Who said the sentiment for dry was not pervading the grape growing state? We contend that in the face of such an act by a California town, Whiskey creek should at once be re-christened.

It was bound to be a good school play with over 600 La Grande children taking part. There is no actor so fine as the child where natural ways still hold forth and the arts of the adult in changing expression and assuming roles are missing. The kid show is the genuine show.

The scenic pictures being sent east by the Portland Chamber of Commerce are all right, but pictures of the Grande Ronde valley in June would be the finest display of scenery combined with the active farm that could be handed out.

General Herrera intends to fight America, Villa and Carranza at the same time. What kind of soup does this son of Mexico feed on?

The commander of the Moewe deserves two iron crosses. To run the blockade as he did, capture the number of ships and run the blockade back again is an act that should entitle him to have his picture placed in the Imperial palace.

Oregon produces approximately three and one-third million linear feet, but consumes only about one-half a million feet.

GEMS FROM THE BIBLE

Matthew 20:29-34

And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed him.

And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou Son of David.

An the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace; but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou Son of David.

And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, What will ye that I shall do unto you?

They say unto him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened. So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes; and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

OLD-TIME POLITICS

The republican county convention for the year 1916 was held at Union on the 30th of March. At that time the "Panhandle" now a part of Baker county, was within the territory of Union county. The republicans nominated for the legislature: L. H. Russell, of Hilgard, and J. A. Wright, of Sparta; for sheriff, A. T. Merwin, of Bedrock; for clerk, J. D. Guild, of Elgin; for recorder, J. A. Matott, of La Grande; for commissioner, Chas. Hallgarth, of Elgin; for treasurer, W. C. Cusick, of Union; for assessor, Ed. Kiddle, of Union; for school superintendent, J. L. Carter, of Union; for surveyor, A. Philbrick, of La Grande; for coroner, S. T. Ulm, of Union.

Among the resolutions adopted by the convention was one to discourage the use of intoxicants during political campaigns although it was a recognized fact that the treating custom on the part of candidates for office was one that could not entirely be done away with.

The populist party was well organized that year and also put a ticket in the field. While none of their candidates were elected that year many of them received flattering votes which ran well up into the hundreds and the following election the new party filled four of the county offices.

The distribution of the offices as a result of the election in June, 1912, was about an even break between the republicans and democrats.

Twenty-Four Years Ago

Sheriff Bolles was in La Grande Monday posting notices of the general election.

The porch in front of Chas. G. Holmes' grocery store on Adams avenue was torn flat to the ground Saturday evening by a runaway team.

The democratic primaries take place tomorrow and the convention will be held a week later.

At a caucus of the Republican delegates of the La Grande precincts J. W. Knowles was placed in nomination for justice of the peace and J. W. Walden for constable.

O. V. Waggoner, son of ex-Railroad Commissioner Waggoner, arrived in La Grande yesterday morning accompanied by his wife. Mr. Waggoner will engage in the real estate and insurance business.

Amount of time to the successful contest, feels well repaid for her efforts through the distinction brought to Union county babies. Mrs. Bayly writes her that she is mailing the individual score cards to the various mothers today.

Perusal of the list of "95 or better" babies reflects great credit on the health of the community and the standard of the baby crop. Drawing the honors still finer, the list of 98 or better is indeed unusually large.

Out of large classes competing it is not so unusual to have one or two touch the 99 mark but to have one contestant five tenths of a point from perfect and 22 out of 70 98 or better, must, perforce, be admitted to be a stellar exhibit of babies.

- The list of 95 or better, follows with the mother's name, the child's name and rank, following respectively: Mrs. George Williams, Floyd ... 99; Mrs. Colon R. Eberhard, Franklin 99; Mrs. E. McClure, James ... 99; Mrs. Chas. Murrell, Wesley ... 99; Mrs. Clyde Kiddle, Marvene ... 98; Walter C. Parker, Lillian ... 98; Mrs. A. L. Berry, George B. ... 98; Mrs. R. E. L. Holt, Graydon ... 98; Mrs. Albert Epling, Albert W. ... 98; Mrs. J. B. McKennon, Wildon R. ... 98; Mrs. F. B. Tufuson, Ernest ... 98; Mrs. Chas. Murchison, Chas. ... 98; Mrs. J. E. Ludlam, James E. ... 98; Mrs. Geo. Kelly, Robert L. ... 98; Mrs. Frank A. Engel, Floyd ... 98; Mrs. Carl Cooke, Robert J. ... 98; Mrs. George Peach, Harriet ... 98; Mrs. Nate Zweifel, Robert N. ... 98; Mrs. Donovan, Vincent N. ... 98; Mrs. Edward Adcock, William E. ... 98; Mrs. Arthur Weagle, Harriet J. ... 98; Mrs. Geo. Gilbert, Georgia May ... 98; Mrs. Mark Christensen, Rose ... 97; Mrs. Franklyn Bramwell, Franklin ... 97; Mrs. Wm. B. Sargent, Howard I. ... 97; Mrs. D. C. Mahoney, Dwight ... 97; Mrs. Chas. Jester, Chas E. ... 97; Mrs. Chas. Merrill, Verone ... 97; Mrs. ... 97.

SOME ORIGINAL RULES FOR BUSINESS SUCCESS

The Old Gorgon Gramhams of business won't think much of the rules of one business man for personal efficiency as told in the March American Magazine. Nevertheless they are excellent ones, and should be more generally followed than they are.

"I have found," we are told, "that on some days four hours of keen, intense work is worth ten hours of tired effort. There are days when I pull down my desk at noon and leave word with my stenographer that I will not be back, and cannot be reached. On some days, when I was to have an important interview in the afternoon, I have gone to a Turkish bath at noon and slept for an hour after my rub, getting back about three o'clock. I can easily picture the consternation of the writers of success pamphlets at that confession. The ignominy of going to be in the middle of the day! I accept their scorn without defense. I am not writing a success book; this is not laid down as a rule of life for anyone else. It is the story of how one mind has learned to use his limited strength most efficiently.

"I do not work at night."
The state of Washington produces approximately 51-2 billion board feet of logs annually, but consumes only a little over 41-2 billion board feet. The balance is sent to Oregon for manufacture.

Women's New Spring Suits "Galore"
Now on display in the exclusive women's ready-to-wear section. We're showing the largest and most complete stock of fashions and smartest spring suits. Tailored, dressy, and sport models of serge, taffeta, poplin checks, combination of serge and taffeta—something to please every customer—all that's desirable in style and quality yet moderate in price—\$15, \$17.50, \$20, \$22.50, \$25 and up to \$4X.50.
Charming New Spring Coats, just received \$9 to \$35
Dainty New Neckwear (to make your suit or dress look new) 25c and 50c
Beautiful New Spring Silk Dresses \$10 to \$35
Nobby New Spring Skirts, exclusive styles \$5 to \$15
Spring Models "Henderson" Corsets \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$4
Chic New Spring "Model" Brassieres 50c
See the New Spring Wash Fabrics
Percales, New Stripes, Checks, Dots, yard 10c
Tom Sawyer Suitings, new patterns, yard 15c
New Spring Satin Stripe waistings, yard 35c
Beautiful New Cluster Voiles, yard 25c
New Stripe Voiles (two-tone colors) yard 25c
New Fancy Flake Voiles, yard 18c
New Flowered Chiffon Organdies, yard 12-12c
White Skirtings, new weaves, yard 18c, 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c
N.W. West & Co. THE QUALITY STORE

Facts About Well-Known People

Monterey, Cal., March 25.—The other day Mrs. Elsie French Vanderbilt chanced to be passing the military post at "retreat", the ceremony which includes the lowering of the flag to the accompaniment of "The Star Spangled Banner." As the first notes of the bugle sounded, Mrs. Vanderbilt's car stopped and she rose and stood at attention until the sunset gun sounded.

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Illustration of a man in a suit and hat.

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A Telephone will do this. See us about it.
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