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CARDS, DANCING AND THE THEATRE.

The New England Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church has instituted a movement to have stricken from the rules of church discipline the prohibitions against dancing, card-playing and theatre-going.

Leaders in the faith insist that the regulations are dead letters and that their very presence in the code lends a flavor of hypocrisy to the conduct of worthy members and impairs the force of more important provisions.

This incident is a reminder that times change. There are many of the present generation who have retained in their deepest sub-consciousness the notion that pedro, comic opera and charity balls are somehow institutions of the Evil One.

where there is moral peril in the wearing of modest jewelry by a woman or in rational enjoyment of games and public entertainment.

PROSPERITY.

Looking at the bright side of things is an occupation, that yields rich rewards in these days when there are so many evidences of booming industries.

No less authority than Sir George Paish, Britain's leading financier, assures us that we have 12 more months of trade activity coming to us.

The earlier spring forecasts were conditioned upon the assumption that the war would end this year, and that the munitions and other economic supply trade with Europe would diminish towards autumn.

But there is now no probability that the war will be over this summer. Everything points to its continuance.

In this case, we will be drawn upon, if not so largely as last year, still in a very large measure, by Europe. Sir George Paish shows us how we must sell Europe our crop surplus as before; how we must continue to make munitions in large volume and that Europe must continue to buy, provided she can continue to pay.

These were those who declared that Americans who were loaning Europe money to buy American supplies were taking a mortgage on the war, the successful termination of which by the borrowers will eventually have to be guaranteed by the lender.

The British financier says London still has \$2,000,000,000 of American securities which it can liquidate in New York for the payment of bills, and moreover that this is precisely what will happen this year, ensuring continued prosperity for American exporters.

If the continuance of the war thus ensures our prosperity for the year, the filling of the unfilled domestic orders will ensure our prosperity for still another year, or the greater portion of another year.

Observe how we are situated. The structural steel mills are sold out for



Come, Boys! Get Your Spring Suit To-morrow

We have given clothes for your boys, 6 to 16 years of age, more thought than ever this season. All sorts of new styles and features that you fellows will like—for example, the new "pinch backs" with belt. Snappy suits in fancy tweeds and worsteds, stripes and club checks. You pick a "winner" in any selection you make, and

"BEST EVER" QUALITY

is your guarantee of satisfaction. Some have 2 pair of pants.

Priced \$5 and up---

What Mother Thinks---

of our new Henderson Girls corset, style 373 designed especially for growing girls is shown by the large demand we have had for this model.

She knows that her daughter should wear a corset that is designed for her needs and the careful mother realizes the importance of selecting the proper corset.

Henderson Girls Corset, style 373 is designed along scientific lines to assist nature in the perfect development of the girlish figure. This corset is boned just sufficiently to give a certain amount of figure restraint and yet is pliant and yielding.

Particular invitation is extended to mothers to investigate the merits of this latest model for girls.

POPULAR PRICED, ONLY \$1.00



Children's Shoes of Real Merit

In our children's shoe department we see not only shoes but shoe service. We search the market for the reliable makes—we insist on quality in every shoe—we carry such a large and varied stock that a correct fit is always a certainty—for school wear we've a shoe of real merit, they are the Famous.



Romper Shoes

They will give twice the wear of the ordinary kind. These celebrated "Romper" shoes have a special made sole that will wear as long as two soles on the ordinary shoe—they may be just a shade higher, but in the end the shoe is far cheaper \$1.75, \$2.00

Excellent "WHITE" Shoes for Children

We carry a complete stock of these excellent shoes in all leathers and styles. The materials are all high-grade and the workmanship superior to many other makes. Sizes 2 1/2 to 8 priced \$1.00 up Sizes 8 1/2 to 11 priced \$1.50 up

Girls' Fine Shoes

In sensible nature lasts, Utz and Dunn and Pontiac makes, patents, dull leathers, etc, newest styles, very durable. Sizes 1 1/2 to 2 priced \$2.00 up Sizes 2 to 7 priced \$2.75 to \$3.50

N. K. West & Co. THE QUALITY STORE

Advertisement for Geo. Palmer Lumber Company. Includes illustration of a man working on a roof and text: 'THERE'S A DIFFERENCE IN SHINGLES as you will learn when you use ours. You'll find them all perfect without split or warp and full count every time! And so thoroughly seasoned that they are practically weatherproof. Cover your roof with them and you'll save money and temper.'

a year in advance with willing takers for contract steel beyond that time. Nothing but continued business is in sight. Numerous enterprises of large importance are deferred merely because of the scarcity of material.

CHICKENS AND FOWL Hens—16c retail, dressed. Spring Friers (large ones) 18c. Turkeys—20c@25c.

FLOUR, HAY, FEED, EAC. Bluestem Flour—\$1.50. Best of the Best (straight grade) \$1.35. Invincible—\$1.50. Best of the Best (patent)—\$1.45. Royal Patent—\$1.45. Snowdrift Flour—\$1.55. Upper Crust—\$1.55. None-to-Equal—\$1.45. Occident—\$2.40. Gold Medal—\$2.50. Sea Foam—\$1.35. Snow Drop—\$1.50.

(La Grande Prices.) Choice grain fed steers 7.25@7.40 Ordinary grain fed steers 7.50@7.75 Choice hay fed steers 7.50@7.75 Choice cows 6.50@6.75 Ordinary cows 6.25@6.35 Choice bulls 4.50@5.00 Best light calves 7.00

Spring lambs 9.00@9.50 Choice weight yearlings 9.00 Best Weathers 7.75 Old wethers 7.00@7.25 Choice light ewes 6.75@7.00 Good to common ewes 6.00@6.50

Hogs. Choice light weights 8.00@8.20 Good light weights 7.90@7.95 Medium weights 7.50@7.75 Rough and heavy 7.00@7.25

The President is asked to set aside a date for Twin Day, on which all twins shall have the privilege of fittingly decorating themselves. Some of us will be left out entirely unless a day is arranged for Persons Who Never Have Served Time and another day for Ex-convicts.

"Villa," says a writer, "is of a nervous, quick temperament." Too bad, thinks Uncle Sam, that he isn't high strung also.

MARKET NEWS

FRUIT Tangerines—12 1-2 cents per doz. Strawberries—15c box. Hood River Apples—7c lb and 40c dozen. Bananas—35c and 40c dozen. Coconuts—15c each. Apples—4c lb. Oranges—30c to 60c. Lemons—30c and 35c.

VEGETABLES AND MISCELLANEOUS

Cabbage—6 cents. New Potatoes—10 cents. Green Peppers—40c per lb. Egg plant—25c per lb. Fresh tomatoes—25c per lb. Radishes—5c straight per bunch. Hot house lettuce—35c per lb. Green Onions—5c per bunch, 3 for 10c. Spinach—10c lb. 4@25c. Rhubarb—4 lbs for 25c. Potatoes—\$1.75 to \$2.25. Head lettuce—10c and 3@25c. Cauliflower—20c and 25c each. Honey—20c; 3 for 50c. New Cabbage—7c Parsley—5c a bunch. Onions—3@4 cts. Bermuda—10c Beans—White, 10c; Lima, 10c. Beans—White, 10c; Lima, 12-12. Sugar—Cane or fruit, \$8.60 sack, cash 9.00 30 days' time.

BUTTER AND EGGS Butter—Fancy creamery 35c lb. roll and 65c 2lb roll. Ranch butter—2lb. roll 60c @ 65c. Eggs—Strictly fresh 25c.

SAGE TEA TURNS GRAY HAIR DARK

It's Grandmother's Recipe to Bring Back Color and Lustre to Hair.

That beautiful, even shade of dark, glossy hair can only be had by brewing a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Your hair is your charm. It makes or mars the face. When it fades, turns gray or streaked, just an application or two of Sage and Sulphur enhances its appearance a hundredfold.

Don't bother to prepare the mixture; you can get this famous old recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients for 50 cents a large bottle, all ready for use. It is called Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound. This can always be depended upon to bring back the natural color and lustre of your hair. Everybody uses "Wyeth's" Sage and Sulphur Compound now because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair has disappeared, and after another application it becomes beautifully dark and appears glossy and lustrous. This ready-to-use preparation is a delightful toilet requisite for those who desire dark hair and a youthful appearance. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

Advertisement for La Grande National Bank. Includes illustration of a tree with 'HAPPINESS' and 'Fortune' written on it. Text: 'The Careful Man knows that if he Banks his money he will have a Happy Old Age. Why don't you Start a Bank Account? YOU SEE THIS PICTURE? THIS IS NO FANCY, IT'S A FACT. YOU CAN'T GROW A TREE WITHOUT A ROOT; YOU CAN'T BUILD A HOUSE WITHOUT A FOUNDATION; YOU CAN'T BUILD A FORTUNE WITHOUT PUTTING MONEY INTO THE BANK TO GROW. AND IT IS MIGHTY COMFORTABLE TO HAVE A FORTUNE WHEN YOU ARE OLD. START ONE NOW. BRINK SOME OF YOUR EARNINGS. BANK WITH US. WE PAY 4 PER CENT INTEREST. La Grande National Bank LA GRANDE, OREGON Capital \$300,000.00, Surplus \$50,000.00, Resources \$1,000,000.00. Fred J. Holmes, President; C. C. Penington, Vice President; F. L. Meyers, Cashier; E. Zundel and H. E. Coolidge, Assistant Cashiers. DIRECTORS Fred J. Holmes, J. G. Snodgrass, J. F. Conley, C. C. Penington, H. S. Brownson, F. L. Meyers, A. Blokland, A. T. Hill, H. E. Coolidge.'

Large advertisement for La Grande Seed & Floral Co. Features the word 'FREE!' in large letters. Text: 'With each dozen of choice Carnations purchased Saturday Evening between 7 and 9 o'clock at the regular price 75c dozen we will give FREE a beautiful potted Lily worth from \$1 to \$2.50 each. Only 60 in the lot. None charged or delivered. None reserved. This opportunity only comes but once a year. Don't miss it. La Grande Seed & Floral Co.'