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VICTOR MURDOCK.

Victor Murdock is coming to the chautauqua! This announcement should be of double edged interest to everyone. In the first place Murdock is the whip of the Insurgency Movement, a political innovation that has put a crimp in the "let well enough alone" policy of standpatters. He is one of the three, possibly four conspicuous figures in our national politics, who are really doing something to give purpose to the burning issues of the day. In the second place, Mr. Murdock comes direct from the several centers of the world war. Those who are reading his remarkable war articles in Collier's will readily understand that what he has to say of the conflict of the nations will be pointed. Personal observation has equipped him to treat the subject fairly. His keen, substantiated analysis and conclusion of a situation that appears only as an incomprehensible chaos to the outsider, is perhaps the sanest contribution on the aspects of the world war, yet presented to the American public.

Victor Murdock is the fiery insurgent from Kansas, and America's most eloquent advocate of the interests of the plain people. As a speaker he has the power and magnetism of the born leader of men which he is. Murdock is a big man in a big way. He is a stimulant. Terse, crisp, comical, colloquial, earnest, dramatic, spontaneous in thought and expression, Victor Murdock is a delight and an inspiration to any audience. You cannot afford to miss hearing him at the chautauqua.

PERSONAL MENTION

E. W. Rumble, connected with a big wool warehouse in Portland, was in the city this morning on his way to up-branch points. He formerly lived at Joseph.

Guy Spencer, day baggageman at the depot, leaves tonight for an extended trip through California, having Los Angeles as his destination.

Mrs. Para Thornton left this morning for Washington points on business matters.

Lou Rayburn returned to Vincent today after having transacted business in La Grande a few days.

F. L. Meyers, cashier of the La Grande National bank, returned home today from a business trip to Portland and Spokane.

C. H. Arnoldus, a Summerville farmer, was a business visitor in La Grande today.

GRANDE TODAY.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Meyers are visitors in Haines today and incidentally will take in the "Stampede" which is now being staged in that town.

J. R. Fisher returned last night from Walla Walla and will now remain a resident of La Grande. The family, who have been in Walla Walla will return as soon as the close of the college in which the daughter has been an attendant.

La Grande friends of J. F. Graham, superintendent of motive power for the O.-W. R. & N., will be pleased to know that he is getting along very favorably after an operation which was performed at St. Vincent's hospital a few days ago.

Blowing Flowers.

When amateurs speak of flowers "blowing" they are not using a mere vulgarism. They are speaking real old English. In the early tongue the verb "blow" was used to indicate the opening of flowers. Instead of "blow" being a corruption of "bloom" it is the other way about. "Blossom" comes from the same root.

We do not grow the costard apple nowadays, but our forefathers set great store by the sort and bought it eagerly in the streets from the "mongers."

From costard monger to costermonger is a short step. Hawthorn, too, has its interest. The old form of haw was hoga, which means hedge. Hawthorn is therefore simply hedge thorn.—London Graphic.

The Age of Quickness.

The modern wife placed two plates with knives, forks, spoons and tumblers on the dining room table and took two paper napkins from a drawer, laying one beside each plate.

Then she lighted the gas stove, opened a can of soup and placed it in a skillet to heat. Next she opened two cans of vegetables and a can of salmon and heated these. She cut six slices of baker's bread and quartered a baker's pie, placing everything on the table, together with butter, salt, pepper and a pitcher of cold water.

"John," she said briskly, "your dinner's ready."—Judge.

Wanted to Be Joined Right.

They were going out to dinner, and he had gone into the house from his limousine to get her.

"All ready?" he asked, at the foot of the stairs.

"Almost," came the response from above.

"I've asked a friend to join us. Is it all right?"

"Yes, if it's the minister."—Yonkers Statesman.

Charity.

She—I'm glad we went. It was an excellent performance—and for such a charitable purpose! Her husband—Yes, indeed! We all feel a thrill of satisfaction when we do something for charity and get the worth of our money at the same time.

Sight Unseen.

Head of Firm—How long do you want to be away on your wedding trip?

Hawkins (timidly)—Well, sir—er—what would you say?

"How do I know? I haven't seen the bride."—Life.

Where Speed Doesn't Count.

"Mamma," complained a little one recently, "teacher won't let me sing any more, and I'm the fastest singer in school too."—Boston Transcript.

MYSTERY OF A DREAM.

He Heard True When Asleep and Heard True, Too, When Awake.

In one of the East Indian border wars there was engaged an officer of high repute, the member of an ancient county family," says Mrs. Mayo in "Recollections of Fifty Years." One night the lady, it is said, started from his sleep, exclaiming:

"There's the shot that has killed my brother!"

"His wife told him it was but a dream. He must have given an anxious thought to his brother before going to sleep.

"The next day the lady and his wife were in the garden directing their gardeners when the lady suddenly exclaimed:

"Do you hear the buzzings?"

"No," answered the lady. "I can hear nothing. I am sure there is no sound."

"Strange," said the lady, "for I can even hear what is played. It is 'The Flowers of the Forest Are A' Wee Away.'"

"A few hours later came the telegram reporting that the brother had been shot down by some border warrior and over his lonely grave the men of his regiment had played the pathetic air whose mysterious echo seemed to have reached the lady."

Want Ads.

WHEN IT COMES TO untiring sellers, finders and traders, an Observer Want Ad can't be beat. It works overtime on straight-time pay. Rates, one cent per word per issue —no ad less than 25 cents.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Four room furnished house. Call Dr. Underwood, Main 22.—Adv. 5-18-tf.

HOUSE FOR RENT—Seven room house. Phone Farmers 18X6.—Adv. 5-20-tf.

FOR RENT—Light housekeeping rooms at Washington Apts., La Grande's best. New and modern; neatly and nicely furnished; reasonable rent. Under new management. Our aim is to make you feel comfortable at home at 1006 Washington avenue.—Adv. 5-4-1m.

FOR RENT—At 1616 Sixth street 8-room house, newly papered and painted throughout.—Joe Palmer, 301 Adams avenue.—Adv. 4-25-tf.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Nice Modern Home Furnished or Unfurnished. Call Red 1311. 5-15-1mo

FOR RENT—Modern seven room house for \$18.00.—W. H. Bohnenkamp.—Adv. 5-20-tf.

FOR RENT—Two furnished housekeeping rooms; close in; \$8.00 per month. Phone Black 1642.—Adv. 5-25-6t.

FOR RENT—5-room cottage on Oak St. between Adams and Fir St. Call Black 711. 5-25-12t

FOR RENT—A large front bed sitting room with bath; suitable for two people. Two blocks from center of town. Phone Black 3961.—1512 Adams Avenue.—Adv. 5-26-tf

FOR SALE—Gents' bicycle, 1318 Jackson avenue.—Adv. 5-26-3tp

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Houses and vacant lots; nothing down, long time on payments or will trade for farm. See owner, R. A. Crawford, P. O. Box 69 La Grande, Oregon. Phone Black 3792.—Adv. 5-25-2t.

FOR SALE—Light farm wagon; also two fine Jersey cows that I will either sell or trade. Call at Observer office.—Adv. 5-21-3t.

FOR SALE—Modern five room house with good lawn and garden; close in. Easy payments, 803 M avenue. Phone Black 3862.—Adv. 5-20-tf

FOR SALE—Practically new Burroughs Adding Machine and Remington Typewriter. Bargain in either or both. Call Foley Hotel.—Adv. 5-6-tf.

FOR SALE—Residence, corner of Fifth and Penn, close in, next to library. Furnished or unfurnished. Terms, see owner.—A. B. Cherry.—Adv. 5-3-tf.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Modern five-room house. Your own terms. By owner.—W. C. Hansen.—Adv. 4-14-tf.

FOR SALE—160 acres timber land, \$1,000; \$400 cash, balance stock.—B. T. Roberts, 1603 X avenue, La Grande, Oregon.—Adv. 4-4-tf.

FOR SALE—Four Jersey milk cows. Phone Farm 24X1.—Adv. 5-25-tf.

FOR SALE—Cheap household goods, 2105 Spruce St.—Adv. 5-27-3t.

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Work on farm by married man—experienced in every line. Write W. care Observer.—Adv. 5-20-6tp.

WANTED—Five young men for house to house canvassing. All summer work. Experience unnecessary. State age. Address C, care Observer.—Adv. 5-26-3tp.

Parents! Your Boys' and Girl's Needs Can Best be Supplied Here

Whatever the kiddies need, for play or for dress, you can buy it here at the lowest prices. For quality, variety and completeness of stocks and lowest prices this store always maintains the lead.

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 POPULAR PRICE, ONLY \$1.25

KOVERALLS

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A new Suit FREE if they rip Sold by us at 75c suit

CHILDREN'S SHOES OF REAL MERIT

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 SHOE

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 to \$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 11 1-2 to 2, priced \$2.00 up Sizes 2 to 7, priced \$2.75 to \$3.50



MOTHERS

!!!!!! "Black Cat" Hose for Boys and Girls Save Mending

Guaranteed fast color—comes in 3 different weights—has triple thread knee, extra strong reinforced toes, heel, and foot. Priced, pair 25c

Black Cat Hosiery

They Wear

Buy Boy's Clothing and Furnishing Here---

At most stores the Boys' Department is neglected—not so here. This is the best boys' store in town. Every article we carry for boys must give a certain standard of hard wear before it can find room upon our shelves.

"Best Ever" Brand Boys' Suits, Every Suit guaranteed all wool—trousers full lined. Note the 16 special features in the illustration—See the latest pinch back models—Priced at \$5.00 up. Boys' Shoes (only the best ones) \$2.50 to \$3.50 Boys' Hats, nifty, new spring shapes in straws and cloth

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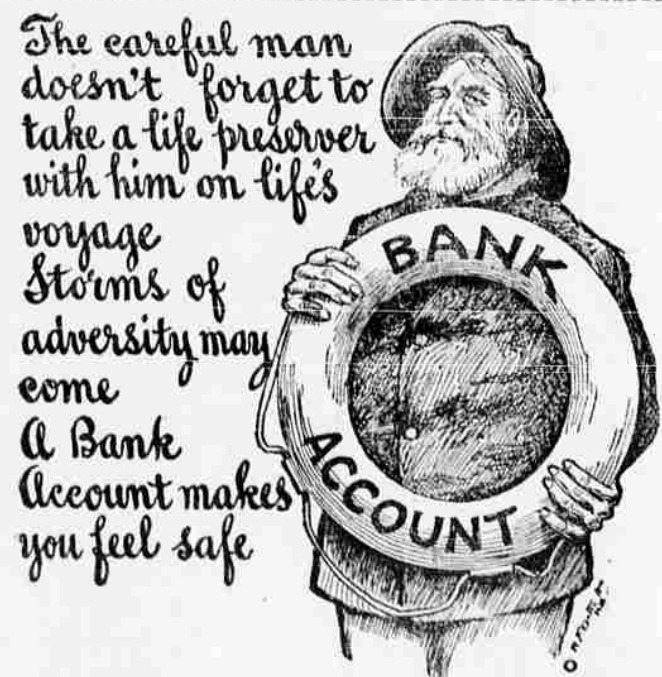
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