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UNCLE BEN GRANDY.

Yesterday was a day of profound reverence in La Grande. Uncle Ben Grandy, one of the very early settlers, was buried in Odd Fellows cemetery and the community as a whole paid its respect to one of the hardy sons who came here when it took cool nerve to come; who battled with the frontier when a mollycoddle or a tenderfoot would have turned back into the lap of civilization and been content to let the frontier tame itself as best it could.

Uncle Ben Grandy was a westerner in the full sense of the term. He abhorred the petty, small things of life and rejoiced in large achievements and big undertakings. The townspeople of La Grande was once the Grandy homestead and almost every deed to city property here carries in the abstract the name of Ben W. Grandy. The man who died Saturday assisted greatly in making the present La Grande. He was free with his possessions, priced his real estate within reason and encouraged any worthy person who wanted a home. He raised a family to be proud of and in the last few years of his life lived in full appreciation of the worth of his children who took up the work where he left off.

It was fitting yesterday afternoon that the extremely long procession of automobiles filled with loving friends of the deceased should follow the remains to the I. O. O. F. cemetery and there among the hills he loved so well deposit all that was earthly of Ben W. Grandy. The bare heads of the "boys" who associated with the departed one when La Grande was young and tender, told the story of the fleeting years, of the changes on the screen of life. And when the beautiful and impressive Odd Fellows ritualistic service was recited by H. E. Collidge and A. R. Marker; when the body of this prominent citizen was slowly lowered into the grave, gray haired men shed tears for him who had been called first; for him who had been their friend and associate during the greater part of a lifetime.

CHEATING A BUSINESS.

When a family moves there is a confusion that is indescribable. At least, that's the way it used to be before Lee Bellinger took up his profession. Lee observed the frowns of the housewife, the irritable temper of the liege lord and the dirty faces of the children when his neighbor's moving day came, and he resolved to create a new business.

He did it and today he might be called the physician who prescribes domestic happiness during moving times. When a family moves now, the necessary thing is to telephone Lee Bellinger mentioning the house number to be vacated and the one to be occupied. That's about all. He asks no questions, but begins work. With a seeming intuition as to where every piece of furniture should go Bellinger whistles away, makes cheerful remarks and answers furniture, family and all to the new location. If there is anything to fix Bellinger fixes it and does it well. Unlike most fixers he does not consume unnecessary time for he always seems to have the proper hammer or other tool in his hip pocket. If not in his pocket he is sure to have it in his automobile which is an inseparable part of Bellinger.

The fact that he created a business where none existed before is interesting. He is now in demand all along the line and makes good in his business. This is not a paid ad but an appreciation of a boy who saw an opportunity and grasped it. We wonder how many more such opportunities are lying around if we could only see them. The best rule to follow in the search is to find something the world needs done; something to lighten the burdens of life. When once you find it people will pay you for services just as they are paying Lee Bellinger.

HOW OLD IS CHARLEY?

We all have heard the old adage,

"How old is Ann?" but the perplexing question in Wallowa is, "How old is Charley Zerker?"

Everyone in the two counties know Charley, but that does not necessarily signify old age, for Charley has led an active public life and meets many people.

A short time ago he appeared at a banquet in Joseph and when he responded to a toast he stated that he attended the first banquet ever held in Wallowa county forty-two years ago. At that banquet he claimed nothing was served but mush and milk, and it was in honor of a Democratic candidate's successful election to the presidency. An amusing feature of the affair was that Charley was detailed to get the milk, and he appealed to an old lady friend who had a number of cows. She donated the milk, but it proved to be sour. When asked why she had donated sour milk she said she was a Republican and sour milk was good enough for Democrats.

In relating this story not a muscle in Charley's face changed. He was just as earnest as though he had been sitting in a poker game in Joseph thirty years ago, which of course he never did. The whole crowd of guests showed a puzzled expression for no one ever doubted the Zerker brand of truth and veracity.

But the question remains unanswered in Wallowa county—How old is Charley?

SERENE FAITH.

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convention crowds began arriving today. They came chaperoned by bands, megaphoned assistants, singers and just plain noise-makers. By Wednesday, Chicago will be swollen with people to nearly twice its normal size. There are 985 delegates to the Republican national convention, to arrive, 985 alternates to the same; nearly 1,000 delegates and alternates to the Progressive national convention; 20,000 women workers for the ballot, mostly out of town boosters; to say nothing of just plain spectators to the various affairs. Already the lobbies of Chicago's loop hotels seem as chocked with humanity as they did at the height of the Republican convention sessions four years ago. All the hotels, incidentally, began today removing every bit of furniture from the various lobbies. No flower pots, vases, or chairs will clutter up space where enthusiasts may gossip, nor be near at hand for weapons in case arguments wax too hot. One well known hotel, which sports a fountain in the middle of one of its dining rooms, began today to enclose this spot of water. It is a precaution which proved successful four years ago and saved a lot of rescues of persons and things which in previous convention times seemed to have a natural habit of gravitating thereto. The coliseum and the auditorium, where the Republican and Progressive hosts will hold solemn conclaves, were ready for the crowds today. Tickets for the Republican convention were at the biggest premium they ever have been for such a gathering. There were plenty of offers of \$350 for a single ticket admitting holder to the expected four daily sessions and tickets scarce at that. It was estimated that the attempt to gain admittance will be made in vain by about ten thousand people. Only 12,400 seats for the public have been provided in the coliseum. Fakirs thronged Michigan avenue and reaped a rich harvest in the sale of badges, banners, pictures and souvenirs. Most of the big delegations were expected today. New York's 90, with alternates, co-workers, hangers-on and administrators, arrived on a special train this morning. Deputy Chief of Police Schuetler has sworn in several hundred extra policemen and almost an equal number of plain clothesmen borrowed from other cities, went on duty today to keep a wary eye on the undesirables. The only formal routine observed today was the meeting of the Republican national committee, cleaning up contests and transacting the thousand and one details incident to stage-managing the big pow-wow.

Justice Hughes Not Excited.

Today is Hughes' last decision day before the Republican convention names a candidate. He appeared in the courtroom unruffled and his judicial calm was even accentuated. Ordinarily he is vigorous in the delivery of opinions. Today he was more restrained and smiled frequently while he read, but never grew enthusiastic as customary. Frequently he leaned over and whispered to Justice Pitney, who separated Hughes from Brandeis on the bench.

FUNERAL LARGELY ATTENDED.

Methodist Church Packed With Friends of Bereaved Family.

One of the largest funeral corteges in La Grande in recent years escorted the earthly remains of the late Ben W. Grandy to their final resting place yesterday afternoon. Close to 100 Odd Fellows formed an escort for the hearse and mourners, and the attendance at the church taxed the capacity of the Methodist edifice, where Chas. A. Edwards preached the funeral services over the esteemed veteran settler of Union county.

The procession to the cemetery included scores of automobiles. Mr. Grandy's exemplary life during his residence in La Grande from 1869 to the time of his death won for him admiration of old and young alike, and the tribute paid to him yesterday was indeed fitting and comforting to the mourners.

Big Sales of Sheep.

Baker, June 5.—Three sheep sales in Baker and Grant counties all for

fall delivery, were announced today, 8,900 head being included in the transactions, while the total consideration will reach \$42,950.

The largest deal was that in which Dave Lee contracted for 3,500 head of spring lambs to be turned over in the fall, paying William Widman of Lookout \$5 a head. Next in size was the purchase made by James Murphy, who is now the owner of 1800 head of ewes and 300 head of lambs, sold by Sels-Ashford of Grant county at \$4.50 per head, and the third transaction was made by J. B. Adrian, who has contracted with Mrs. Lillian McRae of Grant county, for 1200 head of ewes and 1100 head of lambs, at \$5 a head.

Sheepmen declare that not for years has the industry been on such a prosperous basis. Competition is keen among buyers and many owners are holding off, confident of even better offers.

Main 40 Week.

In order to impress Main 40 on your mind when drugs are wanted we are going to give away 500 little boxes of Prince's chocolates this week. With an order amounting to 35c or over we will send you a box of these chocolates.—La Grande Pharmacy, Main 40. Quick delivery.—Adv. 6-5-21.

PASSENGERS SEE DEER.

Buck and a Doe Watch Passing Train With Calmness.

Passengers on the incoming Joseph train last evening enjoyed a stirring sight when the train was passing the mouth of Cabin creek. A large buck and a fine doe walked out of the brush just across the river and calmly watched the approach of the train. When just opposite them, the passengers were cheated somewhat of the view for the deer stepped into some low brush but at no time did they disclose any alarm, and portions of their bodies were visible through the brush when the train rounded a curve and shut off the view. Excitement reigned in the train when the stirring sight was discovered.

WILLIAMSONS RETURN

Trip East Completed This Morning—Glad To Be Home Again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williamson returned this morning from an extended trip to the east. Mr. Williamson went to Atlantic City as a lay delegate to the general presbytery of the Presbyterian church where he found entertainment and instruction in copious quantity. Mr. Williamson has consented to review something of his trip for the Observer at an early date.

Mrs. Williamson represented the La Grande Neighborhood club at the national convention of the Federated Women's clubs in New York. She too will outline something of her experience in next Saturday's society column of the Observer.

Both report themselves thoroughly satisfied with being back home again.

Good School Record.

Eric Sloan the eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Sloan of North Powder has made a school record that has but few equals says the News. Eric has not been absent from school for three years nor has he been tardy for the same length of time. Through rain or snow he made his way to the school house some seven blocks away, always arriving in ample time to be in his place before he should be marked tardy.

WORK IN PYLE CANYON

Grading Commenced Last Week; Road To Be Widened

The county's big grading outfit passed through town Saturday last en route to Pyle canyon and the work of grading and widening the road up that way was commenced, announced the Union Republican. And the way the big traction engine plows through dirt and gravel and rocks is a caution. The outfit appears to work in many places where it would seem impossible for a grader to work at all, tearing out big rocks and dragging them along when it would appear almost impossible.

The Republican is informed by Road Overseer Marshal Huffman that it is the purpose of the county to widen the Pyle canyon road, cut out the brush that the view may not be obscured and make this road safe for travel.

The traveling public will hail with satisfaction the action of the county in making Pyle canyon road safer for the rapid travel of the present day, and there is no doubt but that the danger of accidents on that way will be largely eliminated by the improvement of this road.

Shooting out some of the sharp angles, cutting the brush and widening the road the entire distance will go a long way toward preventing accidents in Pyle canyon.

LITTLE RAMBLERS.

Did you ever regret greeting your neighbor with a "How do you do" and he told you all about it?

Why is it that the men folks are always so eternally busy during house-cleaning week?

Did you ever notice an other-wise charming woman suddenly change into a silly giggling school girl when one of the masculine gender entered her presence?

Is it consistent when a woman objects to her husband having just one night off with his friends when she plays bridge four after-noons of each week?

Why is it that the most highly advertised moral photoplay is the most immoral of all?

Why do we not perceive that one ray of light will cast out a roomfull of darkness?

—AUNT PHEOBY.

The Arrival of a Large Assortment of NEWEST TUB FABRICS. In materials and patterns that all women want most for pretty Summer Dresses, Waists and Sport Skirts. See the Large, Double-Window Display and also the large showing inside. Look where you will you'll not find another such showing in all La Grande. Patterns and weaves that are new and have never been shown before; the same as they are now just showing in the larger cities. Dainty sheer fabrics for pretty dresses in the new conventional designs—Skirtings in stripes from 1 inch to 2 inches wide, and combination of stripes. Colors Pinks, Blues, Black and White. Striped Skirtings, yard 20c to 40c. Voiles and Other Sheer Materials, yard 12 1/2c to 35c.

We Have Women's Hosiery. In every style and wanted color of silk, Fibre Silk, or Silk Fibre, Mercerized Lisle and Light Weight Cotton—sheer, cobwebby, yet so firm in texture, so pretty that their possession is a delight. At \$1.00 we show our celebrated "La France" Pure Silk Hosiery in black and a big assortment of colors. New stripe and cross-stripe combinations in pure silk Hose at \$1.25 and \$1.50. Silk Boot Hose in white and blacks and colors. Strong lisle tops and reinforced foot 50c. Fine Fibre Silk Hose in all colors. Priced at 35c and 50c. Sheer Light Weight Cotton Lisle Hose in black or white. Priced 25c and 50c.

Don't Delay---Come Now to Our SACRIFICE SALE. Quality, Material, Style and Workmanship—these are the features of this Sacrifice Sale of Women's Ready-to-Wear. They are worth the attention of every woman who needs a Suit, Coat or Dress. We must urge you to delay no longer. The busy selling the last week has certainly sold quite a number of garments. The assortments are still complete, but we dare not predict how much longer this condition will last. Come at once, investigate for yourself. You'll see that every garment is new and of desirable quality. None reserved. All at these big reductions. Regular \$10.00 Values \$ 7.50. Regular \$12.50 Values \$ 9.40. Regular \$13.50 Values \$10.15. Regular \$15.00 Values \$11.25. Regular \$17.50 Values \$13.15. Regular \$20.00 Values \$15.00. Regular \$22.50 Values \$16.90. Regular \$25.00 Values \$18.75. Regular \$27.50 Values \$20.65. Regular \$32.50 Values \$24.40.

N. M. West & Co. THE QUALITY STORE. Peace at any price would make a bigger hit with the women, if a price were given it, and announcement made that it had been reduced to \$2.48. EVERGREEN TREE LEAF OILS. Shoe-blackening owes its peculiar aromatic odor, faintly suggestive of the deep woods where spruce or hemlock needles pad the ground, to an oil which is manufactured from these same kinds of needles. Similar oils are obtained from the foliage and small twigs of various cone-bearing trees and find use for a number of purposes. In Europe the finer of these oils are used extensively as perfume in soap. They are common components of liniments and other medicinal preparations. Cedar oil is chiefly used in the preparation of insecticides, and, to some extent, in making liniment. Investigation of the yield and the value of the oil obtainable from some of our southern and western trees have been made by the Forest Service, partly with a view to the possible utilization of waste material left after lumbering in the National Forests. The large quantities of needles and twigs on Forest Service timber sale areas are not only a sheer waste, but also form a special fire hazard. An increased market for leaf oil would make possible the utilization of some of this waste material. The industry, though small, is fairly old in the United States. The value of the annual production of needle oil is about \$50,000. Black and white spruce and eastern hemlock produce very similar oils, 40,000 to 50,000 pounds annually, worth 45 to 60 cents per pound. Red cedar produces 15,000 to 20,000 pounds of oil, having the same value per pound as the spruce and hemlock oil. The greater portion of the oil produced in the United States is distilled by small farmers in New England during the winter months when farm work is slack. In 1912, a Seattle firm began the distillation of leaf oil from western red cedar on a large scale, but found that at the going market value of 40 cents a pound the oil scarcely repaid the cost of production. It was chiefly used in manufacturing an insecticide containing 35 per cent of cedar oil and 65 per cent of an absorbent made from the finely ground shells of peach pits. Four dollars and a half to five dollars and a half per ton, depending on the oil content, was paid for the leaves and twigs.

Every dollar that the Careful Man Banks in his youth will increase a hundred fold to him in his old age. HERE'S A FACT: THE MONEY YOU SPEND NOW IS MANY TIMES THAT MONEY, BECAUSE IT IS CHEATING YOURSELF OUT OF THE PROFIT THAT MONEY WOULD EARN FOR YOU SOME DAY. IN OTHER WORDS, YOU ARE THROWING AWAY THE "FOUNDATION" ON WHICH YOU COULD BUILD A FORTUNE. YOU ARE CASTING AWAY THE SEED WHICH WOULD BECOME A TREE IF PLANTED. PLANT SOME MONEY IN OUR BANK. 6 1/2 % Money for Improved Farm Loans. La Grande National Bank. LA GRANDE OREGON. Capital \$200,000.00, Surplus \$50,000.00, Resources \$1,000,000.00. Fred J. Holmes, President; C. C. Penington, Vice President; F. L. Meiers, 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.