



OUR COOLING FOUNTAIN IS ALSO A "HEALTHFUL" FOUNTAIN. WE USE PURE SYRUPS AND EXTRACTS IN OUR FLAVORINGS AND OUR ICE CREAMS ARE WHOLESOME.

THERE IS A "DIFFERENCE" IN THE DRINKS DISPENSED FROM FOUNTAINS. TRY OURS AND YOU WILL EASILY TASTE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN "OUR" DELICIOUS DRINKS AND ICE CREAMS AND OTHERS YOU HAVE TRIED.

AT OUR COOLING FOUNT. LIKE ELSEWHERE IN OUR STORE, YOU CAN "RELY" ON WHAT YOU BUY.

**Levy - Vogel Drug Co.**  
PRESCRIPTION SPECIALISTS.

# SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC ONCE TERRORIZED THIS VICINITY

One of the most exciting times in La Grande was in July, 1892, when a case of small pox was reported. This disease at that time was considered to be among the most hideous maladies known as well as the most dangerous in the way of infection and spreading. The people were almost panic stricken. The patient was a man who came from Puget Sound to work on the installing of La Grande's new water system. The only explanation he could give was that a week or so before his arrival in La Grande he had been near the place where a small pox victim had been interred. S. R. Reeves was mayor and was also proprietor of the Sommer hotel. The sick man was taken ill in a room in the hotel and as soon as the nature of his trouble had been ascertained he was isolated in a building in a locality which is now near the eastern city limits but at that time the house was scarcely within a half mile of any other structure. Dr. N. Mollitor, then a young physician, was employed by the city to take exclusive charge of the case for which he was paid a lump fee of \$400. The late David C. Kelly was employed as nurse. In due course of time about two weeks, the patient recovered, but it was much longer before the effects of the scare had died out.

The hotel was shunned like a pestilence and the loss inflicted on the proprietor, Mr. Reeves, was estimated at \$3000 and was enough to practically put him out of business. The house where the patient had been kept was secretly fired by someone, but no one regretted the case of incendiarism although Dr. Honan said at the time that it was the worst thing that could have been done as a matter of precaution against further small pox infection. The city council ordered payment of the value of the house; also made reparations for the destruction of the furniture of the room; for the loss of the landlord's clothes, and the doctor and nurse bills, amounting to about \$900 in all. A number of families—possibly some who lived in the same block with small pox a few years afterward—removed to the hills for safety. And after it was all over there was considerable "howl" about the unnecessary expense that had been incurred. **Twenty-Four Years Ago.** (Clipped From Old Files.) Owing to the pressure of business demands L. H. Russell was unable to attend the mining congress at Helena as one of the delegates from Oregon. The Enterprise hotel was destroyed by fire Tuesday night. Loss, \$2500; insurance, \$2000. The efficiency of the Enterprise system of water works prevented the fire from spreading. Hon. G. W. Webb visited Pendleton this week on a business mission and returned home Wednesday morning. He reports good prospects on the other side of the mountains, although it has been very dry for several days. The smallpox patient has entirely recovered and is able to be around. Dr. Mollitor discontinued his services Monday, as there was no apparent use for his further attendance. The patient and nurses will still be kept isolated for about 10 days, in order that there may be no possible chance for the disease to spread. D. A. McAllister of the Willow Spring stock farm, is in St. Paul with a carload of his fine and speedy driving horses offering them for sale to the residents of the twin cities. Joseph Squires is in receipt of a letter from C. R. Hopkins, manager of the Inland Telephone and Telegraph company, to the effect that his company is about to construct a line from Pendleton to Baker City taking in all the towns of Eastern Oregon, and that a representative will be in La Grande within the next six weeks to look into the telephone situation. There are many residents of Union county who will remember Billy Burton, the fiddler, and will be sorry to hear that he was burned to death in a lodging house in Everett, Wash., last Saturday morning. Crystal Lodge No. 46, Rebekah degree I. O. O. F., of La Grande, was instituted Friday evening. The following officers were duly installed: Mrs. J. C. Henry N. G.; Mrs. Etta Wines, V. G.; Mrs. S. P. Romig, treasurer; S. P. Romig, chaplain; Mrs. A. L. Kitchen, secretary.

**Prominent Woman Dead.** Mrs. F. Von Eschen, wife of one of the Willamette University instructors, died at her home in Salem a few days ago.

**Company Assigns.** The Oregon Wood Products company, a concern operating a factory at Marshfield, has suspended business and made an assignment. Its assets are \$11,000 and liabilities \$6,000 according to the company's statement.

**Company Formed in Klamath Falls.** Lakeview and Klamath Falls are going to co-operate in the organization of a company of volunteer infantry for the proposed regiment of Colonel Gantenbein of Portland. Residents of both towns have signified their intention of joining.

- Outdoor Life
- Fishing
- Hunting
- Camping
- Hiking
- Swimming
- Beautiful
- Mt. Scenery
- Open Air
- Dancing

## Spend Your Vacation by Camping at **Bingham— Springs**

Now Connected With Long Distance Telephone

Motor Over or come by train  
Round trip from La Grande \$4.15  
Tickets good till Oct. 1  
For further particulars address  
W. W. Hoch  
Gibbon P. O.

## 2 VISITORS WILL PREACH

**BAPTISTS AND METHODISTS TO HAVE GUESTS**  
Bible Society Man and Salem School Professor to Speak  
Two visiting ministers will occupy pulpits in La Grande tomorrow. At the Baptist church Rev. Parker, of the American Bible society, will preach in the morning. At the methodist church Prof. Mathews of Salem university will occupy the pulpit in the morning.

## CHURCH NEWS.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.** (Sixth and Washington avenue.) Sabbath School, 9:45 a. m., W. F. Landrum superintendent, Mrs. W. W. Berry, organist. Morning worship at 11. Communion service and reception of new members. Sr. C. E. Service at 7:00 o'clock. Miss Hulda Anderson, "Purity Temperance and Strength." Evening worship at 8. Sub: "Jesus Is Coming."

**G. L. CLARK, Pastor.** Mansie 1310 Wash. Phone B-2021.

**M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.** Sabbath School 9:45 a. m. Mrs. J. H. Lumper, superintendent; Miss Maud Baker, organist. Morning worship, 11. Subject: "Epworth League, 7:00. Evening worship at 8 o'clock. J. H. LUMPER, Pastor. Parsonage 2103 North Fir street.

**FIRST M. E. CHURCH.** (Fourth and Spring Streets) Sabbath School 9:45 a. m. W. C. Wattenberg, superintendent. Morning worship at 11 a. m. Subject: "Prof. James J. Mathews of Willamette valley will occupy the pulpit. 6:30 Epworth League, Rose Sherman, president. Evening worship at 8. Subject: "World conditions deplorable." Prayer Meeting, Thursday. CHARLES A. EDWARDS, 908 Spring street.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH.** (In I. O. O. F. Hall.) Sunday service at 11:00, Sunday School at 10:00, Wednesday evening

testimonials at 8:00 p. m. Subject tomorrow: "Sacrament." Subject, July 16. Life. Golden Text: 1 John, 5: 11. This is the record that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.** (Sixth and Spring) Sabbath School 9:45. Jesse Wiseman, superintendent. Mrs. Helena Williamson, church organist. Morning Worship, 11:00. Subject, "Sunshine". Rev. D. L. Parker, representing the American Bible society preaching. B. Y. P. U. at 7. Subject, "Evening worship at 8:00 o'clock. "What would Jesus do?" REV. J. J. TICKNER, Pastor. Residence 1407 Sixth St., Phone Red 1811.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH.** Holy Communion except first Sunday in the month, 8 a. m. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Morning Service 11 a. m. Evening Service 7:30 p. m. UPTON H. GIBBS, Rector. Residence 1502 Fifth street.

**LATTER-DAY SAINTS.** (Tabernacle Fourth and O Sts.).. Sunday School, 10:30 a. m. Sacrament meeting 7:00 p. m. M. I. A. at 7:30 p. m. every Tuesday evening with their social hour after class work. Primary Tuesday after school hours. Religion class Thursday after school hours. Relief society every Thursday at 2:00 p. m. CHARLES J. BLACK, Bishop. Telephone Main 754.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH.** (Seventh and Pennsylvania Ave.) Bible school at 9:45 Mrs. T. E. French, superintendent; Abbie Green organist. Morning worship at 11 a. m. "God's Luminaries." Evening worship at 8. Subject: "The first Gospel meeting in the world, and its result." Mrs. Crawford, late of Heppner, will sing a solo. Prayer Meeting, Thursday 8 p. m. Leader, H. L. Ford. H. L. FORD, Pastor.

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH.** (Opposite High School.) Sabbath school at 9:45 a. m., William C. Drahn superintendent, Kate Maier, organist. Class meeting 9:45; Morning worship 11:00 o'clock. There will be no evening service. "Christ Will Not Break the Bruised Reed." No evening services. WILLIAM C. DRAHN, Pastor. Res. 806 Main avenue. First Loganberries. Dundee, Oregon, is accredited as the first locality to ship loganberries this year.

## LEIGHTON'S GARAGE

La Grande, Oregon.  
**The  
Garage of Satisfactory Service**

## ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO.

AUSTIN BROWNELL, Manager  
**HOUSE WIRING A SPECIALTY**  
Supplies and Heating Devices  
Phone Main 726  
Sommer Hotel Building, next to Western Union

## We Consider Your Success Paramount to Our Own WHY?

Because our success depends on the development of the communities served by us and the prosperity of their inhabitants. We have made large investments for your convenience and comfort, in property which cannot be moved to some other locality if our business does not prosper as can yours—Therefore not only from public spiritedness but from business interests we wish to cooperate with you in anything tending to further the welfare of the community. No proposition is too small to receive our cheerful and thorough consideration and active encouragement.

## Eastern Oregon Light & Power Co.

Always at Your Service Telephone Main 34

# THE FORUM

**Brotherhoods Answer Plea.** Cleveland, Ohio, July 15.—1916.—Anything for delay, is the plan of the railroads in dealing with the demand of the employees for an eight-hour day is charged in a statement issued today by the Transportation Brotherhoods.

Railroads are spending hundreds of thousands of dollars to ask the public for their support on a proposition to refer the controversy to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The public should know that the Interstate Commerce Commission only very recently and on two different occasions, have reported at some length and in considerable detail upon this very question. Its reports comprehend two wide spread investigations since 1910 and are the result of attempts on the part of the railroads to make use of increases in wages to induce the Commission to give its consent to increases in freight rates.

The whole subject of wages was gone into by the Commission with much care and in great detail. The railroads were fully represented by counsel and large numbers of witnesses testified in their behalf.

Eminent counsel appeared in behalf of the opposition to the roads. The attorney of the Commission also participated in the proceedings and prepared and presented for consideration, a great mass of statistical information.

After a full hearing of the investigation upon all the facts and circumstances, the Commission held that there was no evidence before it which established the necessity for high rates.

And again in 1914 the same elaborate and thorough investigation into the subject of wages as having a bearing on the necessity for increased rates, was held. This federal tribunal said, "It is interesting to note that notwithstanding, wages constitute a large part of the Transportation expense, this item of expense has shown a relatively

small advance as compared with other groups."

The Commission called attention to the fact that efficiency of operation and management are the most important things in the reduction of operating expenses, and, as an illustration, the Commission cited the statement of the General Superintendent of Motive Power of the Pennsylvania Railroad who lessened the cost of building locomotives between 1903 and 1913, although the rate of wages increased nearly 40 per cent.

The official utterances of the Interstate Commerce Commission answer authoritatively, questions raised by the railroads in their opposition to the present movement of the railway Brotherhoods for an eight-hour work day for employees in freight train service.

These questions have been raised by the railroads and, by the roads through the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, solely to confuse and perplex the public mind and in an endeavor to prevent the American people from securing a clear perspective of the social and economic significance of the establishment of a shorter work day, for some 350,000 train employees.

Railroad officials well know that the Interstate Commerce Commission has no power to fix the rate of wages after an investigation of the subject and the whole controversy would, after an investigation, be in the same condition as it is at the present moment.

Should however, the Interstate Commerce Commission recommend the granting of the demands of the employees, the commission would automatically be held responsible for any increase in operating expenses resulting from the granting of the demands; therefore, would be compelled to assent to an increased freight rate which is perhaps the very things that the railroads are trying to secure out of this controversy.

THE TRANSPORTATION BROTHERHOOD.

## D.R.FONG

CELEBRATED CHINESE HERB CO.  
(30 years practical experience)  
The Famous Chinese Herbs for All Ailments of Both Sexes  
CONSULTATION FREE  
Office Hours 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. Jefferson Ave. La Grande, Ore.

## Come In!

The Water's Fine At  
**North Beach**  
Queen of North Pacific Resorts

Ocean and weather are just right at this Best of All Pacific Northwest beaches. GO NOW! We will be glad to help you plan the trip. Ask for the New Folder describing NORTH BEACH. It's free

Fares, tickets, reservations, and full information upon application to  
J. H. KEENEY, Agent  
O-W. R. R. & N. CO.  
Union Pacific System

## Cove Cherry Fair

THURSDAY, JULY 20  
Music by Elks' Band of La Grande  
Address by ex-Governor West and others  
Something doin' all day  
Has Cove got 'em?—Well, you come and see!