

THE OBSERVER

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THE DAM WILL BE SAVED.

There has been much talk about the dam at the intake of late and no doubt much of the criticism has been justified, but the Observer is very much pleased to give a report that carries a ray of light and promises to postpone any heavy expenditures on the water system for some time to come.

J. E. Foley, the new city manager, has returned from a trip of inspection to the dam and his findings are these: That the dam is not in good shape; that continual vibration of the waves will break the concrete dam loose if something is not done. But he does not offer the criticism without giving a remedy. His remedy is to erect a boom across the lake thus breaking the force of the waves before they strike the dam. Then he proposes to cut twelve inch trees and split them, facing the outside of the dam with this timber, and to back them up and keep them firmly in place he would put in ten inch logs between this facing and standing stumps which would make the whole structure rigid.

We have given the dam question some earnest thought since it seemed apparent that the city was about to suffer a big loss and at the same time impair the water supply. The solution given by Mr. Foley looks good to us. We believe he is right. His plan is perfectly practical and is along the lines of good common sense. Besides this we have confidence in his judgment, for when it comes to outside construction there is not a man in Oregon better schooled in such work. We feel justified in saying to every citizen of La Grande, "pin your faith to Jerry Foley in the water problem and he will carry us safely through without heavy expense." The dam when repaired and strengthened according to Mr. Foley's plan should last five and probably ten years without further expense.

As to the present condition of the city water, while it is not bad, many people are asking questions regarding it. It is merely water from a newly constructed reservoir, and in course of time it will be perfectly all right. So, don't worry.

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Biplane Kills Burley Child
Burley, Ida., Sept. 14.—Ruby Bescher, 10 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bescher of Burley, was killed instantly when a tractor biplane driven by Aviator R. F. Shank of Chicago, engaged for three days of exhibition flight at Minnicassia fair, plunged into a crowd of spectators lining the race track. The child's neck was broken, and several other persons were injured. The machine was a complete wreck. The aviator was uninjured.
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