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GOOD COMES OUT OF PRINEVILLE.

Prineville has military instruction in its public schools.

This is to be commended. We may not raise our boys to be soldiers, but we do raise them to be men.

Here is an account of the Crook County high school plan:

On the opening day of the Crook County High School the announcement was made that a course in military tactics has been added to the curriculum, and 60 rifles and equipment have arrived from a United States arsenal, having been arranged for previously by the faculty and school board. Before the close of the first day enough volunteers were received from among the students to use all the equipment at hand, and more will have to be ordered immediately. Some of the faculty have had military training, and these, with the assistance and advice of 30 men within the city, who have done actual military service, and whose services can at any time be requisitioned by the school, if needed, will at once put the cadet company in the front rank of any similar high school organizations that may hereafter be formed in the state. As it is, Prineville leads the state in this movement.

This line of instruction is not added for the purpose of making soldiers out of our boys, but is for the purpose of making men out of them, well developed physically, mentally and morally. At the same time, if the country should need men who are physically and mentally fit to respond to her call, Prineville will be in position to produce her quota of loyal and patriotic citizens.

This plan should be investigated and adopted by the school authorities of Oregon, including Union and Walla Walla Counties.

LIGHT UP THE CITY.

The Observer agrees with the business men of La Grande that it is poor economy to diminish the lighting of prominent city streets.

Visitors judge a city by its lighting.

A brilliantly illuminated city is regarded as up-to-date and prosperous, the home of live wires.

Bright lights draw crowds, make people move faster, kill the appearance of deadness.

Broadway, New York, won its fame as "The Great White Way" through its brilliant illuminations. They paid. Passengers going through a city by train look out and see the bright lights, and say, "What a well lighted city!"

La Grande was formerly in that class.

We hold no brief for the lighting company. No doubt the latter cares little where the lights are placed, so long as it gets its money.

The Observer wants to see La Grande go ahead, not behind, to be known as a lively, enterprising city.

We hate to criticize public officials who are striving for economy. They have their troubles.

But in this case The Observer believes that curtailing the down-town lights was poor economy.

And in this case, as in others, The Observer will express its views openly and frankly.

MUST RECOGNIZE RULINGS

Sun-Rising Hours Should Be Carefully Observed By Hunters

John Walden, deputy game warden, calls attention of sportsmen to the fact that when the duck and pheasant seasons open Sunday they must be mindful of the hour the sun rises, and avoid trouble.

It is planned to publish a sun-rising code in tomorrow's issue.

WOMAN GETS HIGHEST "OF FRENCH HONORS."



KATHLEEN BURKE

By bestowing on her the decoration of the "Golden Palms" and naming her Officier de l'Instruction Publique et Beaux Arts, the French government gave its highest honor to Miss Burke, of Scotch woman's hospital, who has been speaking in Britain, Canada and America on behalf of the French and Serbian armies.

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EXPORT RECORD BROKEN IN AUG.

American exports have finally passed the half-billion a month mark. Statistics issued this week by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, of the Department of Commerce, show that the exports for August amounted to \$510,000,000 which is not only the record for this country, but for all countries. It is \$35,000,000 higher than the previous high record, which was established in May, and \$45,000,000 higher than the June total.

Imports, on the other hand, showed a decrease for August, the total being \$199,247,391. This is a decline of \$47,000,000 as compared with June the record month. It is greater than the total for any previous August, however. The exports for the year ended with August totaled \$4,750,000,000 and the imports \$2,300,000,000, both totals being far in advance of those for a similar period in any previous year.

Of the August imports, 66.5 per cent entered free of duty, compared with 67.5 per cent in August, 1915.

The favorable trade balance for August was 311 million dollars, comparing with an export balance of 119 million in August, 1915, and an import balance of 19 million in August, 1914. For the 12 months to August 31, 1916, the export balance was 2,455 million dollars, as against 1,363 million in the preceding year and 371 million two years ago.

The net inward gold movement for the month of August was 29 million and for the year 410 million dollars, a record total. Last year the net inward gold movement was 146 million and two years ago, a net outward movement of 95 million. Gold imports in August were \$41,238,716, compared with \$61,641,191 in August, 1915, and \$3,045,219 in August, 1914. Gold exports in August were \$11,780,129, against \$1,128,428 in August, 1915, and \$18,125,617 in August, 1914. The year's gold imports were \$518,451,553, as against \$244,035,950 last year and \$59,312,328 two years ago; while gold exports in 1916 were \$108,104,549, compared with \$97,749,270 last year and \$153,984,944 for the 12 months ending with August, 1914.

Eberhards Renewing Acquaintances.

District Attorney Colon R. Eberhard, accompanied by Mrs. Eberhard and children, was among the passengers on the Union county excursion to the Walla Walla county fair this morning.

Down And Outers Prove Mettle.

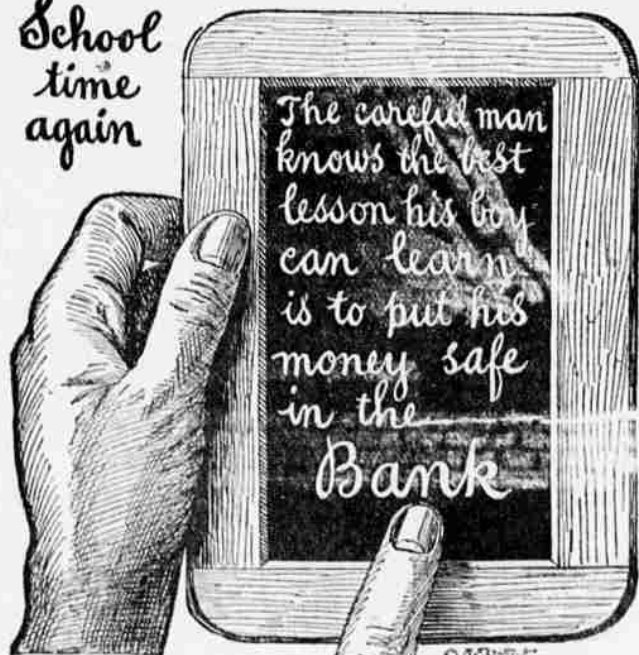
Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 29.—Men in need are honest. Figures compiled at the Helping Hand Institute over a period of five years and revealed today show that nearly all helped tried to repay and that 711 per cent repaid in full. When an out-of-work, out-of-home man applies to the Helping Fund

for aid he is given room and board until he can find a job. In some cases money is given. A very few have made off, scoring "the hand that fed." Others paid back in part and 71 out of every hundred "Paid in Full." Some in their return to good fortune made donations to the hand with which to help along other down and outers.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS



School time again



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