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Coming Events

February 7—La Grande executive committee for entertainment of Cattle & Horse Raisers' Convention meets at Y. M. C. A., 7:30 p. m.

February 10—Meeting at Enterprise to organize National Farm Loan Association.

February 16, 17, 18—Christian Endeavor Convention in La Grande.

February 19—Elks' Annual Ball.

February 19-21—Oregon Retail Merchants Association, Portland.

February 19 to 24—"Pay-Up Week" in La Grande.

March 8, 9, 10—Automobile and motorcycle show.

April 24-25—Cattle and Horse Raisers' Annual Convention at La Grande.

May 7 and 8—State camp Modern Woodmen of America meets in La Grande.

June 24 to July 1—Grand Ronde Chautauqua, La Grande.

July 7—National Education Association in Portland.

July 14-19—North Pacific Sangerfest, Portland.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Collection of News Paragraphs and Advertisements.

Mrs. Leora Oliphant returned Monday morning from a two months' eastern trip. She probably will live here.

We pay better prices for used furniture. Phone B 1241. Cor. Fir and Jefferson. E. J. Donohue. 12-20-tf

M. E. Bery has taken a position in the office of O.W. Superintendent William Bollons.

Distinctive candies for those who want the best. Supplied fresh each week. Levy-Vogel Drug Co. 2-1-tf

All kinds of electric light globes at Silverthorns. 1-29-tf

We pay highest prices for hide and sheep pelts. Peoples' Meat Market, 1119 1-2 Adams Ave.—Adv. 12-5-tf.

The Elks gave a pretty dancing party last night for the younger entertainers at the recent Elks' show.

Singer Sewing Machines. New and second hand machines sold on easy terms. No interest. Repair work a specialty on all machines. Chas. M. Shapland, agent, Foley Hotel Bldg. Phone Red 461. 1-17-tf

Wood Sawing. Wood sawing promptly done, city or country. J. J. Murchison. Phone Red 3672.—Adv. 1-tf

School tablets, the best made at 5c and 10c. All kinds of school books, miscellaneous books, always at Silverthorn's Family Drug Store. Dly2-6-tf; Wkly1-t

Money to Loan.

On improved real property in Union county, no delays, current rates. La Grande Investment Co.—Adv.

Our new and up-to-date line of fine stationery is pleasing to the most fastidious. No advance in prices. Levy-Vogel Drug Co. 2-1-tf

For That Cough and Tickling in your throat, use Syrup of Wild Cherry Bark in combination with Guaiacal and Eucalyptus. It gives quick relief. Levy-Vogel Drug Co. 2-1-tf

Mrs. Adolph Newlin left yesterday for Harrington, Wash., to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Rieth.

Dr. Ralston, physician, surgeon and osteopath is now located in rooms 12 and 13 over Silverthorn's Drug Store. Main 21; Night phone Main 81.—Adv. 10-16-tf.

Harry Cleaver of Aliceal was in the city yesterday.

Our hot water bottles are of real worth. Fully guaranteed. Levy-Vogel Drug Co. 2-1-tf

Mrs. E. P. Mossman returned from Baker last night, where she had been invited to give a talk on art before the Alpha club. Following the program the Baker women tendered a reception to their guest.

We pay best prices for second hand furniture. DYAL'S FURNITURE CO., 404 Fir St., Phone Black 8851.—Adv. 12-4-tf.

For chronic constipation and bowel disorders take a treatment of American Oil (heavy). Wonderful results will follow. Levy-Vogel Drug Co. 2-1-tf

Misses Jones and Rabone

We carry a full line in Ladies' Suits, Coats and Skirts in the S. & H. garment.

We make Suits, Coats, Skirts and Dresses. A perfect fit guaranteed. Remodeling done. West New Bldg.

Superintendent Bollons, Assistant Superintendent Corbett and General Superintendent M. J. Buckley, of the O-W. R. & N. company, are near Pendleton today on company business.

The very best line of rubber and metal hot water bottles and fountain syringes and ice bags, all warranted, may be found always at Silverthorn's Family Drug Store. Dly2-6-tf; Wkly1-t

Announcements

Notice.

Knights of Pythias, 1st and 2nd rank will be conferred this evening. W. D. McCarthy, C. C. 2-5-17-1t

Auto Owners Notice.

The opening to auto, motorcycle and general repair work. Service and economy our motto. Red Williams and Wood Burgess, 1114 Jefferson Ave., opposite O-W. R. & N. depot. Phone Black 3341. 1-31-tf

6 1-2 Per Cent Money.

\$30,000 for long term at 6 1-2 per cent interest for loans on Grande Ronde Valley farms. See W. B. Sargent at La Grande Investment Company at once. 2-2-tf

NOTICE, The undersigned Treasurer of Union County has funds on hand with which to pay warrants issued on the Road fund from number 711 to 800 inclusive, endorsed July 8, 1916. All such warrants will be paid with interest to January 8, 1917.

JOHN FRAWLEY,

Treasurer of Union County. First publication, Jan. 6; second Jan. 13; third Jan. 20; fourth Jan. 27.

BEN GROUT OBITUARY

The funeral services of Benjamin Grout held in the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon were attended by a large number of sympathetic friends among whom were many associates of his school and college days.

Ben Grout was born in Harney county, December 23, 1886. He received nearly all his early education in the public schools of Union county and La Grande. Upon completing the work in the La Grande schools he entered the University of Oregon, where he was graduated from the electrical engineering department in 1911. He was connected with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for about two years after which he taught in the high schools of Raymond, Wash., and Hood River, Ore., where he established the confidence and esteem of those among whom and with whom he worked. In the summer of 1916 he went to Juneau, Alaska, where he almost immediately assumed a responsible position as electrical engineer with the Perseverance Mining company. While engaged at his work he was caught in a snowslide from Mt. Juneau which resulted in his death, January 26, 1917.

Mr. Grout was especially prominent in athletics during his high school career as he was also at college, doing particularly brilliant work during his last year at the university. His work was always straight, forward and clean as well as effective.

July 9, 1913, he was united in marriage to Miss Claire Pratt of Portland, Oregon. To this union one son was born, Benjamin Grout Jr., Oct. 19, 1914.

Mr. Grout leaves to mourn his death his wife and young son, a father and mother, two brothers and one sister, besides a host of intimate friends throughout the state. His life was cut short but he leaves a record of strength and courage and generous kindness that lives in the memory of those trusted and respected by those who were nearest his life.

"SHIPMENTS" WAIT OWNERS

There are 44 "shipments" at the American Express company's local office waiting for consignees to claim them. Tomorrow is the last day these "packages" may be obtained as the bone-dry law then goes into effect with a sealed lid. Express company employees believe that a number of the packages will be left over and have to be returned to consignors.

THE FORUM

La Grande, Ore., Feb. 2.—(To the Editor of The Observer.)—Your desire for information on the high cost of living can not be solved through the columns of your good paper, as you no doubt know, for it is a subject that time and applied science will have to solve. Though it gives great pleasure to know our editor freely gives space to the readers of this, our home paper, we truly know that it is "little drops of water and little grains of sand" and so on; that it is also little bits of gossip and little bits of truth that go to make the proof. So I agree a little with both Mr. Dyal and Mr. Garrick. We should keep our land in producing shape. We should not have to depend on any other nation to help us do so. As Mr. Garrick says: "We should use that \$70,000,000 and also \$25,777,550 for fortification; that \$20,000,000 for nitrate plant and \$34,523,000 for deficiency and \$1,225,043 for the military academy, to teach us in efficiency, to govern ourself in such a manner that we should have no need for such waste in rent, interest and profits or the very things that brings about such conditions as we now have." If Mr. Garrick has the living price of a working man figured down to ten or fifteen cents a day, his fortune is made (as the saying goes) and he had better apply for a job at Washington right away for I am sure he will have no trouble getting one, for if the Wall street gamblers can feed the common people on ten cents a day, they can have no worry about strikes, and such like.

I have just read a piece in the little McCall Magazine entitled "Keeping House for President Wilson" by Helen Hainbridge. Here is what she claims the expenses of Mrs. Wilson's table-keep amount to, almost \$1000 a week. Here is just a little clipping from that piece: "All table expenses must be paid by the president, even including the menus for the great state dinners, and as these latter are notable epicurean feasts, they cost enormous sums. Only the breasts of fowl are served. (I guess the negro servants get the rest.) A roast is used for but two or three people and nothing but the choicest bits of vegetables are ever considered." Now, I want you to understand that I am not finding fault with the president's living in the least and I don't blame him for liking good chicken, and with all the work and worry of the nation on his hands, needs the best of care to keep him in good health so that he may perform his duties as he should for the good of his dear people. But I claim that everyone should have a share in the good things of life; a chance to work and a chance to play, and where people have to work all the time and no time to play, they should at least have enough to eat to keep soul and body together.

Here is another clipping from the government bulletin: "As a result of government researches it was found that pellagra is produced by an insufficient, poorly balanced diet and that it can both be prevented and cured by the use of food containing elements in the proportion required by the body. The application of this knowledge greatly reduced pellagra in 1916 as compared with previous years. This reduction is believed by experts of the public health service to have been due to improved economic conditions which enabled wage-earners to provide themselves with a better and more varied diet and to a wider dissemination of the knowledge of how the disease may be prevented.

"It is feared, however, that pellagra may increase in 1917 by reason of an increase in food cost out of proportion to the prosperity now enjoyed by this country. The great rise in the cost of forage, particularly cotton seed meal and hulls, is causing the people in many localities to sell their cows and thus there is danger that they will deprive themselves of milk, one of the most valuable pellagra preventing foods. The high cost of living has further served to bring about a reduction in many families in the amount of meat, eggs and peas consumed, all of which are pellagra prophylactics. In effecting economies of this nature the general public should bear in mind the importance of a properly balanced diet and refrain from excluding, if possible, such valuable disease preventing foods. It is believed that unless this is done there will be a greater incidence of pellagra next spring."

What good does it do to have scientists to solve these problems unless we apply our knowledge. Out of our schools now come capable young men and women, but for lack of place to apply their knowledge, they go on a delivery wagon at \$40 per month, or the girl into an old dry goods store at the same price and forget all they have been taught for lack of applying the knowledge that our government needs. A few there are (if their pa's or ma's have enough money to buy them a job or a husband) who have a good job we call a success, a great success sometimes, but the other fellow is a failure. It is just as important that we fertilize our brains and use them as it is that we fertilize our soil, and ship our products to Europe.

Yes, the government needs Mr. Garrick to teach us to live on ten cents a day and Mr. Dyal to teach us to keep our land fertile, but above all, God needs minds to solve the problems that confront us today,—the high cost of living and also the high cost of dying.

JENNIE DISQUA.

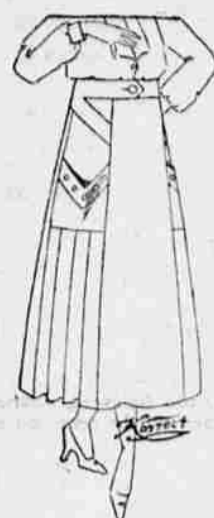


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