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LINCOLN'S TRIBUTE TO WASHINGTON.

Among this country's heroes perhaps no two are so linked together in loving memory of their countrymen as are George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, the "Father" and the "Saviour" of their country. Following Washington some 50 years it is interesting to note what Lincoln, as a young man, had to say of his country's first president.

In the following few words Lincoln paid the tribute of a great man to another great man:

"This is the one hundred and tenth anniversary of the birthday of Washington; we are met to celebrate this day. Washington is the mightiest name of earth—long since mightiest in the cause of civil liberty, still mightiest in moral reformation. On that name no eulogy is expected. It cannot be. To add brightness to the sun or glory to the name of Washington is alike impossible. Let none attempt it. In solemn awe pronounce the name, and in its naked deathless splendor leave it shining on."

The words came at the end of a Washington's birthday speech delivered by Lincoln in Springfield, February 22, 1842.

MAKE THE AUTO SHOW A CIVIC FUNCTION.

La Grande is indebted to the automobile and motorcycle dealers for the expense they are going to in order to give an automobile show on March 15, 16, and 17. It is certain from the plans made for music, decorations and entertainment that this will be an enjoyable affair. It should be a civic and social function of interest. Every business man and every civic and fraternal organization in La Grande should get back of it and help make it a success.

THE FOOD INVESTIGATION

The United States Senate has eliminated the \$400,000 appropriation requested by the President for a food investigation. This is one appropriation that should have been granted. In proportion to the \$100,000,000 requested to arm our merchantmen and to protect our rights on the seas, it is small. And the plea of economy does not ring true, when we remember that the Mexican mobilization alone cost \$160,000,000. The patience of the American people is remarkable. Other neutral nations are taking steps to alleviate distress brought on by the war. It seems strange that some feasible plan has not been developed in this country. If we go to war, a system of food regulation will be the first step that will have to be taken in our national defense.

Farmer,
but No Farm!

Did you ever hear tell of a farmer without a farm?
Did you ever hear tell of a successful business man without a bank account? Success is just as likely to come to you without a bank account as it is to a farmer without a farm.
This bank meets your needs—fits your case, and is a bank of personal service. The same hearty welcome here for the man who opens a small account, as the man who opens one with more,

La Grande National Bank

Senator Barrett III
With Heart Trouble

State Senator C. A. Barrett of Athena, Ore., is seriously ill at the Imperial hotel, Portland, with heart trouble. Accompanied by Mrs. Barrett, he went to Portland Tuesday morning following the closing of the legislature. Mr. Barrett had been ill for some time and on arrival in Portland his condition became so serious that he was unable to proceed to his home in Athena.

Court House News

Deeds filed the past week with the county clerk have been:
J. D. McKewen to Jas. D. Dobbin, \$1.
J. K. Wright et al to William Rollins, \$1.
Delilah Beam to F. E. Graham, \$1500.
Ray J. Hug to F. E. Graham, \$1500.
Rudolphine Harm to Maude Walker, \$100.
C. R. Hibberd to C. M. Dollarhide, \$10.
Emma A. Grady to Nellie M. Gaskill, \$5000.
Ollie S. Van Houten to W. M. Cockrell, \$1.
D. B. Bennett to C. H. Newton, \$1.
William Rollins to Mary E. Wright, \$1.
O. R. Stutbrod to Chas. M. Dollarhide, \$10.
Evan Jones to C. C. Colver, \$10.
Toy Sain Young to Emma Young, \$1.
Chas. L. Stoop to Dessie Stoop, \$500.
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Golden Rule company to Jennie Campbell, \$1100.
S. W. Seeman to Frank R. Bridges, \$700.
Geo. R. Lyman to Golden Rule company, \$1.
Lona Richardson to S. F. Richardson, \$1.
C. G. Roe to Willis O. Nance, \$1.

Stage Set For Departure of Governor Hiram Johnson to National Capital.

Sacramento, Cal., March 2.—(United Press)—With the departure of Hiram Johnson from the governor's chair here to don his senatorial toga in Washington there steps into National officialdom one of California's most remarkable men; and one who has been a national figure for several years.

Perhaps no more significant characterization of the man could be given than the fact that he leaves, as the heritage of his years as governor, a long program of fulfilled progressive legislation and a thoroughly progressive legislature in this once boss-ridden state to carry into effect more of the people's progressive ideas.

Ever since Johnson, a stock man of medium height with a sharp staccato voice and a jerkily eloquent forefinger, ran for the vice-presidency with Theodore Roosevelt, he has bulked large in the nation as a progressive who progressed as per progressive schedule.

In those three paragraphs you get the picture of Johnson as his friends see him. He has enemies who paint him less agreeably and acquaintances who view him as a composite of the two; but all factions agree that Johnson is a "comer" in political affairs. It was around Johnson and his attitude toward the late republican candidate Hughes that the decisive California political tempest raged in the recent Presidential election. What Johnson will do in Washington remains to be seen, as Johnson does not press agent his plans.

When William D. Stephens steps into the California gubernatorial shoes that Johnson vacates he will have behind him a legislature so strongly Progressive that he will probably have little difficulty carrying out the policies inaugurated by Johnson.

The business of approving or vetoing measures passed by the present session of the legislature will fall to Stephens.

Job Printing Quickly and Neatly Done at The Observer Office.

Hospital Items

George O. James returned this morning to his home in Elgin. He was confined by a surgical operation.
Mrs. J. G. Snodgrass is reported as better this morning.
Audmer Playle of Alicel, son of Charles Playle, was operated upon this morning for appendicitis.
A seven pound girl was born yesterday to Dr. and Mrs. W. D. McMillan.

National Woman's
Party Is Formed

Washington, March 2.—(United Press)—The Congressional Union Woman Suffrage and National Woman's party united when the convention opened here today. The vote was unanimous. They took the name of the National Women's party.

BUTTER LABELS—For sale at The Observer office.

The New In Women's
Suits and Coats

New shades, new lines, new ideas in trimming—these will greet you in our showing of Suits and Coats for the New Season.



Perhaps the most welcome and the most noticeable change in Styles for Spring is the elimination of the flare—the new models are made on straight lines and the designers surely have created some beautiful models.

This advance display brings to you the choicest of the new fashions in all the new materials and colors. Choose here from the new models—you will get superior tailoring at a reasonable price.

You will find the assortment most pleasing at prices ranging \$15.00 to \$50.00

N. K. West & Co.
THE QUALITY STORE

Geo. W. Perry Pays
Tribute To Stoddard

Mr. George Stoddard has now passed to the great beyond where all men must eventually go. We have no anxiety for Mr. Stoddard's future welfare. He leaves this world with so many deeds of priceless value that we fear not for his salvation. George Stoddard was a friend to the needy and the lowly, a promoter of all institutions of public welfare and common good. He leaves us for another field where the eternal existence is more certain, where the full purpose of life can be consummated. There with the deeds of this life in his possession, he will go on as a light brilliant and radiant, a leader among men in righteousness and in truth.—Geo. W. Perry, postmaster at Perry.

MARKET NEWS

Sugar—Cane or fruit, \$8.60 sack, cash; \$9.00 30 days' time.
Fruit.
Cranberries—15c quart.
Bananas—10c a pound.
Oranges—20@60c dozen.
Lemons—30@40c.
Vegetables, Miscellaneous.
Brussel Sprouts—20c.
Celery (California)—15c, 2 for 25c.
Lettuce—15c; 2 for 25c.
Potatoes—4c lb; \$3.50 cwt.
Cauliflower—15c, 20c, 25c.
New cabbage—10c.
Honey—20c.
Parsley—5c a bunch.
Dry Onions—10c.
Beans—White, 15c.
Beans—Colored, 12 1-2c.
Butter and Eggs.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 50c lb; 95c for 2 lb. roll.
Ranch butter—45c lb; 85c 2-lb roll.

Eggs—35c doz.
Flour and Feed.
Bluestem Flour—\$2.25.
Royal Patent—\$2.20.
Jersey Cream—\$2.20.
Best of the Best (patent)—\$2.15.
Invincible—\$2.20.
Snowdrift—\$2.40.
Upper Crust—\$2.40.
None-to-Equal—\$2.15.
Gold Medal—\$2.95.
Sea Foam—\$2.15.
Snow Drop—\$2.15.
Flour in 10-lb. Sacks.
Graham, Gems, Whole Wheat and Royal Patent, 55c.
Rye—66c.
Yellow corn meal—45c.
Chickens and Poultry.
Ducks—Live, 17c.
Turkeys—Live, 22c.
Geese—Live, 15c.
Hens—Live, 15c.
Spring chicken—Live, 18c.
Cattle.
Best heavy beef steers....\$8.55@8.50
Ordinary to good steers.... 7.25@8.50
Prime cows

New Spring Shoes

Men's New Spring Shoes in new dark tans in both leather and fibre soles, also new lasts in kangaroo stock, calf and kid leathers. Priced \$4.50 to \$7.00
Ladies' New Spring Shoes in new lasts. New White Kid Shoes both button and lace also white unbuck and white canvas, in many different styles. Priced \$4.00 to \$9.00
Boys' guaranteed top shoes, absolutely guaranteed not to wear through. Priced \$3.00 to \$4.00

L. J. FRENCH SHOE CO.