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REDUCED RATES FOR AUTO AND MOTORCYCLE SHOW.

The automobile and motorcycle dealers of La Grande are to be congratulated that they have secured reduced rates to La Grande during the automobile and motorcycle show, March 15, 16 and 17. The O.-W. R. & N. Co. has granted unusually liberal rates, of one and one-third fare, under the certificate plan on the main line from Pendleton to Huntington, and on the Joseph branch also.

In order to get the reduced rates any person in the territory affected pays full fare going and obtains a certificate from the agent, which is validated by the secretary of the automobile show, which then entitles the holder to one-third fare on the return trip. William McMurray, general passenger agent of the O.-W. R. & N. Co., is a good friend of La Grande, and this courtesy is appreciated. People of La Grande should boost for this automobile show. Write your friends of the reduced rates. The going dates are March 12 to 17; the return dates, March 15 to 20. Any person coming to La Grande from March 12 to 17 can get reduced rates if they attend the automobile show.

A LETTER TO SENATOR LANE.

Portland, Oregon, March 6.

Editor Observer, La Grande, Ore.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed you will please find copy of a letter to Senator Lane which I have drawn up and to which I am getting signatures in Portland.

In view of the ruthless campaign which Germany has carried on in the seas and in view of the recent disclosure which that country has made for the partition and dismemberment of the American Union, it is difficult for me to characterize or understand such an action as Senator Lane took in reference to the request of President Wilson for defending the honor and integrity of this country.

Certainly the time has come for every person who is loyal to this nation to show his colors, and I am writing this letter and sending you the letter above mentioned with the request that you will either personally or otherwise see to the securing of signatures to the letter in your community and forward same to me at Portland. This communication is going to 32 newspapers throughout the State of Oregon.

I feel that it is only right for me to say that I have been a consistent democrat and supporter of Senator Lane.

May I have the courtesy of receiving a reply from you?

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM BITTLE WELLS.

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

Red-Headed Messenger Now College Pres.

Minneapolis, Minn., Mar. 7.—(United Press)—Plain red-headed Marion Burton, 25 years ago came to Minneapolis, opened up Tom Gardiner's Nicollet avenue drug store, swept it out, and delivered packages for the store, seven days a week, for \$6 a week, from 6 a. m. to 7 p. m. Today, Dr. Marion Le Roy Burton is president of the University of Minnesota, at a salary of \$10,000 annually. But he is the same Marion, and all he says about the change is that he did his best.

WAR ODDITIES.

London, March 7.—(United Press)—A tiny kitten, found alive in the ruins of the great munitions explosion sold for \$250 which was given to the relief fund.

CHEMICALLY PURE DISHES IN THIS RESTAURANT!

San Francisco, March 7.—(United Press)—Chemically pure dishes are the latest. A local hotel has just installed an apparatus whereby dirty dishes, put in at one end, come out the other, not only clean, but sterilized. They know they are chemically pure, it is announced, because a bacteriologist looks 'em over afterwards.

TEA TRADE SLUMPS

Tokio, March 7.—(United Press)—While all other exports of Japan have been on the increase an inexplicable slump is noticeable in the tea trade, one of the nation's leading products. The total exports of tea from Yokohama, Shimidzu, Yokkaichi and Kobe for five months recently amounted to 32,393,593 pounds, a loss of 758,115 pounds, compared to the corresponding period last year.

The letter follows: Harry Lane, Senator of Oregon, Washington, D. C.

Sir:—We, the undersigned, voters of the State of Oregon, view with shame and humiliation your failure to uphold the honor of the United States at this most critical moment of the entire history of our international relations.

No words can adequately describe our chagrin that the State of Oregon should be so misrepresented and disgraced as it has been by your action. We indignantly protest against this action through the love we bear to our State and to our Country, which you have dishonored and belittled before the eyes of the world, and we demand on account of this misrepresentation your resignation as a Senator from this State.

(Signed)

Navy Men Will Visit La Grande Tomorrow

The Navy as a Business for Young Men Will Be Explained.

Tomorrow navy men from the Oregon district headquarters at Portland, will visit La Grande for the purpose of furnishing information to young men and others who may be interested in the navy from a standpoint of enlistment or from a desire to learn about the United States navy.

That the navy is the first line of defense and the main defense of the United States has brought home to the American people to such an extent that congress has voted millions for new battleships, scout-cruisers, torpedo boat destroyers, submarines and other necessary types of ships to make up a formidable fleet. But a fleet without men is of no value so that congress on August 29, 1916, authorized an increase of 24,000 men.

The navy needs these men immediately and the inducements which are a part of navy life are expected to fill up the navy within the next six months.

Young men to enter the navy must be American citizens. Any boy born in the United States is a citizen regardless of the citizenship of his parents. The age requirements are from 16 to 30 but if a boy is under 18 he must have the consent of his parents.

The pay for the first three months while undergoing training is \$17.60 per month but this is automatically increased to \$20.90 per month, and the young men sent to sea. Most young men double their pay in the first enlistment and on the second enlistment the pay runs up to \$85 per month. This is practically clear money, for the government supplies a full outfit of clothes and the very excellent meals are provided free of cost.

All warrant officers for the navy are appointed from the ranks and about one hundred are appointed each

year. Pay of warrant officers ranges from \$196 per month to \$308 per month.

One hundred young men are to be sent to Annapolis each year to become commissioned officers. Young men in the navy learn trades, see the world and are the highest paid men o'war-men in the world.

IMBLER NEWS NOTES

Religious Pictures and Negro Minstrels Vie For Audiences At Imbler—Tonsillitis Patients Are Better.

Imbler, March 6.—(Special)—The moving pictures in natural colors of the seven-reel film, "The Life of Our Savior," were shown here Friday night and at a matinee Saturday afternoon. A lecture by the Christian church minister of Elgin, was given during the evening show. These pictures were the best films, of a sacred nature, which have ever been seen at the local theater.

Several parties were kept in and several also kept out of Imbler, Sunday, owing to the blockade between here and Elgin.

Mrs. Reuben McBride is recovering from a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Booth Larsen is shipping more apples to the Middle West. Imbler's bumper crop is rapidly being sold and at fairly satisfactory prices.

Gerald Tuttle, who moved to Washington about six years ago, is having his furniture shipped back to Imbler and will make his future home in this vicinity, presumably on a ranch.

Date for the high school commencement has been set and efforts are being made to secure the services of Dr. Carl Doney, president of Willamette university, for the address. The seniors have sent for the manuscript for a class play which will be given about two weeks before the term ends. Last year Imbler honored two boys as its first high school graduates since establishing a standard four-year school. This year there will be five graduates.

A Beautiful Showing of Exclusive Millinery at a Moderate Price



New Showing the Season's Newest Waists

in Georgette and Crepe de Chene—Waists that should be judged by the reliable materials, good workmanship and fine styles rather than the price. All sizes in gold, old rose, bisque, white flesh, Nile, at \$2.50 to \$6.00

N.W. West & Co. THE QUALITY STORE

Every shape, height, width and novelty effect correct for spring is represented in our glorious display. In the opinion of competent critics our showing this season is the best the store has ever had. You are at liberty to view our showing at your pleasure with no thought of making a selection.

Music lovers enjoyed a treat Monday evening when Reese's Africanders came to the local play house. The elocutionary and minstrel parts were well rendered, but the five-piece orchestra gave us a regular feast of high grade music, including selections from the "William Tell Overture" and similar operatic numbers. Standing room was at a premium, this being the season's banner attendance for any road entertainment. After the performance was over a dance was enjoyed, music for the occasion being furnished by the Africanders' orchestra. Kenneth Billings is confined to his bed owing to a severe attack of tonsillitis. Several of the Harney county settlers who left this valley about a year ago, are returning to Imbler. They failed to find any place better than the old Grande Ronde.

Thirty-Five Attend Elgin Grain Meeting

Thirty-five farmers and growers attended the Elgin bulk grain meeting yesterday. Speeches were made by J. D. Brown, president of the state farmers' organization, J. D. Adkisson, president of the Rice Union Elevator company of Wasco county, and Prof. G. R. Hyslop of O. A. C. Some discussion was had as to the possibility of converting a flat warehouse into an elevator, but was discouraged because the experts said a constant high handling cost would be present.

Butter Labels for sale at The Observer Office.

FOR SALE

I am leaving town and must sell my furniture. I will sell it piece by piece or will sell it all to any one party, on easy payments plan. It is all new furniture and has only been used four months. It must be sold by tomorrow night, March 8th. I will be at home Wednesday and Thursday or you may call Carr Furniture company for information.

Issac Hill

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