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La Grande Weather Records For 17 Years

RAIN AND SNOWFALL IN LA GRANDE FOR 16 YEARS EXPRESSED IN INCHES

	Rain	Snow
1901	18.29	18.50
1902	19.99	37.00
1903	17.36	20.00
1904	19.89	36.25
1905	18.02	40.50
1906	22.08	27.50
1907	21.31	53.50
1908	15.11	33.00
1909	17.19	29.60
1910	20.51	72.75
1911	15.46	48.25
1912	28.41	89.50
1913	23.39	75.75
1914	12.50	16.50
1915	18.61	50.05
1916	16.62	84.75
1917	15.14	101.00

*December not included.

La Grande has kept an official weather bureau under the direction of the Government for the past 16 years. Notwithstanding the general idea is that Eastern Oregon gets extremely cold, the records show that during the past 16 years there have only been two days when the thermometer went below zero. January 16, 1917, the maximum was 21 and the minimum 2 degrees below zero. This was the coldest weather ever experienced in La Grande since the establishment of the weather bureau in 1901.

The chief of the fire department and his two assistants take care of the bureau and work without extra pay, but keep the records up in perfect shape, taking great pride in the accuracy of their work.

During December, 1916, there were only seven days when the thermometer registered below 20 above zero. In January there were 11 days when it dropped at night below 20 above zero. February only showed five days when it got below

the 20 above zero mark. March had six days only. April is a delightful month and not one day during 1917 did the thermometer touch the hundred mark.

Many Sunshiny Days.

During the year December 1, 1916, to December 1, 1917, there were 133 clear days and 111 partly cloudy days, a total of 244 fine days out of 365 and only 97 days on which it rained or snowed, the figures being based from data that showed a trace of rain .01 or one-one hundredth of an inch up.

Ample Rainfall.

The average rainfall is about 20 inches, but where La Grande is favored beyond most sections of Eastern Oregon is in her snowfall and in being favored by the Chinook winds. The snowfall is ample, ranging from 20 to 80 inches, an average of about 45 inches per year during the past 16 years. Snow, however, does not last very long at one time as the Chinook winds are frequent and the snow melts rapidly. The snowfall, however, is considerable during the winter and is figured as melted snow in the rainfall which shows an average of about 20 inches per year.

Berlin's Version

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—An official statement from the Italian front says the English attacks south of Mount Fumantazza broke down.

Pictures of the famous Marine vs. U. of O. football game at the Arcade Thursday only.

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DON'T MISS THIS. Cut out this slip, enclose with 5c and mail it to Foley & Co., 2835 Sheffield, Ave., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, colds, and croup; Foley pills for pain in sides and back; rheumatism, backache, kidney and bladder ailments; and Foley Cathartic Tablets, a wholesome and thoroughly cleansing cathartic for constipation, biliousness, headache and sluggish bowels. Sold everywhere. —Adv.

Mrs. Whitelaw Reid Appointed. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, mother of the late ambassador to London, has been appointed a deputy commissioner of the American Red Cross commission for Great Britain. Mrs. Reid has been performing extremely valuable service for the commission in London and her appointment as deputy commissioner will materially increase facilities of operation.

The Oregon News Weekly that has been shown at the Arcade each Thursday has been depicting what this wonderful state of ours has in the way of industries as well as showing some mighty interesting events. Have you been following it? A new one will be shown each Thursday.

Trimmed Hats from One Dollar to Five at the Walling Millinery. 12-7-17

Monroe Salisbury in The Savage, at the Arcade Thursday only. A gripping story of adventure in the Canadian Northwest.

MARKET NEWS

(La Grande Retail Prices.)
FRUIT—Bananas, 35¢ @ 40¢ per doz; grapes, 15¢ per lb.; 2 lbs. for 25¢; apples, 1 lb. 3¢ to 5¢; lemons 45¢ doz.; oranges, 25¢ @ 60¢ per doz.
VEGETABLES—Beans, white 13¢, colored 15¢; dry onions, 5¢ per lb.; celery (California), 15¢, 2 for 25¢; cabbage, 4¢ per lb.; cucumbers (hot-house), 15¢; fresh tomatoes, 15¢ per

LEGAL NOTICES.

Annual Stockholders Meeting. Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the United States National Bank of La Grande, will be held at their banking rooms on Tuesday, January 8th at 2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may come before said meeting.
T. J. SCROGIN,
Cashier.

lb.; parsnips, 4¢ per lb.; lettuce, 10¢; potatoes, \$1.75, 2¢ per lb.; turnips, 2¢ per lb.; beets and carrots, 4¢ per lb.; sweet potatoes 4 lbs. for 25¢; green peppers, 20¢ per lb.; squash, 3¢ @ 2 1-2¢ per lb.; pumpkins, 3¢ @ 2 1-2¢ per lb.; rutabaga, 4¢ per lb.

BUTTER—Fancy creamery, 60¢, 1.15; ranch butter, 55¢, 1.05.

EGGS—65¢ per doz.; storage, 50¢ per doz.
HONEY—20¢.

FLOUR AND FEED—Best of the Best (patent), \$2.75; Jersey Cream, \$2.80; Bluestem flour, \$2.85; Royal Patent, \$2.80; Invincible, \$2.90; Snowdrift \$3.00; Upper Crust \$3.00; None-to-Equal, \$2.80; Sea Foam, \$2.75; Best of the Best (straight grade), \$2.75; yellow corn meal 75¢; rye 80¢; 10-lb. oats, 75¢.

FLOUR IN 10-LB SACKS—Germs, graham, whole wheat and Royal Patent, 75¢; rye flour 80¢; hominy 80¢;

The Observer's Classified Ads.

HELP WANTED

NUMBER YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN wanted to prepare for telegraph service to help fill vacancies caused by unusual drafting of men for war; positions guaranteed. Call or write Telegraph Department, Room 506, Panama Bldg., Portland, or Railway Telegraph Institute, Spokane, Wash. 12-12-17

WANTED—Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Furnished rooms or small furnished house. Call Shepherd, Observer office. 12-17-17

WANTED BOARD AND ROOM

WANTED—Board and room in private family for man and wife, or small furnished house. Phone Black 2161 after 9 a. m. 12-17-17

FOR SALE—Farm.

FOR SALE—116 acres on Pumpkin Ridge, 25 acres in cultivation. All fenced and cross fenced. Family orchard. Good house, barn and other improvements. Will take La Grande property as part payment. Address owner, drawer 873, La Grande. 12-7-17.

FOR SALE—Miscellaneous

FOR SALE—Good cooking and eating appl. Red 371. Will deliver. 12-17-17

FOR SALE—Dry slab wood, \$3.50 a measured cord. Phone Main 714. 12-16-17

Phone your Want Ads to the Observer, Main 37.

I pay to advertise.

FOR RENT—Rooms.

FOR RENT—Bedroom; moderate charge. 1512 Adams. Phone Black 3901. 12-17-17

FOR RENT—A very pretty room near high school; home comfort, breakfast, if desired. 803 N. ave., corner Third. Call evenings. 12-10-17.

FOR SALE—Livestock.

FOR SALE—Three good milk cows; one is fresh now and the other two in February. Black 3591. 12-14-17.

PIGS FOR SALE—Registered Berkshire boar pigs, ready for service. Phone Farmers 176. 12-14-17

FOR SALE—Pigs.

FOR SALE—Pigs. Eric Carlson, May Park. 12-12-17

FOR SALE—Household Goods

FOR SALE—Household furniture, Phone Red 1792. 12-14-17.

FOR SALE—Household goods. Call Black 3592. 12-14-17.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Six room house on North Fir. Black 3591. 12-14-17.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—One black yearling filly, branded circle N on left shoulder. Reward. J. W. H. Nebeker, Route 1, La Grande. 12-10-17

FOUND—A rug. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for advertising, 2010 First street. 12-14-17

Fraternal Directory

L. O. O. M.—La Grande Lodge No. 850, Loyal Order of Moose holds regular meetings every Wednesday night at 8 p. m. in Eagle hall next to Elks' Bldg. on Washington Ave. Visitors always welcome. Dues payable at Young's Sweets.

GEO. YOUNG, Dic. HARRY SWART, Sec.

R. P. O. E. ELKS, La Grande Lodge No. 433, Lodge meets each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Home and club privileges cheerfully extended to all Brother Elks.

NORMAN DESILET, Exalted Ruler.

ADNA B. ROGERS, Secretary.

K. & L. OF SECURITY—Mt. Emily Council No. 2646. Meets second and fourth Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at Eagle Hall. Visiting members are welcome.

C. E. STITT, Pres. C. W. COOK, Fin. Sec. DORSEY BEAUMONT, Rec. Sec.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA—La Grande Camp No. 7703 meets on the first and third Thursday evenings of each month in the K. of P. Hall. Visiting neighbors welcome.

H. E. DIXON, V. C. W. F. ASHMAN, Clerk.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—La Grande Camp No. 169 meets every first and third Monday at Eagle's Hall. All visiting neighbors welcome.

ROBERT MELANE, C. C. JOHN A. READ, Clerk.

A. F. & A. M.—La Grande Lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M. holds regular meetings first and third Saturday at 7:30 p. m. Cordial welcome to all Masons.

LOCKE B. MOE, W. M. A. C. WILLIAMS, Sec.

REBEKAHS—Crystal Lodge No. 50 meets every Tuesday evening in the I. O. O. F. Hall. All visiting members are invited to attend.

STELLA WEBB, N. G. ROSA GLASS, Sec.

KHALED TEMPLE NO. 170—Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan. Instituted Feb. 20, 1914. Meets the third Friday of each month at K. P. hall. All visiting Veterans welcome.

H. C. REES, Secretary.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS—Iris Camp meets every second Friday afternoon and every fourth Friday evening, every month in K. P. hall. All visiting members cordially welcome.

MINNIE BUNTING, Oracle. NELLIE V. VINACKE, Rec.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Red Cross Lodge No. 27 meets every Monday night in Castle Hall (K. of P. hall). A Pythian welcome to all visiting Knights.

W. D. MCARTHY, C. C. DELILE GREEN, K. of R. & S.

O. E. S.—Hope Chapter No. 13, O. E. S. holds stated communications the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Visiting members cordially welcomed.

MYRTLE A. BROUGHTON, W. J. MARY A. WARNICK, Sec.

Christmas Talk at The Togger

Bathrobes	\$4.50 to \$18.00	Men's Suits, custom made	\$35.00 to \$65.00
House Coats	\$6.00 to \$22.00	Made-to-Measure Suits, Royal Tailors, Chicago	\$22.00 to \$28.00
Fancy Vests	\$4.00 to \$10.00	Silk Sox	50¢ to \$2.00
Slippers	\$1.50 to \$3.50	Ready-made Suits	\$15.00 to \$25.00
Auto Gloves	\$2.50 to \$8.00	Ready-made Overcoats	\$14.00 to \$26.00
Dress Gloves	\$1.75 to \$3.50		
Sweaters, all kinds	\$3.50 to \$15.00	Shoes Hanan	\$9.00, Harlow \$5.00
Shirts, fiber silk	\$1.00 to \$3.50	Bat-tre-all	\$3.00
Collar Cases	\$1.50 to \$3.00	Work Shoes	\$3.00
Bride Sets	\$1.50	Manicure Sets	\$1.50
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