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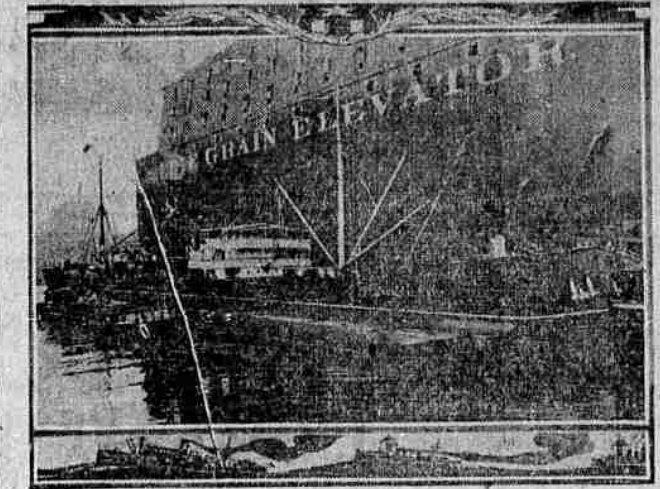
THE REXAL STORE.

# Doubling the Farmer's Wheat Dollar

By Charles W. Holman (In the Country Gentleman)

It is delay in getting this wheat started across the world was occasioned by the uncertain judgment of the manager. He sent a sample on to the St. Louis zone agent for test, which verified his judgment as to grade. He then went about his usual duties, cleaning the grain, filling his bins, and shipping out as regularly as he could in maximum carload quantities, in order to economize the use of cars in time of congestion. He was careful to keep his records very straight as to dates and quantities of wheat purchased, on hand, and shipped out, for the Grain Corporation requires weekly reports and full details of transactions.

**Selling Wheat to Government.** ABOUT 29 days after the farmer brought in his wheat there came a request to this elevator for a carload to be purchased by the Grain Corporation. So one of our wheat bushels was poured into a car which miraculously had appeared on the siding at a time when car shortage was troubling the entire commercial world. Inquiry might have shown that



Loading Wheat at an Atlantic Port for the Allies.

the Grain Corporation was making a large purchase for the Allies and was utilizing its knowledge of available stocks by having on the job a transportation strategist—Edward Chambers, vice president of the Santa Fe. Mr. Chambers was assisting the Food Administration and has a remarkable "way with him." Even before he was called to assist Mr. McAdoo, the Director General, his suggestions to the railroads had a wonderful effect in discouraging their hesitancy as to finding available cars and in clearing up congestions that looked as though they never could be uncongested.

**How Uncle Sam Keeps the Whip** Ease in getting the needed cars was one of the advantages enjoyed by this particular elevator after signing the voluntary agreement which ceded to the Grain Corporation the right to control storage and direct shipments and sales of all wheat bought by the proprietor.

While voluntary, this agreement is almost compulsory since railroads give priority recognition to Grain Corporation requests for cars; and elevators or mills outside the official fold must "rustle" for themselves. In return the Government guarantees the elevator proprietor against losses and protects him in every way as to price and pays him rentals for all storage space requisitioned by it.

All elevators, local and terminal, must take out licenses or face a shutdown. What is the power of the license? It requires the operator to lay all cards on the table as to his business dealings. For the time of the elevator becomes a public utility and its proprietor must furnish information as to his business at any time when required by the Grain Corporation. Each week he must make and mail reports showing the amount of wheat, rye, or their derivatives, purchased, stored, and shipped.

Under present license terms, the licensee can keep on hand for only 30 days, unless he obtains a special permit, any stocks of these grains or their derivatives. He is also forbidden to contract for the sale of any product which can not be delivered within 30 days after the contract is made.

**How the Wheat Was Milled.** Away went our bushel of wheat on its journey to the terminal, where it met other bushels of wheat from all parts of the territory that fed this market. There it was regarded for special requirements, marked for immediate milling and rolled on to a large mill in Illinois. The miller bought the wheat from the Grain Corporation, for each miller in the United States is under license also, and most of them have filled out another voluntary agreement which binds them either to purchase all supplies from the Grain Corporation or under its di-

rect supervision. The corporation charges each miller 1 per cent of the value of the wheat he grinds to cover the costs of administering the corporation; for the \$50,000,000 capital is to be returned to the United States Treasury, unimpaired. The agreement has its compensation, however, for the policy of Uncle Sam is to provide each mill with all wheat possible. To do so, every mill signing up was required to furnish an estimate of its possible milling capacity for the season. This nation-wide survey of milling capacities, when balanced against the available supply of wheat, enables the Grain Corporation to equalize supplies in a way never done before. In fact, the schedule of prices arranged for the primary markets had for an object this equalization. For instance, if the proprietor of an elevator at Maryville, Mo., 40 miles northeast of St. Joseph, and 450 miles from Chicago, desires to market wheat he has available these markets: St. Joseph, Mo.; Kansas City, Mo.; St. Louis, Mo.; Chicago, Ill.; and New York City, N. Y. To ascertain the most advantageous price for him, he would work it out on the basis of the following table:

### WRESTLING MATCH IS ARRANGED

Ted Thye, the local shopman-wrestler, is matched for a finish contest against Jack Habertson of Ogden for next Tuesday evening. The show will be under the auspices of the La Grande Wrestling Club and no effort or expense will be spared to make the first show a success.

Thye and Habertson met at Ogden last month. The Utah man taking both falls. Thye wrestled all around Habertson the first three-quarters of an hour, but the high altitude nat-



JOHN HABERTSON

urally slowed him down and weakened him and the local man took advantage of the opportunity to win their first match. Habertson meets John Berg at Spokane Friday night, and after the match here will go to San Francisco for a contest the early part of the month.

Habertson wrestled Santel last spring and got a draw with the champion.

Special Attention given to Remodeling at the Walling Millinery. 4-25-3t

One-third off on all first-grade Hair Switches at the Walling Millinery. 4-25-3t

Don't miss having your developing and printing done at Silverthorn's Family Drug Store. They claim to have the latest and most complete Developing and Printing outfit on the Pacific Coast. They can, by the latest methods, turn out work quickly and perfectly. Daily 4t

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**HE IS KNOWN TO ALL** And Observer Readers Can Depend on What He Says.

Who is there in La Grande who doesn't know Mr. Larm? Who would be unwilling to profit by his kindly advice? When so well-known a citizen as Mr. Larm speaks out, Doubt sneaks away, skepticism must vanish.

Every kidney sufferer in La Grande should profit by Mr. Larm's experience. Isn't it reasonable to expect Doan's to do as well for you?

A. J. Larm, ranch owner, 1510 Jefferson St., says: "Doan's Kidney Pills have given a great success in our family for kidney disorders and I gladly recommend them. I know from my own use they are all that is claimed for them. When I get pain across my kidneys my kidneys are not acting as they should, I take a box or two of Doan's Kidney Pills and they never fail to fix me up in good shape."

Price 60¢ at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Larm had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

**Classified Ads** WANTED.—To rent, piano, by reliable couple. Inquire Observer Office. 4-25-3t pd

**FOR RENT** FOR RENT—\$10; 4-roomed house. Inquire, Golden Rule Co. 4-25-5t

**FOR RENT—Furnished** FOR RENT—FURNISHED HOUSE. 1A ground with fruit and large chicken park; good barn. 1905 Adams, Block 3661. 4-22-4t

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**FOR RENT—Modern furnished** apartments, clean; also room and board. 1606 Washington avenue, or Phone Red 3922. 4-20t

**FOR RENT—Modern apartment.** Barland Apts., 5 Depot St. Call Apt. B. 4-19t

**FOR RENT.** Three room furnished bungalow. 1221 W Avenue. Phone: Red 3441. 4-18-4t

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Inquire Harris Furniture Co. Phone Red 3171. 4-16-4t

**FOR RENT—Furnished** housekeeping rooms, Waverly Apts. Red 821—Adv. 4-25-4t

**WANTED—STENOGRAPHIC** position by experienced stenographer. Write W., care Observer, stating salary. 4-22-4t pd

**WANTED—Miscellaneous.** WANTED—A MIDDLE AGE WOMAN for dining room work. Phone Black 1542. 4-24-4t

**WANTED—A driver.** Inquire, Dutif's Bakery. 4-19-4t

**FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.** FOR SALE.—Six room modern house. Call Red 3462. 4-24-6t

**FOR SALE.—Range and new** combination heater, along with other household goods. Must be sold at once. Call Red. 1351. 4-23-4t

**FOR SALE—DRIVING MARE.** Write J., care Observer. 4-22-6tp

**FOR SALE—FOUR SHORTHORN** bulls. G. G. Taal, La Grande. 4-22-6tp

**FOR SALE—SPAN OF MARES,** one with foal; also yearling colt. Call Levy-Vogel Drug Co. 4-22-6tp

**WANTED—Clean White Cotton** Rags at the Observer Office; 7c per lb.

**FOR SALE—Ten registered** Shropshire ewes and eleven spring lambs. Call Ray Norvall, Sumnerville, Oregon.—Adv. 4-5-4t

**FOR SALE, CHEAP.** T 1914 Hupmobile. Apply Observer 4-17-6t

**FOR SALE USED CARS.—One** six-cylinder Studebaker and two Chevrolets. Auto Electric Service Co. 1515 Adams Ave. 4-18-4t

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Our boys abroad, backed by industry and economy at home, will win the war for democracy. Each of us has a part in the great conflict; each must produce largely and consume with care.

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The Savings facilities of this institution are at your disposal.

## United States National Bank

La Grande, Oregon

## 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.**

**B. 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.

**R. J. GREEN,**  
**Exalted Ruler.**  
**A. B. CHERRY,**  
**Secretary.**

**K. of L. of Security—Mt. Emily Council, No. 245,** meets the second and fourth Monday evening at 8 o'clock at Eagle hall. Visiting members are welcome.

**J. K. FITZGERALD, Pres.**  
**ABE HARRIS, Fin'l. Sec.**  
**FLORENCE BRYANT, Rec. Sec.**

**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.

**SADIE E. GIVEN, W. M.**  
**MARY A. WARNICK, Sec.**

**WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—La Grande Camp No. 163** meets every first and third Monday at Eagle's Hall. All visiting neighbors welcome. Dues payable at the office of the clerk, New Foley Bldg., 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

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**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.

**ROBERT S. EAKIN, W. M.**  
**A. C. WILLIAMS, Sec.**

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

**C. K. McCORMICK, C. C.**  
**DELLE GREEN, K. of R. & S.**

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

**SARAH McCLURE, N. G.**  
**MATTIE GOLDEN, 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 F. Hall. Visiting neighbors welcome.

**L. J. MUNHALL, V. C.**  
**W. F. ASHMAN, Clerk**

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

**HENRIETTA GHARST, Oracle.**  
**NELLIE V. VINACKE, Rec.**

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**OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN**

**ATTORNEYS**

**DR. J. L. INGLE—Osteopathic** physician. Third floor New Foley Bldg. Hours 10-12 a. m.; 2-5 p. m., and by appointment. Office phone, Red 1761, residence Red 881.

**DR. MARGARET INGLE—Osteo-** pathic physician. Diseases of women and children and obstetrics.

**MECHANOTHERAPY**

**DR. A. N. MAYVILLE—Mechano-** therapy; chronic diseases my specialty; Physical and Mental Science. Hours: 1:30 to 4:30 p. m.; 7:00 to 8:00 evenings. Phone Black 2311. Rooms 1 and 2 over Coolidge Paint Store, Adams Ave.

**VETERINARY**

**DR. H. W. RILEY—Graduate Veter-** inarian. Hospital, 1409 Madison Ave. State Stallion Inspector and Inspector of stock for shipment. Home Independent Phone, Black 41; Farmers Co-operative Phone, Main 112. Daily 4t

**Soda Water Weather** is rapidly approaching. We notice that Mr. Cain, at Silverthorn's fountain is quite busy dishing up the nicest and best of them all.

**ARCHITECTS**

**C. E. MILLER—Architect,** room 27, New Foley Bldg. Phone Red 1871.

### PAPER MILL WORK

at

### CAMAS, WASHINGTON.

Permanent work for steady men over eighteen years old. No experience necessary. Married men preferred. Outside work to start with; willing and capable men advanced to better positions. Lowest wages, \$3.07 for nine hours.

Mill has been running normally and without trouble to workmen for many months, although strike called last October has not yet been formally declared off. Over 750 men on payroll.

Board and lodging can be obtained at \$5.50 to \$7.50 per week, depending upon location.

Camas is on main line of S. P. & S. railroad, about twenty-four miles from Portland, Oregon, and about fifteen miles from Vancouver, Washington. jitney service to Vancouver; half hour electric service; Vancouver to Portland; two

boat lines, Camas to Portland; fare on one 25c; other 50c.

Cut out this ad and apply in person at Camas office or room 509, Oregon Building, Portland, and you will be given job, if able-bodied, even if all vacancies are then filled. This offer applies for the next few weeks only. 4-24-6t

**THE LADIES OF THE CHRISTIAN** Church will hold a cooked food sale at Hug's Grocery Saturday, April 27. 4-24-3t

### Stop Itching Eczema

Never mind how often you have tried and failed, you can stop burning itching eczema quickly by applying a little zemo furnished by any druggist for 35c. Extra large bottle, \$1.00. Healing begins the moment zemo is applied. In a short time usually every trace of eczema, pimples, rash, blackheads and similar skin diseases will be removed.

For clearing the skin and making it vigorously healthy, always use zemo, the penetrating, antiseptic liquid. It is not a greasy salve and it does not stain. When others fail it is the one dependable treatment for skin troubles of all kinds. The E. W. Ross Co., Cleveland, O.

### SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE Standard Accident Insurance Company

of Detroit, in the state of Michigan, on the 31st day of December, 1917, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the state of Oregon pursuant to law.

Amount of capital paid up.....	\$1,000,000.00
Income:	
Net premiums received during the year.....	\$5,433,582.88
Interest on investments and rents received during the year.....	278,982.51
Income from other sources received during the year.....	44,511.00
Total income.....	\$5,757,076.40
Disbursements:	
Losses paid during the year, including adjustment expenses.....	\$2,481,388.15
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year.....	109,000.00
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year.....	1,728,734.84
Salaries, officers and agents during the year.....	85,812.45
Amount of all other expenditures during the year.....	273,412.65
Total expenditures.....	\$4,678,338.09
Assets:	
Value of real estate owned (market value).....	190,020.00
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value).....	6,096,209.30
Loans on mortgages and collateral.....	59,278.29
Loans on notes and bills.....	328,707.92
Loans on accounts rece	