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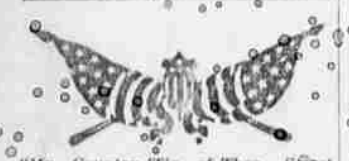
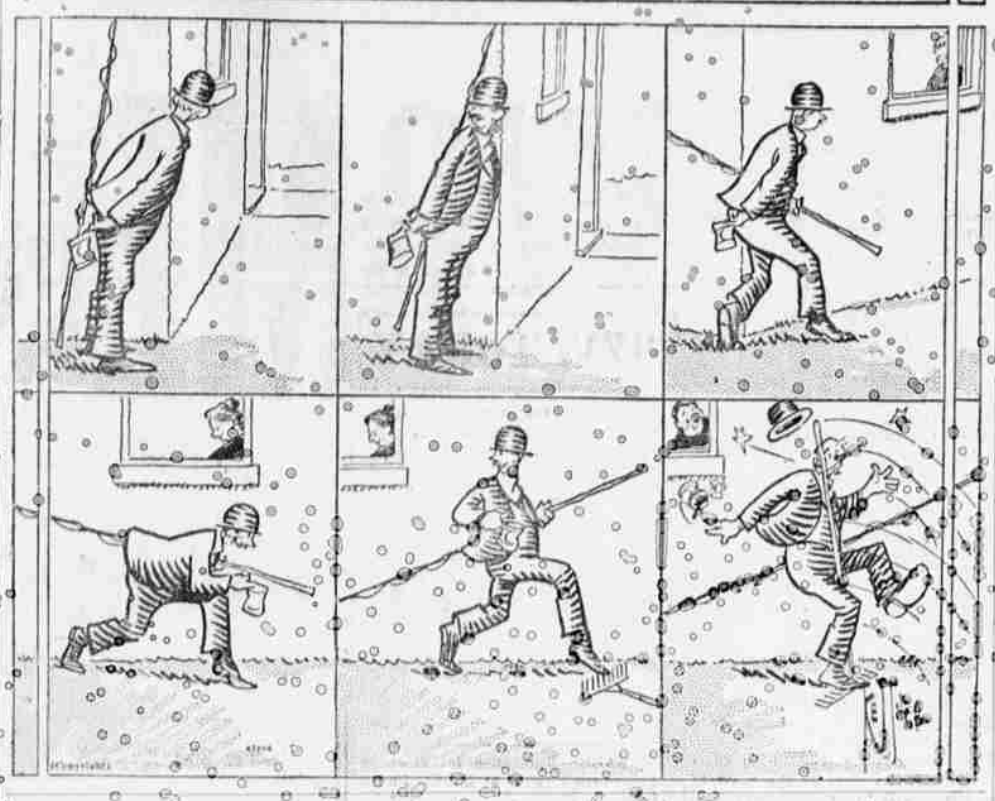


"My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Liberty."

Movie of a City Farmer Playing Hookey



Some Things That Need Fixing.

When the fire engine went tearing down Adams avenue yesterday the new part of that street at the Methodist church was practically blocked by two automobiles, one of which was parked the wrong way. After threading through between the cars the fireman's eye suddenly confronted an old man driving a rig down the street. There was no accident, but this was only good luck, as every element was present for a smash-up and injury and perhaps a fatality.

This brings up some things which demand attention. The man who had his car parked the wrong way was of course subject to a fine, but that would be small compensation for the loss of a life.

Everything is too much La Grande in the matter of traffic regulations and there will not be the safety that is needed until everyone knows the rules and respects them. As is most frequently the case, the one who is least to blame is liable to be the one to sustain the worst injury.

A man who was driving on Fir street, headed perfectly in the place, was forced to either turn his car to the left and violate the rules or else bump into another car with women in it because a young "snip" of a driver who thought he was in a hurry and his business was the more important, cut in ahead of the man who was forced to turn out.

As it turned out, of course, and if no injury had happened to see it from in the car ahead of him he would have been the one fashionably to blame, because he was forced to break the rules or get smashed up.

The thing to do in the case of the kind is to talk away the license of young, dead-head who was in a hurry and let him drive a car on the street as well.

It is good thing to open up a campaign for not allowing a car to park on the main business streets, or at least for a good limited time. It would be still better to require that cars be parked on the side streets and out of the way, so as to give a chance of daylight.

It has come to pass that many people do not drive a car.

While the most of the people do live up to the rules and try to comply with them, there are a few who do not know the rules and others who know the rules but care not to follow them. They want to be a law unto themselves and go through regardless of others.

Thus it is that there is much that could be said on the subject of safety. This is a starter towards a campaign of safety for life and limb which are continuously being jeopardized under the present lax system.

Imitating Feat of Julius Caesar.

Julius Caesar, some 2000 years ago, achieved fame by building a military bridge across the Rhine just to show the Germans that he could invade their country whenever he felt like it. It was a remarkable feat to bridge that wide, deep and swift stream with wooden timbers. There was no structural iron in those days. Not the least of the wonderful feature was the speed of it. Caesar took the Germans' breath away by putting that bridge across the river in ten days. It was a world's record.

Well, a few days ago Gen. Pershing, for a similar purpose, ordered a regiment of American engineers to throw a military bridge across the Rhine at Coblenz, not a great distance from where Caesar had set his example. Pershing gave his men four hours for the job and they did it in two hours, and then took it apart again.

Last Monday another regiment of American engineers was ordered to see what it could do in the way of bridge-building. It jumped in and bridged the Rhine, from bank to bank, so that heavy artillery could cross it in 59 minutes.

This doesn't necessarily mean that anybody in the American expeditionary force is a greater man than Julius Caesar. These engineers certainly had better facilities than Caesar's legionaries had. But it does suggest that almost any American has something of Julius Caesar in him.

The old Mr. Gorocks of the future will have to say that it was the accumulation of his first $2000 he found the most difficult to get hold of and after that everything came easy. The extra thousand is to cover the miscellaneous depreciated power of the dollar.

La Grande men of La Grande will take just pride in the improvements that are being made at the entrance. They want it to be a long and fitting welcome home.

On Life's Journey

I do not say we ought to be happier as we grow older, but we ought to be wiser, knowing better what life is, and looking forward to another, which we believe is to be a reality though we cannot tell what it means.—Exchange.

Who is a "virtuous wife?" 29-3t

LAST-DAY NOTICE

This local picture-house ends their last opportunity to see "Every Mother's Son," the great William Fox screen epic of mother love and patriotism at the Sherry theatre. This is a drama that not only depicts stirring scenes in the great draft and "over there," but above all glorifies the part played by American wives and mothers.

Charlotte Walker, as the woman who gives her husband and three sons to the cause of human liberty, has achieved a distinct triumph by her remarkable emotional acting. Tomorrow Earl Lytell is coming.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of school district No. 1 of Union county, State of Oregon, that the annual school meeting of said district will be held at Central school building, to begin at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. and continue until the hour of 7 p. m. on the third Monday of June, being the 16th of June, A. D. 1919.

This meeting is called for the purpose of electing one director for a term of three years and to vote upon the question of the school district erecting a domestic science and art building and the transaction of business usual at such meetings.

Dated this 2nd day of June, 1919.

Attest: CHAS. R. REYNOLDS, District Clerk.

J. A. RUSSELL, Chairman Board of Directors. 6-2-1t

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gon, thence in a southeasterly direction along the center-line of Block 7 and 8 of Coggan's Addition, and the center-line of Blocks 6, 5, 4, X, Y and Z of Coggan's Second Addition to La Grande, Oregon, to the center-line of Balm Street and thence northeasterly along the center-line of Balm street to the center-line of Spruce Street and thence northwesterly along the center-line of Spruce Avenue to the place of beginning.

That the City Commission will meet on Wednesday, the 4th day of June 1919, at 8 o'clock, P. M., at the Commission room in the city building in La Grande, Oregon, and hear and determine all objections, remonstrances and claims of grievance of any person interested.

Dated this 29th day of May, 1919.

J. E. STEARNS, Recorder of the City of La Grande. M-19,26; —29.

TENTING ACCOMODATIONS

Parties who desire tenting space or tenting accommodations for the Chautauqua in La Grande this summer should make their applications at once to Mr. Thomas at the city park. Tents may be had by speaking to C. J. Black, at the city water office. All reservations should be made early. 5-28-3t

CALL FOR IMPROVEMENT BONDS

Notice is hereby given that improvement bonds of the City of La Grande, Oregon, numbers 442 to 485 inclusive, bearing date of the second of January, 1913, including interest to the date of redemption, will be taken up and redeemed by the treasurer of the city of La Grande, Oregon, on the second day of July, 1919. Interest on said bonds will cease from and after the said second day of July, 1919. Dated this 31st day of May, 1919.

E. M. FOWLER, Treasurer city of La Grande, Ore.

WHY LOOK OLDER THAN YOU ARE?

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