

EDITORIAL PAGE

Get After the Bootleggers

As summer time, but it is not so hot to run down a few bootleggers who are wilfully and maliciously flouting the state laws.

Under the law a bootlegger is a felon. Treat him as such. His former standing in the community may have been excellent.

Occasionally a supply of this or that is pinched and poured into the gutter, but if you will notice it usually comes from those who do not make much pretensions but live very plainly.

There are not the people doing the most damage. There seems to be another class of bootleggers—gentlemanly bootleggers—men who still think they are so smooth they can get by with the work and fool all officers.

They seem to have succeeded very well thus far. But the reckoning may probably be not far off. There will be a drug net laid out one of these days in all probability, and then men who are known to drink liquor will be called upon to testify.

Summing up the whole situation, the man who drinks whiskey is in about as great danger these prohibitive times as the man who gets it, and both are skating a mighty thin line.

LET'S WEISSEN AND BE HAPPY.

Surely, we have to admit the Grande Ronde valley has the choicest crop in its history, we must admit that we have had not wind, not fog and not water.

The crops are not so bad as they look. All around Union the people will have a fairly good return. Some six percent of the wheat would be that will go for a bushel to the acre and there are other crops close by that will not produce two bushels.

Some of the best wheat other countries have every year in a bushel, but a good yield is foreign to this valley, for more than always seem to kind to the Grande Ronde, but the valley is growing that under cultivation and we have to expect some other states to give in this world.

I consider the thing that makes us most is that the Willamette valley is harvesting the best crop in its history, while we are forced on a rattles east of the mountains. The wheat will turn out and this country will be good again, while the other section of the state will have its drawbacks.

So, there is no use to get feverish. This is our year to stop on a low card. There will be better times ahead and wheat prices will be up for some little time yet.

It is the hard spots in life that make us appreciate the good things, after all, so a little hardship is necessary to make things run true.

LET US NOT LIE DOWN AND QUIT.

The Pioneer Lumber company is solving the city water problem for us this day year. That industrial concern will extend every effort to give La Grande sufficient water to keep humanity from suffering and to save the vegetation.

Just it is no time to sleep. Now is the proper time to begin laying plans for the future. Let us keep alive the water question and not let our energies carrying on kicking, but lay on a constructive spirit and be willing to aid and assist in the big project which is to give us this community a sufficient supply of water.

According to a report from someone as we are getting all the leaves of the year and a plant was built to deliver. We can get the water, but we have to turn future attention and attention now into water La Grande will need as much as we can today, and go right about building a water storage tank.

Twelve months ago we were assured by these public mobile and almost a year ago we realize it next summer will be here, with a good month and we will be wondering what we should do for water.

It is a fact that some of the city officials have ever tried to give the water, but we have seen that is of no use, the whole community will have to be working together to solve the problem.

BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE.

Two or three fires were reported during the fire during the past few days. Every precaution should be taken to prevent any fire, and even the precaution will be taken.

There is a danger of fire in the city, and it is only a matter of time before it will be here. We should be very careful and take every precaution to prevent any fire from starting.

Be Ready to Again Fight the Flu.

Repeated warnings have been issued by medical authorities as to the probability of a recurrence of the influenza epidemic.

Dr. Freeman believes that people who have not had the disease were immune to it with. And those who have had it a few times, though they may have not had it for a long time, they are still immune to it.

We are planning the machinery to fight with another epidemic, says the health commissioner. I don't think we will have to use it, but we want to be prepared for any emergency.

Mark the fact that Dr. Freeman is not content to rest upon his own laurels. If the other doctors are right and he is wrong, he is going to be wrong.

There is a pretty good attitude for someone to take. Building up the body by exercise and smoking, and eating cheerful and prepared, are the best protectives of any epidemic.

Vacation Fleet General Business.

"Why don't people say their hills in midsummer as they do at other times of the year?" asks a painted artist.

He is right. Many people who can afford to pay their bills when they feel like it are accustomed to going to the country in the summer and enjoying the sunshine and the fresh air.

People who have it is always a problem to say this from month to month are going to take vacation. They are not going to take vacation.

That is all. Instead of going to the country they are going to the city. They are not going to take vacation.

Open a church service this time of year should please you. The church has been that the automobile takes the people away from church.

And gasoline is so higher. Well, old John D. did very well by the people during the year, for he could have made a big pile in gas and not by selling it on the way of war shortage.

Warren Chester slipped out hours Thursday night that brought \$4000 a year. What do you think of that for the lowly swimmer?

A year's vacation during the summer would be a good investment, for the lack is easily plugged if taken in time.

Attend the meeting at the Park tonight. Sing a good old religious song and you will feel better.

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The Horse Seems In Bad Way.

It is really sad to know that the good horse—man's friend forever—is no longer wanted and ranchers cannot get anyone to make an offer on a good horse.

The horse meat markets are filled with horses in at and Veterinary Lytle has recommended large shipments of horses to be used for meat purposes.

Why is it so? Why has the good old horse got to meet such an end? Here in the Grande Ronde we raise good horses, yet there is no market for them.

Dr. Charlton, who keeps in close touch with the live stock situation, says the horse has no demand and that it is a question with many raisers as to what to do with good, well developed horses.

Cattle are not doing very well, for they are coming out of the hills in poor flesh, whereas usually at this time of the year they come in ready for beef.

John Sinton Williams says he never took a commission at the sale of a hotel to the government. We hope John is telling the truth, for it would not make much for confidence if the promoter of the company were found guilty of taking party commissions.

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PICTURE BRIDES REPORTED BROUGHT OVER FROM JAPAN

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Senator Phelan submitted to the state department information that the Japanese liner, Korea, recently brought a hundred and fifty "picture brides," or proxy brides, to California for husbands who had never seen them.

Members of the Community Chorus and all singers who are joining with them for the union service at the park this evening are asked to be at the pavilion in the park not later than 7:45 o'clock.

CLOCK AS WAR SOUVENIR

Armed Docket Sends Home Some Reminders of His Experience in the Service

The following letter explains some war relics which Armed Docket has sent home to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Docket, of Fruitdale:

"Coblenz, Germany, 6-28, 19: Dear Parents—Will drop you a few lines today as I am starting a package on the way. It contains a few souvenirs and one real gem, it is the clock that went through the war with me.

Why Hair Stands on End. When hair stands on end on the back of a dog or cat when frightened it is moved by tiny muscles attached to the roots.

Death Valley. Death valley is a narrow valley between the Coast and Funeral mountains in California. It is traversed by the American river, which is usually a dry channel, though probably it was formerly full of water.

Happiness. If we are to be happy, we must be happy now; if we are to be happy, we must be happy in ourselves and not in our conditions.—Exchange.

Grant Keyes, Near Successful Pioneer Airplane Inventor

That which was a sensation yesterday, it seems, will be but common place tomorrow. Scientists and inventors in this country and others are making such startling progress in their undertakings that their first crude demonstrations of new mechanical developments seem as the accomplishments of a little known and little remembered age.

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SUPREME COUNCIL ASKS HUNGARY TO EJECT BELA KUN

PARIS, July 26.—The supreme council of the peace conference has decided to send a communication to the Hungarian people advising them that if they eject the Bela Kun government and install a government with which the conference can deal, the blockade will be lifted and food provided.

Bloody Fighting Among Military and Civilians At Strassburg, Alsace

BERLIN, July 26.—Disorderly conditions at Strassburg, Alsace, are reported, bloody fighting taking place between the French military and civilians.

HUNGARY'S FORMER RULER AND SUITE WERE ARRESTED

BERLIN, July 26.—Count Michael Karolyi, former Hungarian provisional president, his wife and his entire suite have been arrested and are detained at Prague, according to the Vossische Zeitung.

AIRPLANE, CIRCLING COUNTRY, HEADING FOR CLEVELAND

AUGUSTA, Me., July 26.—The Martin bombing plane today resumed its flight around the rim of the United States, heading for Cleveland, 600 miles distant.

NEBRASKA TOWN ALMOST WIPE FROM MAP BY FIRE

ALLIANCE, Neb., July 25.—The Alliance section of the town of Alliance, 25 miles east of Alliance, on the Billings, Mont., line of the Burlington railroad, was almost totally destroyed by fire Tuesday night. The only building left are a hotel, bank, livery stable and garage. The loss is placed at \$150,000.

SAYS SENATE WILL RATIFY.

BOSTON, July 26.—Senator Hitchcock, speaking informally, asserted that the senate will ratify the league covenant without amendment, but may qualify the endorsement. He said he represented 46 Democratic and five or six Republican members who stood against amendment.

Left For Portland—Mrs. J. F. Corbett left last night for Portland, to join her husband, who is getting new time cards for the O-W. R. & N.

Golan Epling Breaks Arm—Golan Epling, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Epling, fell Friday evening from his bicycle and sustained a broken arm. It is said he was holding on to a wagon while riding at the time of the fall.

Why Be Thankful? One good reason for being thankful all the time is that you have cool water to drink, wholesome food to eat, and fresh air to breathe. These make it possible to enjoy the kind of health that brings the state of good feeling called happiness.

NOTICE TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS.

Plans for the erection of a Manual Training Building, for School District No. 1, of Union County, Oregon, will be received at the office of the clerk at 1213 Adams Avenue, La Grande, Oregon, until 5:00 p. m., August 5, 1919. Plans and specifications may be secured at the office of the clerk by depositing the sum of \$5.00.

NOTICE OF GUARDIAN'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an order of the county court of Union County, Oregon, made and entered June 19th, 1919, the undersigned as guardian of Nicholas Henderson, an incompetent person, will sell at private sale on the premises to be sold, to the highest and best bidder therefore for cash in hand, on or after the 27th day of August, 1919, the following described property to-wit:

Lots nine (9) and ten (10) in Block fifty-five (55) in Riverside Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

J. L. MARS, Guardian of Nicholas Henderson, an incompetent person. July 27, Aug. 3-10-19-24.