LA GRANDE EVENING OBSERVER

An Independent Newspaper
Published Daily and Weekly at La Grande, Oregon, by La Grande Evening Observer Publishing Company. BRUCE DENNIS, Publisher.

Entered at the Postoffice at La Grande Oregon, as Second Class Mail Matter.

Address all Communications to The Observer, 1710 Sixth Street.

City and County Official Paper.

On Sale in Other Cities—Oregon Hotel News Stand, Portland; Imperial News Stand, Portland; Multnomah Hotel News Stand, Portland, Oregon.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
By Carrier

Daily, per month	65c
Daily, per three months	$1.95
Daily, per six months in advance	$3.75
Daily, per year in advance	$7.50
Daily, single copy	5c

By Mail

Daily, per year in advance	$5.00
Daily, per six months in advance	$2.50
Daily, three months in advance	$1.25
Daily, per month	50c
Weekly Observer-Star, by mail, per year in advance	$1.50

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

IMPROVEMENTS IN THE DAIRYMAN'S METHODS.

E. R. Eastman, editor of the Dairyman's League News, has some encouraging things to say of the improvement in dairying methods and the increase in milk production. Also he thinks that the public does not accord to dairymen generally either the credit or the understanding they deserve.

Fifty years ago the average production of milk per cow was about 2500 pounds. Now that average is about 5000 pounds, just double. Much of this advance has been made in the last few years.

Of course, the immediate inquiry is why, if there is twice as much milk, it should cost twice as much to the consumer, and the mind immediately places the dairy man in the ranks of greedy profiteers. But it should be remembered that all this increase in milk production has been made only by a steadily increased investment on the part of the dairyman. Every ounce of milk costs something, and one investigating commission denied to farmers near one of the great cities a price for milk sufficient to net them 25 cents an hour after deducting their expenses.

The solution is for the dairyman to go on improving stock and methods until every cow is a good cow, and for the public to concern itself with improving roads and transportation facilities so that milk supplies now far removed from consuming centers may be quick and cheaply brought where there is a demand for them. Mutual benefit will be the result. Good rules work both way.

PLAN FOR REDUCING COST OF MEAT.

Musk ox, says Stefansson, the famous Arctic explorer, is destined to be the most common form of meat served on American tables within 40 years. This meat is not only very good and palatable, but it is so much like the familiar beef that consumers can only tell the two varieties apart by the mark stamped upon them.

Reindeer meat, too is to be used generally in this country. The meat is considered by many people to be about as palatable as beef. The price of both these meats ought to be considerably less than current prices for beef. The animals can be raised very cheaply indeed, and require little care.

The hides of the musk ox and reindeer are also valuable. Reindeer skin makes excellent glove and shoe leather. And the musk ox has been called by explorers a "cow with a coat of wool." It has a woolly coat concealed beneath its long, hairy outer coat, which has manufacturing possibilities.

At present Mr. Stefansson is in Canada working for the government with the purpose of introducing these meats in that country. He anticipates early success. There is no reason why he should not succeed in Canada or why the use of such meat should not spread to this country. People who shrink from the use of locusts in their normal diet will surely find no objection to venison and a new variety of beef that is just as good as our American beef and much cheaper.

COFFEE HOUSE TAKES PLACE OF SALOON.

A dark secret has been disclosed by police raids in some of our big cities. The coffee house is taking the place of the saloon. Now if a murder is committed or a robbery pulled off the police go to the coffee house to look for the criminals.

The coffee house of eastern Europe has been a nighttime rendezvous for centuries, but it is only since prohibition was declared that the institution has become an active factor in American life. One magistrate declares that man are just as likely to stay up all night over a cup of strong coffee as over a glass of strong drink. And certain it is that in cities where there is a so-called Bohemian set, they are taking to the bakeries where they can get a bun and a cup of coffee and settle the questions of the day as they should be settled.

Naturally the coffee merchants will look up and hope, seeing visions of coffee flowing like beer, and fortunes made in it as in the saloon business. But they need not get too enthusiastic. The kill-joys are already stirring, and directly tobacco has been ground under the heel of the destroyer. Instead of in the palm of the smoker, coffee will come in for attention. Everything which stimulates vice, crime or the imagination must go. Better pass your cup while yet there is time.

CONVENTION BEGINS TUESDAY

(Continued from Page 1)

2:10—"The Training of Leadership," Rev. D. D. Randall, Amer. S. S. Union.

2:40—Special music, Solo, Paul Knantz.

2:45—"The Graded Sunday School in Principle and Practice," Harold F. Humbert, Portland.

3:15—Convention song.

3:20—Divisional conferences.

1 Children's Division, Mrs. R. A. Maguire, presiding.

A "Training the Child's Devotional Life."

(a) "Through Music," Robt. S. Eakin.

(b) "Through Prayer," Mrs. F. L. Thornton.

(c) "Through Memorization of Scripture, Mrs. R. W. Logan.

B Plans for Cradle Roll Workers, Miss Georgia Parker.

2 Young People's Division, Mrs. G. L. Clark, presiding.

A "Making the Bible Vital to Young People," Mrs. R. H. Coker.

B "The Four Fold Life," H. F. Humbert.

3 Adult Division, J. F. Hall presiding.

A "The Home Dept.," Rev. W. B. Smith.

B "Making the Adult Bible Class Effective," J. L. Cramer.

Young People's Evening Session

7:30—Song service, Paper: "The Kind of a Teacher I Like," Kenneth Fleshman, Edson Randell, Genevieve Smith, Constance Cleaver.

Paper, "The Older Girls Conference, Miss Iois Bryant, Island City.

Solo, "He Lifted Me," Harold F. Humbert.

Offering.

Address: "The Challenge of Christ," Harold F. Humbert.

Money Wanted for the International Labor Convention

(By Associated Press to The Observer.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—Money appropriation for the expenses of the international labor convention to be held here October 20, is expected to be repaid by the league of nations, Secretary Ernest Greenwood of the labor department in charge of arrangements today told the house appropriation committee. He asked for an appropriation of $200,000.

Committee members showed a disposition to cut this in half. No action was taken.

Mr. Greenwood said it was understood that Germany and Austria have asked permission to send delegates, but that it was questionable whether delegates from these countries were entitled to admission. The United States will take no international part in the conference unless the senate ratifies the peace treaty. If America attends the conference at all, he said, they would only discuss labor conditions in this country.

More than 400 delegates from twenty-five nations are expected at the conference which will continue about two months.

QUICK SETTLEMENT FOR LOSS BY FIRE

A fire destroyed the barn at E. Halley's farm Tuesday, entailing the loss of the barn and contents of hay and grain and three horses. On Saturday the insurance was paid. The policy called for $1000 on the barn, $500 on the hay and $500 on the oats. Mr. Halley was absent in Idaho at the time and just a week preceding the fire he had applied for insurance to M. K. Bellamy, local agent for the Oregon Fire Relief association. The policy had hardly been made out in detail when the loss occurred, but under the rules of the company the contract was held absolutely valid and the loss was paid with a promptness that is highly creditable to Mr. Bellamy and his company.

One of the horses burned was a family favorite and this loss is a cause of deep regret by the Halley family.

TWENTY SONS IN THE WAR

PARIS, Oct. 13.—Details have just been received from Lille of what is considered without question the greatest "contribution" made to the war by any one single family.

The head of this family was M. Vanhoe, a farmer living at Remingho, near Ypres. At the outbreak of the war he was the father of 36 living children, 14 girls and 22 boys. Of the latter, in the course of the war, 20 fought in the French ranks. Of these 20, 13 were killed and three were permanently discharged as the result of wound unfitting them for further service. Still another was wounded four times during the war.

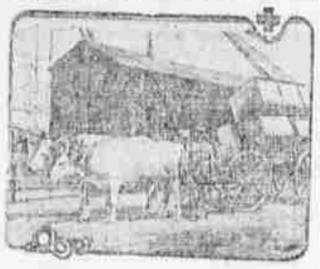
In 1917 the widow, of one of the sons, Alfred, also was killed during the bombardment of Dunkerque. She left five orphans. But even before this M. Vanhoe had already given up his life to the Germans. In October 1914 he had gone to Lille with one of his daughters to celebrate the birthday of a relative. On his return home the two were caught by a German patrol and both were shot.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.
Junior Red Cross.

Early in the participation of the United States in the world war, the American Red Cross perceived the value of mobilizing the school children of the country and the Junior Red Cross was organized. Before the war ended nine million children were enrolled and helped in the war fund and membership campaigns, in chapter production of relief supplies and manufacturing furniture for the refugees whose homes and household goods were destroyed.

Children everywhere in the United States responded to the call to service sounded by President Wilson as head of the American Red Cross. This photograph is that of an enthusiastic young Japanese member of the Junior Red Cross of Spokane, Wash., starting out on the ambitious undertaking of collecting "a mile of pennies" for war relief. A comprehensive peace program is now being worked out for the Junior Red Cross, which is being held intact.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.
In Roumania.



Soon after the entrance of the United States in the war the successes of the Central Powers in Roumania had reduced that country to a most tragic condition and in the summer of 1917, the American Red Cross dispatched its first Roumanian relief contingent. Two hospitals were at once taken over and operated by the Red Cross, a canteen for the starving refugees established and food and clothing distributed over a large area.

Transportation was one of the toughest problems with which the Red Cross workers in Roumania had to deal. Here is seen an overall used by the Red Cross to carry its relief supplies up into the mountains.

Sapphires and Diamonds.

The sapphire is probably not as valuable as the diamond, roughly speaking, although comparison is difficult owing to taste in color, and to the differing values as size increases. For instance, the price of a diamond rises in proportion to the square of its weight; a two-carat stone bringing four times as much as one of one carat. (Let me hold that 15½ carats equal one ounce Troy weight.)

Put Character Above All.

One of the sayings of the late J. P. Morgan that will be remembered with his art collection's glories have been forgotten, was: "I will loan any amount of money to a man of character, but nothing to a man of bad repute, no matter what his security."

Describing a Giant.

The mathematical man can see the fun and mistakes in calculating the size of things. No one has ever given me an impression of bulk such as that of the late Professor Clifford—a famous mathematician and an occasional humorist. In a lightsome essay he described the giant whose favorite food was bread and butter sprinkled with light brown horses.—London Chronicle.

His Fellow-Feeling.

Henry had been severely scolded for not turning off the water after he had been playing in the bath tub. Some time later there was a conflagration near his home and as he was watching the flooded streets his mother heard him say to himself, "I bet some angel is catching it for forgetting to turn off the water."

Heard in Cambridge.

Freshman (calling up from eighth) "Hi, Mullinax! will you step to the upper tube; Oh want to tell you some news."—Boston Evening Transcript.

Have the label which stands for fair working conditions, put on your job printing. The Observer does it. The two shops in town observing union principles. Phone Main 37.

RURALITES HAVE BIG HEALTH ADVANTAGE

Abundance of Fresh Air and Sunlight Do Much to Check Ravages of Tuberculosis.

DANGER IN CLOSED WINDOWS.

National Tuberculosis Association Which Sponsors the Annual Sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals, Reports 150,000 Deaths Each Year From the Disease.

People who live in the smaller towns and on farms have a great health advantage over the city dwellers in that they have ever an abundant supply of fresh air and sunlight.

These two gifts of nature, so lavishly bestowed, are not always appreciated to their fullest extent. They are two of the strongest weapons against the menace of tuberculosis, or consumption, as it is sometimes called.

But consumption is not unknown in the rural districts. The death rate is sometimes as great in these sections as in the more crowded localities, chiefly because of carelessness or indifference to laws of health.

Few, indeed, are the farm houses or the homes in the smaller cities and villages that cannot have an outdoor sleeping porch. On the contrary, we often find that the windows of sleeping rooms in the home are shut tight in the mistaken belief that night air is harmful.

This paves the way for disease, especially tuberculosis, which generally attacks the lungs.

White Plague Kills 150,000 a Year.

The white plague claimed 150,000 lives last year in the United States. More than 1,000,000 Americans are suffering from it today. These figures are compiled from reports of experts all over the country and sent to the National Tuberculosis Association, the leading agency in the country to combat this disease. This organization is sponsor for the Red Cross Christmas Seal sale, from which its financial support is chiefly derived.

As medical science has proved consumption is both preventable and curable, the suffering caused by this disease is largely unnecessary. Most tuberculosis victims are between the ages of eighteen and forty-five.

Causes Half Billion Loss Annually.

These are the years when people are most active, the years of their greatest production. The snuffing out of these lives just when they are at the height of their usefulness means an annual loss to the country of nearly half a billion dollars.

Fresh air is the cheapest of medicines. Outdoor sleeping porches are not only for the sick. They help well folks to keep well, and the country dweller can have this aid to healthy living at far less inconvenience than his city neighbor.

You can help directly by seeing that you and your family are living under the most healthful conditions possible.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.
In Serbia.

As far back as the first winter of the war, the Red Cross sent to Serbia a sanitary commission that effectively checked the scourge of typhus. But after the United States entered the conflict, the Red Cross was able, in August, 1917, to send a full commission that carried on extensive relief operations among the suffering refugees of the tortured nation. Hospitals were established, the refugees fed, clothed and given medical attention, the army supplied with much needed dental treatment, farm machinery, and goods provided to help the Serbs redeem their land to productivity, and, not least, measures undertaken for the succor of the children. The terrible condition into which these helpless victims of the war had fallen is well portrayed by this photograph of a little Serbian girl wearing the rags and expression of hopeless misery that were all she possessed when the Red Cross came.

Good Man for A' That.

Thomas Jefferson, according to William M. Curtis, once said his biographer was devoid of a sense of humor. Says the latter: "He read and enjoyed Burns and selected passages from his poems were wasted on his presence."

Job Printing, The Observer, Main 37.

Every Position Is Comfortable

in Coopers Union Suits—they will never cause you a moment of discomfort—you can lounge or walk, ride or sit, and always be comfortable. When you put on

Coopers
Kenosha-Klosed-Krotch
Union Suits

you have just begun to live in underwear comfort. They never bind or draw. That is the result of

Coopers
Quality
Since 1876

We measure you and fit you properly, insuring real comfort.

Many fabrics for your choice—Heavy, Medium or Light Weight—Wool, Cotton, Worsted, or Silk and Worsted Effects. Long or Short Sleeve—Ankle or Oxford Length.

We sell these Exclusively from SIGNED BOXES Which Identify the Genuine KLOSED-KROTCH and COOPERS QUALITY—Two Big Advantages which cost nothing extra, but are worth much to you.

$1.75, $2.25, $3.00, $5.00, $6.00
$7.50 and $9.00

N. K. West & Co.

PARAGRAPHS RELATIVE TO ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL

Every contributor to the Roosevelt Memorial Association fund will receive a certificate of membership in the Roosevelt Memorial Association whether the contribution is one penny or one hundred dollars.

The Roosevelt Memorial campaign will open October 17 when every Jewish Rabbi in the state will be asked to pay a tribute to the late ex-president. Seventh Day Adventist clergymen have been asked to do the same thing on October 18, and Protestant, Roman Catholic, and Episcopal ministers and priests will speak on Roosevelt Sunday, October 19.

Lester Martin, one of the live wires in Lincoln county is chairman of the Roosevelt Memorial Committee of that county. Mr. Martin announces that the idea in Lincoln county is not only to raise the quota but to secure as many members as possible, and above all to kindle in the souls of his fellow Americans greater devotion and loyalty to our country.

The schools of the state are taking a great interest in the Roosevelt Memorial campaign, Oct. 20 to Oct. 27. Every school pupil giving a penny or more will receive a certificate of membership in the Roosevelt Memorial Association, and every school raising a fund will receive a large certificate. All the certificates bear a small engraved portrait of the expresident.

Roosevelt's birthday, October 27, will be generally celebrated over the state. In almost every hamlet, town, and city in the state, Roosevelt memorial meetings will be held. Citizens of all denominations, political parties, and social classes are cooperating in arranging these meetings.

The Roosevelt Memorial Fund of $5,000,000 will be utilized in erecting a monument to the ex-president at Washington, D. C., to maintain a public park at Oyster Bay which will eventually include Sagamore Hill, Roosevelt's home, and to maintain the Roosevelt Memorial Association which will be a national organization. It is hoped with over a million members, to perpetuate Roosevelt's democracy of conscience.

MUSIC OF BEETHOVEN HAS BEEN DISCOVERED

(By Associated Press to The Observer.)

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Four unknown pieces of music by Beethoven have been discovered in the British Museum by French students and are shortly to be published. The manuscripts, together with a number of others, were given by the Emperor of Austria to Abdul Aziz, Sultan of Turkey who gave them to his bandmaster. They represent Beethoven's early work between the years 1785 and 1795.

Butter Wrappers printed at the Observer office.

CHARLES RAY HAS STRONG CHARACTER IN NEW PLAY

Star Creates Totally Different Type in His Latest Picture "Greased Lightning"

Charles Ray, the Thomas H. Ince Paramount star, appears in a decidedly new type of character in his new photoplay "Greased Lightning," which will be presented at Arcade theatre today and tomorrow.

We have seen Mr. Ray in past performances as the baseball player, the hired man, the young city sport, the pained mother's boy and the like, but no type of the past gives him such opportunity for his subtle comedy as does the small town inventor, a character he portrays with admirable taste in "Greased Lightning."

On the same program will be shown another Prizma subject. This is called Skyland and is a beautiful fantasy showing the Blackfoot Indians in their picturesque and colorful costumes.

ENGLAND'S DARKEST DAY IN THE WAR

Correspondence of the Associated Press.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—Official figures given out here show that the darkest day of the war for England was on July 1, 1916, when the casualties in killed and wounded numbered 170,000. It was the opening day of the first battle of the Somme.

Sound Business Policy
Reliable Service
Progressive Methods

La Grande National Bank

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS $250,000
RESOURCES $1,900,000

Our doors have never been closed during business hours since the date of our organization in 1887. We will welcome and appreciate your account.