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GLAD TO SEE THEM STAND.

We notice that Senators McNary, Borah, Poindexter and Johnson are all standing firm against President Harding's request to pay Colombia that twenty-five million dollars, which Col. Roosevelt always said was blood money and should not be paid.

It is gratifying to see these western senators stand firm on this international principle. The charges often made, and which seemed to find support with President Wilson's administration, that this nation had acted in a high-handed manner with Colombia, demanding concessions simply because we were the most powerful nation, never set well with a large element of American citizenship, who on the contrary believed that Colombia had been treated with consideration and fairness and that her demand for the payment of money was never well founded.

It is regrettable that President Harding seems to have shared the views of the last administration in this important matter, but it is believed there is sufficient strength in the senate to prevent him from carrying out his policy.

THE GREAT QUESTION.

President Harding has been asked by Omaha people to curb the packers, which means to find the profiteer that exists between the six per cent steer and the dollar and a half beefsteak served on the restaurant table. The people of Omaha asked the one great question which the Republican party must solve, and it is a hard one.

Omaha people merely took the lead. La Grande and Union county people want to know the answer to the question, just as the whole nation wants to know. While the Omahans' question was based on the request to curb the packers, it might have gone farther and included all middlemen.

President Harding's obligation to America is to find a solution for the excessive profits taken, or better yet, the cause for so many men handling foodstuffs from producer to consumer, each taking a profit.

It is the marketing system that must undergo the great revision, else this country will remain unbalanced, a condition that cannot exist for long without trouble.

Really, it is not so much a question of how much profit each handler makes, but it is how many are going to be permitted to live on the handling of products.

PORTLAND'S INTENDED EXPOSITION.

Sure, go to it, you boys of the lower country, with your electric and highway exposition in 1925. All the up-state country asks is that you do not shoot a "dud." If you have anything, have a good one and don't invite the rest of the nation here to see a dinky layout that will react on the Pacific coast.

We suppose the fellows have it all figured out as to what they intend to do, where they will get the money and how it is possible for them to open and close the proposed fair in a blaze of glory.

If such should not be the case, forget the whole layout. We believe Oregon is right with Portland good and solid if she can show what she is going to do, but the state will likely fail to show marked interest if it looks as though Portland were making a big hurrah to get a crowd, without having the basic features well developed for a first class event.

According to David R. Francis and a few others who have had some experience, it is a big job to pull off an exposition, and this is not said with any desire to throw the proverbial wet blanket. We take it that the leading spirits of this movement have the full knowledge of Mr. Francis and others and know exactly what they are doing.

DOUGLAS COUNTY, OREGON.

The Observer was greatly pleased to read in the press dispatches the attitude of Highway Commissioner John B. Yeon toward Douglas county. That county will have one hundred and five miles of paved highway when the present road plans have been completed. The state will have expended more than \$5,000,000 in that county alone, due to so much of the Pacific highway lying within its borders, and yet there is not another county in the whole state that does as much scurrying and kicking.

Mr. Yeon mentioned these facts at the last meeting of the highway commission, and it is assumed that he drove home a few points that the citizens of Douglas county should bear in mind. When the entire state pours funds into that county to build a permanent highway, there should be rejoicing in Douglas rather than constant moaning and groaning. If the state will put as much paying in Union county we will guarantee that this county will have a smile that won't wear off.

The thing for Douglas county and her public men to do is to get in the game and appreciate what has been done for her and not be the mossback community she is charged with at the present time.

Collector of Internal Revenue Milt Miller is very liable to go down in history as a heartless man. He has decided that money received from tips by waiters or others who serve shall be included in the income tax returns. About the next decision Milt makes will be that collection boxes at the different churches will have to pay an income tax.

Portland does not overlook many good bets. Now Mayor Baker is asking the federal government to donate to the city the old postoffice site in Portland on Morrison street.

THE OFFICE CAT



—By JUNIUS—

This world is sure a queer old place
Forget it.
It makes you go a rapid pace,
Forget it.
You have to go your whole life thru
And the same old face just stays
with you!
But, what's a fellow going to do?
Forget it.

Our office cat, folks often said
Forget it.
They seem to think he is too bold
Forget it.
You see, he just belongs to us,
And really is a nice old cuss.
So why make all this noise and fuss?
Forget it.

When people steal your good ice cream
Forget it.
They do not do it to be mean,
Forget it.
With school boys it has been a fad
To swipe the good things elders had.
You did the same, so did your dad.
Forget it.

You maybe have a private still.
Forget it.
Invite your friends to have their fill,
Forget it.
Some darn old hen gets on your track
You take your invitations back.
Your life is spoiled. "Ain't that a fact?"
Forget it.

Perhaps you've trouble by the peck
Forget it.
You think you get it in the neck.
Forget it.
You do not have to take a drug,
Just wrap your feelings up real snug,
And drupe a smile around your mug.
Forget it.

Uncle Jarvis Backs Down.

Jarvis might met us the other day
And told us the following pathetic tale:
"Last week I lost a big, silk handkerchief—one of those fifty ones
that auntie or grandma always send
us at Christmas. I thought a lot of
it and only carried it on Sundays and
holidays and, of course, it was my
luck to lose it. After accusing all
my neighbors of taking it, I finally
decided to advertise. When, on going
up town, what did I see? A lady had
found my handkerchief, cut it in two
parts and made a skirt of it! If it
had not been for the sudden snow flurries
that day I would have insisted on
immediate possession, but, after giving
it the once-over on its new location,
I felt it showed up to better advantage
where it was."

Abe Martin says Elmer Moots was
shot in the flank while hunting 'd'ay.

Tooper Cent has incorporated a salvage
company to avoid the fuel shortage
by gathering and splitting into
firewood all the stumps from which
political orators spoke during the
campaign.

"And now, Johnnie," said the teacher,
"can you tell us what is raised in
Mexico today?" "Aw, I know what
you want me to say, but ma told me
I shouldn't talk that way."

Modesty may be a virtue, but four-
flushing is a fine art.

A. W. Nelson remarked in our
presence that every small boy and
every married man would like to be
disciplined, but they were afraid to
take a chance.

We can't understand why it is un-
lawful to marry two women at the
same time and why it is lawful to
marry six women one at a time. We
are going ask Ed Wright if he knows,
the next time we see him. He utters
nothing.

Do not criticize the fellow who
wears whiskers. Maybe the poor fel-
low hasn't any chin.

They'd Make Poor Hens.

When a hen cackles it is generally
a sign that she has laid an egg. But
lots of men cackle without having ac-
complished anything.

Roy Currey says that gettin' out
of bed these cold mornings is worse
than going back in the army.

No, Roy, don't try to make us be-
lieve you get up that early.

More About Our Candy.

It is selling better every day, be-
cause it is simply the best candy
made, and we know because we made
it. Try a sample package. It sells
at a reasonable price—before the war
prices on our candy. 5¢ a pound, 10¢
a pound, 25¢ a pound, just as you
wish. Our delicious Individual Chocolates,
5¢ each, 75¢ a box, and \$1.25 a box.
Try our candy and be pleased.

Silverthorn's
FAMILY DRUG STORE
LA GRANDE, OREGON.
3-14-21.

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Come once and you will come again.
That is what we know.
Palace Confectionery Co.
3-14-21.

State News

The King's Food Products Com-
pany of The Dalles expect to resume
operations of their plant this week.
They are advertising for 100 women
to work in the big dehydrating
plant, on potatoes. Later, the treat-
ment of spinach will begin.

The baseball boys of Haines are
putting on a play, "The Man from
Utah," on Friday evening, the play
to be followed by a dance. The pro-
ceeds will be used to build a grand-
stand at their ball park.

Miss Mary Johns of Pendleton and
Miss Kate Stanfield of Portland
have opened headquarters in Pendle-
ton, and will have as their territory
for the Massachusetts Mutual Life
Insurance Company, the whole of
Eastern Oregon.

The infant son of Patrolman John
L. Green, of Portland, was drowned
in a bath tub Saturday on the first
anniversary of his birthday. The
child slipped face downward in the
water when his mother left him for
a moment. A lung motor was used
but it failed.

The steamer Iralda, which has
been for some years in the lower
river passenger and freight service,
will be placed on the river run from
Portland to The Dalles. Boat trans-
portation between these two cities
had been discontinued during the
winter weather.

E. V. Carter of Ashland will be
named to succeed A. C. Marsters as
a member of the state fair board
when the latter's term expires on
March 14, according to announce-
ment by Governor Olcott.

Fred M. Williamson, recent O. A.
C. graduate, has been elected as
girls' and boys' club leader for Linn
County.

Do you want cans or ashes moved?
Work of any kind done? Call Red
2271, morning, noon or evening.
3-7-21.

NOTICE.

All members of the Pacific Co-op-
erative League are urged to attend
the regular monthly meeting to be
held in Eagles' hall, March 15, at 8
p. m.

MRS. E. R. HEAD, Sec.-Treas.
G. M. CURTIS, Pres.
Adv. 3-12-21.

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Grande, Oregon. 3-4-21



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20-Acre Tract.
Three miles from La Grande,
the best of soil, partly in Al-
falfa. New 5-room modern
house with bath and electric
lights, full basement, barn,
and chicken house. This is
something good, \$3,000 cash
will handle it.

12-Acre Tract.
Two miles from La Grande,
near Country Club on highway.
Good six-room house, barn,
chicken house, cellar and gar-
age. Sub-irrigated. A rest
house and a beautiful location.
\$2,000 cash will handle it.

4-Acre Tract.
Close in, 7-room house, barn,
chicken house, fine soil for
garden truck. Will trade for
property close in. \$2,000,
\$1,000 cash.

40-Acre Chicken Ranch.
One mile this side of Hilgard,
on the highway. 26 acres til-
lable, 20 acres in pasture. Good
3-room house, garage, cellar,
2 chicken houses—one 12x40
feet, one 12-12 feet—all build-
ings new. Price \$1,500, \$500
cash.

20-Acre Tract.
At Alford, Oregon, about 8
miles northeast of La Grande
in the heart of the Grande
valley. All tillable and sandy loam
of the very best of sandy loam
and produces the best grain
and potatoes in Oregon. Five
acres in delicious apple trees,
ten years old. Good 5-room
house, barn, chicken house,
etc. \$6,000.

30-Acre Tract.
Three miles northeast of La
Grande, very best of black
loam soil. Good 5-room house,
barn, chicken house, cellar,
woodhouse, etc. \$500 per ac-
re, will take good city prop-
erty in on it.

**NOTARY PUBLIC
PYRAMID LAND CO.
REAL ESTATE
INSURANCE
1214 ADAMS AVE. PHONE BLK-1211**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that letters
testamentary have been issued by the
county court of Union county, Ore-
gon, to Milo Burnett, under the last
will and testament of Mary E. Swaug-
er, deceased, and all persons having
claims against said estate are not-
ified to present the same with prom-
issory vouchers to said executor at Ka-
mela, Oregon, within six months from
date of this notice.

Dated this March 14, 1921.
MIL0 BURNETT,
Executor of the will of Mary E.
Swauger, deceased.
March 14-21-28. Apr. 4-11.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that J. D.
Slater has filed his final account as
administrator de bonis non of the es-
tate of Joseph E. Carroll, deceased,
and the County Court of Union County,
Oregon, has set Tuesday, the 12th
day of April, 1921, at the County
Court room in La Grande, Oregon, as
the time and place for hearing such
final account and all objections there-
to.

J. D. SLATER,
Administrator de bonis non of the Es-
tate of Joseph E. Carroll, deceased.
Mar 14-21-28. Apr. 6-11.

A good time to buy a camera for
the Spring days are here. We will
develop your films and print them for
you. Enlarge your pictures, and col-
or them. Let us have your work.

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FAMILY DRUG STORE
LA GRANDE, OREGON.
3-14-21.

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berlain's Tablets. They are easy to
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Give them a trial when you have
need—adv.

MONEY.

Easy payments on improved prop-
erty. See
J. R. OLIVER.
2-18-30

YOU CAN FEEL BETTER TOMORROW.

If you suffer from indigestion, con-
stipation, headache, biliousness, bloat-
ing, sour stomach, gas on stomach,
bad breath or other condition caused
by delayed bowel action, take a Foley
Cathartic Tablet this evening and to-
morrow you will feel better. Cleanse
the bowels, sweeten the stomach and
tone up the liver.—Adv.

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and Monroe, Red 2181
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John Deere No. 5 Tractor Gang, 14 in. 3 bottoms.....	\$285.00
John Deere No. 40 Tractor Gang, NGP 314.....	\$150.00
John Deere No. 45 Tractor Gang NGP 314.....	172.50
John Deere Steel Gang NGP 214-14.....	\$150.00
John Deere Steel Gang NGP 214-14 3 bottoms.....	\$210.00
John Deere High Lift Gang, Rolling Coulters and Hitch.....	\$182.50
John Deere High Lift Gang(Rolling Coulters and Hitch.....	\$185.00
P. and O. No. 3 Walking Gang, 2 Bottom, 14 in. seat at- tachment.....	\$156.15
P. and O. No. 5 Walking Gang, 3 Bottom 14 in. Coulters four hitch.....	\$202.50
P. and O. No. 5 Walking Gang, 2 Bottom 14 in. Rolling Coulters, four horse hitch and riding attachment.....	\$156.15
P. and O. No. 5 Little Genius Tractor Gang, 2 Bottom 14 in. with Combined Coulters and Jointers.....	\$212.10
P. and O. No. 5 Little Genius Tractor Gang, 3 Bottoms 12 in. with Combined Coulters and Jointers.....	\$265.50
P. and O. No. 5 Little Genius Tractor Gang, 3 Bottom 14 in. with Rolling Coulters.....	\$256.50
John Deere 214 Two-way Sulky Plow, Coulters, 3 H. Hitch.....	\$155
John Deere 216 Two-way Sulky Plow, Coulters, 3 H. Hitch.....	\$157
John Deere 216 Heavy Stag Sulky, Pole, Coulters, 3 H. Hitch.....	\$112
P. and O. No. 5 Success Sulky, Coulters, 3 H. Hitch.....	\$99
P. and O. 14 in. Success Plow Bottoms.....	\$21.60
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