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CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.

FORUM

Editor Evening Observer: Will you permit me to say a few words in interest of the cause relative to Bryan's defeat in the Presbyterian general assembly which was discussed in the chamber of commerce last Tuesday and reported in your paper at that date.

According to the press in general and your own paper in particular, Mr. Bryan was defeated for the position as moderator, but won in his fight against the modernist laxity in doctrine. I glean this from the Associated Press notices printed in your paper, May 24 under the heading, "Bryan Blasted Over His Victory in Fostelick Case."

"Fundamentalists, May 24.—Bryan is slated over his victory into Saturday in forcing the adoption by the Presbyterian general assembly of the resolution in the Fostelick case directing the New York Presbytery to require preaching in the First Presbyterian Church of New York City to conform to the Presbyterian doctrine."

May 25.—Sixty-six modernists, friends of Fostelick, filed a protest against above named action in the Fostelick case and succeeded in handing down an ovation to amend the church law to permit the employment of ministers of the denominations such as Doctor Fostelick, who is a Baptist, but that does not change the mandate for the Associated Press notice continues: "While the protest, if approved, would legalize the employment of Dr. Fostelick and other outsiders in special cases, it will not change Wednesday's mandate to the first Presbyterian Church of New York and all other churches of the denomination to see what the doctrine expounded in their pulpits conform to the doctrine of the church and the Westminster confession of faith."

—Evening Observer, May 25. This is plainly a great victory for the fundamentalist, and Mr. Bryan as their leader and not a defeat as stated by the speaker at the luncheon of the Union County Chamber of Commerce Tuesday noon and reported in your paper May 29. There could not possibly be any change in the above quoted discussions, as the assembly adjourned 4:15 the same day.

To much in interest of the cause to set before the public what was really done in the Presbyterian general assembly that might be termed victory or defeat of Mr. Bryan and the fundamentalists.

I might conclude right here; but since I have used the terms fundamentalists and modernists several times it may not be out of place to append an explanation of these terms. They may not be clearly understood by all the readers of the "Observer." The theological world is at the present time divided into two classes called the fundamentalists and modernists. Since we have these two classes even in La Grande it might not be amiss to say a word about what each of these stand for.

"Fundamentalists" are those who believe the whole Bible to be the inspired word of God, that the atonement and bodily resurrection of Christ, The Apostles Peter and Paul were fundamentalists. "Modernists" say that the Bible contains the work of God, but is not all the word of God. They accept certain books as authentic and reject others as fiction, legends, or myths. They usually have their doubts about the deity of Christ and as a rule do not believe in the atonement and bodily resurrection of Christ. The Apostle Thomas was one time a modernist or skeptic.

These two tendencies turned against each other in the Presbyterian general assembly with W. J. Bryan as leader of the fundamentalists, and Dr. Wishart, the modernist, or rather Dr. Fostelick as the leader of the modernists.

The Presbyterian general Assembly took a decided stand for fundamentalism and insisted that the old Presbyterian doctrine be preached in all their churches.

In closing permit me to say that it is not fair to give the public the impression that the fundamentalists are opposed to all sciences, progress and freedom of thought, for it is not true. The fundamentalists are the ones who have built our churches and colleges and even us what we have there.

There is no antagonism between religion and real science. Science is classified knowledge, therefore nothing is scientific unless true. Fundamentalists are not afraid of true knowledge. No truth can hurt the Bible. No truth can harm Christianity. They do, however, object to unproven theory claimed to be science merely, that man is a descendant of the brutes, more specifically the monkey, known as the evolution of man. Why substitute an unproven hypothesis for the word of God?

Respectfully,
 H. Bogstad.

Much of the kicking is occasioned by the fact that a gallon of fruit juice will remain innocuously virtuous without two pounds of sugar.

Another explanation is that the people's representatives have no definite instructions, while the lobbyists have.

The autoist himself tells of his hairbreadth escapes; the newspapers and the coroner tell of those that weren't.

ATTENTION BRO. ELKS
 A Smoker will be held in Elks' Temple tomorrow night under the direction of Ed Ford, following initiation.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

That sardine canner that is adopting efficiency methods might study the way a street car conductor handles the situation.

What has become of the contented housewife? asks Amos Tash.

PASSING OF THE HORSE
 I'd hate to be a horse-fly.
 And with the horse flies buzz;
 The picking for the horse fly
 Ain't what it used to was—

Some of the new neckties remind us that long whiskers had their uses.

There is no broadcasting station like the neighbor woman who hears a piece of scandal.

Even if a girl does not want to get married she usually likes to be engaged.

Why is crossing a street like music?
 Because if you don't see sharp, you'll be flat.

Cy Kology advises that, when in doubt whether to kiss the lady good night, give yourself the benefit of the doubt.

Thank You Kindly!
 "It takes so little to make an editor happy," says Junius. "Just tell the poor boob you read one of his articles and you need not say you liked it; a smile of child-like joy will pervade his whole being."

It's those getting an exercise that bother us of a morning.

It is sometimes fortunate that the fellow who regards himself as the "life of the party" doesn't know what the other members of the party think of him.

A lot more of us would be gentlemen if we could only hide our meanness.

Perhaps the greatest blessing of radio is the headpiece makes your ears stay back.

It is estimated that alarm clocks added 500 cuss words to our language.

An Ohio man grafted skin of a chicken on his dogs back and now the dog can go chase himself.

We mortals have to sweat and shoo the flies from dawn till dark. 'Cause Noah didn't sweat the two That roosted in the ark.

Just about the time a man begins to balance outgo against income somebody induces him to try his hand at golf, and then his tailor has to worry again.

No, Dr. Ignatz, an aspirin tablet isn't something to write on.

The reason the philanthropist gets the advertising is because he takes it in small bunches and gives it in big ones.

"The vamp" says an ad, "is of unfinished kid." All the kid vamps we have seen impress us as being raw, but we can see their finish.

A Want Ad Will Do It.

GIBBON NEWS NOTES

GIBBON, June 5.—Gibbon has been having a lot of rain this week, the ground is well soaked and the wheat is looking fine. The fruit crop is very promising.

Several ranchers are hauling their new winter's wood from the hills, now that their spring work is well under way.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Roberts of Pendleton, visited Wednesday with J. S. Rose and family and spent the night with them.

Jack Hallville and family of Missoula visited Wednesday and Thursday with Mrs. Hallville's grand-parent, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pambrian.

Tom Rose made a trip to Pendleton country Sunday and bought a cinnamon bear to train. Some young fox hounds and Alredale dogs were also purchased. The bear was bought of Phineas Kirkpatrick of the Pendleton country.

Mrs. Matson passed away Monday following an operation for appendicitis. She leaves a husband and several children.

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MILLINERY

Especially Designed for Summer-Time Wear

About a month or so back all of us women folk were hoping for warm weather and Summer togs.

Thoughts of a lovely white hat, like freckles, are inevitable, so you will not be disappointed when you see our big variety. Large and small shapes, with a touch of ribbon, embroidering or flowers—whatever is required to give it snap, harmony and individuality, are offered at very reasonable prices.

This store will be closed at noon, Thursday, that employees may attend the Stock Show.

Eating One's Cake

A great many people got into the habit during the period of big profits and high wages, of spending money freely. They bought a great many things they had done without all their lives. They indulged in a great many luxuries they could do without, taking no thought of the morrow. Some of them, who no longer are required to pay income taxes, have come to the conclusion that "one cannot eat his cake and have it too."

Legally, these people had a perfect right to spend their money as they pleased. They came by their money honestly, and if they wanted to gratify a wish or indulge in things they had never been able to afford, it was nobody's business if they did so. Indeed, some of them were justified in obtaining some good things of life, and even if they have spent their money for them, they are undoubtedly better off than they were before. The "dough" may be lacking, but if expended judiciously, those who spent it have gained wider experiences and obtained broader views of life.

Only the people who "blew their money in" assumed a responsibility which they morally had no right to assume. And such people are generally the ones who today are putting up the "holler" because they no longer have "big profits and high wages." They have created for themselves and those dependent on them habits and tastes which they can no longer pursue and gratify, and, in their discontent, are blaming everybody but themselves for having to readjust themselves to normal conditions of life. The immorality of extravagance lies in expenditure that has not been warranted under normal conditions and is not warranted under abnormal conditions, for the reason that abnormal will sooner or later react to normal.

It is realization that cake has been eaten that is causing to a considerable extent the discontent now prevailing. Men who made big profits and spent them are dissatisfied with smaller profits which do not permit the reckless expenditure they indulged in. Men who earned high wages and spent them injudiciously are resentful that wages now earned do not permit them to live as formerly. Such results are natural, yet this does not aid them in readjusting themselves to conditions which they never liked and thought they had gotten away from. Natural law is less understood by the average man or woman than statute law is, and forces more powerful than social customs are ignored, if known, until the day of reckoning comes.

War compelled the peoples of devastated European countries to return to conditions of living from which they had been gradually rising. Money there was spent for shot, shell and trench. Their cake was eaten, but in the manner of the eating there is inspiration for the recreation of wealth. In contrast, riotous living on the profits of Europe's war led the American people to eat their cake, and left them with less incentive to make the best of the situation, though they can, if they will pull themselves out of their present slough of despond and live more comfortably than Europeans can for generations to come.

All Honor To Union

Cattle and Horse Raisers' association members will remember for many years to come the excellent treatment accorded them and the magnificent entertainment provided for them by the people of Union during the past few days.

There was no key to Union. Union's mayor assured everyone the key had been lost years ago and Union homes are ever open to their friends. That was the spirit throughout the city. Magnificent hospitality, the kind that rings true—from the leading banker to the small Boy Scout—all stopped to take care of their guests. It was noticeable from the Union hotel to the high school; it was apparent in every store and shop in the town.

And the banquet served by the ladies of Union in the high school auditorium under direction of the local Chamber of Commerce was superb. The ladies of Union have for years had a reputation for feeding people in excellent style with a service rendered by the daughters of the town that carries that modesty so sweet to observe.

The mothers of Union last evening made a record for themselves and all Union county with the stockmen. No finer banquet was ever served east of the Cascade mountains.

The Evening Observer is very proud of the entire program which the city of Union and her people gave to the visitors.

Read Newspapers

The woman who knows her paper from the date line to the want ads can pick an argument with her husband about blondes becoming extinct, or a candidate's chances, and the result is that she gets all the argument she wants without interfering in the least with her domestic happiness.

Instead of panning one of her husband's associates' wives, she can lamb the harpoon into some dame who is dragging her husband through the divorce courts, or she can grill the dramatic critic who doesn't like a certain show as much as she does. She can voice an opinion about a bit of news and throw more of a scare into her husband than if she tried to crown him with the goldfish.

Women read the daily papers more carefully than the men do. At least this is the consensus of opinion in newspaper circles, where a close tab is kept on the tastes of people and the things that interest people.

Tapping new sources of revenue usually means getting it out of another pocket of the same old victim.

"Relieve Tired Feet"

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A man might lose a fortune by a single stroke—but very few of them are made that way.

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You can start the nucleus around which a fortune may later develop by starting a

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A dollar is all you need to start your account, and a desire to see it grow will bring surprising results in a year's time.

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Quit blowing bubbles and start making bricks

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