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DO NOT LOOK BACK.—No man having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.—Luke 9:62.



The advantage in owning a home is that you have something to mortgage when you wish to buy a car. 'Railroads sorely in need of funds.' Now the railroads know how the rest of us feel.

'Here's one thing I can't wear out.' Gladys said, as she slipped on her little kimono. The stores that use the least advertising space usually have the most parking space before their doors.

Again

Congressman Tincher delivered a Chautauqua address last night in Riverside Park that seemed to be an echo from the tomb. Those of us who have reached an age so that we can review the past in politics, could have closed our eyes and believed we were back in the days of Jim Blaine and John J. Ingalls, for Congressman Tincher's main subject was the "gamblers in grain."

What a wonderful subject it is; how the orator in a grain growing country can wax warm and eloquent telling of the "accursed system permitting men to gamble on other men's toil; you bet, and when "Poley" Tincher pulled out the tremelo stop last night in his Chautauqua climax the old cottonwood trees swayed in harmony and the rumble of his voice made even the cement floor of the auditorium vibrate.

Congressman Tincher did not guarantee, but he intimated, that under his law he now had the grain gamblers by the throat and hereafter the grain raiser would not be pilfered and plucked by the aristocratic board of trade members. We shall see what we shall see. Let's hope the man who succeeded Jerry Simpson from the big congressional district, has accomplished that feat which congressmen from Maine to California have been working on since Garfield was assassinated.

The packers are also on Tincher's list. He said, and probably he is right, that five packers controlled the price received by 22 million meat producers and dictated the price of meat to the 110 million people in the United States. The speech ended before he gave positive assurance that he had fixed the packers so they can rob no more, but we hope he has accomplished that desired result.

The Evening Observer has no defense for the packers, but it must be a matter of rather interesting knowledge even to Congressman Tincher, to know that Armour & Co. was permitted to consolidate with another big packing firm recently in order to avert a packer's failure that would have wreaked financial havoc throughout the nation.

Ethics of the Trail

Time works changes. The Oregon Trail was used by a fine class of people who won the west by honesty, fearlessness, courage and sincerity. The great majority of them were Christian people, the Bible being the chief book carried in wagon trains.

Those of us today who are attempting to emulate the spirit of the trail by dress and actions are doing so with the most profound respect and what errors we make are due to ignorance with no intent to burlesque those grand people who 80 years ago crossed the plains on the trail.

In these days of Pullman cars and cushioned automobiles it is quite natural for the ethics of the old trail to have become obsolete. It is little wonder that the Observer mentioned Stage Driver Joe Woods as a "Skinner," when as a matter of fact the word "skinner" never was admitted to the trail vocabulary. It came at a very much later date when horse logging began in the northwest and the drivers of mules and horses in the timber were dubbed "skinners."

In Oregon Trail days no more dignified position, save that of the circuit riding preacher, was to be had than that of a successful stage driver. Following him came the "teamster" who drove freight teams.

The stage and the freight wagon were the means of transportation and it was very natural for people to hold a high regard for the drivers, much as they respect the conductors and engineers of today who run the passenger and freight trains.

Of course the code of trail ethics was a long one and a rigid one, but we mention this particular feature to give the reader some idea of how easily it is to get off wrong when using trail habits and costumes.

Mrs. Hattie Eckley, in her communication to the Observer, spoke truthfully and well when she called attention to the high class humanity that came across the desert on the Old Oregon Trail and raised a proper protest at attempting to turn the trail celebration into a buckaroo show. For, Mrs. Eckley argues, the cowboy is the product of a much later date in the west. In fact the cowboy has largely grown into a show ring character and few there are of the cowboys now seen in picture and story.

In acknowledging his children born out of wedlock, George J. Gould was candid.

One who fares best according to the terms of a will never has any doubt of the sanity of the testator.

The small boy is dreaming of a short-cut from the sand lot to the big league corner.

Good advice is never worth much unless it is taken in time.

Vice-President Coolidge has returned from Washington, D. C., to his home in Northampton, Mass., to continue his vacation.

A golf expert declares that a round a day keeps the doctor away. Yes, and the business man away too, from his office.

The greater thinks of the number of people to the square mile; the critic thinks of the number of square people to the mile.

Rubber shortage in ten years—Oh, you gossamers and non-addicts. One thing you will have to admit about home brew, it works.

An Old Lay Reheated. Polly, put the powder on. Also put the paint. And put a hot dog on. To look like what you ain't.

An Oregon paper says a girl walked three miles after a wild auto ride. We never realized they liked 'em that much.

A road sign reads: "Drive slow, you might meet a fool." A better sign would be "Drive slow; two fools might meet."

Correspondent, Nomin; singular; third person, divorce case. Apply This to Humans. "Why, oh why," asks Amos Tash, "does the little pig with its pink little nose, neat little form and beautiful crop excite, become a dirty, ugly, shapeless, ill-mannered old hog. Can anyone answer the commandment?"

You Answer It. Little Girl, (as her mother overheard her fuss for the winter)—"Mother, what did mother do before Adam and Eve wore clothes?"

Cheer up, madam. One job worse than being a wife is being central and having to answer the telephone all day long.

For Sale

10 acres, practically adjoining the city limits with very good four-room house, chicken house and park and lawn about one-half this tract is in oak, pine and spruce. The price is only \$1,500.00. Terms: \$220 cash, balance \$25 per month. This is an exceptional value and will interest anyone who desires to keep a few cows, chickens and garden.

I have a client who has a practically new Dodge touring car, run less than 2,000 miles, looks as well as the day it left the factory. Owner desires to buy a residence, and will pay cash difference if the property is priced rightly, or will assume difference in price.

Two lots, close in, paved and sewer all paid for, just off Fourth street. The price will interest those who desire to build and live close in, near Mother's church.

I have a modern home, practically six rooms, two bathrooms, and an enclosed side porch, full basement, heating plant, wash trays, breakfast room, kitchen, built-in mirror, bonus built-in desk, on paved street, good plumbing and wiring. Immediate possession to be given.

Several small homes priced right on easy payments.

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Clothes don't make the man. If they did, many food stores would buy clothing stores for their sons.

Correct this sentence: "The girls decided to do without new hats in order that Mother might have a new suit this time."

Lazy men without money, are always putting the load pedal on the idea that it takes money to make the mare go.

The last survivor of the crew of the "Monitor" has died again in Connecticut. Too bad! That makes 713 deaths out of a total crew of 69.

Almost any husband would make a perfect lover if he got Valentino's salary for doing it.

Swat 'Em Early. Soon the horsefly will be hatching. Hatching round the stable doors. Then the house flies will be catching. Dire diseases by the score.

In this powder and rouge are a flower isn't the only thing that is born to blush unseen.

There's one pull you can enjoy, that is the influence of a good bank account.

The man with money in the bank has it all over the fellow who does not have anything laid up for the future.

Put your spare dollars to work—invent in one or more of our—

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You work hard for your dollars—let them work for you.

Our Bank helps you to get ahead.

U.B. Thrifty says. Some men pull together—in opposite directions. La Grande NATIONAL BANK. SOUND-RELIABLE-PROGRESSIVE. Chautauqua, June 24th to 29th, inclusive.

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The L. D. S. Church held their Ward Conference last Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. Robert Baxter, his father, J. W. Baxter, Mr. Traylor, Mr. England and Lloyd Welch, one of the assistant superintendents, were here from La Grande to attend the conference. Misses Mabel and Portia Weston, Miss Mary Brooke is in Imbler visiting at the home of Miss Elizabeth Thron.

The Grande Ronde Chautauqua Now on at the Riverside Park. Third Day Afternoon: HAWAIIAN MELODIES LECTURE—"BOY, DAD AND COMPANY" LOT'S PACIFIC SERENADERS FRED E. GATES Admission 50c. Evening: MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA LECTURE—"COMMUNITY ACHES AND PAINS" LOT'S PACIFIC SERENADERS FRED E. GATES Steel guitars n'everything together with a real community doctor who prescribes freely. Admission 50c. Fourth Day Afternoon: "ROUGH DIAMONDS" LECTURE—"THE CHINA OF TODAY" THE SPRAGUES PAUL FUNG Admission 50c. Evening: "THE BUBBLE" THE SPRAGUE PLAYERS A three-act comedy which made a New York record enacted by the par-excellent Spragues. Admission 75c. Fifth Day Afternoon: A TRIP ON THE SHIP OF MELODY THE MARINE MAIDS Admission 50c. Evening: JOY NIGHT. "SAILING THE OCEAN BLUE" THE MARINE MAIDS All the pleasure of a sea voyage without the sea sickness Admission 50c. Sixth Day Evening: LA GRANDE MUNICIPAL BAND IN CONCERT ANDREW LONEY, DIRECTOR Patrons with cars will pass Y. M. C. A. corner to pick up pedestrians who have assembled there.