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## OFFICE CAT



**Myself and Me**  
I'm the best pal I ever had,  
I like to be with me,  
I like to tell myself  
Things confidentially,  
I often air and ask me  
If I shouldn't or I shouldn't,  
And I find that my advice to me  
Is always pretty good.  
I never get acquainted with  
Myself till here or late,  
And I find myself a hully chum,  
I treat me simply great,  
I never try to cheat me,  
I'm as tight as a cat's tail,  
No matter what may come or go,  
I'm on the square with me.

One thing you will have to admit  
about home brew, a friend of  
Junius, as he watched a group of  
"whisks" lounging in the shade of  
an awning, "is that it works."

"Dancing is easy," said the Or-  
Dee Kitten. "All you have to do  
is turn around and dust."

Two can live on bread and cheese  
and kisses if they don't run out of  
bread and cheese.

"Our great problem is not produc-  
tion, but distribution." Any  
bald headed man knows that.

(A messenger boy with a telegram  
for Mr. Smith rings at two o'clock  
in the morning): "Does Mr. Smith  
live here?"  
Feminine Voice (wearily): "Yes,  
bring him in."

When Eve ate the apple and gave  
Adam the core,  
She laid the foundation of the de-  
partment store.

From an apron of flannel her ward-  
robe has grown  
Till it fills a skyscraper of brick,  
steel and stone.

Asking "Grace?"  
One evening the young minister,  
who had seemed rather attracted by  
"Big Sister" Grace, was dining with  
the family. "Little Sister" was talk-  
ing rapidly when the visitor was  
about to ask the blessing. Turning to  
the child, he said in a tone of mild  
reproof:

"Laura, I am going to ask grace."  
"Well, it's about time," answered  
"Little Sister" in an equally reproving  
tone. "We've been expecting you to  
do it for a year, and she has, too."

Junius went into a local restau-  
rant the other day and dined.  
She returned and said that the  
"steak was so tough that I  
couldn't even stick the fork in the  
gravy!"

**Optimistic**  
A wife whose husband is in active  
service recently presented him with  
a bouncing boy. She wrote and asked  
him when he would get home, and  
when the war would be over. He re-  
plied:

"Dear Maggie—I don't know when  
I shall get home or when the war will  
be over, but if the boy should be  
deaf before I get a furlough give  
him a parcel of socks to bring over  
to me."

A female dumbbell is she who thinks  
that a chemise envelope is a new kind  
of stationery.

We're going to the ball game to-  
morrow, by cracky!

Are you?

### INDIANS TO HAVE JAIL.

KLAMATH FALLS, OR., July 21.—  
The civilizing influence of a federal  
jail is assured for the Klamath In-  
dian reservation according to Fred  
A. Baker, local superintendent. In  
connection with the  
the government has consented to the  
establishment of a court of Indian  
offenses to be presided over by three  
Indian delegates to deal with all  
minor offenses of the redmen.  
Formerly an Indian charged with  
possession of a pint of moonshine on  
the reservation was sent to Portland  
for trial where he promptly had all  
his friends who would enjoy a trip to  
the metropolis subpoenaed at govern-  
ment expense to come and testify for  
him.

Read the Observer Want Ads.

**Refreshing**  
A Bath with  
**VANTINES**  
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Exquisitely Odored.  
Delightfully Refreshing  
The Combination Box  
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## ROAD CONDITIONS IN EASTERN OREGON

According to the weekly report of the State Highway Commission the condition of highways in Eastern Oregon is as follows:

- La Grande-Joseph Highway**  
(Road to Willowa Lake)  
La Grande-Island City: Paved.  
Island City-Alice: Excellent macadam.
- Allegheny-Imbler: New grade in fair condition.**
- Imbler-Elgin: Old road over hill very rough but passable.**
- Elgin-Minam-Lostine: Macadamized and in excellent condition.**
- Lostine-Enterprise: Under construction; turn off at Wade's Cross-Enterprise-Joseph: Excellent macadam.**
- Joseph-Willowa Lake: Good condition and take hill road to Enterprise.**
- Baker-Cornucopia Highway**  
Baker-Halway: 19 miles macadam; 21 miles graded roadbed. Balance fair county road. New grade on lower Powder River between Lower Bridge and Black Bridge now open to traffic.
- Baker-Unity Highway**  
Road over Dooley Mountain now open. Fair county road.
- Old Oregon Trail—East of The Dalles**  
Ontario-Huntington Baker-La Grande-Mecham: Macadamized entire distance and in excellent condition.
- Mecham-Deadman's Pass: Approximately five miles of the distance between these points is unsurfaced but in very good condition.**
- Deadman's Pass-Pendleton: Excellent macadam.**
- Pendleton-Linnville-Arlington-The Dalles: Macadamized entire distance.**
- Old Oregon Trail—West of The Dalles**  
Columbia River Highway Section  
The Dalles-Mosier-Hood River-Cascade Locks-Portland: Paved entire distance.
- Portland-Seppone-Duer Island-Rainier-Castlake-Astoria-Scaside: Paved entire distance except one mile through city of Rainier, where paving operations are under way. Take about four year old macadamized road one block south of highway.**
- Oregon-Washington Highway**  
Pendleton-Washington State Line: Paved.
- Pendleton-Pilot Rock: 5 miles good earth road; 10 miles macadam.**
- Pilot Rock-Vinson: 15.7 miles macadam in good condition.**
- Vinson-Butter Creek-Jones Hill: County road. Very rough and rock, but passable.**
- Jones Hill-Heppner: Standard grade in good condition. Under contract for macadamizing.**
- Heppner-Heppner Junction (junction of Columbia River Highway): Macadamized and in excellent condition.**
- Central Oregon Highway**  
Bend-Insurance: Fair dirt road.
- Burns-Crane: Macadamized and in good condition.**
- Crane-Vale: Rough.**
- Burns-Vale (via Drewsey, Bend and Westfall): Dirt road in fair condition but with many rough and rocky stretches.**
- Vale-Ontario: County road in fair condition.**
- Ontario-Cario: One mile macadamized; remainder in fair condition.**
- Cairo-Nyssa: Macadamized and in good condition.**

### Auto Topics



#### About Wrist Pins

A wrist pin knock is a danger signal all too often neglected—your motor can be wrecked by a loose pin. If you are traveling fast at the time, you will be lucky if you do not ram an approaching car or one parked by the road, or hurtle into a crowd.

Properly adjusted wrist pins break at times, and make trouble. Insurance will make good your loss, both for damage to your car, and to the person or property of others if involved in a mixup.

Get automobile insurance here covering fire, theft, collision, liability and property damage.

#### Security Insurance Agency

CHAS. H. REYNOLDS, Manager,  
La Grande Oregon  
"Insurance With Service"

**Dr. Marshall Cup Play.**  
BAKER, July 21.—The qualification rounds for the Dr. Marshall cup will be played on Sunday on the Baker Country club links. The play will be 18 holes handicap with 16 to qualify. The play for the directors' cup, started two weeks ago, will be finished next week, if possible.



The Straight Lines of the New Modes Are Gracefully Achieved By Wearing "La Camille"

**Front Lace Corsets**  
Never have the styfs called so insistently for lines that are straight and slender. "La Camille" works wonders in gently persuading surplus flesh into fashion's silhouette—makes your gown a smooth-fitting success. You'll love the new models of "La Camille"—giving you the lines and buoyancy of youth. Low-topped and of dainty fabrication—lightly boned—but visible only in their benefits. Be fitted to your individual model of "La Camille" and enjoy a youthful figure and a flexible ease that is delightful. A complete line of the latest models always on hand.

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## Town Rousing Prices

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BOYS SUITS ..... 1-3 LESS  
FURNISHINGS ..... 20% LESS  
BATHING SUITS ..... 20% LESS  
TRUNKS, BAGS ..... 25% LESS  
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REMARKABLE SAVINGS IN MENS & WOMENS SHOES  
"WALKING IS CHEAP NOW"

## Our July Sale Continues

### Ash Brothers

"The Store that Keeps Faith With the People"

WANT TO BUY OR SELL SOMETHING?—TRY AN OBSERVER WANT AD

## A New Book Out By Harold Bell Wright

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PUBLISHERS:

On account of the heavy demand for HAROLD BELL WRIGHT'S NEW BOOK The dealers are allowed to place it for sale on July 20th.

**"THE MINE WITH THE IRON DOOR"**  
By Harold Bell Wright  
Customers on our waiting list may get their copy now

## Newlin Book & Stationery Co.

**U.B. Thrifty says—**

We Close Holidays

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"Two proofs of Independence—Old Glory and a Bank Account"

## La Grande NATIONAL BANK

SOUND-RELIABLE-PROGRESSIVE

One hundred and forty-seven years ago, this—the greatest nation in the world—was born.

We are indeed proud of the fact that we are American Citizens, and as our flag floats to the breeze, let us one and all be thankful for the

FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE that is our inheritance.

May we work with one accord in preserving the principles of life, liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.

### Are We Active?

This morning, before seven o'clock, the editor of the Evening Observer lined up in a local eating house for breakfast when in came a bunch of tourists. They were motorists who knew what it means to be on the road.

"Good morning," said all members of the party to everyone in the place.

Before the breakfast had finished the man spoke to a few people saying his name was "Loeffler," that he was a clothier from Grand Junction, Colorado, and that his town was quite well pleased with George Garratt who formerly lived in La Grande but who is now city manager of Grand Junction.

Before leaving Mr. Loeffler paid a high tribute to the Oregon Trail saying he would take no other route to California and insisting that the entire country agreed with him in this.

As the party entered their machine to journey on, one of the men hastily alighted and entered the restaurant with a bunch of Grand Junction literature. As he handed it out to different ones he said, "we like your country wonderfully well for you have a fine country, but wont you study up a bit about Grand Junction and when you have an opportunity come back and see us?"

Now, for trim, dignified boosting we contend that fellow Loeffler and his party have got the world cheated. As the pur of their Premier car died away we could but wonder if La Grande people were playing the tourist game in the proper manner. Are we active?

### With Villa Gone

For the hundredth time and more Villa is dead. This time it seems authentic that he died the same death as Jesse James, shot from ambush by someone who was supposed to be his friend.

But the manner of his death means little to the world. The fact that he has been bumped off and is no longer a figure in Old Mexico is the chief thing of interest. So long as Villa lived he was feared. He played the game of politics according to the old rules, which was to make them fear you rather than love you.

While Mexico ostensibly has been going on without Villa, yet he has been a factor in everything that the southern country has done of late. Nestling in his large ranch he appeared to be lost to the world, yet he was of great importance in every question of state.

With his body cold in death Mexican leaders can now step out without fear and advance some statesmanship ideas for the up building of that great country and for the re-establishing of permanent relations.

Villa was a plain outlaw—a bandit with no regard for law or order, with a desire to incite revolt and treason. He was an advocate of the burning torch, the disregarding of law. He may have had his good qualities, too, but certainly he has been a mighty bad man for Mexico. His active career has set Mexico back fifty years in the procession of civilization.

### Joyful Cove

King Bing and Queen Anne hold Cove by the throat these days. The cherry is the subject of conversation, the cause of constant work and the returns are very gratifying. Campers fill the streets, tents are everywhere, the snort of the Ford without muffler warns the pedestrian to hunt cover for the cherry pickers have right-of-way and they swing up and down the streets of Cove with as much ease as mining men of Goldfield ever displayed when the Little Florence mine was giving up her ore and sending the stocks skyrocketing on the exchange.

Cove is at herself this year and no mistake. The Stackland boys are busier than the proverbial cranberry merchants caring for their cherries, packing fancy boxes in the Stackland packing house. The Co-operative packing house is working a number of people and everywhere there is energy and hustle.

John Dean, a large grower and dealer in cherries, is buying all that is offered at nine cents a pound and he is kept mighty busy handling the different deals each day.

Providence has blest Cove in many ways this season. In the first place she has a record breaking crop; secondly, the price is higher than a Tom Cat's back in the dead hour of night, and third, nature is ripening the lowland cherries first and holding back the cherries on the foothills which gives the pickers a long campaign of work and makes them happy.

When the tired day sinks into the arms of restful night in different parts of Cove one can hear the contented workers singing songs and smell the pipe smoker's tobacco as he sends the curling smoke into the night air—resting and smoking after the day's work is done. Young people full of pep and ginger seek the dance hall or the swimming tank, and joy is unconfined in Cove during the cherry picking season.

Not much can be done to remedy conditions resulting from dangerous curves on the streets while the girls dress as they do these days.

It was only natural that artificial lightning should be the next development after the artificial thunder produced by political craters.