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**PRAYER FOR TODAY:**—O Lord God, I pray thee, send me good speed this day.—Genesis 24:15.

## Let Styles Be Stable

The beginning of an emancipation from a tyranny, which from its continuance for a long series of years without challenge, had acquired almost a prescriptive right, was announced at the convention of the Associated Dress Industries of America, held at Atlantic City. A former chief of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, who is now manager of the marketing division of a large corporation in New York, made the somewhat startling assertion that the American public no longer obsequiously accepts the overlordship of Paris in creation of style.

From the situation here revealed there is needed but one step forward to achieve absolute American freedom in the art of dress design. That that freedom ought to exist in a country with a \$1,500,000,000 dress industry, which is yet only in its infancy, goes without saying. A survey recently made shows that the industry is becoming less seasonal in character and that large economies in production are therefore possible. There is also evident a growing disposition on the part of women throughout the country to accept American ready-made dresses.

While the dress industry in the United States is carried on a grand scale, it has hitherto been on a rather precarious footing, caused by the rapid change in styles, whereby the life of a particular model of garment may be limited to five or six weeks. This precariousness and uncertainty naturally lead to hand-to-mouth buying on the part of retailers and a similar policy on the part of the manufacturer in the matter of purchasing materials. In their own interest and for the sake of national thrift the producers of dresses and dress materials ought to set their faces against those kaleidoscopic changes of style to which we have of late grown accustomed.

## Their Loss Is Heavy

The Japanese have fixed the loss of life in the earthquake at about 245,000. This does not tell the whole story, however. The injured, the families broken up are factors to be added to the human side of the loss and necessarily they must increase the total. There must in the very nature of the case be an additional loss from shattered morale. Such a calamity could not be experienced and leave all the survivors unaffected psychologically. Not less potent than shell-shock to unsettle nerves would be the experience which many thousands underwent yet escaped with their lives.

The property loss is another matter and that can be retrieved in time. With astonishing zeal the people have set to work to rebuild their homes. To restore normal living conditions will be a matter of time. The means by which a vast portion of the population have earned a livelihood have been destroyed and must be restored. Thus the unsettlement has wide ramifications and presents an enormous problem in rebuilding. In the meantime there must be readjustments in order that the rehabilitation may proceed. The lack of indications of discouragement and the energy with which the Japanese have set about retrieving their financial loss commands the admiration of the world.

## Political Claptrap

From Pennsylvania comes the report of a new form of official oath for notaries. They are now called on to pledge themselves to support, defend and obey the constitution "including the eighteenth amendment and the national and state laws enacted to carry that amendment into effect."

Why the stress on the eighteenth amendment? Isn't the amendment a part of the constitution and therefore already sworn to? Is there any extra force in an oath so specified? Every notary subscribing to the constitution is bound to subscribe to the eighteenth amendment. The attempted distinction in the validity or sacredness of portions of the constitution is a blunder on the part of the authorities prescribing the oath. Their action is petty political claptrap, obviously intended to fool the people into believing that these authorities are special champions of the law.

A Brooklyn church announces that "bizarre will be given." Some church services reported of late have been decidedly that.

It is "predicted" that Germany will ask for an American loan. That is no prediction, it is a safe bet.

Already Christmas tree cutting has been begun in Canada. Doing the Christmas chopping early.

As a game, playing politics in the United States senate has mah-jong backed off the board.

Sugar is bounding up. And nothing to can! Here's something to investigate.

## THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



THE HAIR BRUSH AT THE CENTRAL HOTEL WASH STAND WAS DISCARDED EARLY TODAY.

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**Something good at our mid-day lunch at our soda fountain Monday and Tuesday. Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store. 12-5-11**

**Stockholders' Annual Meeting.**  
Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the stockholders of the La Grande National Bank will be held at their banking house in La Grande, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1924, at 10 o'clock A. M. At this meeting a Board of Directors will be elected to serve for the year 1924 and such other business will be transacted as may properly offer.  
P. L. MEYERS,  
Cashier. 12-5-24

**Now is the time to order Xmas trees. E. O. Morris. Call 222-R. 12-7-24**

**Life is a cycle of accidents and illness. These troubles come when we least expect them, oftentimes unheralded. When sickness arises, remember, this is the capable drug store. The place where you can have prescriptions put up quickly and carefully, in a most dependable way and all kinds of quick and expert medical ready for you early and late. It is never too late at night for us. Kindly bear in mind when you need such service, Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store. 12-6-21**

**A Real Lunch.**  
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**Christmas times are coming. You will need some real sensible articles from your drug store, such as perfumes, toilet water, pomades, face creams and powders, pretty brushes and mirrors, fancy boxes of stationery, from the best manufacturers at the extreme end, and at prices that will appeal to you, because of their economy. You will find that our prices are less than ever before for all these items and at a time when you want your dollars to go the furthest possible. You will drop in and see us about this at Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store. 12-6-21**

**We have the most complete line of assorted box candy in town. The Rainbow, Joe Williams, Prop. 12-7-21**

**December tenth, last day to pay the water rent without a penalty. 12-4-21**

**Real values that now is most needed by all. You will not forget to see us about our real values, our reasonable prices, our nice and sensible suggestions, in all good and sensible articles for Christmas, at Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store. 12-9-21**

**December tenth, last day to pay the water rent without a penalty. 12-4-21**

**Annual Stockholders Meeting.**  
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the United States National Bank of La Grande, Oregon, will

be held at their banking rooms on Tuesday, January 8th, at ten o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting.  
T. J. SCROGGIN,  
Executive. 12-6-11

**Don't forget to run over to the M. E. church dining room Friday and Saturday, December 7 and 8. There's a reason. 12-6-21**

**We have anything in the box candy line. Try our lunches. Homemade hot tamales and chili. The Rainbow, Joe Williams, Prop. 12-7-21**

**To Springfield Policyholders, La Grande, Oregon.**  
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Springfield P. & M. Ins. Co., W. L. HARNAN, Supt. of Agencies. 12-8-12

**Regular Dance, EAGLE'S HALL.**  
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Every Wednesday Night Old Time Dance.  
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Loney's Orchestra. Auspices W. O. W. No. 163. 12-8-21

**Teachers' Examinations.**  
Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Union County, Oregon, will hold the regular examination of applicants for State Certificates at the Court House, La Grande, Oregon, as follows: Commencing Wednesday, December 12, 1923, at 9:00 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, December 22, 1923, at 4:00 o'clock p. m.

**Wednesday Forenoon.**  
U. S. History, Writing (Penmanship), Music, Drawing.

**Wednesday Afternoon.**  
Physiology, Reading, Manual Training, Composition, Domestic Science, Methods in Reading, Course of Study for Drawing, Methods in Arithmetic.

**Thursday Forenoon.**  
Arithmetic, History of Education, Psychology, Methods in Geography, Mechanical Drawing, Domestic Art, Course of Study for Domestic Art.

**Thursday Afternoon.**  
Grammar, Geography, Stenography, American Literature, Physics, Typewriting, Methods in Language, Thesis for Primary Certificate.

**Friday Forenoon.**  
Theory and Practice, Orthography (Spelling), Physical Geography, English Literature, Chemistry.

**Friday Afternoon.**  
School Law, Geometry, Algebra, Civil Government.

**Saturday Forenoon.**  
Geometry, Botany.

**Saturday Afternoon.**  
General History, Bookkeeping. Yours very truly,  
J. A. CHURCHILL,  
Superintendent of Public Instruction. Dec. 5-10-12

**An Ideal Gift.**  
Everyone loves the scenery of Eastern Oregon and of the big mountains between La Grande and the Willowa lake. See these hand tinted enlargements of beautiful scenes done by Richardson, "The Art Man" in the window of his shop this week. These hand tinted photographs beautifully and correctly framed ready to give as gifts at Christmas time for from \$1.00 each and up.  
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## GRANGE MEET

**HEARS J. D. MICKLE TALK**  
(Continued from page 1)

passed recently by the state legislature supporting too many separate creameries.

J. E. Reynolds of this city, spoke on "Cooperative Marketing" following Mr. Mickle's address.

M. J. Carter of Cove being a vocal solo, Charles Spencer and his daughter, Miss Juanita, sang a duet. Mrs. Best Grant read a selection, Charles Amos, played an instrumental solo and the little daughter of Mr. Nico recited a selection.

Members of both granges present acclaimed the meeting a complete success. The meeting was begun about 11 o'clock in the morning and continued until late in the afternoon.

It's strange how righteous various sections of the country feel while some other section is having its reputation ruined on the first page.

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