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BETTER THAN RUBIES: — Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me. —John 5:39.

Thirty Years in One Church

We were deeply impressed with the remarks of Rev. W. C. Ross, pastor of the Presbyterian church of La Grande the other day when he paid the last sad human tribute to Mrs. Esther Anson, deceased. Among other things he said was that Mrs. Anson had been an active member of the Presbyterian church of this city for thirty years.

That means a great deal when one stops to think it over. It means that Mrs. Anson as a young woman attended the regular Sunday service, the weekly prayer, perhaps sang in the choir; that as a woman in middle life she continued in those splendid habits of the Christian life, and in old age her loyalty to her church never faltered. To have a church home for thirty years, to think daily of the church work, to engage in the religious and social activities of Christian denominations molds character and form those excellent habits which shape the individual so that his or her life brings good to associates, and in a broad sense acts as a pillar for right in the community.

Such was the life of Mrs. Anson. These fine traits were beautifully portrayed by the pastor of her church.

A Little Hazy

Sometimes legal terms grow a trifle hazy and to the laymen there are acts by statute that seem misnamed. For instance, Dee Rogers, a notorious colored individual in La Grande, has just been detained by federal officers on the allegation that he has violated the White Slave act, when as a matter of fact the other party to the alleged transaction is a mulatto woman hailing from the state of Texas.

Just how the term "White Slavery" applies to the case of Dee Rogers will be determined by the federal judge, and it is a safe guess that the high official will not let a thing like color stand in the way of swift punishment for Rogers if he is found guilty.

Henceforth, let no colored man think he can evade the provision of that law which says "White Slavery" by taking unto himself a black or yellow woman. In the eyes of the law the word "White" will probably be obliterated, or at least disregarded, and Dee Rogers will doubtless be punished, if found guilty, to the same extent as if he were of alabaster and his co-partner in the alleged crime were of a lilly white complexion.

Union County's Tax

The county court has levied 17.8 mills as the state and county tax for the coming year. This is but seven-tenths of a mill greater than last year. In this tax is included interest on the county road bonds and the redemption fund established to redeem the bonds.

Of course the tax would have been greater this year had not the state tax commission computed the possible amount to be raised by the state income tax and deducted from that the amount which general property must pay. It is the first echo of the state income tax, and it is not a bad start.

The future of the income tax in Oregon depends wholly upon the way the department functions and the efficiency of the work of the collectors.

The Portland Oregonian has brought common, old-fashioned spelling from the attic and made the whole city of Portland take a hand in a spelling bee. This shows the power of the press when directed in the right direction. The same newspaper now proposes organizing a "Safe Drivers' club" and here's hoping as good results will follow with the second community effort.

All Ford dealers in Oregon can rest easy—Henry will not run for president and no dealer will be compelled to carry his precinct for the Detroit man. Henry will probably tell them now to get in and sell more cars since their time will not be given to politics.

The woman at Hood River who advertised for a husband who was willing to pay her $200 hospital bill has been arrested by the police of that city. Evidently the "poor, lone widda" has no chance whatever in Hood River.

Those who are fighting "Doc" McFarland should bear this in mind: While they may not like him, it is a safe bet that he will make a good collector of customs. And, after all, isn't that what any administration desires?

If we really are money-mad why does youth prefer a white collar job with its beggarly salary to a trade paying a princely wage?

Careless giving is condemned. If most people gave otherwise they wouldn't give at all.

A visiting Teuton says Germany is a very sick country. And it makes others sick.

THE OLD HOME TOWN • • By Stanley

It isn't quite Christmas but when the inspiration seizes you you just gotta get it offen your chest Here's a Christmas poem:

Oh, let us be happy,
And full of good cheer,
For Christmas comes
But once a year,
But spare us, St. Nick,
From the well-meaning friend,
Who slips us a gift
When we've no more to spend.

A fellow in Wallowa recently asked a friend what he would do if an airplane dropped a load of bonded liquor in his back garden. The night following half of the male population visited the garden.

A WOMAN EXPECTS TO QUIT QUARRELING WHEN A MAN ADMITS HE'S WRONG.

A man doesn't mind wearing a seedy suit of clothes if his friends know he's got a better one at home. But a woman—!

A Few Thoughts

A girl never gives up hope until she is entrusted with the husband of a very jealous woman.

The first egotist was the man who had just kissed a pretty girl.

A rather neat way to prevent failing in love is to commit suicide.

A cynic is a man who was asked by his wife, while they were on their honeymoon, if his life was insured.

Seems like women can't catch anything any more unless they expose themselves.

The man who never has time to vote is the one who says "they" are ruining the country.

DON'T BUY THERMOMETERS IN THE SUMMER. THEY ARE LOWER IN THE WINTER.

Don't procrastinate. The only fellow who ever gets anywhere by letting things slide is the trombone player.

GO TO CHURCH TOMORROW.

Personal Mention

Mrs. Laverna Fuller of Wallowa, passed through La Grande last evening on her way to Lewiston, Ida.

Mrs. D. B. Ashby of La Grande, left for Prinston, Washington, where she will spend a short time visiting.

Mrs. Edith Pechiam of La Grande, left last evening for Portland, where she will visit for a short time.

Mrs. J. Ward and daughter, of La Grande, left for Umatilla to spend Christmas.

Miss Margaret Chandler of La Grande, left for Portland on a short visit.

Miss Levern Galloway of La Grande, left for Portland, where she will visit for a short time.

Miss Leran Goodfellow of Wallowa, left for Telso Rock, Washington, to spend Christmas.

Mrs. W. W. Kinzie left this morning on No. 4 for Canton, Illinois, where she will spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Toney.

Miss Lillian Cooper of Wallowa, left for Pendleton, where she will visit for several days.

Mrs. J. G. Haynes of Alicel, left for Portland on a short visit.

LADIES HELP IN SEAL SALE

According to Mrs. William Grundy, chairman of the Neighborhood Club committee sponsoring the Christmas Red Cross seal sale in La Grande, approximately one half of the quota has been raised.

The remaining ladies who are on the sales committee who were not named a few days ago when the lists of postoffice workers was published, are as follows:

Newkirk Book Store: Mrs. Fred Meyers, chairman; Monday, Mrs. William Peare, Mrs. Harry Lacey; Wednesday, Mrs. Charles Gump, Mrs. J. C. Snodgrass; Tuesday, Mrs. Julius Roesch, Mrs. Fred Spaeth; Thursday: Mrs. H. M. Turner, Miss Rose Burke; Friday, Mrs. Lynn Larson; Mrs. Fitzgerald Saturday, Mrs. C. E. Hallmeyer, Mrs. Hilary; Monday, Miss Beulah Stithem.

La Grande National Bank: Monday: Mrs. Frank Jackson, Mrs. D. S. McKay and Mrs. Donald Pugne; Tuesday: Mrs. Pearch, Mrs. John Daniels; Wednesday: Mrs. D. Donahue; Thursday: Mrs. Claude Scranton; Mrs. D. S. McKay; Friday, Mrs. Robert Newlin; Saturday, Mrs. Lena Jones Hollister; Monday: Mrs. C. J. Osborne.

United States National Bank: Mrs. Lester Bramwell, chairman; Monday: Mrs. Clyde Zimmerman, Mrs. William Nelson; Tuesday: Mrs. Lenora Coalwell, Mrs. Elsie Watson; Wednesday: Mrs. Fred Spaeth; Thursday: Mrs. C. W. Bunting; Saturday: Mrs. Adrian Bee; Monday, Mrs. Lester Bramwell.

J. C. Penny Store: Mrs. Fred Kiddle, chairman; Tuesday: Mrs. William Day; Wednesday: Mrs. French; Thursday, Miss Carrie Hunter; Friday: Mrs. Grover Grimsell; Saturday, Isabel Miller and Ella Belle Kitchen; Monday: Mrs. Guy Spencer.

Mills Department store: Mrs. Rosenbaum Lyman, chairman; Miss Florence Stoddard, Mrs. W. S. Barer; Mrs. J. J. Pearson; Mrs. W. J. Briggs; Mrs. Earl Stoddard; Miss Fredra Danielrom.

Thursday at the postoffice: Mrs. George Cochran.

Monday at Hooverized: Dorothy Caldwell.

Saturday at Silverthorn-Wright's drug store: Judith Brown and Lois Nordlee.

BULLETINS

PHONE SERVICE IS PROTESTED

SALEM, Or. — Patrons of the Cloverdale Telephone company have filed with the public service commission a complaint charging inadequate service. Subscribers for the service living at Orestown, Neskowin and Cloverdale signed the complaint. Headquarters of the company are at Cloverdale, in Tillamook county. The complaint included a resolution adopted by Orestown grange, No. 554, condemning the telephone service.

Y. M. C. A. in Japan to Rebuild

TOKIO, (AP)—The Y. M. C. A. intends to rebuild its hall, gymnasium and technical schools in the Kanda district of Tokio, destroyed by the earthquake and fire. The buildings will be erected on the old site, which is one of the student centres of the city. The work will occupy about three years.

A bowling success: Triplets.

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Blouses	Novelty Jewelry
Bath Robes	Silk and Wool Dress Goods
Gloves	Vanity Cases
Furs	Handkerchiefs
Toilet Articles	Slippers
Stationery	Luggage

THINGS TO CONSIDER
When Buying His Gifts

You must take into consideration his taste for colors and patterns, his size, and the usefulness of the gift to the individual man. A useless article is never appreciated. Let us make your selection easier by suggesting:

Interwoven Socks	Belts
Silk and Knit Ties	Slippers
Silk and Madras Shirts	Silk Underwear
Pajamas	Gloves
Hats	Handkerchiefs
Scarfs	Sweater Coats
Bath Robes	Luggage

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Olympia Oyster or Dungeness Crab Cocktail
CHOICE OF
Chicken Consomme or Cream of Tomato Soup
Celery en Branch Olives Pickles
CHOICE OF
Waldorf Salad Cream Dressing Shrimp Salad
Head Lettuce, French Dressing
CHOICE OF
Roast Turkey, Chestnut Dressing Cranberry Sauce
Roast Stuffed Spring Chicken, Celery Dressing
Au Gratin Mashed Sweet Potatoes
CHOICE OF
Stewed Corn, Green Peas, Spinach
Cauliflower en Cream
CHOICE OF
Silver Grill Plum Pudding
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