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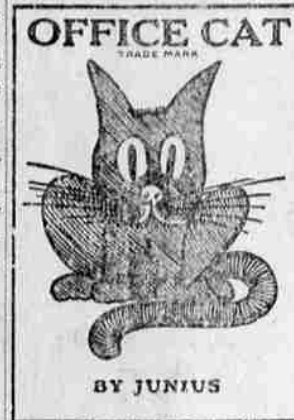
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Let us reason together, with the
Lord: though your sins be as scar-
let, they shall be as white as snow.
—Isa. 1:18.

THE OLD HOME TOWN . . . Ry Stanley



RUMMAGE SALE NEWS - FIFTH DAY -
AFTER MRS. UDSON FOUND A DRESSING SACK SHE HAD GIVEN TO
MRS. DE VAUGHN FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT A NUMBER OF WOMEN
TRIED TO GET BACK ARTICLES THEY HAD DONATED TO THE SALE



OFFICE CAT
BY JUNIUS

one of the Elks Club, but as there
were several broadcasting stations
sending we could tune to another
station, and receive good broad-
cast, until they tuned that receiver
of the club throughout the even-
ing, we would get plenty of good
radio, as going from one station
to another, now things have
changed, the broadcasting stations
are more numerous, also have
greater power, and we have also
improved the receivers, until we
have fine reception until someone
interferes with a regenerative re-
ceiver, and as there are now a
good many of these interfering re-
ceivers in La Grande it is almost
impossible to get good radio re-
ception in the heart of the City.
This condition exists in almost all
larger cities, and it is an ac-
count of these interfering receivers
that there are so many whistles
and squeaks in the air.

Some dealers have filled the air
with those whistles by selling
these regenerative sets which
never have been designed for broad-
cast, but are being sold to their
customers how to keep the
bull from oscillating, which pro-
duces that whistle.

These dealers either sold these
receivers knowing that they in-
terfered—just for the money in it
—or else, they did not know
that they interfered, were not en-
titled to the business, as the pub-
lic is absolutely ignorant of what
kind of a receiver that they want
—they want one to enable them
to get good radio.

These dealers have upset the
radio to such an extent that peo-
ple every place are up in arms
about those whistles, and want
them exterminated, and they are
going to be very soon and will
have to be in order to preserve
the future of radio. I wrote to
Herbert Hoover in regard to this,
and he assured me that both the
federal agents interference and the
regenerative interference were be-
ing taken care of in a bill now be-
ing framed which would be acted
on soon, and stated that he would
refer my letter to the committee
who are drafting the bill.

Before going further quoting
some other authority on the elimi-
nation of this interference, I
wish to state that if you will
come over to Enterprise, and dis-
cuss with me, I will show you
entertainment from 5 o'clock in
the evening until 12:00 o'clock at
midnight, without more than a
dollar, these regenerative whist-
ling, squeaking, and in the
radio, will be clearer than you
can get it in La Grande. I want
to state that the reason is that al-
most all the radio here in radio
that does not put any odd sounds in
the air, the reason being that
most of them are radio frequency
sets.

When ever any one came to me
with a story that they were going
to make a receiver and they pro-
duced the "hook up" they were
expecting to use, if it was a re-
generative one, I immediately got
busy, and explained to them why
they had it, and I gave him one
which would not interfere, we
have only one interfering re-
ceiver in the community at the
present time, one who could not
be influenced to make the right
kind of a set.

Radio is a wonderful thing,
which does not amount to much when
it has to be spoiled by some one
turning all the time with a mean
and interfering receiver, at it
is now here in La Grande.

The Oregonian at December 30
prints in part: "The radio fans of
the county now number around
15,000, and are chiefly inter-
ested in some means to eliminate
the various forms of interference
they encounter in their reception
of broadcast programmes."

"Spark stations are continually
breaking in during the middle of
the excellent program, and the air
is 'checked full' or 'howled' and
is caused by 'radiating' receivers."
"These must be eliminated or
at least minimized so that the pro-
grammes may be enjoyed to the
fullest extent."

"A bill is now being prepared
by representatives Wallace H.
White, Jr. of Maine, who expects
to introduce it before congress in
a few weeks. Radio fans of the
Northwest can help it along by
communicating with their con-
gressmen immediately, urging
them to vote for the new White
bill when it is introduced. This
is a matter of utmost importance
to the radio public."

A letter written now to your
senator or representative in con-
gress will give you future pro-
grammes with no interference.

Write that letter tonight."
Again the Oregonian under
date of Jan. 8th under the head-
ing "Action Against Radio Inter-
ference Likely to be Sweeping,"
it says in part:

"All regenerative receivers re-
radiate more or less if improperly
handled. . . . In the writers opin-
ion the regenerative receiver
should be outlawed, whether it be
single, double or three circuit af-
fair. In the first place it wasn't
designed by Armstrong for broad-
cast reception. As a receiver for
continuous wave telegraph signals
where noise and distortion are of
little harm, it cannot be bettered,
but for broadcasting work it is
a miniature boiler shop. Radio
broadcasting will gain a decided
improvement when the oscillating
receiver is relegated to the rub-
bish heap."

"Many fans say this talk of leg-
islation against the regenerative
receiver is propaganda created by
those manufacturers who deal
mainly in reflex and radio fre-
quency receivers. Perhaps in the
beginning this may have been true,
but it is not so today. Manufactur-
ers of regenerative receivers are
becoming aware of the fact that
their apparatus is killing the
market for future sales. One by
one they are turning their labor-
atory eyes over to the production
of radio frequency receivers."

"It may be propaganda on the
part of certain interests but it's
the right kind. It is being done
for the betterment of radio."

An editorial in the February
number of "Radio" gives the fol-
lowing in regard to interference.

"The name of Radio is inter-
ference. The worst cause of inter-
ference today is the regenerative
receiver in the hands of uninformed
or careless operators. The 'Hoop-
ing' in congested districts is well
nigh intolerable. Although care-
ful operation will minimize this
irritation, absolute prohibition of
re-radiation without license is the
only present answer to the prob-
lem."

"Humor" has it that the new
radio bill to be presented to Con-
gress will prohibit the use of re-
radiating receivers, as has al-

ready been done in England."
"Radio World" another prom-
inent radio publication has recent-
ly called a conference on the re-
radiation evil.

All this agitation has been
brought about by the introduction
of the radiating regenerative re-
ceiver, which needs well designed
for broadcast reception.

The last time I was at La
Grande, I listened to one of
with a regenerative receiver near-
ing, the regenerative backwards
and forwards across the carrier
wave of a broadcasting station,
evidently for no other purpose
than to create interference, and
I found out the next day that
some took this method of "chasing
some one else off from the
wave they wanted to listen in on,
and I will say here that the more
of that kind of business the more
the necessary legislation put-
ting the interfering receiver out
of business entirely.

I have cited the above editorial
and write-ups, on interference to
show you that legislation is bound
to come soon, as the interference
now in congested districts is so
great that in the large cities they
don't expect to get any "long dis-
tance" except on rare occasions
when there just happens to be no
interference.

Enterprise boasts of fine radio
reception. We heard President
Coolidge's message direct from
Washington D. C. also we heard
Ex-President Wilson's message on
the Harding memorial and Mc-
Adoo's message from Los Angeles,
getting every word without any
noticeable interference.

I am only citing the above to
show you that La Grande, and
larger cities, should not be pun-
ished with having poor radio
when the smaller places like En-
terprise and in the hills, get the
radio so clearly and it is no wonder
that some of us who have had
radio a long time and did get it
free, commence to complain of the
interference we have to put up
with now when we have made com-
parisons, and know that it is pos-
sible to get it clear but for the
"man made" interference, for
which the public is not to blame.

Baker's Annual Meet

Walter E. Meacham, secretary of the Baker Chamber of Commerce, and who has often been termed the "Ezra Meeker of the present day Oregon Trail," has issued invitations for the annual gathering of the Baker business people on Monday evening, February 11th at which time a review of the past year's work will be gone over and a jollification held over the final decision of the government to build the Baker Irrigation project. A number of the invitations reached La Grande today.

It is a good idea to round up things once each year and take stock. It is a good plan to meet around the dinner table and receive new inspiration on the Eastern Oregon development. Baker is to be commended on her Chamber of Commerce work. She has consistently and persistently kept constantly at it, and that is what spells success in any undertaking.

Revive The Curfew

La Grande should revive her curfew law and enforce it. Merely ringing the curfew bell means little, but a strict enforcement of the law would be an excellent thing for this or any other community.

Children unattended should not be out at night. There is no reason for it. And, too, if the curfew were strictly enforced it might cause some parents to revive the La Grande home instead of hurriedly eating the evening meal and ducking out, leaving their children to roam at will.

The House Organ

Of late years in institutions where many people are employed it has become very popular for the institution to issue a house organ—a small publication dealing with things that are of direct interest to those employed and printing items of interest to consumers of the product which is sold.

The Eastern Oregon Light and Power company, with its usual alertness to keep abreast of the times, has such a publication published by the company and edited by E. L. Crockatt, a newspaperman who has lately joined the ranks of the electric people.

The last issue of his publication contained some very interesting stories of proposed development, mention of the different employes, including a write-up of "Gene Walker, manager of the La Grande division. Mr. Walker has been with the E. O. L. & P. company since 1911, beginning as a line foreman. Later he was in charge of the division that dispensed power to the mines of the Sumpter country, coming to La Grande in October, 1921. His work here has been entirely satisfactory to the patrons of the company, for he believes all the letters of the alphabet spell only one word, and that word is "service."

Highbrow and Lowbrow

How people do delight in using the expressions, "highbrow" and "lowbrow." The man or woman who loves poetry, who delights in studying astronomy and philosophy is frequently mentioned as highbrow, while he who sticks to Bill Hart for his movie recreation is often dubbed a lowbrow.

But did it ever occur to you that everyone sees things according to their own lights? And they should. If they enjoy certain things in literature, in music or in the social realm; if they prefer exclusiveness to broad, open democratic association, it is a privilege which they have a perfect right to follow without undergoing the appellation of being a highbrow.

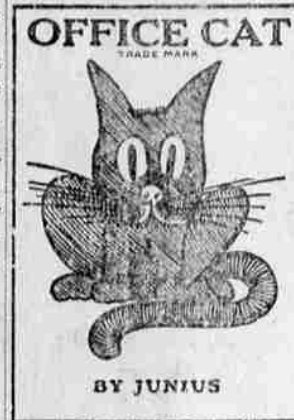
And if the person who enjoys Bill Hart or prefers to see a lyric show instead of attending grand opera and is not obnoxious to others he is entitled to his pleasures and his tastes without being chased as a lowbrow.

This world is big and broad and good for us all. Humanity has its own tastes, desires and convictions, and as the individual thinks, so is he. So long as he seeks his entertainment in channels which conflict not with the laws of the land and therefore is not obnoxious to his neighbor, let things go along and do not criticize. It is the finest thing in the world to pledge one's self for one single month to not speak ill, nor criticize any human being. At the end of the month one feels like a new person, his nature is smoother, his path of life is strewn with more flowers and he meets all persons with the knowledge that no word has left his lips which might cause the least irritation to any human being.

"Seattle man was kicked by a horse." How quaint and old-fashioned!

We will never know how the human race comes out until it is over.

Chewing gum may not be so nice but it is in good taste.



OFFICE CAT
BY JUNIUS

There was a girl in La Grande
And she was wonderful wise.
She used a little charcoal stick
And consulted her eyes.
But when the boys had found her
out,
She ran with might and main
And used a lot of soap and daps
To wash it out again!

The constable of a nearby town
(we won't mention his name be-
cause he liked to fight) got real
excited when he received from the
chief of police or one of the lar-
ger cities the photo of a rogue
taken in at different positions
who was wanted for burglary
two weeks later he wired the
chief the following of forty ar-
rested five of the men and all going
free the sixth caught.

More About Moxies.
(By Junius)

Every child that leaves port en-
counter a terrific storm and is
usually wrecked in which case
there are three survivors.

Any dark complexioned man with
a small mustache is a crook.

Every love affair has one such
creature.

When the hero is being incrim-
inated by the villain so that the
heroine refuses to recognize him,
he never goes to the letter to as-
sert his innocence but instead ap-
pears in a coma and thereby ap-
pears guilty until the heroine
eventually discovers his purity.

All heroes are brave, handsome
and athletic. All heroines are
faithful, beautiful kind. All vil-
lains are cruel, unscrupulous and
vile.

Love always transcends the
barrier between the rich and the
poor.

A fat man is never a crook nor
is a blond ever wicked.

A brick never hits the person
for whom it is intended.

Babies who wander outside the
house always get injured by an
automobile.

THE OPEN COURT

**CORRESPONDENTS MUST
SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO
THE EDITOR IF THEY DE-
SIRE LETTERS PRINTED.**

REGARDING MR. CLEAVER
Editor, La Grande Evening Ob-
server: within your issue of
last evening's publication of the
thank you of Geo. L. Cleaver,
which also appeared in the (Op-
inion) of your date, and I wish
to correct my inaccuracies which
appeared therein.

The La Grande National Bank
held notes of Cleaver in 1917 ag-
gregating \$14,000.00. We
collected on those notes out of
sales of collateral amounting \$7929.
The balance \$10,100.00 was charged
off as possible loss in November
1917. Later on, we thought it ad-
visable to sue Cleaver and obtain
a judgment for this latter amount,
which we did. The amount is
therefore \$10,100.00 not \$20,100.00
as stated in the last issue. I regret
and it was removed from our
books seven years ago.

We deem this correction neces-
sary so that no wrong deduction
may be made. Yours truly,
P. L. Meyer.

Editor of the Observer: I am
writing this to tell you what the
radio receiving situation is like
in La Grande, as compared with
other places that I go to demon-
strate my radio, also to tell you
of some of the prospective legis-
lation in regard to interfering or
re-radiating receivers, and will
quote from some of the various
newspapers, and radio periodicals
to support my report.

First of all I want to state that
when I put in my first receiver in
La Grande there was only one in-
terfering receiver, that being the

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them before they have been picked over.

The only receivers which are not
interfering at the present time,
are the radio frequency non-regen-
erative type and a hundred of
that type be operated here in
La Grande without any one of the
hundred operators knowing that
any of the others are being oper-
ated and any person now buying
a radio receiver, should be very
particular to see that the dealer
gives them one which will not be
legislated against in the near fu-
ture. If the dealer does not know
whether his receiver interferes or
not, he is not entitled to any busi-
ness on radio as the future of ra-
dio must be looked forward to
with a minimum of interference.
I will close now and hope that
you will find a place in your val-
ued paper to print this letter at
least in part. I am very truly
yours,
A. M. Heston.

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