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DAILY BIBLE THOUGHT

PRAYER:—Help us Lord, to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness; then we are assured all we need shall be added unto us.

Salem Is Growing

The state capital city of Oregon continues to grow and grow and grow. This was brought to mind by a recent issue of the Salem Statesman in which the industries of Marion county and the Willamette valley were well covered. It is an edition that Editor Robert Hendricks has placed a great deal of work upon and as a result he has given to his community an issue which is of vast benefit to every industry.

During the summer there is no doubt that this issue of the Statesman will do a lot for Salem, her merchants and her people in general.

A Tribute To Gov. Geer

When T. T. Geer, ex-governor of Oregon, died, many nice things were said of him, but it was left for his personal friend, Peter H. D'Arcy of Salem to round out the praise of the former Union county man who served his state as chief executive and served it well. Mr. D'Arcy's tribute follows:

In the death of Honorable Theodore T. Geer, tenth governor of the state of Oregon, the people have lost a true and tried friend. He was an honored son of Marion county having been born on a farm in the Waldo Hills near Silverton, on March 12, 1851. He remained on this farm until arriving at the age of 14 years, when he moved to the city of Salem and was a pupil at the old Institute school. The writer of this article attended the same school with Governor Geer while he was in Salem. After a brief time here he moved to Union county, in Eastern Oregon, where he remained until 1877, when he came back to the Waldo Hills farm.

In 1880 he was elected as one of the representatives of the legislature for Marion county. In 1889 he was again elected as one of our representatives in the legislature. The people of Marion county, having implicit confidence in his integrity, elected him the third time as a representative, at which session, on account of his ability as a presiding officer and knowledge of parliamentary law, the members selected him as speaker of the house. In 1891, at a special invitation, he made 15 political speeches in the state of Ohio. Mr. Geer was an able debater and stump speaker. In 1896 he was elected as a presidential elector and conveyed the electoral vote of Oregon to the city of Washington. In 1898 he was unanimously nominated as Republican candidate for governor. At the ensuing election he was elected by a handsome majority, indicating the high esteem in which he was held by the people of the state.

Governor Geer's record as governor was an enviable one. He discharged the duties of the office with marked ability and to the satisfaction of our people. After the expiration of his term as governor he engaged in newspaper work, being editor of the Statesman for a time. He was well adapted for the position of editor, as he was a writer of ability. His book, "Fifty Years in Oregon," is a fine pioneer history of the settlement of our state. It shows what talent Mr. Geer had for reminiscence and events which transpired in our early history. It is an interesting record of the formation and growth of Oregon.

Governor Geer was a pioneer and came from a noted pioneer family, his parents and many of his relatives taking part in the pioneer settlement of this commonwealth.

In his political career he was untiring in his efforts to accomplish for the people every possible good. He was sincere and honest in demanding what was right and just for the welfare of our citizens. No governor of our state discharged the responsible duties of his office better than Governor Geer. His acts were in accordance with the highest dictates of the gentleman and the well wishes of his constituents. Marion county and the state of Oregon will long remember his ability and loyalty to our growing state.

His education in the schools was somewhat limited, but through his individual and earnest efforts as a student he acquired a splendid knowledge of the affairs of the world, which caused him to be well equipped for the duties he was called upon to discharge in the various private and public positions in life. The beautiful and classic surroundings of his home in the Waldo Hills tended to inspire him with an ambition which was commensurate with his ability to fill.

Mr. Geer was a charming personality. He was devoted and constant in his friendships. His personal integrity was never questioned. Full of the milk of human kindness, his soul entered into the troubles and trials of unfortunate people whose lot was not cast in pleasant places. Among the pioneer element, of which he was an honored representative, his memory will be long cherished for his admirable qualities of heart and intellect. His death is a distinct loss to the state.

Our pioneer friend has solved the problems of this life, passed to the Great Beyond to take his place with the innumerable throng. His conflicts are over.

In halls of state he stood for many years,
Like fabled knight, his forehead all aglow!
Receiving, giving eternity, blow for blow!
Champion of right but from eternity's far shore
The spirit will return to join the strife no more.
Rest, former statesman, rest thy busy life is o'er

PETER H. D'ARCY.

We notice that Wynn Brown has bought the Vale Enterprise. And to make his staff complete he has employed Dottie I. Crummett [illegible] editor. With this excellent combination Vale will have a model newspaper. Mr. Brown is a thorough printer and knows how to run a newspaper, while Miss Crummett [illegible] able as editor.

THE OLD HOME TOWN - - By Stanley

WHEN POLK BRADLEY OPENED THE DOOR OF THE WEEKLY CLARION OFFICE DURING THE WINDSTORM MORE THAN TWO THIRDS OF THIS WEEKS EDITION OF THE PAPER BLEW OUT AN OPEN WINDOW—

Editorials From Over the Nation

LIVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Baker Herald: The active interest the people of La Grande take in the Union County Chamber of Commerce was evidenced at the annual banquet in that city last evening when more than 300 men and women of the railroad town were seated about the banquet tables. The program and every feature of the evening was an evidence of the progressive spirit of the citizens of La Grande. A number of Baker men enjoyed the hospitality of La Grande at the banquet and were impressed with the fact that our neighboring city is being piloted by a live chamber of commerce.

La Grande is fortunate in having a chamber of commerce with a program of progress that cannot fail to lead to a greater La Grande.

BOND ISSUE ELECTION VERY NEAR

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was that providing he would erect two brick side walls and a brick rear wall, thus making the building fireproof, he might go ahead and repair the building further instead of being forced to raze it.

District Created

A petition for the paving of N avenue from First to O streets was read And upon motion, was passed and an improvement district covering this section created.

Kicks at Fine.

W. A. Thompson appeared before the commission and reviewed action of the municipal judge and speed cop that resulted in his son being fined $15 for speeding. Mr. Thompson claimed that this was his son's first offence and that he had no knowledge of speeding and therefore he believed the fine was exorbitant. The commissioners agreed with Mr. Thompson, and a motion passed favorably providing that recommendations of fancy in this case be presented to the municipal judge.

Dump Ground Up Again

Another citizen protested against the unsightliness and unsanitary condition of the city dump ground. The commission took no positive action but City Manager F. H. Hayes was authorized to determine what an incinerator would cost with the possibilities that some time in the future one might be purchased to replace the dump ground which continues to grow in disfavor.

Monthly and weekly reports and the salary list were read and approved prior to adjournment.

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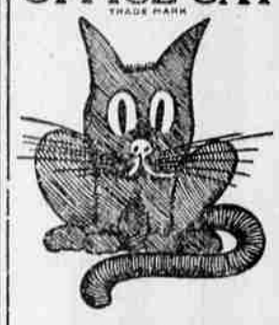

BY JUNIUS

There is some comfort in the philosophy that a man can get used to anything, such adjustments being so frequently necessary.

By the School Board.

We oft recall those childhood days
Though now we "miss"-ed and "mister"-ed
And recollect the red schoolhouse
Where ignorance was "bliss"-tered.

As we understand it, New York's intention is to drive out all crooks who don't pay office rent.

NO MAN IS AS STINGY AS HIS POOR KIN CLAIM HE IS.

Be ambitious—but don't begin at the top.

Personally, I am opposed to rouge, admits a La Grande man, but when we get interested in a young lady we wonder how she would look if her face was clean.

A tactful husband is one who knows how to apologize gracefully when his wife offends him.

A good many people who talk about common sense have none.

Read the Office Cat.
Don't be a grouch and wear a frown,
If you expect to thrive,
Be not the proper attitude

To keep a biz alive.

No grouch was ever known to "draw,"
Nor frown to boost a sale,
And those who grumble at their work
Are almost sure to fail.

So face each "prospect" with a smile,
To keep sweet tempered—try;
Always get 'em laughing
And they'll come and—buy!

Nature knows her business. She gives most of the children to people who know nothing about scientific methods of raising children.

A Promising Entry.

Said a voice at the telephone:

"Hello, hello. Is this the gas company's office?"

"Yes. What is it?"

"When do the entries for the next races open?"

"We don't know anything about entries or races. This is the gas office."

"I am aware of that, but I though you could tell me."

"Why? What do you want to know for?"

"Oh, nothing in particular. I have a gas meter I would like to enter, that's all."

The boss offered a La Grande clerk an interest in the business the other day. He said: "If you don't take an interest in the business, I will fire you."

Civilization is advancing. They are now designing a law to make marriage more difficult.

Speedy Action Needed To Get National Guard

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C. K., the company will be organized here and La Grande will secure all the benefits of an organization that is now eagerly sought by several other cities.

The object of the national guard is to give young men a reasonable amount of military training and the purpose of the chamber of commerce in arranging for a company here is to give them this opportunity as the chamber believes that a reasonable amount of training is of great benefit to the boys and that a nucleus of trained men would be of great benefit in case this country should ever again be engaged in war.

Necessary application forms are in the hands of the secretary of the chamber of commerce, Earl Reynolds, and any one desiring further information may apply to R. R. Huron or G. L. Dutton.

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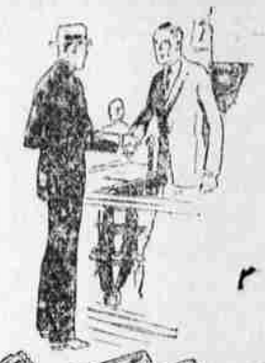

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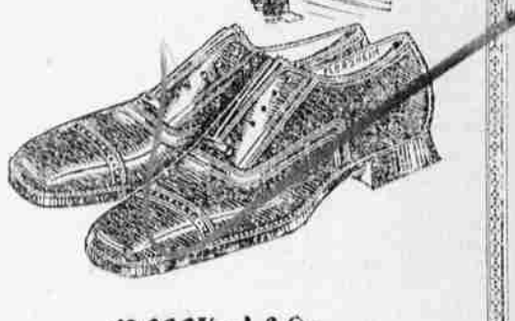

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