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OH THAT MEN would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men—Psalm 107:21.

A Fine Advertisement

Tomorrow at 11 o'clock dedication of the new First Presbyterian church edifice will take place. It is a beautiful building and it means much more than brick and mortar, glass and cement, for in this building rests the loving work of a devoted congregation who financed the entire structure without soliciting the general public for a single donation. True, there were some outside the church who asked to donate to the building fund but in a general way the new church building has been erected by the Presbyterian congregation of La Grande.

How differently from olden times, for in those days the building of a new church by almost any denomination meant repeated assessment on the business men and the general public as well.

La Grande as a community joins the Presbyterian congregation tomorrow in the dedication of this building knowing that its sturdy lines stand for a better citizenship, a better La Grande, a stronger manhood and womanhood and a better moral tone to the community. All churches help any community. Take the church away and no one would live here. They should not. Any community without a church is a desert; no matter how rich the grain and grasses grow; no matter how prolific the herds; no matter how intensely moral the people may be.

Christianity, after all, is the spring of the soul that provides the water of life. It provides it for those who are church members and those who are not. Often those outside of the church think differently, but when pinned down to absolute fact, there is not a non-church man or woman in La Grande who would locate in any community that does nat have a church.

Our Presbyterian congregation in La Grande exemplified the law of economy—for years they stuck to the old church building which had long since ceased to be comfortable, clinging to the hope that at some future time a new building would rise on the old church site. That day has arrived. A modern building has been erected and paid for by Presbyterians. And so, tomorrow let us as a community, regardless of creed, regardless of whether you have been in church for years, unite with these good people in their dedicatory services.

Cove's Blossom Day

The people of Cove, with their usual cleverness, have inaugurated "Blossom Day" which will occur tomorrow (Sunday) at which time they have invited the entire population of Union county to drive over in the afternoon and see the trees in bloom, hear the words of good cheer and neighborly feeling spoken, and partake of that spirit of friendship at a time when all nature is clad in her most gorgeous robes.

This is not a big celebration of any kind with brass bands and fireworks, but it is one of those delightful get together events when, under the blossoming trees, a population can admire nature and gives thanks to Kind Providence for the privilege of living in a community that produces the wonderful fruit and the good people that Cove produces.

When you tune up your car tomorrow afternoon drive over to what, without doubt, is one of the prettiest places in the month of May that can be found in the whole universe.

Pay And Feel Better

Sunday there will be a ball game on the La Grande grounds between the home team and the team from Pasco. Due to incompletion of the grounds it will necessarily be played to the public, for the fences on the athletic grounds have not been erected.

The only way to secure admission money is for special police to collect from those who witness the game. This is a test of a man or woman's honor. To enjoy that game and refuse to pay naturally indicates an innate dishonesty that is similar to stealing the nickel from the dead man's eye.

We regret to say that at last Sunday's game there were a number of people who thought it was cute to evade the ticket seller because of the incomplete grounds. Don't do it again. You will be spotted by your neighbor as surely as you do, and it will be worse than almost anything that could happen you.

Be a man and if you see the game insist on paying for that privilege. If you feel you cannot afford to pay, don't go.

Your honor is at stake tomorrow and don't forget it.

Slang

Another college professor has just taken a wicked crack at slang. Dr. William Allan Neilson, president of Smith college, tells the world that the us of the unauthorized word college, tells the world that the use of the unauthorized word

But there are those who think that slang is the inteck's eyebrows. It is as silly, they hold, to compel our speech within the limits of Johnsonian English as it would be to insist that modern dances conform to the rules of the Spanish fandango.

Yet the fandango and the English language were imported here at approximately the same time. Usage is stronger than dictionaries and purists. All the world now goes to the "movies." There was a word that fit. It was adopted. That's all there is to it.

Language would die without growth. And new words almost always are first classed as slang, unless they are mere combinations of Greek syllables such as the chemists coin. Most of our slang isn't new. It's the new slang that gives a word an additional shade of meaning. There is a difference between slang and poor English. We should not fall into ignorant mistakes of the use of words. But slang—why, prof., slang is to the village sheik what a powder puff is to the flapper.

Ethics

A code of business ethics has been worked out by a committee of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States on the basis of the "material needs of mankind" and in realization of the present call to increase the wealth of the world and the value of human happiness. Large terms, those, but no larger than the scope of the work if it is to serve daily needs.

Ethical conduct has proved itself a profitable business of life, and it is an important element in the life of business if it truly serves the race along with itself. Multitudinous economic ills are traceable to failure to realize this fact. That honesty is the best policy, that honesty pays, are old bits of proverbial wisdom that have long been current in the world. But some individuals still take a chance for what appears to be beckoning profits off that line. As a result the great majority of business men who are honest and hold to the proverbial wisdom, suffer by reaction from the victimized public against the dishonest among them.

The promulgation of a code of business ethics by such an organization as the Chamber of Commerce of the United States should accomplish much good.

Differing Religions

The aSlvation Army's discard of the term "heathen" for the milder and less offensive word "non-Christian" in designating peoples holding other beliefs is in accord with Christianity. Time was when all who differed in religious beliefs were dogs or infidels or healthens. The Christian was a dog of an infidel to the Mohammedan and the Mohammedan was a dog of the same stripe to the Christian and peoples of other religions were heathens to both.

But with the spread of intelligence throughout the world the increase of fellowship among those different in race and creed has brought increase of tolerance. In recent years the Christian nations have many times proved friends in need to "heathens" and "heathens" have reciprocated. The time for harsh designations based on difference of religious belief has passed, and a good riddance it is.

28 YEARS AGO

La Grande Gazette, May 1, 1896.—Will Pixy of Union is visiting friends in this city.

Hon. B. F. Wilson and family visited in Union Sunday.

S. O. Swackhammer of Union was a visitor in La Grande Monday.

Attorneys Finn and Knowles returned from a trip to Wallowa county Saturday.

J. McCarty is holding the destiny of the city in hand during the absence of Marshal Ardrey.

Fred Moore and N. Molliet are trying to figure out what became of their bicycles which wandered off in some unaccountable manner last Monday evening.

M. Baker, W. A. Sission, B. W. Grandy, F. S. Stanley and E. Barr left attending a meeting of the Republican county central committee at Union Wednesday.

Dr. C. T. Bacon accompanied Prof. Van Fleet to the hospital at Portland last evening.

The Labor Exchange of this city have received their charter and the Exchange has been regularly organized. The following officers were elected: Chas. G. Pantz, president; Frank Nessly, manager; Fred Lewis, secretary; A. W. Oliver, W. Oliver and L. Oldenburg, managing directors.

The bicycle race Sunday afternoon in which Blanchard Hansen, commonly known as "Weary Willie" and Otto Hook, known as the "Flying Dutchman" were the contestants, attracted considerable attention. There was considerable good natured rivalry between the friends of each rider and by the time the race was called for the excitement had reached a high pitch. There were probably 300 people on hand to cheer the boys when they started. The race was a very close one from start to finish. Young Hook was in the lead until the three-quarter post was reached when Hansen forged ahead and came under the wire a winner by several feet. The victorious one was greeted by the wildest kind of cheering and he now stands as champion among the juvenile riders of this city. The boys will probably test their ability as riders in another race in the near future.

THE OLD HOME TOWN By Stanley

OFFICE CAT

BY JUNIUS

Whatever comes up must go down
Stocks.
Temperatures.
Prices.
Elevators.
Airships.
Hopes.
Skirts? ? ?

Sometimes a girl gets the idea she is a little dear when she is only a little bare.

Divorce: Proof that people found out about one another before they got used to one another.

We used to hear a good deal about dry humor but that kind doesn't seem to be funny any more.

A failure is merely an ordinary man who thinks the big ones get by because of luck.

If you want to make us mad, folks—just come into the office, gossip around a little and leave without giving us any news.

Dictionary Stuff.

(Too late for Webster's Unabridged.)—

Yes, We Have No Bananas: A vile fruit song originated in 1923 Universal.

Bootlegger: The only thing that brings a policeman his pay.

Rodolph Valentino, A foreign pest.

Mah Jongg: Another foreign pest.

Spark Plug: Barney Google's horse.

Barney Google: Owner of Spark Plug.

Automobile: 1924 for parlor.

Water: Everywhere but in La Grande.

HUNT'S LETTER

(Continued from page 1)

after the bonus and tax bills have received presidential attention, should he, as is considered by no means unlikely, veto them.

Even the old guard group in the senate, backbone of the conservation Coolidge exemplifies does not relish the complacency with which he has walked away with the party as his own unindisputed possession. With a mere "by your leave," he has proceeded about both the presidency and his candidacy for renomination.

The "leaders" have been left with nothing to lead. And it has made them, privately, petulent — even peevish!

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A member of the republican national committee, speaking privately of the situation, says:

"The trouble with the party, and the government, is that they are too lo fear. They are influenced by the fear of what individuals or small minorities may do or say. Instead of chalking out a straight forward policy on fundamentals and then hewing to the line, we put out a platform which tries to placate everybody and pleases no one.

"Take congress. It legislates by fear rather than reason. According to my observation I should say that two-thirds of the membership had been operated on for appendicitis and that the doctors had taken out, in addition to the appendix, that other part of the anat-

Chiropractic

FIRST—NOT LAST

Question:—"As one of your patients who employes Chiropractic for all kinds of family ills, allow me to suggest that you tell people more of what you can do for acute ailments. People need this knowledge.

Answer:—We thank you for the suggestion. Although we have answered inquiries along this line before, we are glad of another opportunity. Sick folks should not jeopardize their lives by taking Chiropractic as a last resort. How much more sensible to call the Chiropractor first. How much suffering, anxiety, loss of time and expense might be saved if the Chiropractor is called in to attend the acute ailments such as fevers, colds, inflammation, etc.

You know that Chiropractic can restore health after the disease has continued many years and has been pronounced incurable. Then isn't it reasonable to suppose that much quicker and better results could have been obtained had we been consulted in the beginning. When sickness first appears, Call

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Use Klenzo every morning and night and if possible, after meals as well.

Glass Drugs

The Rexall Drug Store

Here Is A Thought

"Birds of a feather flock together"—there's a "mouthful" of wisdom in that old adage. USED CARS of quality—the best ones, are sold by dealers who handle the most standard new cars. Simple enough — the most popular car in its price class always gets first choice of the used cars. Buick building a quarter million cars this year is conceded by this record smashing production to be the most popular car in its price class. The buyers of Buicks are of the highest class owners — the used cars traded in by them are the cream of the market—bought by us at prices that enable us to re-service them without stint or neglect. Wise buyers need no spy glass to see their value—the same value in relation to the cost as new Buick owners receive. "Birds of a feather,"—the wise buyers SHOP HERE.

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LOYALTY BEGETS LOYALTY

Patronizing home institutions of all kinds is being fair to those from whose patronage you expect to profit.

Loyalty to those who are loyal will work reciprocal prosperity.

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