La Grande Evening Observer

INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER

Published daily and weekly at La Grande, Oregon, by the LA GRANDE EVENING OBSERVER PUBLISHING CO.
BRUCE DENNIS ..... Editor

Entered at postoffice at La Grande, Oregon, as Second Class Mail Matter.

On sale in other cities—Oregon Hotel News Stand, Portland; Imperial News Stand, Portland; Multnomah News Stand, Portland.

Address all communications to The Observer, 1416 Adams Ave., La Grande, Oregon.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

By Carrier

Daily, per month	.75c
Daily, per three months	$2.25
Daily, per six months, in advance	$4.50
Daily, single copy	5c

By Mail

Daily, per month	50c
Daily, per six months, in advance	$2.50
Daily, per year, in advance	$5.00
Observer-Star, per year	$2.00

CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to use for publication of all news dispatches credited to it or not otherwise credited if published therein. All rights of republication of special dispatches in this paper, and also the local news herein also are reserved.

MEMBER ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to use for publication of all news dispatches credited to it or not otherwise credited if published therein. All rights of republication of special dispatches in this paper, and also the local news herein also are reserved.

OWE NO MAN ANY THING, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. Love worketh no ill to his neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.—Romans 13:8, 10.

Heavenly Dew Drops

Today Union county people are rejoicing over the invoice of heavenly dew drops that descended during the early morning hours and caused tired humanity to lift up its head like the flower of the field.

What a joy it is to again hear the patter of the raindrops on the roof of the home, to see the grass on the lawn drink in every atom of moisture, to witness the dog stretch with delight as he realizes nature has not forgotten him.

Rain—how needful to us all, and yet how little is ever thought of it when its visits are regular.

So long as nature keeps her ledger balanced giving us what we have been used to, no one seems to think of it, but when an overdraft of hot dry weather comes, as has been the case this summer, every customer at the weather counter begins to check up his accounts and wonder why.

zEastern Oregon has not been deserted entirely as is shown by the present precipitation of moisture. God continues to be good to us all.

School Opens

The grandest army of the republic marches against the citadals of ignorance today, 20,000,000 strong. La Grande regiments are mobilizing, with captains and lieutenants in command. Conscription is the rule. And as the army moves so moves the city, state and nation with it. In all the annals of history no finer page has ever been written than that which records the triumph of free public education in the United States of America.

One could describe this nation-wide phenomenon in the language of statistics—so many children, so many schools, so much money, etc., and etc. But let us view it from another angle.

An army of children, privileged in this respect above all the children of earth, destined to grow into privileged men and women; citizens, not subjects; masters, not servants.

An army of voters more capable of exercising the great function of the ballot because of mental equipment and the power of decision, without which no free government is safe.

An army of mature minds better able to cope with prejudice, class consciousness and hatreds. An army developed intellectually, dedicated to the making of a better today than yesterday, a better tomorrow than either.

An army whose knowledge and taste shall inevitably raise the standards of art, music, drama, and life in all their ramifications.

An army whose proud accomplishments in the past, and whose promise for the future lends glory to the wisdom and leadership of the nation's founders. An army whose continued well-being and happiness places an obligation upon each American to support the public school system to the limit.

Eleven carriages formerly the possession of the Hapsburgs are to be sold in New York. If they only were second-hand cars in good condition there might be more interest.

While they frighten us with portrayals of what might be done with poison gas we are reassured that there is not much danger of offensive war being prosecuted with microbes.

Woman who told her husband that in the United States women are the bosses appears to have stated a condition rather than a theory.

Having sent a "special commissioner and unofficial observer" to the League of Nations, perhaps North Carolina is thinking of joining.

The average man thinks the only thing that could live on his salary is a germ.

The psychiatrists probably will go on from Chicago to Los Angeles. There appears to be a job there for them.

THE OLD HOME TOWN - By Stanley

OFFICE CAT

TRADE MARK

BY JUNIUS

"President Faunce, of Brown University, said that a hundred million people running around like myriads of insects on an ant hill does not constitute either a democracy or a kingdom of heaven." Quite true, but most people believe the world owes them a living, so they have to run around to collect it.

* * *

I WONDER

Why it is that only bald-headed men sit in the club windows?

Why a woman can never read a newspaper without putting it down inside out?

Why people in a railway train invariably smile when they see a baby?

Why a man always strikes a match toward him and a woman away from her?

* * *

"We see a great deal of your husband these days," it is reported a neighbor recently wrote to a La Grande woman who is visiting away from home. The La Grande woman is said to have written back to her husband and told him for goodness sake to be more careful about pulling down the shades.

* * *

This would be a wonderful world if as many people in it had soft hearts as have soft heads.

A diplomat is a man who can use complimentary adjectives when cuss words are struggling for utterance.

* * *

Jones: "It would make a much better picture, young man if you put your hand on your father's shoulder."

Dad: "Huh! It would be more natural if he had his hand in my pocket."

* * *

Junius tells of man who complained that advertising had ruined his business. When a friend asked him to explain, he replied sadly, "I let my competitor do the advertising."

* * *

As an indication of the forward march of progress, we note the fact that it is several weeks since we have heard anybody saying: "Yes, we have no bananas."

* * *

Because a drug store carries bird seed should the druggist know all about canaries.

* * *

A great boom is expected in the whitewashing business this summer—particularly in the District of Columbia.

* * *

A BIT SHADY

"Have you any shades?" inquired the customer.

"All sorts of shades," replied the dealer.

"I need some for summer."

"Shades to create a greater shade in summer," continued the dealer. "Now how do you like this shade of shade?"

"This shade of shade will shade the room nicely. But I don't like the price. Show me a shade, a shade lower."

* * *

He who laughs last laughs least and he who laughs first usually has a complete set of gold teeth.

* * *

A friend is one who lies to you to save your feelings even when you know he knows you know he is lying.

* * *

DRUNK AGAIN

Beets are blue,
Violets are red—
Too much home brew
Does go to the head.

* * *

Clerk: "Well, madam, did the corn plasters give you any relief?"

Old Lady: "Can't say they did. I only took one and that was so tough I could hardly chew it."

* * *

About all bobbed hair has done is to improve the quality of stories told in barber shops.

GOLF PLAY IS SHAPING NOW

In selecting the teams for the country club tournament which is to be held next Sunday the names were taken alphabetically from the list of members.

Two teams were chosen. One under Earnest Watkins with W. S. Gilbert as manager and one under Charles Binger with Audmer Playle managing.

The personnel of the two teams is as follows:

Watkins' team: Larison, Murphy, Chase Bohnenkamp, Crowe, Dunn, Earl Stoddard, Holmes, Carr, Berry, Nelson, Bay, Hill, Theason, Brady, Leffel, Stange, Meyers, Stoddard, Johnson, Warnick, Tanner, Sawyer, Scranton, Priest, Coolidge, Kelly, Leishman, McKennon, Donald Meyers, Dave Stoddard.

The opposing team under the leadership of Charles Binger will be composed of Reynolds, McTavish, Elmer Stoddard, Frees, Nixon, Perkins, William Siegrist, Reuter, Tedford, Andrews, Mackey, Herman Siegrist, Coburn, Dutton, Moe, Hampton, Poarch, Scroggin, O'Brien, Childs, Zurbrick, Putman, Templeton, Fleming, E. Gwilliams, Lilly, Larsen, Bingamen, Kiddle, Westenhaver, Phy.

Play will start at seven o'clock sharp next Sunday morning. Contestants will play 18 holes in match play. All members on either team are requested to notify Earnest Watkins whether they will play or not before Wednesday of this week. An entrance fee of 50 cents will be charged all contestants to help defray expenses of the entertainment which is to be given later in the week following the tournament. The losing team, as a penalty will be obliged to buy a dinner for the winners and their wives.

IRRIGATORS IN BUSINESS MEET

(Continued from page 1)

a talk on irrigation. Keith Powell, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Oregon Bankers association had for his topic "The Banker's Interest in Reclamation." Other addresses were: W. G. Swenson, commissioner of reclamation of Idaho, on "Success of Reclamation in Idaho." Fred C. Scobey, United States Department of Agriculture, Berkeley, Cal., on "The Conveyance of Water for Irrigation and Other Purposes." A. S. Dudley, manager of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce, "Irrigation as a State Developer."

Correct this sentence: "All right, mamma," said the small boy, "I'll be glad to speak my piece for the nice man."

A SNAP

One of the best 16-acre tracts of land in Fruitdale. Must be sold to settle the estate of the late Frank Coykendall, deceased.

Come in and get full particulars from

La Grande Investment Company

BONDED REALTORS
Reliable Agents for Reliable Insurance Companies.
1201 Adams Ave. Main 753

THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO THE EDITOR IF THEY DESIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

LESSONS OF WORLD WAR FORGOTTEN, SAYS WRITER.

PENDLETON, Ore. — (To the Editor.) — The approach of Defense day impels the writer to invade your columns to recall a few facts and to urge full and patriotic observance of the occasion. To those who remember the almost universal regret then expressed that this nation was not prepared to enter the World war when the allied appeal came for assistance, the attitude of many worthy people at this time is unexplainable.

For two years in that dark period thoughtful men realized that the United States was being saved from invasion, and perhaps destriction only by the existence of the British navy and the French army. That was a pitiful spectacle, and the courageous manhood of the republic grimly declared that such situation should never be repeated. When the naval assassination, known and typified under the name Lusitania, shocked every American, there was stern determination that thereafter our army and navy should be kept ready for any emergency and that military training, alike in peace and war, must be the protective line throughout the future.

When the war closed the world realized, and no nation more keenly than this republic, that had we been able to have aligned our troops beside the French and English in Flanders a year earlier than we did, the struggle would have been materially shortened, a million lives saved and untold treasure preserved from destruction.

Today in certain circles all those lessons seem to have been forgotten, and when the war and navy departments seek a survey of our war resources, and an assay of their value and availability, we hear the wailing note of the pacifist, silenced by overwhelming public sentiment seven years ago. Defense day is not to encourage war, but to prevent war. It is not to prepare for aggression, but to make sure that we are able to defend ourselves in emergency. No citizen familiar with history or with social and economic conditions in this age, believes for a single moment that there has come an end of war. There are abuses existent which can only be wiped away by the shedding of blood. There are wrongs existent among civilized nations which are worse than war. When Providence is ready for the plowshare and the pruning hook, He will find a way to end human conflict. Christ declared that He came not to bring peace, but a sword. He meant by that utterance that the principles of right, justice and honesty and kindness which His religion demands, would only be accepted by the oppressors of the weak under compulsion and sometimes the compulsion of war. Neglect of any nation to keep itself ready is expressive alike of bleating weakness, political treachery and criminal neglect.

When the next war comes it will bring every man beneath the colors and all property, all science, all transportation, all business as well. The sacrifice must be alike for all. If the world is made to realize that fact through the object lesson of Defense day, a long step will have been taken toward the idealistic goal of universal peace.—JUDGE STEPHEN A. LOWELL.

The happiest women are those who think affluence consists of a dozen unused napkins.

BULLETINS

ATTACKS COOLIDGE

TROY, N. Y. (AP)—Addressing collar factory workers here today Senator Wheeler, of Montana, independent vice presidential candidate, again charged corruption in the Republican administration and assailed President Coolidge personally.

CONVICT CAPTURED

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Tom Murray, who with another convict escaped from the pen two weeks ago yesterday by swimming through a flume after cutting the grating, has been captured at Butte, Mont., and is being held by the police there, according to word received by Warden Dalyrimple.

each day some way

—enjoy ROMAN MEAL a properly balanced food, and become as regular as clockwork

Beats Brain

ROMAN MEAL

Boncilla Special

$1.50

Building Up Cold Cream and Vanishing Cream	$1.50
Clasmic Beautifier	.50
Boncilla Face Powder	.50
White Shampoo Cake	.25

All the above items packed in one box with a Boncilla Beauty Book.

REGULAR $2.75 VALUE
While They Last—

$1.50

Red Cross Drug Store

New Fall Coats and Hats

Infants to juniors.

Reasonably Priced

Come in and let us show you what we have.

NORTON'S KIDDY SHOP

"Better Togs for Little Tots"

N. K. West & Co.
THE QUALITY STORE

Boys' Clothing

Wonderful assortment of Boys' Clothing—good quality, latest style, reliable brands, including the famous Oregon City Virgin Wool garments which are known the world over for their extreme durability and exclusive style.

$9.50 to $16.50

Two Pair Pants

U.B. Thrifty says—

"Sharp practice has cut off many a man's chance to succeed"

Don't let the other fellow talk you out of your crop money.

It is the result of a whole year's hard work and as such should be carefully spent and carefully invested.

When you need any advice or counsel on financial matters feel free to call upon any member of this bank.

This is a regular part of our service and is yours for the asking.

Every branch of our bank is run for your personal convenience in banking.

We solicit your account.

La Grande NATIONAL BANK

SOUND-RELIABLE-PROGRESSIVE

PRUNE CROP SHORT

Local orchardists practically all contracted to Eastern markets. The Anderson Crop will be offered to local people at Quantity Prices. Packed in crates weighing from 18 to 20 lbs., at, 69c Per Crate.

Obtainable at THE HOOVERIZED GROCERY or at the Anderson Farm.