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WITHHOLD NOT thou thy tender mercies from me, O  
 Lord: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually pre-  
 serve me.—Psalm 136:1

## Are You Patriotic? Then Vote!

On November 4th a National Presidential Election will be held in the United States. The only right way to select a President (and other executives) is for everyone to signify his or her choice. Consider it a sacred duty to your country to go to the polls and cast your vote.

## Hurry, Boys, Hurry

Only a few more days are left to spill the vitriol and poison, so hurry, boys, hurry. Open the dams and let the mud flow, for this is the peachiest campaign for mud-slinging that has ever occurred in a life time.  
 Spill the poison, hit 'em hard. Drag from the closet the skeleton with shining teeth and gangling bones. Spare no one, spare no past generation. Mouth the "they do say" folk, and twist the truth to fit the purpose.  
 It is a great sport, this presidential campaigning. American life has a mess of this quite often, probably never so extreme as this year.  
 The campaign has reached the point of charges and counter charges until it has overdone itself and people generally are discounting all tales that are told on the eve of election.  
 The pot is boiling now, so let her boil until the morning of the great day when every American has the privilege of going to the polls and select his choice for office.

## The New Lodge House

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows has ever been a progressive institution, and the local lodge in La Grande has kept pace with the growth of the community. Its membership believes in owning real estate and in that they are to be commended.  
 When the Odd Fellows' lodge purchased the building occupied by the Hub store it made a good investment. The wisdom of its course was so plainly shown that the members decided when the old Y. M. C. A. structure went on the market, it would be a fine thing to have the lodge own that building for a lodge home.  
 Its purchase followed and now the Odd Fellows have started to remodel the interior for lodge and club room purposes. When completed it will be one of the very best lodge homes in the state and every Odd Fellow will be proud of it.

## Full Pay for Pershing

On General Pershing's retirement from active service in the army, there were many who expressed the opinion that an exception should have been made in favor of America's military leader in the World War period from the rule requiring such retirement at the age of 64. It was declared that General Pershing, in view of his long and distinguished service to the country, should be kept on the full pay of his post as general for life. There was talk that, if need be, a bill to this effect would be introduced in the next session of congress.  
 A decision has been handed down by Comptroller General McCarl, confirming one by Major General Bethel, judge advocate general of the army, that General Pershing, by act of his appointment as general of the armies, is entitled to full pay for life.  
 Who will be likely to raise technical objections to this? After all the words of gratitude that have been expressed to Pershing by his countrymen it must be a matter of satisfaction that a way has been found to match them in a substantial manner.

A trade paper announces that gray is the popular color for young men's street wear. On the campus they may make their choice from the rainbow.

## THE OLD HOME TOWN By Stanley



EXTRA!  
 HE REPORTED A BAGGEL OF MONEY HAS BEEN  
 DUMPED INTO THE CAMPAIGN TO BEAT CANDIDATE  
 WALKER FOR SENATE—LEGAL WALKER BOOSTERS HERE TO  
 MATCH THEIR OPPONENTS DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR—



**OFFICE CAT**  
 TRADE MARK REG.  
 By Junius

Well, how do you like the new picture of Junius at the top of this column? Junius preferred to have it run yesterday without comment so as to give the women time to make up their minds as to whether they liked it or not.

"Do'n' any good?" asked a curious individual looking over the rail of a bridge up Catherine creek.  
 "Any good?" answered the fisherman below. "Why I caught 65 trout out of here yesterday."  
 "Say, do you know who I am?" asked the man on the bridge.  
 "The fisherman replied in the negative."  
 "Well, I'm the warden."  
 "Say, do you know who I am?" replied the angler.  
 "No," replied the officer.  
 "Well, I'm the biggest bar in the country."

Now that W. J. Bryan, D. W. Davis and H. A. Haste have oriented profusely in reference to the wonderful Democratic, Republican and Progressive parties—how the dickens are La Grande people to find anything wrong with any of them?

Talking more politics, to hear any political speaker denounce the other two parties, it would seem that all of them are the bunk. Junius figures she will vote thusly:  
 Having duly registered she will sooner  
 To the polls  
 Borrow a hanky  
 From a lady clerk  
 Tie it around her eyes.  
 Take the ticket  
 Tuck her pocket  
 Send it through the  
 Air in three  
 Blind circles  
 And let it rest.  
 There she will mark  
 An X  
 And then proclaim  
 "He's my choice."

A first cousin of Bluebeard told this to us personally.  
 Bluebeard smiled as he opened the closet door and saw the bodies of his former wives hanging by their gory tresses. Then he snarled as he took a look at his next prospective victim.  
 "Curses," he screamed. "She's not lobbed hair!"

Rhetoric hint: When in such a dilemma as Bluebeard was raise the voice and scold "WHY'D I DO IT?"

The time of the year is approaching when the candidates for offices are beginning to occupy church pews on Sunday.

Headline: "Americans paid in 1923 \$19.60 a Month in Rent." According to that, the writer is at least Two of those Americans.

"Have you seen Ethel lately?"  
 "No, I quit going out there because she made suggestive remarks."  
 "What?"  
 "Yes, she was always suggesting shows and things we could go to."

**WHY NOT DO IT YOURSELF?**  
 He: "Hungry?"  
 She: "Yes, I'd like a bite."  
 He: "Hey, waiter, bite the young lady."

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## Tom Sims Says

Four politicians fought a duel in South America. Now who says South America isn't a fine place?

The fall of something in China is being considered imminent.

"Straw votes are showing the way the air blows."

Steamer recently landed with 20,000 canary birds. Looks like an easy winter for house-rats.

Perhaps no one will ever know why the world series was not held entirely in New York this year.

New Yorker was found leading a triple life, just the ordinary double life having lost its kick.

Anybody can solve our problems but few get the right answers.

If music is the language of love the saxophone player hates everybody.

A politician is a man who expects to clean up by slinging mud.

Women don't play ball because the players are too far apart to talk.

The head of the transgressor is hard.

One interior decorator who never goes broke is the dentist.

The seat of our government is almost being kicked out.

Love laughs at locksmiths, but only grins at a bill collector.

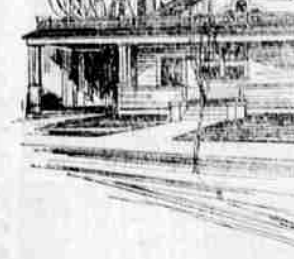
Our experience is that pride goeth with a fall.

There isn't any payday for laboring under a delusion.

**Romping Ponies Being Riches to Doncaster**

LONDON (AP).—The famous St. Ledger race, which was run recently at Doncaster in the north of England, is not only a big sporting event but one which from first to last had added not less than \$5,000,000 in profits to the municipality of Doncaster.

Every year the St. Ledger, which is to the people of the north country in each autumn, draws what the Derby is to Londoners at Whitehall, adds from \$40,000 to \$75,000 profits to Doncaster's receipts to lessen the taxpayer's burden. This is because the Doncaster corporation owns the course.



**HAL BOHNENKAMP**  
 Funeral Director

FIFTH AT SPRING STREET

Main 42

## THE OPEN COURT

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

"GREEN HORNS,"  
 Petersburg, Alaska,  
 Sept. 26, 1924.

To the Editor:  
 At the time of his visit to our ranch at Green Horns, a year ago, Mr. Ross L. Perry, of Fairbanks, Ore., expressed the opinion that the readers of this journal might be interested in reading something of the fox industry, and suggested that I write on the subject.

For some reason I did not get at it then, but as the business continues to grow in interest and importance, perhaps a short article may still not be amiss.

As most people know, silver foxes have been bred in captivity for many years. In Canada, more especially on Prince Edward's island, where the industry had its beginning. At first the business was conducted very quietly, and with much secrecy, but when it was discovered those engaged in it were becoming wealthy, the public became interested, and now enthusiastic breeders of silver foxes are found all through Canada, and in most of the northern states.

Those who have not looked into the subject have no conception of the extent and importance of the business. The northwest and Alaska are just waking up to a realization of the wonderful possibilities of the industry. In this section of Alaska almost every island is under lease and is being stocked with blue foxes, where they are allowed to run at large.

Some start with as few as five pairs, and others start with a great many more. The latter vary, some reporting eight, ten or more. But even five, a very conservative average, makes it a highly profitable business. They are hardy and have very little sickness. Feed them well and they are sure to thrive.

Ranchers feed rolled oats and other cereals, cooked, with which are mixed cracklings, meal, fish, etc. Every rancher has his own pet theories as to feeding and many different methods seem to bring equal success. Some ranchers feed meal and bear meat, and other ranchers report their foxes do not relish these. Sea gulls help out, but in this section fish are one of the principal feeds as they are one of the products of the country. Every rancher smokes thousands of salmon every year, and a smoke-house is a part of the equipment of every ranch. Those who have pen stock and keep cows, find that milk is one of the very finest foods and

produces a splendid glossy pel. Some keep goats for this purpose. Many of the island ranchers build feed houses around the islands, at intervals, the lower part of which also is arranged as a trap when such is desired. But the feed houses are being discarded on some of the newer ranches, and the feed carried directly to the dens. This permits the parent foxes to remain at the den and protect the young foxes from enemies, the principal ones being eagles and other foxes.

But the island fox raising has reached its limits, as almost all the good islands are taken and every one does not care for the isolation of living on an island, and where there are children it is necessary to be near schools. The expense, too, of keeping a boat and the many hardships will ever curtail the output in this way.

But the possibilities of the industry as to pen bred stock is simply limitless, and I believe the time will come when a pen of foxes will be as general as a cow or poultry. Every farmer should keep a few foxes, either silvers or blues, and milk, eggs, and scraps of meat will provide splendid feed.

The breeding of blue foxes in pens is just beginning to be regarded as a success. We have been among the most successful in this respect, and ours continue to breed every year. Some ranchers have taken pups from the islands, put them in pens for a few weeks, and then sell them as "pen raised." But pen raised are not pen bred, and there is a difference in the degree of their contentment in confinement. If one wants to raise foxes in pens it surely is better to get pen born.

We think the fox industry a splendid business for almost every one. It appeals alike to the young man, full of energy and ambition, and affords ample scope for the exercise of all his business ability. Just as equally it appeals to the man more advanced in years, who no longer cares to face the keen competition and the stress and strain of the business world. To such a man it affords a quiet, dignified occupation, adapted to his advancing years and declining strength, and affording him a sure competence.

Bankers and professional men find it a safe and paying investment. And if one has not the money to start in the business, he can always find someone glad to make the investment, but unable to give it personal attention.

I asked Dr. Buckingham, of the biological survey, at the time of his recent visit to Alaska, his opinion of the future of the industry, and his answer was "sound as a national bank."

I believe he is right.  
 Yours very truly,  
 MRS. J. C. ALLEN.

Everybody reads the Want Ads.

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Picture of Christ to Grace  
 MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP).—Having painted his way out of the federal penitentiary in Atlanta, Max Sansonoff, Russian artist, has been commissioned to paint a picture of Christ upon the walls of Kilby prison near here.  
 Sansonoff was granted clemency by President Harding after the artist had translated his conception of the compassionate Christ on the gray walls of the federal prison in Atlanta. His fame for this picture spread, and the Big Brothers Bible class of Montgomery, one of the largest inter-denominational classes in the south, obtained the artist for a similar task at the state prison. Prisoners at Kilby have donated 5 cents each, one-third of their weekly allowance, to aid in meeting the expense of the painting. It is hoped that it will be ready for unveiling by Christmas.

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**A BANK STATEMENT THAT EVERYONE CAN UNDERSTAND**  
 This is a simplified form of the published statement of Oct. 10th, 1924, made in compliance with the call of the Comptroller of the Currency.  
 This bank has the following obligations:  
 To Its Depositors ..... \$1,650,619.21  
 To Other Banks ..... 12,282.87  
 To the U. S. Government (Deposit) ..... 5000.00  
 To the U. S. Government for its circulating bank notes ..... 197,460.00  
**TOTAL OBLIGATIONS** ..... \$1,865,362.08  
 With which it has to pay:  
 Cash in vault and denoted with the Federal Reserve Bank, other banks and the Treasurer of the United States ..... \$ 416,720.01  
 U. S. Government Bonds ..... 283,000.00  
 Notes of customers secured by approved collateral, city warrants, and stock in the Federal Reserve Bank ..... 1,266,655.57  
 Real Estate, including banking house, furniture and fixtures and improved farm lands ..... 182,094.93  
**TOTAL** ..... \$2,138,470.51  
 Which leaves for the stockholders representing the investment in the capital stock of the bank \$ 276,581.22

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