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THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD: I shall not want. Surely goodness shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.—Psalm 23:1, 6.

The Poor Within Our Gates

Responding to a community demand, Rev. Mr. Cressey appealed to the Chamber of Commerce recently for concerted action in the way of a standing organization to scientifically look after the poor and destitute of the city. The demand did not get very far, not for the reason that such an undertaking is without merit, but for the plain reason that La Grande tried through its Red Cross to do the very thing that is now advocated and failed.

There is no question but the plan put forth by Mr. Cressey is correct in theory and practicable in every way, provided one can get the community to stop long enough to take stock and consider the true worth of such an agency. But we are going helter skelter in the scheme of life and do not pay much attention to anything, especially the charitable end.

The fact that a county court is empowered to relieve distress when conditions surrounding cases are violent and extreme may have seared our hearts to a point that we are willing to close our minds to the physical needs of many who do not come under the court's mandate. The further fact that a Salvation Army functions in La Grande the year round doing a great deal of charity work may have caused us to forget the finer traits of human nature.

But, be that as it may, it is still a joy to give to those who actually need. Mr. Cressey would, in his plan, work to prevent the professional beggar from plying his vocation, but he would also work too in such a way that needy humanity might be cared for. The central station, the clearing house for such things, is a needful agency in every community, but La Grande has tried very hard and very diligently in the past to maintain such an agency and she failed.

Keep Them Out

Announcement by Secretary of Labor Davis that 850,000 undesirable foreigners smuggled themselves into the United States last year over the Mexican and Canadian borders places a new light on the immigration question for many.

Secretary Davis' number of smuggled immigrants outnumbers many times over the number of legally admitted aliens and clearly indicates that more undesirables than eligible immigrants entered the country.

It is evident that unless some effective means is found of stopping up the stream of clandestine immigration that all immigration regulations and restrictions are futile. If all existing immigration laws should be repealed it is hardly probable that many more unwanted foreigners would enter the country through regular channels than are said to have evaded the border patrols in the past year.

But the American people want the restriction of immigration. They believe it is necessary to the future welfare of the nation that its population of illiterates, diseased and criminals be not increased by immigration. With this purpose in mind the people will see to it that immigration is restricted.

This country has thousands of miles of border lines a great part of which is almost impossible of effective patrolling against smuggling. In view of this natural obstacle other methods must be depended upon to prevent the smuggling of human freight. The most effective of these methods is the registration by American consuls abroad of all foreigners emigrating to the United States. Aliens unable to furnish proof of such registration could be ferreted out and deported.

As a rule, the jury can be trusted to decide the case according to the lawyer and evidence.

Free speech: The wonderful privilege enjoyed by all good and honest men who agree with the majority.

Some men spend all their money to prove that they have it.

Nature keeps things balanced. Europe has the most wars but we have nine times as many automobiles.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



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INTERWOVEN SOX

MANHATTAN SHIRTS

L. R. EDMUNDSON IS JAILER

EUGENE, Ore.—Leon R. Edmundson, local attorney, who was disbarred, is in the county jail again. District Attorney Johnston received an order from Governor Pierce that the relieve given Edmundson last March had been revoked, as he had violated his provisions. Edmundson was sentenced February 11 to serve six months in jail and pay a fine of \$500 for unlawful possession of liquor.

A short time ago he was sentenced to serve a year and to pay fines amounting to \$1000 on two liquor sale charges, but he perfected an appeal and was released on bail. If he loses his case in circuit court he will have to serve 17 months in jail and to pay fines totaling \$1500.

DISTRICT DIVISION PLAN

EUGENE, Ore.—Plans for the proposed division of the Portland district of the federal farm loan

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