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THERE IS NO FEAR IN LOVE; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.—1 John 4:18.

Upper Berths

Portland.—How long has it been since you rode in an upper berth?

To be confronted with a Pullman car completely filled—top and bottom—might seem annoying, and it is. But when nearly all of the passengers are bright, clean American boys and girls returning to college after spending the holiday vacation at home, the condition changes and one absorbs the gay spirit of youth from those gladdened faces.

You climb into the "loft" with considerable agility and give much surprise to the colored porter who stands at "attention," ready to keep you from hitting the floor of the car too hard if you should miss your hold on the cross-bar at the top.

Things go very well as you sit, tailor fashion, in that upper berth trying to remove a sock without going over on your head! But when you are taking off your collar and your collar button flies across to your neighbor as the engineer hits a sharp curve near Kamela you begin to wonder if life is as bright and rosy as it once seemed.

With most of your clothing loosened you relax with hope in your heart that you may sleep. Bing, another curve—and you roll out of bed; again and again this happens until you finally realize where the expression "Let 'er Buck" actually originated.

If you complain to the polite Pullman conductor he will tell you upper berths on railroad mountain divisions are largely used by fat people so the "rolling" will reduce them.

We met Dr. Walter B. Swackhammer and wife the other evening on their way to Portland. Dr. Swackhammer is a Union boy who has made abundantly good in his medical profession. He left a good private practice at a request from Uncle Sam who stationed him in the Veteran's hospital at Boise. He remained there until he reorganized the institution and put it in first class shape and now he has been ordered to Portland to take over the Veterans' hospital in this city. He is a Grande Ronde boy who has gone out into the world, and although achieving success, he still holds loving thoughts for the valley of his boyhood days and his many friends who reside there.

Meeting up with J. King Bryon, who has been spending the holidays in Baker with his old friend, J. P. Lottridge, manager of the E. O. L. & P. company, we learned at first hand the grip Eastern Oregon gets on a man in a very short time. J. King was the field executioner who prescribed the death penalty for Oregon's late income tax law. His work took him into the Eastern Oregon country during the campaign. Now he freely admits that he can hardly stay away from the land of sunshine and snow.

Oxford students are fined \$5 if caught at a dance. Not to permit himself to be caught evidently is the student's job.

Clarence Darrow contends that humanity is not worth saving, but he is still willing to save a few if the fee offered is big enough.

Deduction and exemption in the income tax return are not one and the same thing, but they both produce the same desired and soothing effect.

France is talking of taxing tourists \$10 to get into that country. And all they have to get out, we presume.

Some people won't enjoy Heaven. There won't be anybody there poor enough or wicked enough to snub.

Nothing in a show window so enraptures a fair shopper as the mirror at the back of the window.

THE OLD HOME TOWN - By Stanley



IT HAS NOT BEEN DEFINITELY DECIDED WHETHER THE FALSE TEETH DISPLAY STOLEN FROM THE FRONT OF DOC PULLMAN'S OFFICE WAS TAKEN BEFORE OR AFTER FIVE DOZEN BISCUITS DISAPPEARED FROM THE BAKERY.

OFFICE CAT - By Junius

A news dispatch tells of a hen that laid an egg every day for 44 weeks—which proves the existence of a good layer or a good liar.

"Can you imagine paying forty dollars a dozen for those portraits?"

"Hand work is always more expensive, my dear."

"Where in the—blank! blank! can I wash my hands?" said the rough, burly one to the sweet, demure little telephone girl.

"Go right down that hall and turn to the right. You'll see a sign that says: 'For Gentlemen Only.' But don't mind that—go right in anyway."

"What time is it?"

"I'm a little fast."

"I know, but what time is it?"

The wheels of industry are not turned by cranks.

"I think I'll go to church next Sunday."

"Well, what can happen? Is it to go to church Sunday?"

"None, I want to get rid of a Canadian quarter."

If he goes to bed before midnight he has had his radio set some time.

PROSAIC

He said "Your neck is like the swan."

While at her beauty raving, but she was wise and said, "Ah, g'war, you know it needs a shaving."

A runner in a silk stocking will attract more attention than any track meet.

Minister: "What would happen if you were to break one of the ten commandments?"

While "Well, then there would be time."

A crook amuzzled an old saber into his coil and in the early hours of the morning vainly tried to back his way through the bars with it but he aroused the guard and was given an extra year for disturbing the peace and mutilating government property. Moral: The pen is mightier than the sword.

When the time arrives for the meek to inherit the earth there will probably be no oil left in it.

"Paradoxical as it may seem," says a La Grander, "I have never seen an antelope, and yet I once had an auntelope."

Judge to negro appearing before him in court: "So you were playing poker?"

Negro: "Yes, sir, but not for money."

Judge: "What were you playing for?"

Negro: "Chips."

Judge: "But chips are the same as money. Ten dollars fine, so the negro paid in chips."

The girls these days aren't concerned with how much money a fellow's got. It's how much of Dad's money the fellow has that counts.

Tangson Tatters says he is coming to town again if he ever succeeds in learning all the traffic laws.

Day: "My uncle sent me for a left-handed monkey wrench."

Hardware Dealer: "Go back and tell him to train the monkey to use his right hand."

FOUR COUPLES MARRIED

BROWNVILLE, Ore.—Brownville being young people at the year's end and the beginning of the New Year staged a number of surprise weddings.

During the last days of 1924, St. Joseph's church held in Albany, Oregon, a double wedding in marriage to Miss Althea Jones, and Harry Wolfe was married to Miss Althea Jones. On New Year's eve Miss Gladys Jeanne Walcott was married to Anthony M. Brown of Toledo, and at Albany, Miss Buena Ramona of Brownsville, married Edwin Everett Pierce, of Portland, the ceremony being pronounced at Albany.

The Pierces will reside in Portland, the Browns in Albany, the Wolfes in Newport and the Starks in Brownsville.

Subscription and return to before this 5th day of January, 1925.

C. R. WILLIAMS, Notary Public for Oregon. My commission expires Jan. 20, 1925.

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H. S. LINDWORTH, J. G. SNOUGRASS, W. G. SAWYER, Directors.

Reserve District No. 12

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE LA GRANDE NATIONAL BANK

At La Grande, in the State of Oregon, at the Close of Business on December 31, 1924.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including redemptions, acceptances of other banks, and for eight bills of exchange or drafts sold with indorsement of this bank \$1,180,244.48

Overdrafts, unsecured 297.55

U. S. Government securities owned: Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value) 200,000.00

All other United States Government securities (including premiums, if any) 55,000.00 255,000.00

Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.: Banking house, \$89,351.15; furniture and fixtures, \$17,000.00 106,351.15

Real estate owned other than banking house 141,568.29

Legal reserve with Federal Reserve Bank Cash in vault and amount due from National banks 82,158.16

Amount due from State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items 8, 9 and 10) 184,856.80

Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 12) 17,008.26

Total of Items 8, 10, 11, 12 and 13. 203,919.50

Miscellaneous cash items 669.32

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer 10,000.00

TOTAL \$2,024,436.23

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in \$200,000.00

Surplus fund 50,000.00

Undivided profits 10,920.74

Circulating notes outstanding 107,300.00

Amount due to National banks 1,955.00

Amount due to State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries (other than included in Items 21 or 22) 112.50

Certified checks outstanding 125.00

Total of Items 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25 2,202.69

Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):

Individual deposits subject to check 717,995.80

Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed) 17,477.25

State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond 88,769.43

Other demand deposits 4,917.15

Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31 829,159.63

Time deposits subject to Reserve (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice, and postal savings):

Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed) 487,937.95

Other time deposits 241,325.42

Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 32, 33, 34 and 35 729,263.37

United States deposits (other than postal savings), including War Loan deposit account and deposits of United States disbursing officers 5,000.00

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State of Oregon, County of Union, ss I, H. E. COOLIDGE, Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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THAWING OUT UNION HOTEL

UNION. (Special)—The plumber has been working for several days at the Union Hotel endeavoring to get the plumbing system ready for opening the hotel again, which the management hopes to do some time this week.

Taking advantage of the warmer weather the carpenters are rushing the work on the Tobin meat market and the C. R. of O. depot buildings. The former will be ready for occupancy in a few days.

Bid Accepted.

The bid of the First National bank for the post office location has been accepted by the government and work of enlarging the present building will be started as soon as weather permits. The building will be lengthened and more equipment installed to care for the increased business which Postmaster Tony Smith now handles.

After a two weeks vacation the Union schools opened again Monday with two changes in the faculty. Miss Smith, who had the second and third grades at the North building has resigned and Miss Norway who had the seventh grade at the high school also gave up her position on account of ill health.

A lady from Glendale, Washington, has been secured for the latter position and arrived in Union Sunday, and a substitute teacher will probably teach in the North building till a suitable teacher is secured.

Gave Play.

The M. I. A. of the local Mormon church gave two performances of the play "On the Little Big Horn" at the church last Tuesday, a matinee in the afternoon and a second performance in the evening.

Ewin Mattox of Grangeville, Idaho, who came home with his brother E. W. Mattox, a few days ago and underwent an operation at Hot Lake, is reported as doing very nicely. His family are also here visiting at the Mattox home.

Mrs. Vernon Allen is at Hot Lake nursing her brother, D. V. Zornes who is an inmate of the hospital suffering from rheumatism.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clatfelter December 31, a girl, Mr. Clatfelter is a member of the Sanitary Meat company, and recently came here from Wallawa county.

More Pipes Broken.

Many residents of Union who escaped trouble during the cold snap got theirs when the frost went down in the ground and froze the pipes leading to their homes.

It is claimed by some of the fruit men that the fruit trees were injured by the cold weather and that because of this the trees are worked on and placed by hand and strident tools, the cracks filled the fruit crop next.

Somebody will have to be busy summer will be damaged. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Miller who all the neighbors can do is look spent the holidays here visiting and later relatives returned to Eagle Valley.

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the latter part of the week to resume their work as teachers in a school near Richmond.

Mrs. Shaudies and her daughter, Florence, were over from Elgin Saturday, the former to hold a meeting with the Junior Campfire Girls, of which organization she is guardian. Mrs. Ruby Knight, at whose home the meeting was held has been selected as assistant guardian for the girls.

Donald and Virgil Wilkinson who are attending the Union high school, have moved down from Tolocame and will live in Union for the rest of the school year.

The managers of the Union Hotel, secured the services of a Mr. Kerr from Nampa, Idaho, who will have charge of the hotel, taking the place of "Patsy" Clark. Mr. Clark has been here as host since the opening of the hotel about four years ago and has made many friends who will regret the fact that he and his family are leaving Union. They will probably return to Portland.

ROSEBURG GIRL INJURED

ROSEBURG, Ore.—Miss Lucille Sharpe of Roseburg was painfully injured when the automobile in which she was riding was wrecked by a southbound Portland-Roseburg auto stage near the Rice Creek schoolhouse. The girl was a passenger in an automobile driven by Tom Finley of Roseburg. An automobile was parked on the highway on a curve and as Finley approached from behind it the stage was coming from the north.

The driver of the light car tried to stop behind the parked automobile; his automobile skidded on the wet pavement into the bar standing on the edge of the road and was thrown crosswise with the pavement in front of the auto bus, which went into the ditch in a vain effort to avoid the collision.

Although the stage was somewhat damaged by the impact, none of the passengers were hurt and the bus came to Roseburg under its own power.

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