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THE LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup, thou maintainest my lot. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places: yea, I have a goodly heritage.—Psalm 16:5, 6.

It is regrettable that Dr. Phy's talk yesterday before the Chamber of Commerce, in which he dealt with public health problems, was not heard by 500 people instead of 50. He sounded a warning that has been voiced previously in this column against the unchecked propagation of moral, mental, and physical degenerates if our civilization is to be saved and crime, disease and feeble-mindedness reduced to a safe minimum.

THE CITY'S DANGER.

There is imminent danger, we fear, of the coming special city election being lost to reaction because of indifference and lack of thorough investigation on the part of La Grande voters. The City Commission is not calling this election because they wish to see taxes raised (which will result if the bond issues pass), nor because they desire to go down in history as the officials who accomplished such-and-such an improvement. They are taxpayers and voters as well as the rest of us. Certainly there must be a large measure of their sincerity to their proposal and to the importance they attach to the four issues, hours and hours of study and investigation have convinced them that the proposed improvements are for the city's betterment and will constitute actual civic economies during the coming years. Such conviction on their part deserves most careful attention to the election issues by the rest of us. These projects are presented as immediate and absolute necessities if the city's future is to be safe-guarded. Voters should give them attention in proportion.

DEVELOPMENT FOR OREGON.

Bend and Klamath Falls are two Oregon cities anticipating much in the future as a result of the railroad development that will tap this fine interior territory within the next few years. They are right. Growth and expansion are certain to follow this construction and not only those two cities, chiefly effected, but the entire state will benefit and prosper. Of all the communities of Oregon at the present time Klamath Falls promises to realize the most rapid and spectacular growth. It is the heart of a great country east of the Cascades that holds untold wealth and almost unlimited possibilities. Although now experiencing some of the disadvantages of a boom town, it should become a stable, solid city in a few years. Its people appreciate its possibilities and are planning on a safe and sane basis that should soon submerge petty jealousies and prejudiced factions and produce a united and able community spirit. And yet these cities are not unique in the Oregon country. Similar opportunity is the possession of La Grande and other cities. The Observer believes our people have the vision to grasp it and realize it to the utmost.

OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS



Yesterday In Washington

American Wholesale Grocers' association met in annual convention. Ambassador De Martino of Italy discussed his nation's war debt with Secretary Mellon.

Prohibition headquarters made known plans for expanding the present blockade to the Pacific and lake waters.

Extensive revision of grain and grain products freight rates from Rocky mountain territory to the Mississippi and territory east, was recommended by Interstate commerce commission examiners.

Vital Statistics Swamp London. LONDON (AP) — Somerset House, where are stored the vital statistics of London, new colors to facilitate its filing system. The volumes on the various subjects such as color; green for marriages, red for births, black for deaths, brown for wills and yellow for divorces.

The shelves are now so congested with 160,000,000 records that new quarters are being sought.

1. The man who made the first collar button.

2. The man who never brings back a book.

3. The man who reads the headline.

4. The man who knows girls says girls still wear corsets.

5. The man who says these days seem to be a complete proposition.

6. The man who says the ability to calmly adjust a shock, suspended in the face of frantic excitement.

7. The man who says for a slogan that will stimulate everybody's desire to get a move on.

8. The man who says "Old Man Siebs is so stingy."

9. The man who says "Yesterday when he opened his wallet to get change, three notes flew out."

10. The man who says "And now, Johnnie, in what state were you born?"

11. The man who says "It isn't the 'noisy' gas in the tank so much as the lumpy driver at the wheel that does the damage."

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\$625,000 a year. He saw his chance and took it. No blame attaches to him as an individual. But Washington tenants footed the bill for the bill of many another real estate man in these last eight years.

An attack of one of the Latin American diseases here, a small, dark man, with keen, black eyes, a wavy mustache and a high-bridged, Oriental-looking nose, told me this story: Visiting New York recently, he had occasion to travel by the "L," as accorded by a station platform and was waiting, impatiently, for his train, when he was set on by a gang of young hoodlums of the type common to Manhattan's Lower East Side.

Toughly — and incalculably — insulted and humiliated, he lost his temper. "Quiet out!" he exclaimed. "I want 'ave you arrested!" Something in his accent caught one of the young ruffians' attention. "What are you?" he asked abruptly. "An Central American," replied the diplomat. "Hey, hey, hey!" cried the youth, springing into action with the horrified expression of a participant of a lynching, his who suddenly discovered the wrong man he being struck up. "Lay off! Lay off! He ain't a kid!"

Senator and Mrs. Burton K. Wheeler have headed on Marion, Montana as the first and second names of their new little girl. Marion is for Senator Robert Marion LaFollette, Montana is for the Wheelers' home state. Both the

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