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OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS



A RUNDOWN LOOKIN' ARMY.



"See that guy that just went out?" the barber asked his victim. "Well, he's the lowest scoundrel that ever lived."
"What did he do to you?" inquired the victim.
"He didn't do nothing to me, but he's been beating my time with my girl. That's why I'm mad at him," answered the razor handler. "I got even with him though."
"Howzat?" the helpless one wanted to know.
"Well, you see he came in here and wanted a shave."
"Well, you cut his face all up?"
"Now, when he wanted me to put skin lotion on his face I put hair restorer," finished the torturer.

Now "Mary" said "I'm All Alone." I wish I'd see "My Man." When down "Memory Lane" rushed forth
Both "Sam" and "Dapper Dan" Not far behind trailed "Sally"— looked
Like "The End of a Perfect Day."
"Stumbling" "Down That Long Long Trail"
"Per Her Sweetie Went Away." Then up rode "Ray in His Chevrolet"
To call on "Sally Lou" She was mad but he made her glad
With "No Other Girl But You" On "The Way Up Broadway"
I saw "Irene" "Playing Tag" And "Mammy" washing windows.
With that favorite "Twelfth Street Rag"
Then someone emptied "The Old Oaken Bucket."
It was "Night" and started to pour.
But "Every Cloud Has a Silver Lining."
So "It Ain't Gonna Rain No More."
Zion City has decreed that the world is flat. They must mean France and Germany.
Nobody ever saw a grouchy barber, because if he is that way he never gets a second chance at a customer. Grouchiness and razors don't go well together.
It was a dark night. A man was riding a bicycle with no lamp. He came to a cross road, and did not know which way to turn. Through the gloom he saw a sign on a post. He felt in his pocket for a match. He found one. Climbing to the top of the pole, he lit the match carefully, and in the ensuing glimmer read: "Wet Paint."
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MORE SOVIET PROPAGANDA.

The soviet government informs the United States post office department that mail is no longer to be addressed to "Russia" but to the "Union of the Socialist Soviet Republics." In fact, the change of address is made mandatory upon those who desire their mail to reach its destination.
Here is propaganda and red-tape in their purest state. It is customary to make a mailing address as clear and intelligible as possible. But the soviet government recognizes no customs, and in accordance with this policy prohibits the use of an address about which there is no uncertainty. With the soviet dictatorship it is not a question of expediting the Russian mails but of using the mail for soviet propaganda. Address mail to a majority of the Russian people under the new national title of "Union of the Socialist Soviet Republics" and they think they had received the mail of another.
The fact that the soviet government refuses to deliver mail addressed to Russia or addressed under an abbreviated form of the new appellation confirms the ancient principle that whatever form a bureaucracy takes its officials are sure to nourish their pride by inflicting petty annoyances on the public. The new Russia is so entangled in red-tape and official meddling that mailing addresses must be censored. Such silly officiousness is enough to exasperate one who has never dispatched mail to the "U. S. S. R." and never intends to.

A DECISIVE ELECTION.

When the total vote had been tabulated last night showing a majority of 4 and 5 to 1 in favor of the four bond issues for city improvements in La Grande, there was no doubt in anyone's mind about what the people of the community want. It was a decisive majority that proves the soundness of the projects the Commission put before the voters. And it is an indication of confidence in the present commissioners and their efforts to work for the city's best interests.

The success of the four bond issues, totalling nearly four hundred thousand dollars, will mean much to La Grande. It means the solution of major city problems for some years to come. It means adequate water supply after several years of shortage. It means sewage disposal that will free the city of any chance of damage suits for unsanitary conditions—an important step in improving city health. It means proper disposal of storm waters that will make possible badly needed street improvements north of the tracks. It means much greater fire safety with consequent reduction in insurance rates and escape from the rate increase that was in prospect. All of which will mean greater economy to taxpayers eventually and increased comfort and convenience to every resident of the city.

And the improvement projects will do more than this. They will help stimulate business activity and individual prosperity by giving employment to many La Grande workmen during the coming months. Every effort will be made by city officials to see that the successful bidders on each contract employ all the local labor that can be secured. With this accomplished, much of our present employment problem will be solved for a time and the corner rounded toward a period of more stable prosperity. Putting four hundred thousand dollars of outside capital in circulation cannot fail to improve conditions and benefit the entire community. La Grande is to be congratulated on this distinct forward step.

Yesterday In Washington

President Coolidge went to Annapolis to address the Naval academy graduates.
Reports to the state department from China told of continued disturbances there.
The Colorado coal company gained the supreme court for a rehearing in the Arkansas strike case.
The question whether President Coolidge should pay income tax was before the internal revenue bureau.
King of Brussels is a member of the Rotary Club and no doubt it helps his kingly business.

Business Methods Needed In Charities of Society

LONDON (AP)—There has been such a slump in the net receipts from charity functions, balls, tea dances, and concerts given by society folk, that an effort is being made toward proper organization. By this means it is hoped hitherto traditional expenses will be wiped out and good profits made for the various deserving charities for which the particular functions are given.
In a recent case a ball committee paid out \$1500 for expenses, and everybody enjoyed themselves dancing, but the charity got only \$225. All this is to cease, and the management of affairs has been placed in the hands of Mrs. Frank Braman, a well known society woman. Her dances are among the most popular in London. Mrs. Braman intends getting to work first on obtaining royal patronage, then forming a good hardworking committee of women, after which she expects the rest to be comparatively easy and also profitable.

Obituary

MELVIN WESLEY BROWN
Melvin Wesley Brown, the 14-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Brown, died yesterday at the family home on Russell and Pine streets after a brief illness. The funeral will be held from the Bohlenkamp chapel Friday afternoon at two o'clock.
MRS. JACK DILLINGER
Word was received here yesterday that Mrs. Jack Dillinger, formerly of La Grande, had passed on at Kollage, Idaho. Interment will be held here some time next week under the direction of the W. H. Bohlenkamp funeral parlors.
Reverend voted confidence in Hindenburg. French haven't.
Telephone pole fell on an auto in Seattle. It was self-defense.

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