

# LaGrande Evening Observer

An Independent Newspaper

FRANK B. APPLEBY, Editor and Publisher  
HARVEY P. MATTHEWS, Business Manager

Published evenings, except Sunday, at 1418 Adams Avenue, La Grande, Oregon. The Observer-Star published every Friday. Entered at the Postoffice at La Grande, Oregon, as Second Class Mail Matter under act of March 2, 1879.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF UNION COUNTY AND THE CITY OF LA GRANDE

MEMBER ASSOCIATED PRESS  
The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to use for publication of all news dispatches credited to it or not otherwise credited if published therein. All rights of republication of special dispatches in this paper, and also the local news herein also are reserved.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES  
By Carrier  
Daily, per month in advance . . . . . 75c  
Daily, six months in advance . . . . . \$4.00  
Daily, single copy . . . . . 5c

By Mail  
Daily, per month in advance . . . . . 60c  
Daily, per six months in advance . . . . . \$3.50  
Daily, per year in advance . . . . . \$6.00  
Weekly Observer-Star, per year . . . . . \$2.00

ADVERTISING RATES  
Display, foreign, per column inch . . . . . 42c  
Display, local, per column inch . . . . . 40c  
Time contract rates on application

OR LET HIM TAKE HOLD OF MY STRENGTH, that he may make peace with me; and he shall make peace with me. Isaiah 27:5.

## OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS



THE STORM BEFORE THE CALM.

At last the winter seems to be over. Personally, we don't believe that story about the hen that developed a taste for clay and is now laying brick.

The world is a gigantic fake, wrote a student who killed himself. Unfortunately he had never learned that the world is largely what one makes out of it. His world was, indeed, a fake and a failure.

The doctor who says that modern women are not getting enough exercise hasn't made a practice of following the average housewife around for twelve or fifteen hours while she goes through her daily routine. Outdoor exercise may be lacking, but inside she is busy enough to make most men shy at an exchange of jobs.

Among other things, The Observer's Cooking School is demonstrating that La Grande, Union county, and Oregon food products are as high in quality as could be desired. To buy and use local products is not only to be loyal to our own community and valley but also to enjoy the best that can be had.

### FUTILE DEBT COMMISSIONS.

Foreign exchange is in a bad way when it permits itself to be influenced by the acts and words of commissions, particularly debt refunding commissions, which are in the habit of talking much and doing nothing.

The lira declined to its lowest level following the announcement that the Italian debt commission had adjourned until August without accomplishing anything. Of course the two events were associated, the former being attributed to the latter. But a calm consideration of the situation leads to the conclusion that there was no relation between the two.

An observer of war debt commissions must have foreseen what would result from the naming of the Italian commission. Nobody expected the commission to agree upon terms of payment or to accomplish anything else of material importance.

The only difference between foreign debt commissions is that one accomplishes nothing in a shorter time. In this the Italian commission seems to have excelled all others.

### UNDAUNTED.

A disaster like the Santa Barbara earthquake is doubly disastrous to a city like Santa Barbara, for, while another city need only dig itself out of the ruins and rebuild of concrete and steel, a Santa Barbara must, in addition to that great task, reestablish her position as a garden of paradise wherein may be found the maximum of life's comforts and ease. Santa Barbara counts her freedom from nature's harsher moods as her greatest asset. Upon this mild uniformity of her climate and the exquisite beauty of her landscape and buildings must she depend chiefly for her future growth in population.

In the news dispatches from the stricken city the reader could sense a heroic effort on the part of the citizens of Santa Barbara to diminish the effects of the unpleasant publicity. The first thought of the city was to save its reputation as a New World paradise rather than to restore its ruined buildings.

But the more disastrous San Francisco earthquake nineteen years ago and the Santa Barbara quake have not shaken Californians from the conviction that life in this golden state is preferable, under any risk, to existence anywhere else. Better a paradise with a snake in it than no paradise, is the California creed.



Some men are unhappy because they want nothing but money and others are unhappy because they have nothing but money.

A person too good is worse than one too bad.

Late to bed and early to rise makes a fat man reduce his size.

Sonny: Didn't your father or Aunt Jane ever tell a lie?

Mother: I'm afraid they have, sonny, why?

Sonny: I was thinking how lonely George Washington and I would be in heaven.

A Japanese journal pictures Uncle Sam as a two-faced person. It would be more descriptive if it pictured him as two fists.

"Your son seems very popular with the girls. Where was he educated?"

"Everywhere, except in the head."

A hungry heart is no judge of looks.

It's a sporting theory that nobody likes a quitter, but we secretly admire the man who has sense enough to run away while the running's good.

This crossword puzzle craze has accomplished one thing. It has proven in a lot of dumbbells that the dictionary has other uses than that of a waddy against the baby to sit on at the bath table.

"Gargling with strong antiseptics," says a medical journal, "will invariably kill the influenza bacillus." Provided, of course, you can catch him and make him gargle.

Why not line brief cases with zinc and call them quartettes?

The original "Hard Hearted Hannah" when she was five years old her mother found her out on

the roof on Christmas Eve waiting for Santa Claus with a shotgun.

"Did the doctor take your temperature?"

"I dunno, all I've missed so far is my watch."

Nowadays that man certainly is a no-account who is not able to get more credit than is good for him.

Nothing now seems as good as bad as it used to.

Paw says that the best way to get rid of bed bugs is to chase them up the spiral bed springs till they get dizzy and then suffocate them with a sock.

She (suggestively) "That roost duck in the window makes my mouth water."

The brat: "Then spit."

Once upon a time it was Willy who prayed to God to make him a good little boy. Now, we understand Willy's sister prays to God to make her a good little boy.

English Counterfeiters Face Many Difficulties

LONDON (AP)—Despite the fact that the temptation to counterfeit money is much greater now than in any other period, recent announcements of Scotland Yard officials shows that the offenses for forging are on the decline owing largely to the difficulties of copying the Bank of England notes.

Counterfeiting in England, until about 100 years ago, was punishable by the death penalty. Offenses, however, are still dealt with most severely, being subject to life imprisonment in first degree cases.

Scotland Yard has a branch of the service, similar to the United States secret service, which develops its time almost entirely to keeping tabs on counterfeiters. Detectives of this bureau work with the aid of dealers in paper, ink, machinery and other apparatus usually required by counterfeiters and in most instances swoop down upon the offenders before they flood the market with their home-made money.

### British Methods in Orient Not Backward

(Continued from Page One)

gely in control of its sources, is succeeding extremely well at it.

That there's trouble the British freely admit—even emphasize—but no more for them than for anybody else, according to the dispatches they let get through dispatches which, in the absence of such other information, are quite generally passed along and reprinted here, which is just what the British want.

The worried officials, themselves pretty accurately posted, don't like seeing the public misled.

Mistaken public opinion sometimes make it hard for governments to stick to the policies they think best.

Just now it serves Britain's purpose to present to the Orient a picture of a Bolshevik-ally-erazy China, in arms against civilization.

Sometimes it's to her interest to present an ugly picture of the Chinese.

For instance, when some rough-neck citizen of any other country than her own kicks a native coolie off a gangplank and he's drowned—quite a common occurrence—the British-controlled press all up and down the China coast emphasizes his nationality and his brutality for all it's worth.

But if an Englishman does the same thing, he's a "foreigner"—that's all.

All over the world local native-British newspapers and reviews, and British influence, carry on this work.

In South America it never ceases. There's no out-and-out clumsy misrepresentation, that you can put your finger on, and say, "This isn't so."

Just a dab of color, here and there—and the thing has the required pro-British and anti-everything else look.

American trade doesn't seem to realize this. If it did, perhaps it would try some of it for itself.

Hints are current that Secretary

of State Kellogg is beginning to suspect he fired more or less at half cock in the matter of that warning to President Calles.

The rest of Latin America certainly reacted very unfavorably—not to mention Mexico—and may be the secretary has been hearing from there through North American diplomatic channels.

It's reported that American interest in Mexico have found fault, too.

The truth seems to be—judging from little State Department leaks—that Ambassador Sheffield, who isn't a Spanish scholar and hadn't been south of the Rio Grande long enough to have seen much for himself, took as the foundation for the story he told Kellogg certain American grievances which do exist and slipped a far weightier superstructure on it than the underpinning justified.

Kellogg took his word for it and there you are.

Sheffield is going back to Mexico but it wouldn't surprise anybody in Washington if he didn't stay long.

Exoneration of Wilson and His Ideas Seen by German Paper

BERLIN (AP)—Gradual exoneration of President Woodrow Wilson, whose reputation had been badly injured by the Treaty of Versailles," is pointed out by the Frankfurter Zeitung in its review of a book compiled by Theodore Hahn covering the statements, writings and publications of the American war president.

The Frankfurter Zeitung says

"This gradual exoneration is keeping pace with the growing realization of the dangers today besetting European politics by the very general disregard for his ideas. If the world wishes to live in peace it will have to return to Wilson's theories."

There is one thing that is constant in this world of ceaseless change and that is the joke about the travelling salesman.

### Childrens Summer Underwear

The very best made selling at Popular Prices. Children's Hose, 20c to 85c

All Children's Hats Reduced Prices

### Norton's Kiddy Shop

Everything in Infants' and Children's Wear

HALF GOOD COOKING—HALF GOOD MEATS

# Grande Ronde Meat Company Products

## USED EXCLUSIVELY THIS WEEK IN THE Observer Cooking School

Attend these demonstrations and see Mt. Emily Brand Meats prepared to make a delicious menu. You'll enjoy the instruction just as you enjoy eating Grande Ronde Meat products.



# MEATS

 Make A Good Meal "Good"

The meat on the menu determines whether it's a successful meal or a failure. Grande Ronde Meat Co. products are home products—fresh products—sanitary products—the best we can secure.

Be sure you buy our fresh meats and Mt. Emily Hams and Bacons for cooking success.

## Grande Ronde Meat Co.

City Market - Hooverized Market - Economy Market

### Retires



Rev. Henry Buchmuller of Forrester, Ill., has completed 63 years as a minister in the Evangelical church. He has retired, because of his advanced age of 83, and with his wife recently celebrated his 63rd wedding anniversary.

### The Start Isn't Hard

BUT KEEPING AT YOUR SAVINGS ACCOUNT IS WHAT COUNTS. . . . IS YOURS GROWING REGULARLY EVERY WEEK?

### La Grande National Bank

Sound - Reliable - Progressive

CHAMOIS

SPONGES

WHISKS

GOGGLES

For Motorists

### THE L & L DRUG CO.

### Buy Guaranteed USED FORD CARS

PRICED RIGHT FROM

### Perkins Motor Co.

Phone M-500 Corner 4th and Adams.

### MARKET JOEL'S GROCERIES

Phone Main 759

FRESH STRAWBERRIES, LOGANBERRIES BLACKCAPS AND RASPBERRIES

FRESH GREEN STRINGLESS BEANS

10c a Pound