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OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY—KEEPING UP THE FAMILY DIGNITY.

J.P. WILLIAMS
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Busses and trucks are doing their utmost to remove the perils of grade crossings by making trains unnecessary.

All roads lead to Pendleton this week for a unique celebration that never grows old. As the fame of the Round-up spreads, so spreads the stories of opportunity to be found in Oregon.

A La Grande supporter of the stand of Colonel Mitchell in his air controversy says that the navy should have their ships and planes taken away before they hurt themselves. Still, it's the best navy we've got.

The possibility of Stanfield remaining out of the senatorial race in favor of some new aspirant, and the chance of Pierce refraining from a try at the governor's job again—these are subjects frequently under discussion these days. There are prophets who predict withdrawal, victory and defeat—all with equal assurance. So there is much political brewing to be done between now and spring.

The Wallowa Sun, recently sold to Harold Hamstreet, has taken on a changed appearance and is a first-class, well edited weekly, full of community news. It is a credit to Wallowa and will be given whole hearted support, we are sure. Over in Baker the recent newspaper change in The Herald has been of distinct benefit to that paper and the city it helps serve. The young men who have bought it seem to know the how and why of newspaper making and are hard at the job.

Publication of income tax records, which is radically opposed in some quarters, is a very embarrassing thing to some people probably, and it doesn't give an accurate knowledge of earnings of those involved when we are unfamiliar with the deductions and exemptions peculiar to each case. The only sound argument in favor of tax publicity is that taxes are public business and the public has a right to such information as much as to any matter of record. Like court records, tax information results in much idle gossip that it is difficult to avoid.

LA GRANDE'S POPULATION.

The estimates published Saturday in The Observer relative to the present population of La Grande will be interesting to those concerned with the city's natural advancement into Eastern Oregon leadership. Those who have studied the figures of gain made in number of school children, number of light and water meters, number of new homes, and number of postoffice patrons in the past five-years are confident that the immediate La Grande community numbers not less than 10,000 on a conservative basis. It is a growth that has been comparatively steady during those years, a growth that has gone on without complete realization by most of our citizens. In themselves, the figures are of little importance and are valuable only to those who have some personal pride in residing and working in a "city of the 10,000 class." That this growth is apparently steady and consistent and is, for the most part, healthy is gratifying to those concerned with a greater La Grande. That the growth has attained this point is important in the influence such a community has toward becoming a greater industrial and distributing center. Development along that line is the only way a satisfactory growth can be maintained. La Grande has a surplus of labor and surplus of retail outlets. That these conditions, now slightly out of balance, will adjust themselves within the next few years is certain. It will be all the more rapid if our present population serves to attract capital that will better develop the wholesale and industrial resources of the two counties.

OFFICE CAT

By Junius

We hope some day to be prominent enough that our doctor who treats us occasionally will be designated as "our personal physician."

Deaf—How did my son carry on the business while I was gone?
Clerk—Oh, he carried on all right, but he forgot the business.

Missouri man advertises for his 213-pound wife who has disappeared. Imagine multiplying 213 pounds of wife.

One great danger about telling a lie is that it may be observed.

- ### A POS-OFFICE ROMANCE
- Macon, N. C.
 - Nora, Ind.
 - Fellow, Cal.
 - Robert, Ia.
 - Friendship, W. Va.
 - Attinity, W. Va.
 - Love, Va.
 - Klasmance, Fla.
 - King, Ark.
 - Fasson, Ky.
 - United, Pa.
 - Divide, Colo.
 - Nova Springs, Ia.
 - One West, N. C.
 - Itemo, Nev.
 - Lucky, Ark.

The newest antiseptic is called "Chloroformol." It is good for killing germs. They try to pronounce it and get lockjaw, from which they die.

Look not upon the furniture posing when a spark in the cap, for at the last it acts like a post mortem and stings like a cemetery lot.

REMEMBER!
Natural selection—a dish of radishes after it has gone around a boarding house table.

The old-fashioned girl used to knead dough. For modern girl kneads it even more.

I'm just a little tiny seed.
And boy, I sure am tall!
I'd like to see the world, but man!
I'm always in a pickle.

Teacher—What is the definition of a skunk?
Johnny—A small animal to be killed with a pole.

Most people walk straight, not because of fear of the law, but of publicity.

A French philosopher says: "To know how to wait is the greatest secret of success." Yes, it is likely to bring better tips.

If working girls would quit wearing so expensive clothes the girls who can afford to wear them won't have to keep in the swim.

"Those are nice looking suitcases you have there."
"Those aren't suitcases, they're shoes."

Albino Baby Alarms Savage
Tells in Which It Was Born

SEATTLE, (AP)—Curtis King, a Memphis manufacturer, in Seattle this summer returning from the Far East, told of an albino child that had been born to parents of the Misses... a savage tribe wearing brass rings on ankles and wrists and whose arms are pierced with strange ornaments. King said he traveled hundreds of miles out of his way to the settlement of Diring, French Indo-China, to take pictures of the youngster.

NEW LAW PUT INTO EFFECT

When senior reopens here today a new law authorizing physical examination of school children is to be enforced here for the first time. It was enacted by the 1925 legislature and affects all state schools. It does not apply, however, to high schools; only to the elementary grades.

School authorities, in co-operation with health officers and nurses, have heretofore equipped in the examination of school children to some extent in the interest of public health and welfare, but this is the first time physical examination has been specifically authorized by law other than such reasonable examinations as may have been necessary or advisable to guard against the spreading of contagion.

Examination Slight
The new law limits the examination to a more or less superficial one. The purpose, as stated in the act, is "for determining defects of vision, hearing, breathing, dentition or other external obvious physical defects which will prevent or interfere with the normal education of the child." It is not to be a medical examination, nor is it to be made by a school nurse or doctor; the act prescribing that the examination shall be made by the "superintendent, principal or teacher" and "made during the first month of the school year." If any defect is observed, the superintendent, principal or guardian, but there is nothing in the act to give grounds for complaint that individual liberty is being interfered with, nor to authorize the suggestion of medical or surgical treatment, or any particular remedy, for the reporting of the defects to the parents "shall, without further direction, simply state that such defects are apparent."

Rights Protected
The rights of a parent or guardian who may object to such an examination are amply protected by an exemption clause, and a written report of the child's objection to writing, addressed to and filed with the superintendent, principal or teacher, will exempt the pupil "from any examination or test for or on account of any physical defect or non-contagious disease."

The following is a copy of the new law, which is known as Chapter 27, General Laws of Oregon, 1925.
Section 1—The state superintendent of public instruction shall provide, prepare, or cause to be prepared blanks or other supplies for the examination of all children attending the elementary public schools of the state of Oregon, for the purpose of determining defects of vision, hearing, breathing, dentition or other external obvious physical defects which will prevent or interfere with the normal education of the child. He shall provide, prepare or cause to be prepared necessary instruction for the use of the tests, blanks, records and other supplies and shall furnish same to the elementary schools of the state.

Section 2—The superintendent, principal or teacher in every elementary public school of the state shall, during the first month of the school year, make the examinations or tests provided for in section 1 of this act in such manner as shall be required by the state superintendent of public instruction and prepare the same upon the blanks furnished and make a written report thereon to the state superintendent of public instruction.

Section 3—The superintendent, principal or teacher shall report any physical defects of any child under his supervision as soon as such defects or defect are apparent to observation or test; provided, that any

blank, record or other form a method employed to communicate knowledge of any defects to any parent or guardian shall, without further direction, simply state that such defects are apparent.

Section 4—Any parent or guardian may object in writing to the superintendent, principal or teacher against the examination of his or her child or ward and such pupil shall be exempt from any examination or test for or on account of any physical defect or non-contagious disease.

Operations Optional
Surgical operations, such as the removal of adenoids or tonsils, are not compulsory, neither is vaccination or other inoculation of vaccines and serums in cases of smallpox, diphtheria or scarlet fever. Some medical authorities approve and urge the so-called "Schick" and "Dick" tests for the purpose of immunizing children against diphtheria and scarlet fever, but no such tests are compulsory.

The laws of Oregon leave the individual free to make use of such tests or not, as personal preference may dictate. Section 514 of Oregon laws reads as follows:
Section 514 Oregon laws. Nothing in this act shall be construed to empower or authorize the state board of health or its representatives, or any county board of health or its representatives, to interfere in any manner with the individual's right to select the physician or mode of treatment of his choice, nor interfere with the practice of any person whose religion treats or administers to the sick or suffering by purely spiritual means; providing, however, that sanitary laws and regulations are complied with.

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ROME (AP).—Cost of living in Italy has been on the increase constantly since 1914 and is still mounting, recently published statistics show. Taking 100 as an index figure in 1914, the cost of living has reached 349.22. A table of prime necessities of life, including bread, spaghetti, rice, beef, bacon, milk, potatoes and olive oil, shows an average rate compared with the index figure of 432.95 in December, 1923; 492.29 in December, 1924, and 492.22 in June, 1925.

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