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THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD—"And God spake unto Israel in the visions of the night. * * * I am God, the God of thy father. * * * fear not to go down into Egypt, for * * * I will go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up again."—Gen. 46:2-4

These antique hunters are on the right track and will accomplish something eventually. A hundred years from now some of the things they buy will be a hundred years old.

HOMELESS.

War, revolution, economic chaos, pestilence and famine have made homeless orphans of 100,000 Russian children. They are roaming the streets and highways of their country, winning a precarious livelihood by theft and robbery, finding shelter where and when they can. Dirty, daring and depraved they are becoming highwaymen, murderers and dope fiends almost before their bones have hardened.

Thus far the soviet government has been unable to cope with this situation, which Americans can not contemplate without shuddering. Vacancies caused in this army of waifs by death, adoptions or forced detention are quickly filled up by new victims of Russian chaos.

Land grants and sums of money are being offered by the government to peasant farmers willing to adopt these hapless children and many have been taken care of in this manner, but the situation is plainly beyond the control of the government.

This picture is indeed harrowing and yet the thought of 100,000 homeless children is less fearful than Russia's plight if these wild children live to become men. Here is potential material, if there ever was, for war, revolution and a reign of terror. Left to work out her own destiny, soviet Russia is powerless in the face of this impending peril.

EXTENDED CORPORATE LIMITS

At the coming special election to change the city charter so that new street lighting in the business district can go forward another equally important matter will probably appear on the same ballot—that of extending the corporate limits of La Grande to take in much of the heavy population outside of the present inadequate lines. It would permit disposing of two important matters at once and further delay is neither wise nor necessary.

The advantages of larger corporation limits are mutual. Both the people living inside and those living outside would profit by the change. There would be no difference in water rentals, a low rate would be guaranteed when the new territory becomes a part of the city, and there would be no chance that water service might be curtailed in the future. Police and fire protection would no longer be a matter of courtesy for the outlying districts, for their residents would become citizens of the city and entitled to every privilege of that citizenship. They would share the responsibilities of the city and would be able to aid in community progress and development.

The extension of city limits means work for the city officials, means the holding of an election in the territory designated for annexation, yet it is obviously a wise move for everyone concerned. According to the 1920 census figures, the city of La Grande had a little less than 7000 population. Detailed figures on building of homes, number of school children, postal receipts, light, water, and telephone users, etc., indicate a growth in the past five years within the city of not less than 1500. Just outside the limits of the city in many directions there has grown up a number of heavily populated districts, the number of people being variously estimated at 1500 to 2000. This does not include, of course, the population of Island City, Perry, and nearby May Park and Fruitdale which are actually integral parts of the La Grande community.

Conservatively estimated, the population of the city with enlarged corporate limits would be well over ten thousand. Certainly such a community would profit a great deal by being joined together in effort and in enterprise.

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SPAIN IS BUSY KILLING LAWS

(By Charles P. Stewart)

WASHINGTON, (ONGA Special)

Alexander P. Moore, just back from Spain, where he spent several years as American ambassador at King Alfonso's court, speaks extremely well of Gen. Primo de Rivera, who ran the country, as dictator, during most of Moore's stay in the land of the dons.

Spain suffered from three dreadful complaints:

1—A long-drawn-out war in Africa.
 2—Too many administrative officials, mostly no good.

3—A parliament which met periodically and passed laws and passed laws and passed laws until no Spaniard knew where he was "at."

Rivera wished the African war mainly onto France, which is having her troubles with it now. He cut administrative personnel to the bone. He got along without parliament. It was all very high-handed, but it worked.

But laws? With no parliament, who was to attend to them?

Why, the cabinet, to be sure, at which Rivera was boss—and an

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CURRENT APPREHENSION

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- 1922 TOURING—Shocks; semi-balloons on rear; very good condition \$175.00
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CHILDREN'S CLUBS GAIN

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Ore.—Members of boys and girls clubs of Oregon cleared \$58,195.34 above all expenses on their projects for the year 1924-25, according to the annual report compiled by H. C. Seymour, state club leader. In addition, prizes won by members at various fairs totaled \$48,272, making a grand total of \$106,467.54.

During the year 912 clubs, with an enrollment of 7281 members, actually started work. Of this number 4881 completed all work, including an exhibit at a local, county, state or Pacific International exhibit, and filed final reports.

PATTERSON TAKES STUMP

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore.—Chapman by Mrs. Patterson in Mrs. Patterson's car, L. L. Patterson accompanied the interest of his son.

aldrey for governor and spent the night here. He was on his way to Klamath Falls and will be in Medford for an address on Lincoln's birthday.

Mrs. Patterson was honoring the fact that her new automobile was splashed with mud in the dash over the state, but expressed herself as willing to make some contribution toward the success of the "next governor of Oregon."

SALEM, Ore.—Speaking before the Marion-Polk Readers association here, Frank Burton, Marion county dairyman and hop buyer, urged a reduction in taxes for the support of higher learning and advocated additional state aid in the education of farmers.

Burton criticized the recent action of the University of Oregon in employing a football coach at a salary of \$3000 a year.

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