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TESTIMONY—"And Moses told his father-in-law all that the Lord had done * * * for Israel's sake * * * and how the Lord delivered them."—Ex. 18: 8.

The Observer has received many compliments on the special Automotive Edition of last Saturday. Requests for extra copies have been such that several hundred more could have been sold to people who value the scenic and highway descriptions as advertising for Eastern Oregon. Extra copies were provided only for dealers who placed advance orders and we regret that additional numbers are not available.

The district basketball tournament held at Union last week was a credit to the participating teams and to the city of Union for the way it was handled. The outcome was as had been anticipated by followers of the sport. Baker has a wonderfully fine team that deserved first honors, and Joseph also has cause to be proud of the showing made by its quintet. Considering the size of the school, Joseph's excellence is especially noteworthy. La Grande, with a green team to start the season, has made a showing that is entirely satisfactory.

A COMMUNITY INSTITUTION.

The installation of The Observer's leased wire service of The Associated Press yesterday and the announcement of this step has given rise to numerous messages of congratulations from other papers and many expressions of approval by our readers. To the newspaper individual who has worked under the handicap of an inadequate service, the possession of a leased wire means a great deal more than it may to the layman at first glance. Complete markets, full details on big stories, immediate sport flashes, adequate coverage of state news—these are the things that mean much to the desk editor who would keep faith with his reading public. These the leased wire provides.

The goal that is realized with our lease wire is only one of a number in our mind a year ago for the development of The Observer in its service to the community and to Eastern Oregon. Some plans, among which the leased wire is foremost, have already been brought into being. Others are being worked out in the future. Within the last month both the front offices and plant quarters have been rearranged, remodeled and re-equipped to provide more space and more efficient working facilities for the enlarged Observer staff—this in addition to the changes made last spring. An additional main telephone line to the office was installed last week to eliminate congestion of calls—one detail of improved service.

The Observer's staff, incidentally, has been augmented in the last several months in every department with the result that more complete and careful service is available throughout the organization. These additional employes are one each in the business department, and mechanical department. A total of twenty people, devoting their full time to the newspaper, now make up the Observer staff. In addition to these are twenty-one carrier boys and over a score of special correspondents over these two counties. The total payroll of The Observer is nearly $40,000 a year and the company spends several thousand dollars more annually in operation costs in the city of La Grande than is secured in the city from advertising and circulation revenue. The excess comes from foreign advertising and outside circulation.

Such facts are interesting only because they are indicative of the place this newspaper institution has in the community life, of its growth in service facilities, and of its future possibilities as growth and progress of the La Grande territory permits advancement. Our pride in The Observer is only in its constant effort toward improvement. It is only through such effort that we may adequately and faithfully serve our public to the utmost advantage.

TWO DAYS

Only THREE Days Left!

BUY A THOR WASHER NOW

And Save $20.00.

Free Demonstration

La Grande Electric Co.

1412 Adams

OUT OUR WAY By WILLIAMS

OFFICE CAT

TRADE MARK REG.

By Junius

Men are more modest than women. You couldn't find a man in his right mind who wouldn't be ashamed to walk the streets half naked.

* * *

Her— "Do you love me?"

Him—"Do I? What do you think I bought that bag of peanuts for last week?"

* * *

Some statistical maniac has estimated that the bumble bee in this country is worth more than all our gold. Maybe so, but, personally, we'd rather handle the gold.

* * *

They sat together on the sofa and admired the new engagement ring.

She looked at the diamond, sat and whispered:

My, John, isn't it clear?"

"Only two more payments, dear," he replied.

* * *

"That guy's the nerviest fellow in town."

"Why?"

"Yesterday he flagged a fire engine and asked for a lift. Seeing he said, as we're both going to the same place.

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A Story Without Words.

* * *

I never stop to ponder
As to wether we
Have ancestral monkeys
On the family tree.
But I'm always striving,
As the swift years pass,
To live so that the future
Won't think that I'm an ass.

* * *

Miss Marguerite Dunlevy and brother, Ross, entertained a company of friends one evening decently. —Forth Worth, Tex. Telegram.

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The new settler was busy in his garden with a rake and hoe when his neighbor came along.

"I am new to the country and am not too proud to learn," said the newcomer, "and I wish you would give me a bit of advice."

"Certainly," replied the other.

"Well, I want to raise some chickens and what I want to know is this: Do you plant the eggs in rows or do you broadcast them?"

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TEST: THAT'S AN ORDEAL.
The supreme test
Of a man's poise
And a self-possession
Is to put him in a room
Where two women
Are whispering.

* * *

Some fellows are so blamed polite they'll make you stop work to shake hands with them.

* * *

More often the real enemy of the church is the one who is within its doors.

The Rev. Knight Will Hold Revivals Here

The Rev. Nelson Knight, the lumber jack preacher of Elma, Washington, is coming to La Grande to open a revival service at the Church of God, corner of X avenue and Spruce street, Friday evening, the pastor, Claude C. Pratt, announces. The meetings, to open each night at 7:30 o'clock, will continue for two or three weeks.

Mr. Knight is an expert saw filer, and a few years ago won a medal in a log sawing contest, in preparation for which he worked 10 days filing his saw, Mr. Pratt relates. He puts the same enthusiasm into his evangelistic work and gets the results that might be expected, according to the pastor. The evangelist was in La Grande a year ago, and commanded such large congregations that the church had to rent outside chairs and even then many were compelled to stand. Mr. Pratt will have charge of the music for the campaign.

NEWSPAPER SOLD.

HERMISTON, Ore., Mar. 2. (AP)—The Hermiston Herald has been sold by Raymond Crowder to Joseph Harvey, Pendleton newspaperman. Crowder has been publisher of the paper since 1922. The Herald was founded in 1908.

SURGERY AT SEA

Just out of medical college is Walton Brenner, 23 (top), of Dunedin, New Zealand.

But when William Torrington (center) assistant cook on the steamship Port Bowen, became ill with appendicitis at sea, Brenner didn't hesitate at operating on him.

As an assistant Brenner called on Charles Edwards (below), the Port Bowen's chief steward.

Chief Engineer J. C. Hooker sat in at the unique surgical party, too. Brenner discovered the ship's supply of surgical instruments didn't include retractors, used to hold back the flesh.

So Hooker made a pair, overnight!

And when the Port Bowen made Boston the other day, the appendicitis victim was in tip top shape once more.

MEDICAL GETS 8-INCH SNOW

MEDICAL SPRINGS, (Special)—Wednesday morning Medical Springs people awoke to find eight inches of snow. The roads are in a bad condition from Dean bridge to Medical. C. Harsin has been meeting the stage at the bridge and taking the mail from there to Medical.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Whitten were dinner guests Thursday at the home of Mrs. J. R. Wanker.

Miss M. Allen, Miss Edna Henner, Mrs. A. Whesmen and baby and Mrs. J. F. Kennedy and daughter, Jean, were passengers on Monday's stage from Baker.

O. Woodson, of Cottage Grove, is at Medical on business. He expects to be here about two weeks.

Mrs. J. F. Kennedy spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. L. A. Chandler, at La Grande last week.

Miss Esther Kennedy is visiting with her sister, Mrs. L. Huffman at Union.

Washington's birthday was celebrated at Medical Springs with a dance in the school building.

Miss E. Henner was called to Haines Friday by the serious illness of her grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Bloom were week-end visitors at Baker.

Will Widen Mount Hood Loop Road Near Zigzag

PORTLAND, Mar. 2. (AP)—Expenditure of $25,000 of a forest highway funds in cooperation with the state in widening the Mount Hood Loop road beyond ZigZag has just been approved by the secretary of agriculture. Word to this effect was received Monday at the Portland Forestry headquarters.

An appropriation of $6,000 more on a like basis was approved for clearing the Mount Hood-Wapanitia highway between Clear Lake and Wapanitia.

ENERGIZE!

Grown people often overestimate their strength and do not realize that they are running short on energy.

Scott's Emulsion

energizes and invigorates the body through its power to nourish. *Re-energize, fortify your system,—keep strong with Scott's Emulsion.*

AT RETAIL DRUGGISTS

Price 60¢ and $1.20

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. 25-29

UNION LOCAL NEWS OF WEEK

UNION (Special)—Eugene Conklin has been here for several days visiting his brother, Roy Conklin. While in Union he attended the basketball tournament. His home is at Ontario.

Mrs. Ed. Horton and her daughter, Marie, came over from Grants Pass for a visit in Baker and Union last week. Mrs. Horton is also looking after their property in Union.

The meat market belonging to Charles Tobin in North Union will be improved by the installing of a new ice plant in the near future.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid served a cafeteria dinner at the K. P. hall Saturday evening from 6 to 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Rose McMaster, a former resident of Union, has once more purchased property here as a home. Mrs. McMaster has been living at North Powder the past several years.

John C. Griffith, son of Ed Griffith of the White Lunch, and John's two sisters of La Grande, the Misses Myrtle and Irene Griffith, were expected back from a few days' visit at Goldendale, Wash., with another sister, whom they drove up to see last week.

Union can well be proud of her school gym and its accommodations since at the final game of the basketball tournament Saturday evening more than twelve hundred people crowded into the building to see the game. While looking over the crowd and mentally comparing it with the size of the gym in the La Grande school, a member of the board of the latter school remarked, "The time is coming and right soon when we must have this type of building."

LUMBER ADVERTISED.

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 2. (AP)—About 26,386,000 feet of timber, mostly Douglas fir, cedar, white pine and hemlock in the Santiam national forest is advertised for sale by the United States forestry service office at Portland. The timber covers about 790 acres in the French creek watershed. Minimum prices are $2 a thousand for fir, cedar and pine and 50 cents a thousand for hemlock and other species.

If it wasn't for prohibition we could send the children down to get a quart for breakfast.

April True Story

Just In.

The magazine you are looking for. Get your copy today!

Red Cross Drug Store

Owning Your Own Home

Are you getting away from the landlord? Are you getting any closer to that home which you have talked about. The one built and planned according to your taste.

A bank account built up by weekly deposits will bring you to your goal in a surprisingly short time.

La Grande National Bank

Sound - Reliable - Progessive

Travel by Motor Stage

Safely Swiftly Comfortably

Travel by Motor Stage—Safely - Comfortably.

MOTOR TRANSIT COMPANY.

The Grey Stages.

Come to our Stage Depot at 1111 Jefferson Ave.

All Modern and Heated Stages.

LEAVE LA GRANDE FOR

Joseph—9 A. M. - 1 P. M. - 4 P. M. Sunday, 9 A. M. - 4 P. M.

Pendleton—11 A. M. - 4 P. M. Daily.

Connects to Walla Walla

Cheap Rates On Special Trips — Depot Phone Main 790 — We Carry Express And Trunks

THE Orida BY JOHANSEN

Sauterne is the color . . . the leather is kid . . . there is one cute strap at the ankle and an underlay design in Apricot right where it should be, and a chic new heel. All of this spells smartness . . . and Paris . . . and the joy of being earliest with the latest . . . all for

$10

N. K. West & Co. Inc.

La Grande's Leading Store For 25 Years

SLOGAN SELECTED.

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 2. (AP)—"The Pacific coast is calling you," is the prize winning slogan in the all-Pacific coast slogan contest for Oregon conducted by the publicity department of the chamber of commerce.

William J. Rathjen, 4535 Foster Road, its author, will receive the cash prize of $50.

TO SEEK RE-ELECTION.

EUGENE, Ore., Mar. 2. (AP)—Halvor C. Wheeler of Pleasant Hill, representative in the state legislature from Lane county at the last term, will in all probability seek re-election, he stated here. He is a republican.

Girls' Spring Hats

THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT EVER SHOWN

75c to $2.95

Our Children's Shoes Wear Longer and Cost Less!

Norton's Kiddy Shop

Everything in Infants' and Children's Wear

You Buy For Less AT JOEL'S

SPECIAL!

THIS WEEK

3 Cans Old Dutch Cleanser For

25c

3 cans Extra Standard Peas	45c
Beets, 8 lbs.	25c
Carrots, 8 lbs.	25c
4 Large pkgs. Peet's Washing Mach. Soap	$1.18
6 cans Tomato Soup	58c
Potatoes, Netted Gems	$2.35
Sugar (cash)	$6.55
25 lbs. Sugar	$1.90
Butter, 2 lbs. Blue Mountain	$1.00
16 10c bars "Creme Oil" Soap	89c
3 loaves Purity Bread	25c
Federation Flour	$2.20
White Froth Flour	$2.10
2 lbs. Onion Sets	25c
2 dozen Oranges	45c
2 large cans Best Grade Pineapple	65c
10 lbs. Dry Onions	25c

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