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OBEDIENT TEACH—"Take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart; but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons."—Deut. 4:9.

Speaking of the decorous past as contrasted with the incipient present, a moral censor in New York wrote in 1873: "Why is it that every public play must have a naked woman? It is disgusting, and pernicious to the young."

June 23—next Wednesday—is La Grande's second monthly community sales day. The bargains offered to both farmers and city people on this one day each month emphasizes more than ever the full meaning of La Grande as a trading center.

Now someone will have to agitate for a law requiring dimmers on our startlingly short skirts. A learned optometrist declares that 30 per cent shorter skirts has resulted in 30 per cent increase in eye trouble. He called the new disease "anglitis," but maybe he meant "ankle-itis" or even "calfitis."

BETTER TABLE MANNERS.

Women, it must be admitted, are fairly competent critics of manners—especially masculine manners. Women restaurant owners and managers, then, must be qualified to pass judgment on masculine table manners. And what do they say?

They say that men's table manners are improving. This is highly important from every angle, because men are eating in public more than ever before, say the lady restaurateurs, and it would be all the more dreadful if their manners were bad. This very situation tends to cure the evil. Eating in public "stimulates a desire to eat in a refined manner," explains one of the ladies. Besides, the women are eating in public, too, and "wives won't stand for letting their husbands make any mistakes at the table these days." Which, as a million men will testify, is only too true.

OUR FORESTS ON FIRE

The beautiful and irreplaceable Sequoia national forest in California is menaced by severe forest fires. Some of these were caused by lightning, striking at a time of low humidity and hot night winds. But the largest one was started by a cigar carelessly thrown on a roadway. This conflagration burned an area two miles wide and three miles long. Two hundred men fought the blaze for a whole day.

For the last several days The Observer has reported many forest fires and there are likely to be many other such reports during the next six months. Careless motorists or campers or hikers will throw away burning matches, cigars and cigars, or they will leave burning camp fires. As a result of such carelessness, large areas of valuable timber will be destroyed. Other property will be damaged and perhaps human lives will be lost.

The forests belong to the people and this is the time of year when ever citizen should resolve most earnestly to be a fire preventer instead of a fire starter. Common-sense carefulness is a small price to pay for the preservation of our forests.

Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen
Pure Drugs and Stationery
Let us supply your Vacation Needs.
RED CROSS DRUG STORE

QUALITY
Is always the first consideration in the manufacture of our products.
Gwilliams' Electric Bakery
"Home of Golden Crust and Sally Ann"
Opposite Observer

OFFICE CAT
By Junius
TRADE MARK REG.

The corn growers of Iowa have launched a campaign calling on the public to eat more corn. We're with them to a certain extent but we draw the line on cold fried corn meal mush.

Benedick—That luminous paint is a splendid invention. Singteone—What do you use it for?

Benedick—We paint the baby's face so we can give him a drink in the night without turning on the light.

"Girl Tennis Player Walks Forty-four Miles." She should be more careful with whom she goes riding.

EVOLUTION FOME

Said a monk, as he swung by his tail, To the little monks, female and male:

"From your offspring, my dears, In a few million years, May evolve a professor in Yale!"

THINGS YOU SELDOM SEE

A movie with an unhappy ending. An unattractive divorcee. A German policeman. An unhappy widower.

Who remembers away back yonder when Jack Dempsey was a pugilist?

Sues Phone Company For \$100,000 Damages

CHICAGO, June 18 (AP).—Alleging that poor telephone service was responsible for the death of a baby and the poor health of its mother, damages of \$100,000 were asked from the Illinois Bell Telephone company in the formal notice of a suit on file today. Attorneys for Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Paul said that the statement was based upon the inability of the husband to summon medical aid by telephone upon the birth of the child.

In Sunbury, Pa., thieves carried away a 1000-pound safe, but a peddler watch dog kept so quiet he wasn't stolen.

THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO THE EDITOR IF THEY DESIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

To The Editor: Just a word in defense of the horses shown at the first Union Livestock show.

The horses of the first Union Livestock show were just a bunch of "fuzz tails" compared with the horses shown at the 18th annual show last week, quoting Mr. Tom Johnson in his address in front of the Union hotel last Friday night.

It would seem rather ludicrous to think that the horses of the first stock show were a mere bunch of "fuzz tails" when the horse that paraded in front of the grandstand last Friday, winning the championship of light-boned horses at the age of 25 years, won the grand championship at the first show, 17 years ago.

"Calloway King II" must come from a pretty good bunch of "fuzz tails," as was Mr. Johnson's style of expression of the horses of the first stock show.

Calloway King II is only a sample of many good horses shown at the first stock show at Union. Mr. Dave Cooper and Mr. Frank Bidwell were the instigators and the promoters of that first stock show and Calloway King II was the inspiration and I am wondering just how Mr. Cooper feels on hearing him dubbed a "fuzz tail."

Eva W. Duncan
Cove, Ore.

First Shipment of Yakima Lambs on Way

YAKIMA, Wash., June 18 (AP).—The first 1926 shipment of Yakima valley lambs to the Chicago market was made today when 10,000 25 car Northern Pacific special train. The net value to the grower is estimated at \$100,000. This year's valley lamb crop is placed at 200,000 head.

ONE RACER LOCATED

LONG BEACH, Cal.—The Yawl Pointetta was 1,341 miles from here on its race with four other vessels to Honolulu from San Pedro radio messages indicated last night. No racers was sighted.



Infants' and Children's Wearables

The best made Standard Merchandise can be bought here at prices just as low as some other places will charge you for poor quality and make.

- Play Suits 95c
- Bib Overalls 95c
- BOYS' WASH SUITS.....\$1.00 to \$2.95
- BOYS' HATS AND CAPS.....25c to \$1.65
- GIRLS' HATS.....25c to \$2.95

GIRLS' DRESSES
Age 2 to 18. Made up from Gingham, Prints, Broadcloth, Voiles, Rayons and Silks, selling at low prices— 75c to \$16.75

LADIES' SEMI-MADE DRESSES
Size 34 to 44. All made with pockets and trimmings and guaranteed not to fade or shrink— \$4.95

Shoes Long on Wear—Low on Price
Size 5 1/2 to 8.....\$1.95
Size 8 1/2 to 11.....\$2.25
Size 11 1/2 to 2.....\$2.75
Size 2 1/2 to 5.....\$3.25

Saturday Will Be Another Bargain Day. Values up to \$5.00 will be close out 25c to \$1.00

Norton's Kiddy Shop

Infants' and Children's Wearables



An Extraordinary Presentation Of Lovely Summer Frocks

Extra Size Silk Dresses Coin and Polkadots
Wash Silk Summer Frocks Plain and Stripes
Swimming Time New Bathing Suits One and Two-Piece
Child's Waders, \$1.95 \$5.25 to \$7.75

N. K. West & Co., Inc.

La Grande's Leading Store For 25 Years.

Body Washed Ashore; Coroner Investigating

MARSHFIELD, Ore., June 18 (AP).—A body clad only in a green bathing suit has been found on the beach north of Coos Bay. The body was in such decomposed condition that it was impossible to determine the sex, but the coroner expressed the opinion that the dead person was about 35 years old.

The coroner said the only possible means of identification was through fillings in teeth of the lower jaw. He is continuing his examination under the belief that the body might possibly be that of Alcee Simple, McPherson, missing Los Angeles evangelist.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., June 18 (AP).—Coroner Keizer, today had a dental description prepared of the lower jaw of a corpse found late yesterday on the beach near the entrance to Coos Bay. A small amount of dental work is the only means of identification, aside from a green bathing suit, he said.

Question of Legality Of Petitions Raised

SALEM, Ore., June 18, (AP).—Whether petitions circulated in 1924 for abolition of the death penalty and proposing to put a measure on the ballot in the general election of that year can be

100 Feet of Viaduct Crashes Onto Street

JERSEY CITY, N. J., June 18, (AP).—Tons of steel, concrete and iron, forming 100 feet of the Thirtieth street vehicular viaduct through the Erie Railroad storage yards crashed twenty feet into the yards today, blocking six tracks and destroying two coaches and a box car.

The viaduct collapsed when a string of passenger cars broke a restraint bumper and swept away a steel pier supporting a viaduct.

ANGORAS SCARCE

ANGORA, Turkey—Angora cats are in danger of becoming extinct. The years of war, famine and neglect in Turkey have made great ravages on the breed of long-haired, bushy-tailed, pink-eyed tabbies, which with the Angora goat, made this section of Turkey famous. The only varieties the traveler to the Turkish capital seen nowadays are scrawny, half-starved, ill-colored cats, whose interbreeding with the common black and white cats have caused them to lose

much of their former "aristocracy" characteristics.

Perhaps the talking movie idea could be useful. Why not limit it to talking sub-Gluc? Would save reading aloud.

Next big wet and dry argument that comes up are going to use a fine wire-crack about one side meeting its Waterloo.

ROCKEFELLER AND TURKEYS

AUBURN, N. Y.—John D. Rockefeller earned his first money raising turkeys. Yesterday he visited the territory around Oswego and Owasco lake, where he lived as a boy and pointed out to friends the scenes of his youth, and the wood where he captured the turkey that gave him his financial start.

Will They Move to Washington?



Albert Stump, 38, attorney and World War veteran, had never been in politics and had no organization; but he stepped out and won the Democratic nomination for U. S. senator in Indiana, and will oppose Senator James E. Watson this fall. This photo shows him with his family. Left to right, they are Margaret, 8; Mr. Stump; Bobby, 4; Mrs. Stump, and Tom, 2.

STAR Today SATURDAY
Carl Laemmle presents **HOOT GIBSON**
PHANTOM BULLET
A new idea for Hoot and a new thrill for you in this double-dyed hair-raiser. Regular Hoot Gibson stuff added to mystery. With the wildest ride Hoot ever made.
Also A Comedy.
COMING SUNDAY
CLARA BOW in "THE RUNAWAY"
A thrilling story of the Kentucky Mountains