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GOD HEARS—I cried unto God with my voice, even unto God with my voice and He gave ear unto me. Psalm 37:1.

We can see the day coming when the woman who wants to cast off conventional trammels and do something novel and daring will tackle housekeeping.

"Lenin and Ghandi are the two greatest men of the modern world," says the Rev. John Haynes Holmes of New York. Don't tell that to Mussolini or Big Bill Thompson.

The Red Cross roll call is being conducted largely through varied organizations in the city and co-operation is gratifying. But not everyone who appreciates the importance of Red Cross work and who wishes to show it by having a dollar membership can be in attendance at the meetings of organizations where the opportunity is presented. Those people should avail themselves of the mails and send a check to Dr. Murphy, local chairman in charge of the roll call. There are hundreds of people in La Grande and vicinity who can well afford a dollar contribution for such a purpose.

NEED FOR REFORM

The freedom with which street peddlers ply their trade in the business district of La Grande would suggest to anyone, it seems, that our ordinances are too lenient, our license levels too low, or our police powers not broad enough to give the protection a community deserves. By paying a license fee of \$6 a week, we are informed, and by securing a permit from some business man to use his curb, anybody can come in and sell anything any old time. Something is wrong with an organized community that is not organized sufficiently to make operations of that kind more difficult.

We do not refer to the bell-ringer variety of salesman where orders are taken and goods are delivered by transportation governed by interstate commerce laws. Unfortunately they cannot be legislated out of existence. We do refer, however, to the down-town peddler who can rent a place to do business for \$6 a week on the sidewalk or street when the legitimate merchant, whose front door step he utilizes, is prevented from having merchandise displays or mere advertising signs on the same spot the peddler occupies.

In the first place, we need a new ordinance putting the license fee at \$75 or \$100 a week. Next we need more discrimination in the issuance of licenses of this character and a thorough co-operation between the city license officer and the police department to see that every protection in sanitation, in petty selling graft, is provided our citizens. Next we need an ordinance declaring street peddlers and their paraphernalia dangerous to and obstructions of pedestrian and motor traffic in the down-town area and giving the police department authority to remove them at their discretion.

Streets and sidewalks are public property designed and maintained for the purpose of serving traffic interests. To that end numerous and lengthy ordinances are already on the city statute books. They should be kept that way and no licenses of any kind whatsoever should permit street salesmen except in cases of municipal and large organization celebrations. Other cities prevent it and the same result can be accomplished here. The fact that a peddler can come here, locate on a street corner, and dispose of fish that are exposed to flies, street dust, and all the filth of an open-air stand is a disgrace to La Grande.

All of this, very probably, has been inadvertently overlooked by the city officials in the past. They are, we are sure, as opposed to such operations as is The Observer. The remedy can be quickly accomplished after a brief investigation. It deserves the city's early attention.

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Union Sons And Fathers Meet In Annual Banquet

UNION Nov. 21. (Special)—The annual Fathers and Sons banquet took place Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the dining room of the K. P. hall with 150 in attendance. The affair was sponsored by the Union-commercial club and dinner was served by the Women's club.

T. T. Cook, president of the commercial club, gave the address of welcome. C. L. Caldwell acted as toastmaster and called upon Henry Reuter, president of the senior class of the high school for a response. Talks were also given by L. A. Wright, Robert Whycombe, the Rev. A. J. Lockwood, Ray Conklin and C. L. Caldwell.

Mrs. Edith Poy and Mrs. Helene Reuter each sang two solos and the choir quartet, composed of Jane Smith, Leona Sperry and Vellie and Nellie Geertzen sang two selections. They were accompanied at the piano by Miss Marion Poy.

Following the banquet all went to the City theater where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Wash, proprietors of the theater.

NEW STAGE RULING
SALESMEN Nov. 21. (AP)—Highways all over Oregon are operating interstate between fixed terminals in Oregon are required to pick up passengers at any point on the highway. This is required by an order of the public service commission made public today. Provisions of the schedule are retroactively effective.

Prior to this it has been the custom of many of the stage concerns to take passengers only at certain

COVE PERSONALS

COVE. (Special)—Oscar Holman of Cove and Miss Ann Low Larson of Union, were married in La Grande Saturday, Nov. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Holman are living for the present at the old home place of the Reifers at Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Schell of Crane, Ore., are the proud parents of a baby daughter born to them at Burns, Ore., Nov. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Schell, nee Esther Saunders, were both teachers in the Cove schools three years ago. He was teacher of athletics and she was commercial teacher. Mr. Schell is now principal at Crane.

Mrs. C. A. Smith accompanied by her son, Claire, and two daughters are visiting in Portland.

County School Superintendent E. A. Sayre paid a visit to the Cove school last week. The principal, Mr. Schell, showed him the school building and the school grounds.

Mrs. Harry Harrington, of Milton, spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. E. J. Reuter, and the ministerial show put on by the Cove High school Friday evening, Nov. 18, was enjoyed by the Cove people. The house was packed with an enthusiastic audience.

The music was very good and the solo by Lee Elliott, Dr. Reuter, Linn Reuter, Edward Reuter, Archer Antio, Eugene Robinson and Lester Peterman, with Miss Lura Barber as accompanist, showed much talent and were well received. The jokes and repartee of the ministerial consisted of clean fun and was a laugh from start to finish.

The second part of the program consisted of a solo by J. H. Pyle, "Give a Man a Horse He Can Ride," by O'Hara with an encore "Silvia," by Speaks. Mrs. L. R. Lay was accompanied. A cornet solo, "Frenzied Polka Rhythm," by J. H. Lay with an encore, "Spring's Awakening" by Eben, accompanied Mrs. L. R. Lay; "Old Melodier," male quartet, Messrs. A. Antio, L. Lantz, T. Towle and G. Conley; Mrs. T. Towle accompanied.

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It isn't alone the defendant lawyer who loses heart. The successful lawyer must lose his too.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of George H. Sutherland, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present them to the undersigned with the proper vouchers within six months after the date of this notice, and to so present them to the undersigned at his office, Foley Bldg., La Grande, Oregon.

Dated November 17th, 1927.
H. E. DIXON,
Administrator of the Estate of George H. Sutherland, Deceased.
Nov. 7-14-21-28, Dec. 5

NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County. In the Matter of the Estate of Olive Stansfield, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administrator of the estate of Olive Stansfield, deceased, and the County Court of Union County, Oregon, has filed Saturday, the 18th day of December, 1927.

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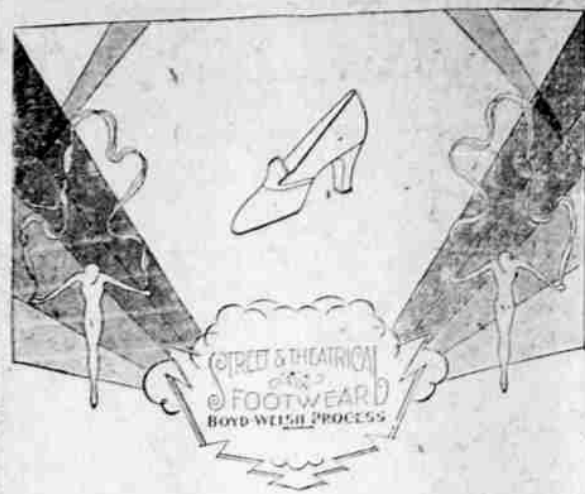
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WILLIAM A. STANSFIELD,
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Nov. 21-28, Dec. 5-12-19.



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