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A Grand Rondo farmer says to the La Grande Observer: "There was a time when none of us raised anything but hay and cattle. We never thought about raising anything else. But this creamery notion came along and we found that a milk cow would earn enough to pay running expenses of the farm. I hesitated for quite a while but finally I got up with the rest of my neighbors and we began milking a few cows. Now, I want to say to you that every month I go in to Mr. Lambert or Johnny Gilkinson at the Powder Valley bank with my check and transfer quite a little sum to my checking account. Take it from me, the cows are an essential to farming and one of the best money getters a farmer can have."

What a crabbed old shrimp Wood is growing to be! The Colonel should dissolve his grouch in the mollifying influence of matrimony, or else hike himself into the kuckybrush and comb the burrs from his hair. Who cares a whisker whether or no his dinky old fossilized junkshop ever had a swabbing out? "Yuletide spirit" be drubbed. The only "spirit" that could possibly be siphoned into Wood's miserable carcass would be through a rubber hose, agitated with about 40 pounds pressure to the square inch; and then it would require a concrete silo to keep the "spirit" in captivity long enough for anyone to find out that he had it. A silo! That's the dope. Seal the old scrawny scowhead up in Joe Hodgson's ensilage factory and let him ferment until spring; then let Joe dispose of the remains as he sees fit.

One of the very best special editions issued by any of our exchanges this year comes from the office of the Ione Bulletin. The Bulletin, published by L. K. Harlan, last week got out a superb 30-page edition exploiting the wealth and resources of Ione and Morrow county. Well printed, a gem typographically; and brimful of well-written information, and liberally supplied with advertising matter, the Bulletin special edition sets a mark of perfection that will make the other fellows hustle to reach.

Secretary Lane has announced that the classification of public lands as irrigable or non-irrigable, in conformity with the administration of the 320-acre homestead laws, is being accomplished satisfactorily. In many parts of the West settlers are complying with the 320-acre homestead laws and reaping excellent returns by dry-farming the land. Particularly is this true of certain sections of the state of Idaho, where a number of Umatilla county people have taken land.

The average pay of every man, woman and child in the United States who works for wages will this year be close to \$610. In 1900 the average pay was only \$479, and thirty years before that but \$370. The above statistics are taken from a recent government report, and it is safe to say the wage earner who earned \$370 thirty years ago did not have as hard a time to "make ends meet" as does his son of today, with his salary of \$610.

Conforming with the established policy of the administration, the restoration to entry of about 487,000 acres in three counties in Washington has been made. These lands were supposed to contain large coal deposits, but it has been found on examination by the United States geological survey that the deposits are insignificant.

The Helix Advocate admonishes warring factions to quit chewing cloth, join hands and make a town out of the burg. Wholesome advice and if heeded, will work wonders in the little city of the flat. Cheese the chewing and "boost or beat it"—to recant to the Advocate's slogan.

Indications are for a shortage of hay before spring, all over the North west. Most of those with a surplus are holding for a higher price in two or three months. The fellow who "makes hay while the sun shines," is sure to have siller in his jeans to recompense for the making thereof.

A Chicago exchange remarks that everybody in Mexico smokes cigarettes. Possibly that has something to do with the situation.

President Wilson has been suffering from an attack of la grippe. The White House looks like any other place, to germs.

When Britain Fought For an Ear.
Perhaps the most extraordinary example of Britain going to war for "no reason at all" occurred in the reign of George II. One Robert Jenkins, an English merchant-captain, trading from Jamaica, arriving in England in 1738, reported that the sloop had been boarded by the Spanish coast guards and that, though no proof of smuggling had been found, he had been tortured and his ear torn off. All England flew into an uproar. "Jenkins' ear" divided parties and shook Walpole's ministry itself. The house of commons sent for Jenkins, and he was told to bring his ear with him. The incident grew into a crisis, though Walpole did his best to persuade people to keep their heads, but the popular indignation was so great that the next year the government was compelled to declare war against Spain.—Pearson's.

The Isle of Yachts.
Coves had many ups and downs before it finally attained its destiny as the headquarters of yachting. Sir John Ogleader, writing in Stuart times, says, "I knew when there was not above three or four houses at Coves," but he had counted 300 ships at anchor there, and I was and am persuaded that if our wars and troubles had not unfortunately happened it would have grown as famous as Newport." The wars complained of were the civil wars. Foreign war had been a fine thing for Coves, since the warships bought the island's produce there. But the civil wars struck the gentry hard, and Sir John adds the coming of lawyers as another curse. The first attorney was expelled from the island by the governor as a public danger. "Now peace and law hath beggared us all," says Sir John.—London Chronicle.

Books by Weight.
Many years ago in San Francisco there was a bookseller who had an intimate knowledge of fiction prices, but who was all astray when it came to general literature or scientific works. A customer having selected a volume would ask the price and, without so much as bothering to look at the title, if he saw that it was not a novel, the seller would roughly weigh it on his hand and name the sum. Many a bargain was picked up in that way, but as the bookseller also bought on the same principle, he never lost anything to speak of.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Bracelets.
Bracelets have been worn from time immemorial, but few wearers of the golden bands of the present day know that they were once used to distinguish the insane. Before lunatics were confined to insane asylums they wore an armband for distinction.

No true and permanent fame can be founded except in labors which promote the happiness of mankind.

NOTICE.
The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Athens, Oregon, for the election of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before it will be held in its office in Athens, Oregon, on Tuesday the 13th day of January, 1914, at the hour of 2 o'clock, p. m. F. S. LeGrow, Cashier, December 5th, 1913.

Notice of Final Account.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of Charles Wilson, Deceased:
Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Maggie Wilson, administratrix of the estate of Charles Wilson, deceased, has filed her final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Judge, by order duly made and entered, has appointed Saturday, the 10th day of January, A. D. 1914 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon as the time, and the County Court house at Pendleton, Oregon as the place, where the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made.
Dated this 13th day of December, A. D. 1913. Maggie Wilson, Atty. for Administratrix.

Notice to Creditors.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Umatilla County.
In the matter of the Estate of W. W. Jacobs, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the above estate by order of the above entitled court and has qualified as the law directs; all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same at my office, or at the office of my attorney, Homer I. Watts, in Athens, Oregon with proper vouchers, within six months from date hereof.
Dated this 13th day of December, A. D. 1913. Homer I. Watts, B. B. Richards, Attorney, Administrator.

Notice of Final Account.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of Amos Shick deceased.
Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Arthur E. Shick, administrator of the estate of Amos Shick, deceased, has filed his final account and report in the administration of said estate. That the County Judge, by the order duly made and entered, has appointed Saturday,

the 20th day of December, A. D., 1913 at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon as the time, and the County Court house at Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, as the place, where all objections and exceptions to the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made.
Dated this 14th day of November, A. D., 1913. Arthur E. Shick, by Homer I. Watts, Attorney for Administrator.

SUMMONS.
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
Mary F. McCubbins, Plaintiff,
vs.
A. C. McCubbins, Defendant.
To A. C. McCubbins, the above-named defendant:
In the name of the state of Oregon, you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled suit within six weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons in the Athens Press, a newspaper published weekly at Athens, Umatilla county, Oregon, and you will take notice that if you fail to so appear and answer the said complaint or otherwise plead thereto within said time, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for and demanded in said complaint, viz.: For a decree of divorce forever dissolving the bond of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and defendant and for such further relief as the Court may deem just and equitable.
This summons is published pursuant to an order of the Hon. G. W. Phelps, Judge of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Oregon, duly made and entered on the 8th day of November, 1913 and the first publication thereof is made on Friday, Nov. 14, 1913 and the same will be published for six consecutive weeks, the last publication to appear on Friday, December 26, 1913.
Homer I. Watts, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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His Christmas Gift

A few Suggestions from our big list; compare them with yours, and you'll find them to be helpful

Gloves, street and dress. Auto Gloves. Fancy and dress Shirts. Sweater Coats and Mufflers. Suspenders and Belts. Derby or soft Hats. Auto Caps. Overcoats.	Soft Pins. Pin and Cuff Link sets. Tie Retainers. Pailman Slippers. Traveling Bags. Leather Suit Cases. Collar Bags. Bath Robe and Slippers.	Silk Ties. Plain or initial Handkerchiefs. Socks by the box. Fiscanel Shirts. Combination sets of Socks and Suspenders. Set of Socks and Tie. Set of Tie, Tie Pin and Socks.
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