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Mr. Harley, mayor of Astoria, is in Washington and from there is shooting broadsides of circular letters to the Oregon press condemning the inactivity of the Oregon delegation...

The lid is still on wheat flour substitutes, with the result that the substitutes cost a great deal more than the flour. Barley and corn, heretofore used for stock feeding...

The mountains are now white enough to insure a good supply of water for the coming summer months and the indications are that the pumping plant may be used only a small portion of the season...

Adventuresome, idle women are warned to keep away from France. This is the warning given by Mrs. Aldrich of Bloomington, Illinois...

Sim Barnes, Weston's big man-about-town, was over Monday and informed the Press man that he is in the Thrift Stamp business...

Austria at peace would weigh heavily on the Kaiser and would more than balance Russia's demobilization. The handwriting is on the wall...

Doubtless that birthday address made by the Kaiser was appreciated by the German imperial court—the world at large is interested in seeing to it that he never has opportunity to deliver another like it.

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Bruce Dennis will again assume control of the LaGrande Observer. The Observer is a good paper, published in a good town...

The cackle of the hen will be heard louder in the land from now on, if Mr. Hoover has his way about it. He has prohibited the sale of pullets and hens until after the first day of May.

Sure, we're glad of it—that the Bulldogger ed. is back and that the Kernel's batteries are in good working order.

23 Years Ago.

The boys are talking base ball. Farmers in the vicinity of Dayton, Wash., are plowing. Frank Jackson sank a well on his Main street property this week...

John Foss, Marion Kees and several members of the Normal school faculty took needed exercise by walking over to Athena.

Work has commenced on the big tank which will hold the supply of water for the Athena water works.

Coyotes are becoming so numerous in Gilliam county that sheepmen and others are trying to devise the best method of killing them off.

Clark Wood has resigned his position as city editor of the La Grande Chronicle and returned to Pendleton.

Fire destroyed 22,000 bushels of wheat in Walla Walla Wednesday belonging to Dement Bros. The loss is \$80,000. The wheat was insured for \$50,000.

If the wheat market was as brisk as the matrimonial market, our farmers would have money to throw at the birds.

The Churches.

Baptist Church Notes. Splendid services last Sunday. Dr. Woody gave a splendid address much to the delight of all present...

Methodist Episcopal Church. "The Negro and The Flag," is the title of the patriotic program at the Methodist church next Sunday morning...

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