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WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

THE Albany Democrat-Herald points to the huge surplus which the state industrial accident fund is accumulating as evidenced by the financing of a \$600,000 state office building at Salem from that fund and raises the question as to whether, in view of the excess of receipts over current needs, the workman for whose primary benefit the industrial compensation system is maintained is receiving from it as much in benefits as he ought to be receiving. And it is a fair question. Says the Democrat-Herald:

Linn county employers have paid into the state industrial accident fund during the past twelve months the sum of \$2,171,26 and compensations paid to injured workmen during the period amounted to \$539.99. This shows that the commission is working on a safe margin and explains why the coffers of the commission have been swollen so rapidly.

It is interesting to note that of the \$539.99 received, only \$211.48 has found its way into the family exchequer where it could be expended for groceries, clothing, fuel and other necessities of life. The greater share, \$328.51, was paid to physicians, hospitals and druggists.

Physicians, hospitals and druggists naturally must be patronized when people are injured and that the workmen's compensation act provides a way to finance these necessities is something worth while. But it does seem that the margin remaining after the doctor, hospital and druggist are paid is pretty small on the basis of the Albany presentation. There ought to be provision for living expenses during time out for the injured workman. On the face of the figures given and on the further fact that a gigantic surplus is being built it would appear that compensation is too small. The employers are paying enough but the injured workmen are not getting it all.

It may be argued in behalf of the surplus that its accumulation is a wise precaution. But if there is need for a surplus that need is to have plenty of money available to pay claims in case of accident or disaster affecting many workmen simultaneously. Plainly if there is need for a surplus for that purpose there is also need that it be kept liquid. Money tied up in a state building is a frozen asset. It would not be available for an emergency.

The Democrat-Herald cites that the industrial accident fund is advertised far and wide as a boon to the workers of the state and inquires, "But is it?" There can scarcely be doubt that it is. For one thing it has put a stop to the activities of ambulance chasing lawyers and relieved the courts of endless litigation which seldom resulted in substantial benefits to the injured. It brings compensation to the injured without putting upon them the burden of a fight for their rights. In fundamental purpose and from the standpoint of general results the law has justified itself. But there seems little justification for building up a huge surplus at the expense of this generation of workers for the benefit of the next generation. When the money is invested in buildings that is what the present procedure amounts to.

POEM FOR THE DAY

By LOUIS ALBERT BANKS

NOT BULLETS BUT FLOWERS

Here is a news dispatch from Hamburg, Germany:
"A Junkers plane of the German Lufthansa has just carried an unusually fragrant piece of freight—25,000 lilies of the valley, the first of the season—to Amsterdam, where they will be transformed to another plane and sent to Paris."
"While German lilies of the valley seem to be popular in Paris, violets from South France are on sale in the streets of Hamburg."

It seems but just the other day
When, gripped in awful mortal fray,
They sought to take each other's life,
Were locked in brutal deadly strife,
And now we have this tale of flowers
And friendly trade between the powers,
How sweet the airship's kindly hums
Compared to Bertha's awful bombs!

Black death was then their sole exchange
Whenever they found each other's range,
But now 'tis glad and hopeful cheer
That makes their friendship still more dear,
And flowers grown in German soil
Make glad the Frenchman after foil,
And blossoms sent from southern France
Awake old Hamburg's gracious glance.

These blooms which now make sweet the air
In which these people gladly share,
Are but a token of their hearts
Since they have gone to peaceful arts,
For hatred now has faded out
And angry thoughts are put to rout,
How sweet this commerce from their farms—
This bright exchange of fragrant charms!

Thank God we've come on better days,
Are learning wholesome kinder ways,
And though our progress may seem slow,
With flying ships and radio,
We'll scatter fragrance from our souls
O'er every land between the poles,
And all our prejudice shall cease
In friendly trade with arts of peace.

DERN AND EDWARDS WIN ON DOUBLE WRESTLING BILL

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, May 25.—Ira Derr, Salt Lake, won a straight falls victory over Tommy Thompson, Los Angeles, and Billy Edwards, Kansas City, defeated Leo Papiano, Los Angeles, two out of three falls in a double headline wrestling bout here last night.

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OUT OUR WAY



THE STARTERS.

By Williams

STATE MARKET AGENT'S LETTER

Actual Conditions Faced
Clackamas County Berries
What the Grange Stands For
Standardizing Spud Package
Going to State Grange
Competing Commodities
Japan Eating More Wheat

By SEYMOUR JONES
(State Market Agent)

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Ore., May 21, 1929.—Protesting the action of Examiners Mackley and Hall of the Interstate Commerce Commission in dismissing the plea for lower rates on grain from the Columbia basin to Pacific ports to correspond with the low rates of the Canadian roads from the wheat provinces to Vancouver, B. C., by saying that conditions in Canada were not comparable, the Oregonian had a powerful editorial last Thursday covering the conditions which face the wheat growers of the Pacific Northwest. In the course of which this truth is voiced: "If Columbia basin wheat is to move at all and is to yield any living profit to the grower, such rates must be made that it can be sold at the seaboard at prices competitive with Canadian wheat and remunerative to the grower."

A large part of Clackamas county's berry crop goes to Seattle people this year, Eddie & Co. of that city having contracted with the Clackamas Producers' Cooperative for strawberries, red raspberries, loganberries and blackcaps, to be delivered to a receiving station in Oregon City and paid for each week at the following prices: strawberries, 50 cents a pound, hulled; red raspberries, 8 cents; loganberries, 40 cents guaranteed; and perhaps more; blackcaps, 7 cents. The Eddie Co. is said to have bought the cannery at Sherwood, where the berries will be handled. About 230,000 tons of berries are anticipated by Clackamas growers, says the report, but that appears large.

Louis J. Taber, master of the National Grange, gives approval to the export debenture plan as a means of giving to agriculture the full benefit of the protective tariff system. He announces the following as the program which the Grange unanimously supports: "A better marketing system and the creation of a federal farm board, with broad powers to assist agriculture; increased tariff on agricultural commodities; a sound land policy, flexible export debentures to bring tariff benefits to the export branches of our agriculture."

Standardization of potato packages into 100, 50, 25 and 10 pounds is proposed by the National Potato Institute, which says that the adoption of such a program would meet every possible contingency in the way of demand from consumers, and at the same time avoid the confusion which now exists with reference to pounds, pecks, bush-

els, packages, barrels, tons and other traditional weights and measures of potatoes.

The state Grange will meet at Marshfield June 11 to 13. The Southern Pacific railroad proposes to run a daylight train from Portland Monday, June 10, at 10 o'clock a. m., and return on the Saturday or Sunday following, with a round-trip rate of \$10.31 if 160 passengers can be signed up.

The Grange Bulletin says that during 1928 Portland imported 79,738,055 pounds of copra and 6,292,946 pounds of coconut oil, and that "every pound of this coconut oil and copra takes the place of a pound of animal and vegetable fats grown by American farmers."

Japan is showing an increasing fondness for a diet in which a prominent part is played by wheat instead of rice. Imports of wheat by Japan for the crop year to the end of last March were 17,000,000 bushels, compared with 19,000,000 bushels the previous crop year.

NOTED WRITER DIES

(Associated Press Local Wire)
NEW YORK, May 25.—Garret Putnam Serres, 78, widely noted author of scientific articles, died in an Englewood, N. J., hospital last night. He was an editorial writer on the New York Sun in 1892 and later lectured and wrote articles and books on astronomy, travel and history.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT

U. S. Weather Bureau Office, Roseburg, Oregon. Data reported by E. H. Fletcher, Meteorologist in charge.

Barometric pressure (reduced to sea level) 5 a. m. 29.27
Relative humidity 5 p. m. yesterday (per cent) 61
Highest temperature yesterday 61
Lowest temperature last night 41
Average temperature for the day 51
Normal temperature for this date 58

Precip. in inches and Hundredths

Precipitation for 24 hours, ending 5 a. m. .05
Total precip. since 1st month .37
Normal precip. for this month 1.53
Total precip. from Sept. 1, 1928, to date .1954
Normal precip. from Sept. 1, to date .37
Total deficiency since Sept. 1, 1928 .1746
Normal seasonal precip. Sept. 1 to May, inclusive .3116
Forecast for interior southwest Oregon: Fair tonight and Sunday; rising temperature Sunday.

NOTICE

All bills against the county should be filed on or before the first day of the month, otherwise they will not be considered till the following month.

Roseburg, Ore., May 23, 1929.
COUNTY COURT.

A cutpacker will crush clover and put land in shape for planting. We have single and double gang sizes in stock. Wharton Bros.
Picnic at Mileid Park.

WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

GOD'S LAW IN THE HEART

The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for May 26.
God's Law in the Heart, Jer. 31: 23-34; John 1:17.

By WM. E. GILROY, D. D.
Editor of The Congregationalist

Again our lesson is drawn from Jeremiah with a verse from the New Testament which sets the prophetic ideal and attainment, which constituted a preparation for the age of Christ, alongside the fulfillment of the prophetic spirit and purpose in the grace and truth that came through Jesus Christ. Jeremiah, with all his greatness, never quite came to the ultimate thing. He was a prophet of righteousness, denouncing evil, and lack of this righteousness and this hatred of evil there was the soul of a true patriot, passionate for the welfare of his country and people. That righteousness and that passion are sublime, but even in their sublimity they do not come to the highest heights or the deepest depths.

Law isn't Everything.
Perhaps this is one of the lessons that our modern world needs to learn, that law with all its value and meaning for progress is not all that there are heights of love to which the legal-minded never quite attain, and that the supremacy of Jesus Christ was that which in any way lessening the demands of righteousness and truth he brought into a world of sin and lawless people a new attitude of love and grace.

There is a danger that even in our efforts to reform society we may compromise the very things upon which the highest social life ultimately rests. In our punishment of wrongdoers there may be little purpose of reform, and in our denunciation of those who flout and flout the law it is very easy for us to become devoid of the sympathy and love for our fellowmen that is the beginning of Jesus' Christ. It is at all to be our guide, constant the deepest depths in human redemption.

It should, however, be said that the ideal and aim was not in the denunciation of law or the fulfillment of law through love. The regard for wrongdoers that he expressed in mere words of a prophet is not to be taken as a something casual and treacherous about men and their social expressions and relationships. Though the love of this sort does not break through words or expressions into daily living lamps.



Text: Jer. 31:23-34; John 1:17

In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge.

But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers, in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was a husband unto them, saith the Lord:

TILDEN TO QUIT INTERNATIONAL TENNIS FIGHTS

(Associated Press Local Wire)
NEW YORK, May 25.—Big Bill Tilden will bid good-bye to international tennis competition after the current season is over. After ten years of serious tennis filled with dramatic victories and equally dramatic defeats, Big Bill finally has decided that he has had enough.

The lanky Philadelphia, six times holder of the national title, basked for years of American tennis cup teams, a dominant figure season after season on foreign courts, announces his approaching retirement from international play in an article, written by himself, in the June 1 issue of the magazine "Liberty."

Although ready to quit international competition, Big Bill disclaims emphatically any intention of quitting the game which he said he would play as "long as my two wobbling legs will function, my aged and enfeebled arm will swing, and my age-dimmed eyes can see a ball." The Philadelphia added that his status would continue to be amateur and that he had no thought of turning professional.

Tilden hopes to fill in his time with tennis exhibitions, with stage work and with newspaper articles. He has no hankering after an official position with the United States Lawn Tennis Association even should he have a chance of obtaining one.

"I hope to be able to play for years in exhibitions at schools and colleges or in the public parks where I can feel that I am aiding in the development of our future champions," Big Bill said.

QUAKES ROCK DENMARK

(Associated Press Local Wire)
COPENHAGEN, Denmark, May 25.—Earth shocks of moderate intensity were felt in various parts of Denmark late yesterday.

At Nykøbing and Jutland there was a rattling heavy shock at 7:10 p. m. followed by minor shocks. Three shocks were felt in houses in both towns were moved. Woodwork creaked and doors opened at many places in the Thyland district and it was feared some houses would collapse.

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