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## Says Christ Had Best Peace Plan

### Oregon State College Orator Offers Remedy to Fight Doctrine of Pessimism.

OREGON STATE COLLEGE.—"If the unknown soldier should rise from his tomb today, he would not suffer the despair of Rip Van Winkle—he would think he had slept 20 minutes and not 20 years." With this significant statement, Clark Fox, a student at Oregon State college, introduced his oration on world peace, which was first place in the state peace oratorical contest sponsored by the Intercollegiate Forensic association of Oregon. He noted a Christian program.

Although many are pessimistic over the prospect of world peace ever being attained, the struggle for world peace must go on because "a world order based on physical conflict between nations can never be a satisfactory or happy one," Fox pointed out. Against the pessimistic doctrine, Fox called attention to the fact that mankind has progressed physically, mentally and spiritually by a process of evolution, and that since the time of tribal wars, peace has been established in ever expanding areas. Today only 60 sovereign units exist, in contrast with thousands formerly, he said. "The greatest obstacle to peace through world federation is the fear of loss of economic advantages on the part of some nations. For this fear human selfishness is responsible. Obviously a satisfactory world peace must guarantee every nation a reasonable degree of economic security."

Fox summed up his argument by saying that Christ pointed the way to world peace 2000 years ago and no better way has since been found. "Let the statesmen of the world in their diplomacy apply a little of the philosophy of Christ and the problem of man may be solved," he concluded. Fox's oration, along with the second and third place winners by students from the Portland and Willamette universities, will be submitted to the national peace oratorical contest.

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## Tsk, Dotty, and You a Bird Dog!



Dotty's really a well hunting spaniel, but the countenance of her owner, George Corhart of Boise, Idaho, turned slightly red when she adopted a brood of chickens and cared for them as though her own pups. She allows the chicks to hop on her head, peck at her ears, regarding it all part of a day's work in raising a family.

which has been noted for 29 years. The department said the increase in most animals and poultry was general over the whole country, but that largest increases were noted in the west north central states, where numbers were sharply reduced during the drought years.

## Steadying Influence in Oregon Hop Trade Noted

PORTLAND, Feb. 19.—(AP)—Oregon hop growers sold about 200 bales of 1939 stock during the week for 25-25 1/2 a pound net, the lowest agricultural marketing service at Portland.

A few exhibitors carrying fine crop exhibits, 1200 chickens were shown during the week at the county fair. Many of the exhibitors were from the Willamette valley. The fair is expected to be held in the city on the 20th and 21st.

## Kiwanis-Grange Programs Listed

According to Mr. L. W. Josse, chairman of the Kiwanis-Grange program committee, a schedule of programs has been arranged with the following granges: March 5, Riverdale; March 12, Melrose; March 19, Canyon Valley; March 26, Gile; April 2, Azalea; April 9, South Deer Creek; April 16, Long Prairie; April 23, Sutherland and Newport; April 30, Seaside; and May 7, Elk Creek at Sports Valley.

Mr. Josse states that he has a wonderful program to be ready for the first meeting of the schedule. Jack Wharton is working on a special number which will be in the nature of a southern fad. Roy Bellows is expected to entertain with his magic. Evelyn McMillan, and finally several other girls, will have a musical skill. And according to Mr. Josse, "Chief" Moran has been persuaded to prepare a number. These numbers together with the Kiwanis quartet and one or two others which Mr. Josse expects to secure will provide an exceptionally fine program.

In connection with each of these programs, grange committees are selling food and candy. The proceeds of these sales go to their Kiwanis club scholarship funds. The Kiwanis club does not accept any funds from any of the programs.

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Benjamin, general manager of the Pacific Egg Producers Cooperative, Inc., a New York corporation handling Pacific coast eggs, said storing would protect coast egg cooperatives against low wholesale prices expected in the spring.

## Egg Prices to Be Better in 1940, Dealer States

Among those shopping and visiting in Roseburg Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wright, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wright, Miss Elva Sumner, Carl Sumner, Jack Gaudin, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Perdue and son, Johnnie, Mrs. Mandia Widrig, Mrs. Gladys Culbertson and Jay Wright.

Raymond Spore returned Thursday of last week from Portland and Chicago, had been spending a few days attending to business matters.

John Hutchinson went to Myrtle Creek Saturday to obtain medical attention for an injured hand. It was necessary for him to return Monday for further treatment.

Bob Tremble and George Higgins were Canyonville visitors Wednesday evening.

Among those accompanying the basketball and volleyball teams to Gresham Friday evening were Miss May Gross, Miss May Hutehinson, Jack Gaudin, Lyle Spore, Lester Ferguson, John Sutton and C. C. Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wood and small daughter, Vera Ellen, and Mrs. Ray Spencer were shopping in Roseburg Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Elam were business visitors in Roseburg Monday. Other local people there were Mrs. Lawrence Michaels, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Gannon, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brock, Mrs. Alma Lundy, Mrs. Fred and Florence Richard Howard Moore, Pete Elam, J. D. Wright, Leo Elmer and Johnnie Sutton, Ronald Hoover and Leslie Ellis.

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## DAILY DEVOTIONS

DR. CHAS. A. EDWARDS  
To love God with all the heart and our neighbor as ourselves is a statement made by Jesus. Here are two different objects but not two separate loves. Humanitarianism says, "forget God. Concentrate on your neighbor." That has been tried again and again. It always fails. Man taken alone as the object of love, will in the end sink the most buoyant altruism and break the kindest of hearts. Man comes to despair of man. But when we begin where Jesus directs, by pouring out all we have in love for God, it is like enjoying exercise and fresh air and rest and food. The more we do it, the stronger we become. God not only inspires love; He redoubles it. We go from strength to strength. He empowers us, helps us love our neighbor. In that strength we recognize and can love as neighbors not just the likeable and those of our own set, but also the thimble, the alien, the unlovely and repulsive, but even our enemy. This is God's love, powerful in our souls. Amen.

## Douglas Poultry Raisers to Meet

Experts From State College Will Discuss Problems at Session Here Wednesday.

Poultrymen of Douglas county should be interested in the poultry school to be held in the LOCAL hall in Roseburg Wednesday of this week, according to J. Roland Parker, county agent. The program is arranged to cover the common problems of the average poultryman, and the subject matter will be handled from Oregon State college, Corvallis.

The school will open at 10 a. m. with a review of the poultry industry, followed by a discussion on "Disease problems in the laying house," by E. M. Dickinson, poultry pathologist from Oregon State college. Following the noon recess, at 1:15, "Broiler production" will be discussed by W. T. Conroy, and at 2:45 "Production and marketing egg quality" will be handled by N. L. Dennon, extension poultryman.

The poultry industry states Mr. Parker has become one of the chief agricultural industries of Douglas county, and returns several hundred thousand dollars to growers each year. The industry has been going in three-year cycles as to the number of laying pullets produced each year. Every third year a large number of birds is raised, as was the case during the past year. Indications are that the number of chicks hatched and pullets bred in the laying flocks will be lower in 1940 than in 1935.

Regardless of the trends in the poultry industry as a whole, poultry producers who expect to stay in business should brood sufficient birds to replace 50 to 60 per cent of the average laying flock each year, Parker says. Experience has shown it is not advisable to purchase started chicks or pullets to maintain the flock. Producers who are equipped to brood and rear their own pullets are the ones who have made the greatest success of the poultry industry.

## Fiber Flax Output Will Be Encouraged by AAA

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—(AP)—The agricultural adjustment administration announced a subsidy program designed to encourage production of fiber flax this year.

Producers of field-grown fiber flax straw, suitable for the production of spinning fiber, will be offered a payment of not more than \$6.50 a ton for not to exceed 6,000 tons of straw produced in 1940. If more than 6,000 tons are produced and marketed, a lower rate will be paid.

The program is similar to one adopted last year.

The Willamette valley in Oregon and Clark county, Wash., are the principal areas in which fiber flax is produced in the United States.

## First Sale of Arizona Wool Brings 29-Ct. Top

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 19.—(AP)—The first major wool sale of the season was registered here Saturday when Sawyer-Owens accepted a bid of Deaver and Company,

Boston, at 27 cents per pound for approximately 150,000 pounds of "pasture" wool and 29 cents for 75,000 pounds of "desert" wool. The prices were considered the equivalent to 83 to 85 cents, clean basis, Boston.

A slightly lower price was offered and refused on the same lot earlier in the week.

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**Federal Inquiry into Fruit Industry Sought**  
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**Around the County**  
Days Creek  
DAVIS BRIDGES, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Bill was a business visitor to Days Creek, Monday.

**Rabbit, Chick Tinting for Easter Is Opposed**  
ASTORIA, Feb. 19.—(AP)—The Willamette Valley Humane society has opposed the tinting of rabbits and chicks for Easter. The society is now being assisted by Bud Gaudin in conducting studies in the uniting cooperation of the Tillamook Development Co.

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