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THIS IS A FAITHFUL SAYING, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.—1 Timothy 1:15.

Drive carefully on wet pavements. And on dry ones.

Many a man objects to being made the victim of a lie, but he sometimes squirms a lot more if the truth is told.

We wouldn't be surprised any time to have someone propose a referendum on the Ten Commandments.

The Austrian artist who says American girls are dolls has probably never tried to feed one with sawdust.

Some "expert" says women talk too fast over the phone, but it is difficult to believe it after you try to get in touch with one on a party line.

The airplane hop from California to Honolulu is set for September. If successful, America will have another accomplishment of merit to spread on the pages of aerial history.

A high school girl in Illinois, the world's speediest stenographer, writes 9,120 words an hour—that is, if anyone can think of 9,120 words an hour that ought to be written.

DeHart Hubbard, negro athlete of Michigan university, attained world field fame Saturday when he set a new record of 25 feet, 10.78 inches at the national meet in Chicago. It was the ambition of his great athletic career and he deserved realization. He has jumped 25 feet more times than anyone on record and is one of three men in athletic history to pass that mark. It's a performance that will probably stand unequalled for a generation.

EVENTUALLY—BUT NOT NOW.

The agitation in favor of some plan that will complete the Roosevelt Highway along Oregon's coast line is laudable but not timely, and the Highway Commission is doing well to delay too much expenditure on this project until better means of financing are found. Possibly that will come with more adequate federal aid for this particular road development, and certainly Oregon will be able and will wish to build the highway some time in the future, even without more federal help, but now is a time when our money can be spent more advantageously in other directions.

Oregon's bonded indebtedness, while arranged in a way that will allow the state to handle it with comparative ease, is nevertheless the largest per capita in the nation. As that is reduced, as other more important road projects and improvements are completed, and as funds become available, the Roosevelt highway will receive attention. Until that time or until the government looks upon the development as worthy of its particular attention, it should not be considered a transportation necessity for Oregon.

The Roosevelt Highway will be one of the most beautiful and impressive in America when completed. It will traverse a territory rich in scenic grandeur and one that will attract thousands of motorists as soon as a good road awaits them. But it is not a direct artery of travel and does not give an exclusive entrance to other parts of the country as does the Pacific Highway and the Old Oregon Trail. Like fine boulevards through an attractive park, it will be a nice thing to have but a luxury that we can deny ourselves until surplus highway funds make excusable the millions it will cost.

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A HERCULEAN TASK.
I decided one day to card-index my files.
But gave up the job with a sigh, for it seemed an impractical, simply because
It made my paper bill too high.

Mrs. N. Peck: "There's one word or eight others that I can't get, and the clue to it is 'Hanky Dandy'."
Mr. N. Peck: "Perhaps it's backdoor, my dear?"

"What are you going to give Margie for her birthday?"
"Nothing."
"Engagement broke?"
"No—I am."

"Give me a pound of Flapper's delight."
"What's Flapper's delight?"
"Damon."

It is reported that the radio is killing off the popular song business, so it will have to be admitted that the radio, in spite of static troubles, is a pretty good thing.

OUR OWN DEFINITIONS.
Excess baggage: The knees of our breeches.

Dingoes met a Civil War veteran.
"What were you in the war?" he asked.
"A private," the old soldier answered.
"And Dingoes blew out his lamp and went home."

A leader received from the mother of one of her pupils the following advice for his absence:
"Dear Mom, please excuse me. Mom, he didn't have but one pair of trousers and I kept 'em home to wash them and Mrs. Boyed got some and et them off the fire and that was to be my excuse and goodbye now. With respect, Mrs. H."

The disappointed lover is often luckier than the groom.

A boy on the back of your neck will cure everything excepting it's an ill wind which brings no good.

The new two-cent post card will prove a boon to the man who can't afford to take a vacation. He will simply write: "When you were here" and send the card to the man's home.

She may be old, wrinkled and fat, but you love her just the same—the twenty dollar bill.

If dad says "No" and you say "Yes" you're correct.

If a man neglects his family and is good to his dog, the community says he has a kind heart.

Insurance superintendent suspiciously: "How did your husband happen to die so soon after getting insured for a large amount?"
Widow: "He worked himself to death trying to pay the premiums."

Markets

PORTLAND MARKETS
PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Cattle steady today, hogs 21 to 40 cents higher, lambs steady, weathers 50 cents lower.
Butter 44 cents, butterfat 44 cents, eggs steady.

BUTTERFAT
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Butterfat 53c here today.

Portland Grain Markets.
PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Wheat—Hard white R. S. Hard, June, \$1.55; July, \$1.45; soft white and western white, June, \$1.55; July, \$1.45; hard winter, June, \$1.57; July, \$1.47; northern spring, June, \$1.52; July, \$1.47; western red, June, \$1.55; July, \$1.49; BSH hard white, June, \$1.60; July, \$1.45.

Oats—No. 2 white feed and No. 2 gray, July, 32c.
Corn—No. 3 E. V. shipment, June, \$1.50; July, \$1.47.50.

Markets at a Glance.
NEW YORK (AP)—Stocks—Strong; Pierce-Arrow prior preferred jumps 21 points.
Bonds—Firm; oil and local traction issues higher.
Foreign exchange—Easy. Italian lire dropped to new 1925 low.
Cotton—Lower; southern selling.
Sugar—Steady; European buying.
Coffee—Higher; speculative Brazilian markets.

CHICAGO (AP)—Wheat—Strong; unfavorable Red river valley crop report.
Corn—Higher; shipping demand broader.
Hogs—Steady.

MCKENZIE PASS CLEARED
PRINEVILLE, Ore.—Cleared by the local American Legion committee, which desires the route ready for the American Legion state convention to be held here June 25, 26 and 27 the state highway department opened the McKenzie pass to travel and the highway between here and Eugene is said to be in excellent condition.

The first auto crossed when the snow was cleared away and experienced some difficulty with mud just west of the lava. This has been gravelled and cars crossing later met with no difficulty. The route will be a favorite one with motor parties coming to the convention.

Catholics to Erect Church.
SALEM, Ore.—Erection of a new church, school and parish house to cost approximately \$100,000 is planned by the local Catholic organization. The site for the buildings has been acquired and actual construction work may get under way within the next 30 months. The buildings will occupy an entire block of ground in the northern part of the city.

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BOY DROWNS IN RIVER
SALEM, Ore.—Lewis Victor Deserano, 12, was drowned when he fell from a swing into the Williams river here. The body was recovered four hours later and turned over to the Polk county coroner.

The boy was a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Deserano, who arrived here four weeks ago from Branch, Mich. Since reaching Oregon the family had been camping in west Salem, near the scene of the accident.

FOREIGNERS ARE STONED
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Justment of the recent disturbances, were broken off today owing to a divergence of views.

COIN LEAD PROCESSION.
SHANGHAI (By the Associated Press).—Ninety former Chinese municipal policemen led a huge procession yesterday, breaking shop windows that contained Japanese or British goods.

The procession was finally subdued by Manchurian troops that arrived recently. The activities of the extremists in territory adjoining the foreign settlements increased.

PAR, BETTER BIDS MADE ON BONDS
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running a large dog in La Grande was read for the third time and adopted last night, to become effective July 18. It provides that if dogs, whether licensed or not, shall run at large in the city limits between six o'clock in the evening and nine o'clock in the morning, and if dogs are caught at large between those hours, they will be disposed of by city officials.

An ordinance was also passed providing for the sale of bonds to improve district 1-3, a sewer district, in the amount of \$14,557.25. The commission will receive bids July 1.

The franchise ordinance of the Home Independent Telephone company was read for the second time.

An estimate was glowed in favor of Hartshorn and Spauld for excavating in the amount of

1920.75.
A hearing was held on improvement district 153 and as no remonstrances, objections or claims of grievances were put forth, the recorder was authorized to advertise for bids to be opened July 1. The district provides for sidewalks on South Fourth street.

An application for a soft drink and card room license by Toy Young was referred to the city manager.

TWO CITIES IN NEED OF HELP
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Marshfield—Logging operations remain the same, less working force being employed in the mills. Labor is finding work on new construction such as highways and streets; there is very little unemployment.

Medford—At present time there is a surplus of workers in this community. About August 15th the harvesting or picking of pears will commence. No harvest in progress at this time. We believe, due to the many tourists who come into this community at the picking and packing season, that we will have enough labor to take care of our crop, however, we cannot give this as definite. There is usually a shortage during this period.

Pendleton—At present there is a sufficiency of labor to fill all needs. Haying is under way, cherry picking and apple thinning is giving employment to a large number of people. Indeed, work is that harvest will begin about the 15th of July. A considerable number of outside men will be necessary to handle the crop.

Roseburg—There is a surplus of laborers and office workers. Pear crop of Bartlett will start soon, but there will be no need for outside help. No need of harvest help until pears harvest in full, which will be a small crop this year.

Salem—Employment situation well balance with exception of a slight scarcity of men for general farm work. Some calls for pulpwood cutters and increased demand for agricultural workers.

The Dalles—Cherry harvest in progress, haying is about half week and from present outlook there will be plenty of available labor.

EUGENE MAN INJURED IN AUTO WRECK
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is a large man and it took six to carry him up the grade.

Homeowner's wife, who was called at Eugene last evening by hospital authorities, is on her way to La Grande and is expected to reach here some time today.

Slaves is of the opinion that the car could not have gone from the grade more than two or three minutes before he arrived at the scene. Some motorists report that they passed Homeowner and that he was driving at a fast rate.

Utilization of Inland Waterways Suggested
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the present situation.

General Ashburn isn't trying to furnish a substitute for rail transportation or to force the railroads to cut their rates.

He recommends that many and perhaps most water hauls will have to be supplemented by the roads, on some equitable rate division which the Interstate Commerce Commission presumably will fix.

But setting everything else aside he says, "The increasing demands of the country's commerce" will soon be beyond the railroads' power to meet without a tremendous enlargement of their facilities.

He estimates that it is 10 billion dollars in the next decade. His theory is that it will be better to

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minimize this expenditure on the railroads' part and to devote part of the money to waterways development, which costs far less and can be made, he thinks, to accomplish just as much or more.

Bestis, the general doubts if the roads can possibly manage the necessary expansion of their service at any cost.

"When we reach a point," he says, "where it costs more and takes a longer time to get a car in and out of a city like New York

than it does to move it from New York to Philadelphia, the transportation system is pretty well warranted."

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