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THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT:—Honor thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.—Exodus 20:12.

Railroad coaches in Egypt have six wheels, two at each end and two under the center of the cars. And if they further resemble European coaches, all six are square.

A word of appreciation and commendation is due the recent and excellent flower show staged here by women of the Neighborhood club. Such an event has many educational advantages and nothing can be a greater aid in the beautification of homes throughout the city and county than interest of this kind. Everyone loves flowers.

According to a British economist the ratio between the productiveness of the worker in dry America and in beer-drinking Britain is as that between \$3750 and \$1500. A writer in the English Brewing Trade Review also is quoted as saying that seven American workers are equal to ten in England. There's no doubt about it. But we were under the impression, in France during the war, that this was true regardless of what they drank.

IRRIGATION EDUCATION

The project of the La Grande Realtors' Board and the Chamber of Commerce to further an excursion of farmers and business men into the Yakima valley this fall, for the purpose of studying irrigation results, is worthy of consideration and support. Seeing other territory which is considered similar to the Grande Ronde valley and investigating conditions that are either good or bad can certainly do no harm, and should do much good. Only by comparison and profiting by the experience of others can any beneficial change be possible.

There are many farmers throughout the Grande Ronde valley who are opposed to any effort to secure irrigation here. They are satisfied to leave well enough alone and are fearful of the disastrous results that have attended some irrigation projects in various parts of the Northwest. There are others, probably equal in number who contend that conditions in this valley are ideal for an irrigation project and that there is no danger of failure. They point to the extremely low cost for which water can be put on every farm in the valley, to the natural advantages that are so often lacking, to the present highly cultivated and highly settled condition that would aid the project's success. They believe that their surplus land holdings can be sold at a profitable figure and their operations continued on a much better paying basis only if water can be put on their farms.

Each side is sincere in its position and there is undoubtedly much merit in the arguments of each. That one is fundamentally right is true without question, but only time and the actual experiment can prove which, to everyone's satisfaction. Most farmers and townspeople, regardless of their present belief, are really open-minded on the subject and are willing to be convinced by their opponents when sufficient evidence is presented. The proposed caravan to Yakima is therefore good common sense as it will permit investigation of several projects and what they are accomplishing.

There is little doubt that the Grande Ronde valley will be irrigated adequately at some future time. There is little doubt about the ultimate building of the Columbia River Basin project. But when it will be most practical to start these widely differing projects is a debatable question. No resident of the Grande Ronde valley wishes to experience the failure that has attended some irrigation districts, and yet none is anxious to hold up the proper and prosperous development of the county. Careful and thorough study and gradual education based on proven successes offers the only satisfactory solution for this local problem that has been under consideration now for two decades.

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WHEN A FOX MEETS A FOX.



Down in Portland they call it the hoof and mouth disease, related the visitor from Astoria. "How come?" asked the oldest member of the club. "Because they hoof all day and mouth all night."

"LIGHTEN YOUR MINDS. "Mazda, darling," he wrote, "the mine. Incandescent One! Watts life without you? Ohm is not ohm without the light of your presence. My heart is a transformer that steps up at every thought of you. I would lay my head alongside your switch; the touch of your hand is like a live wire. Marry me, and let us have a little meter in our home."

AM HE GONE—ARE HE WENT! Anna made an angel cake for her darling Harry's sake. "Harry, you a piece must take!" This she meant. Harry ate it every crumb. Then he heard the angel hum, calling softly, "Harry, come." Harry went.

Once upon a time there was a girl who cried heartily after her young man had proposed. "Why are you crying, dear?" asked the young man solicitously. "Have I offended you?" "No, dear," answered the girl. "That's not it. I am crying for pure joy. Mother always said that I was such an idiot that not even a donkey would propose to me, and now one has!"

SOME CHICKEN Patrons picked up the menu cards in the exclusive Hotel Ambassador, read them over once, started and then chuckled. The special for the day was "chicken a la king, en cambode."

Love is something which makes you sorry that you did kiss her or sorry that you didn't kiss her.

Whether you rise by the alarm clock does not matter. To rise to the occasion is what lands the orders.

He went to the dentist's office the other day. On entering the room he saw a sign: "First call, \$5; second call \$3." When his turn came he hustled up to the dentist and said: "Well, here I am again."

In evolution's little scheme Man seems to show a stump.

Snake Bite Causes Forest Fire



For more than a week a devastating forest fire raged in the Big Tujunga Canyon, east of Pasadena, Cal.—all because of a snake-bite. A camper, bitten by the snake, rushed to a nearby town for treatment, without extinguishing his camp fire. Hundreds of acres of timber were burned and the towns of Rindland and La Crescenta endangered. Many volunteer fire fighters were prostrated by smoke fumes and other severely burned. Below one of the volunteers, overcome by smoke, is shown being carried to safety.

ALPINE PEAK MISBEHAVING

ZERMATT, Switzerland (AP).—Peculiar actions on the part of Matterhorn, one of the lofty peaks of the Alps, recently caused the evacuation of their places by the inhabitants of the mountain slopes. A series of landslides were followed by the appearance of broad and deep crevices on the mountain side, causing considerable worry and fear to the people.

Appeals for help were sent to the nearest Swiss towns and to Turin, Italy. The authorities ordered all the villagers to vacate their places and so to flee. Soldiers were rushed to the district and were obliged to use forceful measures to get some of the inhabitants to leave and take their cattle with them.

A number of engineers and a detachment of Alpine troops have been quartered in the vacated villages to await developments.



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in the raid, seeking \$75,000 damages.
EUGENE, Ore.—Kid Gilstrap, who in November, 1923, was shot by deputy sheriffs in a raid on the farm of his uncle, Joe Gilstrap, seven miles west of Junction City, filed suit through his uncle, who is his guardian, against Clyde S. Johnston, ex-district attorney, Fred C. Sickles, ex-sheriff, and the several deputy sheriffs who took part

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