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THE RIGHTEOUS EXALTED—"Now, therefore, let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt. \* \* \* And Pharaoh said, \* \* \* Can we find such a one as this is a man in whom the Spirit of God is?"—Gen. 41: 33-34

### BOLL WEEVIL BEATEN.

A few years ago the cotton crop was doomed. The cotton belt was just about persuaded that it would have to substitute some other staple for its main dependence. The boll weevil was supposed to be winning.

Last year's cotton crop, according to the final government report just issued, amounted to more than 16,000,000 bales. It is only a few thousand bales less than the record crop of 12 years ago. And it was produced as a result of the application of modern science in agriculture.

This huge crop may not be an unmitigated blessing. Possibly the growers would get a little more for their crop if the total were less. It sometimes works that way. But be that as it may, the big fact is that southern agriculture, helped to a reasonable extent by nature in the way of favorable weather, has triumphed over the boll weevil. That pest still persists, but his destructive power has been exaggerated. American cotton will probably outlast him.

### YESTERDAY WAS EASTER.

Once, at the least, in each revolving year, man is carried to the mountain tops and invited to ponder the consummation of faith. Easter, the pagan festival which time has sanctified in the most glorious moment of Christian progress, is the symbol of that paradise which, if it is not credited on our lips, persists vitally in our secret heart.

The mystery of existence is grim enough. For the little steps we take in knowledge there remains the stretching miles of vague eternity. The careless boast ends at the grave and the man who goes out with a scornful laugh has robbed himself of the sublime gift of consolation. Nature, at once sorceress and prophetess, teaches ceaselessly the lesson of resurrection; painstakingly she shrivels the fruits of the earth, scatters the seed, buries it, breathes the quickening life into it and rears it to fruition.

Life follows life, and generations succeed one another; somewhere these things link themselves together into a single story of remembrance and the acts of a century ago become the experience by which today guides itself. If the body disappears, the influence—that which comes from the soul—goes on so long as there remains a human mind to con it:

"The moving finger writes; and having writ,  
Moves on; nor all your piety nor wit  
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,  
Nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

To this crushing inevitability comes the story of the Christian year, translating all the world into an allegory of faith and hope; it sums up in itself all those phases which make up life—birth, youth, despair, bitterness, death; and crowns these things with the sublimest conception ever breathed into the heart of man.

As the flower performs its recurrent miracle of bloom; as the year solemnly glides from spring to harvest, from harvest to winter's annihilation and then to spring again; so, in the figure of the Christ, does man emerge from the chains of mortality and reach the apotheosis of spiritual resurrection.

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### OUT OUR WAY



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY.

By WILLIAMS



**OFFICE CAT**  
By Junius

Helen of Troy was always well groomed; all her new clothes came from Paris.

What a joy Methuselah must have been to the life-insurance agents!

"Tell what your husband said to you," demanded the court.

"Oh, I can't," said the witness. "It isn't fit for a decent person to hear."

"All right," said the judge. "Just lean over here and whisper it to me."

Did you ever notice that the laugh of a henpecked man is a cackle?

"Help! Help!" yelled the fat man, stretching in the water.

"All right, old man," shouted the advertising solicitor, jumping up from the park bench, "how about a few lines in the want column?"

Next time it might be well to study the capacity of nations before lending.

"I never saw such dreamy eyes," said he. "You never played so late," said she.

IN WASHINGTON

"Can I see the secretary of agriculture?"

"Well, he is very busy, madam. What was it you wanted to see him about?"

"About a geranium of mine that isn't doing very well."

A woman should make a good member of Congress. She is always introducing bills into the house.

### The Garden

VEGETABLES WORTH KNOWING BETTER

Black oyster plant has been in the city markets in unusual quantities this winter and many people have made its acquaintance for the first time. It is as easily grown as the common oyster plant or salsfy. The black oyster plant is so named because its roots have a black covering. They are as white inside as the oyster plant and have the advantage of growing to larger size and being more convenient to clean and prepare for cooking. Another name for the black oyster plant is scorzonera.

Both the oyster plant and the scorzonera should be planted early. The first is a hardy biennial and the second a hardy perennial, and the roots may remain in the ground for two or three years, but it is at its best the winter following its first season. It is one of the two root crops that may be dug any time, during the winter, the other being the parsnip.

The scorzonera is well worth a small space in the garden where it will occupy little room and furnish a welcome change next winter. Care must be used to secure seed from a reliable dealer as the life of the seed is only one year.

Tulip rooted parsley is another novel vegetable, although by no means new, which, with celeriac or turnip rootful celery, is appearing in the city markets. Both are easily grown in the home garden and a few roots may be stored for winter use. The chief value is as flavoring for soups and stews.

Kohlrabi are now recognized as one of the most delicate of the turnip-cabbage tribe for an early garden crop. They are at their best when given an early spring start, as they grow pithy and woody in hot weather. They, too, have become an all-season market vegetable. They grow as easily and with precisely the same treatment as the turnip, but unlike the tur-

nip, the edible part is the expanded stem which looks like a turnip, trying to grow above ground. New Zealand spinach as summer greens to succeed the spring's spinach is proving most useful and is worth a trial.

### H. L. Mencken Arrested For Selling His Paper

BOSTON, Apr. 5 (AP).—H. L. Mencken, editor of the American Mercury, was arrested today when he sold a copy of the April issue of the magazine on Boston Common. The sale was made to an agent of the Massachusetts Watch and Ward society, which had caused the issue to be banned here.

The action of the society was taken on the ground that a story in the April issue of the magazine was "immoral and unfit for publication."

### Bulgarian Killed in Potts Mill Accident

EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 5 (AP).—John Becker, a native of Bulgaria, who had been in the United States for a period of three years, was killed in a sawmill accident at the Potts Mills, at the Summit of the Cascade mountains, Saturday according to word received here today.

Becker was under the saw table, clearing away sawdust. When he raised his head the saw cut through the skull from the left eye through the whole side of his head. He died three quarters of an hour later.

### GEOFFROY PASSES

PARIS, Apr. 5 (AP).—Gustav Geoffroy, president of the Goncourt Academy, died today aged 71. He was well known as a writer and as Clemenceau's companion in the fight for revision of the condemnation of captain Dreyfuss.

### PAPA'S DILEMMA



## PERRY LOCAL NEWS OF WEEK

PERRY, (Special) — Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Smith were recent visitors to La Grande.

Mrs. Rober Baxter was visiting her brother, Roy Baxter, of Perry, one day the first of the week.

Harvey Larson and family visited Mrs. Larsen's mother at Mt. Glenn last Sunday.

Mrs. George Robertson recently spent a day visiting friends at the Grande Ronde Lumber company's lumber camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Diehl, of La Grande, were recent visitors to Perry.

Returns from Idaho

Mrs. Loren Harris and three children recently returned to Perry from Emmett, Idaho, where they were called by the illness and daughter of Mrs. Harris' mother.

Mrs. W. C. Kelly spent some time at the home of Mrs. Naomi Robertson one day last week.

Mrs. A. Stevenson and sons, Archie and Linn, were La Grande visitors last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Neph Combs attended the dance at Perry last Saturday evening.

E. Becket attended the show at La Grande Sunday evening.

Mrs. Mary B. Kall attended the teachers' institute at Elgin Saturday.

Guy Trippe made a trip to La Grande one day last week.

Kept Out of School

June Lee is unable to attend school because of eye trouble caused in an attack of influenza.

Miss Elizabeth Johnson visited Mrs. E. Murray one evening the first of the week.

Mrs. Joe Dean recently called upon Mrs. George Fuller.

Misses Jessie and Pearl Murray were Sunday visitors at the home of their brother, Jacob Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hess, of La Grande, visited at Perry last Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Martin and daughter, Blanche, were recent city visitors.

Lucille and Linette Reber called upon their friend, Miss Elizabeth Johnson, one afternoon last week.

Mrs. Esther Hansen and Mrs. W. Martin spent the afternoon with Mrs. H. Larsen one day last week.

Mrs. Kate Hansen called upon Mrs. Hilda Murray recently.

Miss Catherine Carr, of Spokane, Washington, visited the Al Reher family last week.

Miss Reta Robinson visited at the W. Thompson home Tuesday forenoon.

## PROMISE NEWS OF THE WEEK

PROMISE (Special)—Leo Kenworthy, Harvey McDonald and Ed Carper spent Sunday afternoon at the Charles Carper home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carper returned from Wallowa Sunday where they have been visiting. They were accompanied home by their little grandson, Stanley Han-

ney.

Mrs. Alice Chenoweth came in from Wallowa Saturday and is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vesper Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Boles Newby and family visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Reed.

Miss Ruth Hayes visited Sunday at Vesper Hendersons.

Troy Carper purchased a radio set recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Freshman visited Sunday at the Fred Trump home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bennett, Lillian Orval and Ivan Carper and Fred and Leona Carper visited Sunday at Walter Carpers.

One Swearingen made a trip to Powwaka the first of the week after a load of wheat for seed.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Trump are the parents of a baby girl born Wednesday of last week.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Star Barton Monday.

Duane and Rollin Gorbett returned home Saturday evening from Baker where they have been attending business college.

Habert Carper is working for George Coleman of Powwaka.

We all do things without thinking and one is being bored with life.

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**Freighter Breaks Away From Tow During Night** 355 New Rural Routes Will Be Established

CORDOVA, Alaska, Apr. 5 (AP).—The Wheatland Montana, which after losing her propeller in the North Pacific ocean was taken in town Saturday by the West Nigee, broke away last night in a gale. Both vessels are shipping board freighters.

At noon yesterday the West Nigee was proceeding and drawing the Wheatland Montana after her, the Curran, which also had hurried to the Wheatland when her plight was reported Thursday, having proceeded for Yokohama.

The West Nigee made 105 miles with her tow, despite mist and a rough sea.

We heard about a man who got 20 miles out of a gallon and six months out of a quart.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 5 (AP).—Establishment of 355 new rural delivery service postal routes, effective May 1, or shortly thereafter, extension of service on 242 routes and increase in efficiency on 250 routes, were announced today by the postoffice department.

Congress recently appropriated \$250,000 for the purpose.

**VELARDE DESIGNATED**

WASHINGTON, Apr. 5 (AP).—Hernan Velarde, the Peruvian ambassador, has been designated to act for Peru in the direct diplomatic negotiations for the settlement of the Tacna-Arica territory, Chile, the other disputant, will be represented by the Chilean ambassador here and Secretary Kellogg will act for the United States.

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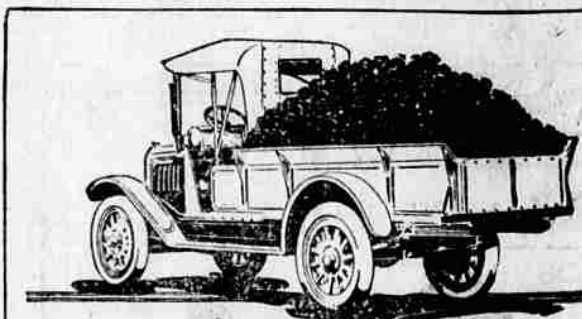
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