

WOOL DECLINE STORY DENIED

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, May 12. (AP)—Recent statements from various sources, indicating there has been a serious decline in consumption of wool in the United States since 1922 and that the trend should command profound thought by all concerned, were challenged yesterday by the National Wool Growers association. Those statements, which the association calls "unusual and disturbing" largely because they tend to make the producer feel there is a tightening market for his wool, have been more prevalent during the present season. The association, through its secretary, A. E. Marshall, conducted the examination and the "figures" themselves and the way in which they were collected and published to determine the actual condition of affairs.

"Such an examination was made," said Marshall, "It does not show there is any such cause for alarm by wool producers, nor that actual decline in consumption is serious or sufficient of itself to cause any serious (meaning in demand for new wools, in the extent of use of them in 1925 as compared with a season immediately preceding when prices are strong and rising."

The association notes that to a considerable extent, heretofore, statements expressed about wool "have had an apparent basis in official government statistics relating to wool consumption by American mills."

Sophomore Class Gives Union a Comedy Drama

UNION, May 12. (Special)—The sophomore class of the local high school staged their class play, a western comedy, entitled "Burley's Ranch" at the school gym on Saturday evening of last week. The cast included the following students: George Helms, Oral Ross, Leonard Stevens, Frank Bonny, Ralph Taylor, Herman Mirex, Morton Kahn, George VanHouten, Henry Reuter, Vernon Parent, Eva Hatt, Lela James, Jane Smith and Helen Saling.

Program Given for Church Celebration

COVE, May 12. (Special)—The semi-centennial of the Ascension church to be celebrated at Cove on Ascension day Thursday, May 13, will feature the following program: Morning services and holy communion at 10 o'clock; Sunday school program, 1:30 in the afternoon, which will include an exhibition of the work of the school during the past year, basket dinner, 4:30 o'clock, at Morris hall. During dinner a short program dealing with the early history of the church will be presented. A confirmation program at the church at eight o'clock will conclude the program.



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DEAD AWAITING FINAL REWARD

Editor of The Observer:

Dear Sir: Your correspondent, Mr. Ozicker, by his statement, "The dead are resting in an unconscious sleep," at one fell swoop puts aside what has been and still is the universal belief not only of Christians but also of the great Eastern religions like the Mahomedan—the immortality of the soul.

Without noting the great advance of knowledge since the time the Bible was compiled I think I am justified in saying that the Scriptures will not permit us to accept his statement.

St. Peter in his first general epistle thus writes: "Christ being put to death in the flesh but quickened in the spirit, by which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison which sometime were disobedient when once the long suffering of God waited in the days of Noah."

This shows that Christ having finished His mission on earth, went to the paradise of the patriarchs and announced to them the glad tidings of a world redeemed. This shows that the departed are in a state of consciousness. The conversation of the rich man in hades with Abraham, their thoughts and reasoning about those on earth, does not look much like being in a state of unconsciousness, even though some figurative and poetical expressions in the Old Testament do say that the dead know not anything.

Our savior plainly asserts that the God of Abraham, and of Isaac and of Jacob, patriarchs then long buried, is not a God of the dead but of the living.

St. John in Revelation is permitted a glimpse into the intermediate state and sees the souls of those who are waiting for judgment. He says, "I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held, and they cried with a loud voice, saying, 'How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?'"

This shows that even saints and martyrs are actively and earnestly longing for the coming of Christ to judgment.

The truth seems to be that the faithful are one great family, but in various stages of progress. They are linked together by love, and by prayer for each other, and by their common faith.

Let me conclude by quoting the great Russian theologian Khamakov:

"No one is saved alone. He who is saved, is saved in the church, as a member of her, and in unity with her other members. If anyone believes, he is in the communion of faith; if he loves, he is in the communion of love; if he prays, he is in the communion of prayer. Wherefore no one can rest his hope in his own prayers, and every one who prays asks the whole church for intercession, not as if he had doubts of the intercession of Christ, the One Advocate, but in the assurance that the whole church ever prays for all her members. All the angels pray for us, the apostles, martyrs, and patriarchs, and above them all the Mother of our Lord; and this holy unity is the true life of the church."

The Rev. Oliver Riley,
St. Peter's Episcopal Church.

OFFER REWARD

SAN FRANCISCO — Prominent members of the Peter and Paul's church in the Latin quarter have offered \$1,000 reward for apprehension of the dynamiter who has made two attempts to blow up the church within the last five months.

LADY MOUNTBATTEN ON STRIKE DUTY



This radio-photo shows Capt. Peebles Chaplin and Lady Louis Mountbatten, youthful wife of England's richest peer, discharging milk at a strike relief station in Hyde Park, London. The picture was taken in London Thursday and transmitted to NEA Service by radio.

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The Garden

CANDYTUFF IN NEW DRESS

It is surprising how much dignity greenhouse culture is lending to old-fashioned annuals which had gone into a period of eclipse during the furore over hardy perennials. The old-fashioned candytuff is one of the ancient and reliable annuals, always attractive, which has come back to our gardens in a series of new and rich colorings, much increased in size and freedom of bloom after a greenhouse education.

Huge spikes which are hardly recognizable as an old friend of grandmother's garden are now often seen in florists' windows, and in the garden beautiful masses of carmine, crimson, pink and lavender are furnished by the candytuff. The huge white spikes of the floribunda are the Improved Empress or giant hyacinth-flowered type. The handsomely colored garden strains are the clustered or umbellata type. Both are valuable for cutting.

One of their most valuable assets is their quick blooming ability. They flower in June from seed sown this month and they are a hardy annual and won't mind a little frost. Sowings must be made at intervals to keep up a supply of flowers as they spend bloom themselves to death when they get started into flower. They grow about a foot high and should be thinned or transplanted to six inches apart, the hyacinth-flowered type requiring eight inches.

While they are very popular with florists as cut flowers, their bright masses of color and clean shining whites in the garden are their most valuable attributes.

They are not particular as to soil, flourishing anywhere. They need plenty of sunshine and moisture to do their best. They make the finest show when sown in beds or patches of a single color, the tones merging one into the other from the flesh pink to rosy cardinal.

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Starkey Association Elects New Officers

STARKEY, (Special)—At a recent meeting of the Starkey Cattle and Horse association new officers were elected and arrangements were made for the buying of salt for the reserve. Bills were taken on several new salt troughs to be made.

W. H. Briggs was elected president of the association, John W. Wells, vice president, and E. L. Sullivan, secretary-treasurer. H. A. Thornburg, W. A. Smith and John W. Wells, were elected to the advisory board, with Mr. Briggs as chairman of the board. Mr. Smith received the contract for hauling the salt and feeding the troughs, his bid being the lowest. Mr. Allen, forest ranger, was present for the meeting.

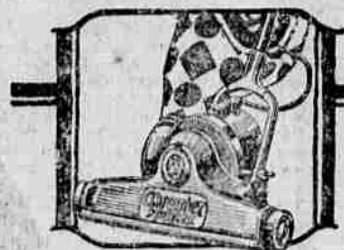
Accident Held Unavoidable

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 12. (AP)—Unavoidable was the verdict of a coroner's jury here late yesterday which heard evidence in connection with the killing of Frank Duvall, 5, by a car driven by C. W. Hale, local business man.

Union Debaters Lose To Hood River Team

UNION, May 12. (Special)—On the last lap of their trip to the state debating contest the Union team was defeated when it met the Hood River team on the floor of the Pendleton high school assembly Friday morning with the Pendleton student body as an audience. During the season the local teams defeated Imbler, Elgin, Lostine, and Ontario, piling up four successive victories before being eliminated by the Hood River debaters. Superintendent Roy Conklin, acted as coach for the team this year, accompanied the two debaters, Bruce Davis and Susan Chadwick, on the trip to Pendleton.

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