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GOD'S LOVE AND OUD: "God doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and the widow, and loveth the stranger. Love ye therefore the stranger." Deut. 10:18-19.

Since Kipling said there have been a dozen literary immortals in the last 2,500 years, a couple of hundred American authors are wondering who are the other ten.

Of course the Old World is sadly behind the times. Sweden, for example, has 45 per cent of her farms electrified for light and power, against 3 per cent in the United States.

Anyway, this much has been done to discourage American gunmen—the importation of foreign revolvers in imitation of our own has been prohibited, and now even our most exclusive gunners will have to content themselves with native weapons.

The naval court inquiring into the destruction of the great ammunition base at Lake Denmark, N. J., finds that it "cannot conscientiously fix the responsibility upon any human beings." Sure the lightning rod agents did their duty?

When a rural village can't find profit by automobile traffic in any other way, it sets a speed trap and fines outsiders for driving through at 20 miles an hour or honoring a "boulevard stop" on a cow-path. Fortunately, we are free from that in this section.

### A TEST OF COMMUNITY SPIRIT

In accordance with the suggestion made Wednesday editorially in The Observer to meet the present water emergency at the Mt. Emily Lumber Co. plant and prevent a shutdown, restriction of city water use is ordered today by La Grande city officials. The details of the order are published elsewhere in this issue and call for strict water conservation and irrigation use only one hour every other day. No irrigation at all is to be permitted tomorrow or Sunday. The action of the officials is endorsed by practically every community organization that has had time to pass on the matter—with one accord, all people who are interested in the city's welfare and who realize the importance of its industrial activity are convinced that the city must go to any reasonable extreme to share the city's water supply with the local mill and keep it going. It now becomes a test of community spirit to determine how quickly the emergency can be met and the welfare of the city protected.

Possibly on first consideration there are some citizens who will feel that they have no direct obligation and cannot be benefited or injured by the outcome of the industry's present crisis. Yet there is no one whose welfare will not be effected if a shutdown becomes necessary. The importance of the industry to La Grande business interests is obvious, as it is to those half a thousand men and their families who will be faced by unemployment in case of a shutdown. It is almost of equal importance to property owners who are dependent on population growth and prosperity to maintain rents and sale values, to railroad employees who are dependent on maximum freight shipments, to truck gardeners who must have local demand to dispose of their crops, to various employees whose wage scale is dependent on business activity and labor scarcity.

We are confident, in view of the direct and indirect effect on the entire La Grande public, that water conservation during the coming days will be a fact as well as a theory, that the restrictions will accomplish all that has been anticipated. Ordinarily when water conservation is ordered, city officials count on about 50 per cent efficiency. They expect, in other words, that about half the users of water will disregard the order by stealing a supply during hours it is prohibited, or that they will go to extremes to use all the water possible when a lesser amount would be sufficient.

We do not expect such an attitude in this emergency. La Grande people have too much community spirit to fail to conserve in every way possible at this time even though they feel no direct connection with the crisis. We are sure that the people of the city can be counted on to comply strictly with the sprinkling and irrigation order and conserve every possible gallon at the same time in personal and domestic use. People feel an obligation to these 570 fellow citizens whose employment is jeopardized. We are confident they will meet that obligation in a gratifying way.

## KILLER TAKEN AFTER BATTLE

CINCINNATI, Aug. 12 (AP).—Scott Workman, 49, a farmer, who shot and killed his wife, Nora, 34, at their home near New Richmond today, was taken to the Butas jail this afternoon. His defiance of Sheriff Fred Crosswell and a posse ended when Sheriff Crosswell ignored Workman's threats, entered the house and arrested him.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 12 (AP).—With the body of his wife at his feet, Scott Workman, 49, a farmer, paced back and forth before the windows of his little farm house near New Richmond, Ohio, today, defying Sheriff Fred Crosswell, of Clermont county, and a posse of 100 men surrounding the house, to fire at him and two babies, youngest of nine children, which he held in his arms. It was at first reported that Workman had killed the two children in addition to his wife.

Crazed With Drink. Holding up his children, one in each arm, a girl of three and a boy of seven months, the farmer, believed to be crazed with drink, taunted members of the posse, posted behind trees and other vantage points about the house, to shoot at him. "Go ahead, shoot 'em, shoot 'em!" he cried as he tossed the wailing children up and down in his arms in view of the distracted possemen. "Sure I killed my wife. I'll kill these here, too, if you shoot."

Workman had fired several shots from his automatic pistol at members of the posse, but the sight of the terror stricken infants, clinging to their father, who at any moment might crash out their lives, silenced any return of the fire.

### Yosemite Dining Room Destroyed by Flames

YOSEMITE, Cal., Aug. 12 (AP).—Fire which started in the kitchen today, burned the main dining-room unit of Yosemite lodge. The unit, built originally as headquarters for the troops which guarded the Yosemite valley when the army had charge of national parks, was valued at \$25,000, covered by insurance.

The fire was controlled before it spread in the cabins surrounding the building. The 600 guests, roused by fire alarms, flocked to the lodge and helped to carry out curio and movable furniture.

### September 11 Will Be Mathewson Day in U. S.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12 (AP).—Saturday, Sept. 11 has been selected as a National Mathey day, and all professional, semi-pro and amateur baseball teams throughout the country have been asked to donate their receipts to the memorial fund for Christy Mathewson, once great pitcher of the New York Giants.

The names of every team contributing will be placed on the great roll of the memorial to be erected at Bucknell college, Lewisburg, Penn.

### Obituary

MRS. J. I. JOHNSTON  
Mrs. Julia I. Johnston, a resident of the Grande Ronde valley for 42 years, died at her home near La Grande this morning.

Funeral services will be held at the Summerville chapel at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Burial will be in the Summerville cemetery.

Mrs. Johnston was born July 14, 1852, in the Hills town of Holland, Wis. She was married to Silas C. Johnston in August, 1872. Nine years later, they migrated to Washington state, where they lived for a year. In 1882, they moved to the Grande Ronde valley, which has been their home since. Mrs. Johnston was a well known and respected neighbor in the community where she lived.

Besides her husband, there are four daughters and two sons who survive her: Mrs. C. E. Glenn, of LaGrande; Mrs. J. E. Gillespie, of Wallawa; Mrs. W. R. Franklin, of Summerville; Mrs. W. A. Hall, of LaGrande; Victor H. and Ray C. Johnston, both of Summerville.

MR. GULLING LAD TO REST  
Railroad men from near and far were in the large crowd present at Our Lady of the Valley church this morning for funeral services for Jacob Gulling Gulling, veteran conductor, who died here Wednesday morning.

J. T. O'Brien, general manager of the O. W. R. & N. A. W. Railway, efficiency expert for the company, J. H. Evans, Col. P. K. Danahoe, W. H. Robbenkamp and C. D. Goodenough, all longtime friends of the deceased, were present at the funeral gathering. The body was borne to the church by E. L. Meyers, Herman Hoesack, P. E. Krensis, Ed Meyer, A. V. Andrews and S. B. Morgan.

A tribute to Mr. Gulling's service to his company and his community through the long term of his service was voiced in the sermon by the Rev. Father O. Nooney, pastor, who officiated at the services. The requiem mass was sung by Alfred Meyers, baritone.

Among the mourners were not only John Gardner, of Portland, a former engineer on this division; John O'Donnell, at one time a conducter here, but now located at Elletts; A. A. Parsons and William Eadie, of Elgin; and Mrs. T. M. Murphy, of Bots.

### All Dressed



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gation of the Hall-Mills murders in New Jersey. "Of course I took money to shut up and get out" the newspaper quotes Dickman as having said. "If I hadn't, why would I have left there with two months' pay as a state trooper still owing me?"

Incriminates Maid  
The prisoner also declared that a former maid in the Hall home has not told many important details known both to her and to Dickman.

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money to disappear during investi-

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12 (AP).—Aimee Semple McPherson, Abington Temple pastor, and District Attorney Ana Keyes, were subpoenaed as defense witnesses in the trial set for August 23 in municipal court of four newswomen charged with selling inflated literature. Attorney Milton Golden announced that Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, member of the evangelist, Miss Emma Schaefer, secretary, and Deputy District Attorney Joe Ryan would also probably be called for the defense.

The four men, Sam J. Steinberg, Harry Smith, John C. Brooks and Manuel Goodman are accused of having sold copies of a San Diego newspaper containing an extremely frank discussion of Mrs. McPherson's disappearance here last May and purporting to account for her whereabouts during her 35 days absence from her temple here.

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