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THE WIDE OPEN HAND—"The poor shall never cease out of the land; therefore, I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy."—Deut. 15:11.

Governor Smith, of New York, reading his followers a lecture on "the risk of tying the party to the fortunes of one man," should get a severe lecture from Mussolini.

A HUNDRED BILLION IN HOME TRADE

The total volume of American business during the current year, the National Association of Retail Credit Men estimates, will exceed \$100,000,000,000. Just say that over slowly—"One hundred billion dollars." That is all domestic business, too. It far surpasses anything in history, and is eloquent testimony to the abounding prosperity now enjoyed by the American people. It must have been earned somehow to be available for spending.

This is still more eloquent testimony to the value of the domestic market. Compared with that stupendous total, the greatest foreign trade on record was a mere mouthful. Exports and imports together reached about \$13,000,000,000 in the big year of 1920; and for a good deal of that, be it remembered, the buyers have not yet paid. Ordinarily our foreign trade amounts to seven or eight billions.

We sell to ourselves more than 12 times as much as we sell to all the rest of the world together. When we prosper as we are prospering now, it is due pre-eminently to the fact that America gets rich by selling to Americans. And the domestic market is still far from being fully developed.

Foreign trade opportunities are important; yet for every such opportunity abroad there are 20 right here at home, for the man who has vision to see them and enterprise to seek them.

THE AIR RENAISSANCE

After all that has been said about the backwardness of the United States in air development, it is surprising to be told that this country today leads the world in aviation. The fact is vouched for by Paul Henderson, general manager of the National Air Transport, who says there has been a renaissance in American aviation. The record of the last year shows it. There were 5,500,000 miles flown and more than 200,000 passengers carried, with a fair start made at carrying freight. Commercial operators numbered 290.

Until recently, he remarks, American aviation was underrated by the army and navy, ignored by leaders in public life and looked at askance by business. Continuing:

"But now, in midsummer of 1926, it may be that much of the former reserve in the high commands of the army and navy has disappeared; positive and definite attention has been given by the administration and congress; and finally, with the entrance of responsible men and substantial capital into air transport, the place of aviation in commerce and industry is now very generally recognized."

We now have more commercial operators, he says, than any other nation. We have nearly 9,000 miles of airways conducted on schedule, and 2,500 more under way. We have 3,608 landing fields. As a nation, we take the lead in aviation, beyond question, though entirely without the subsidies provided by the governments of other countries.

This is encouraging. Even now our air progress is hard to realize, because the country is so large that the airways are lost in it. But soon the progress should be evident everywhere to everybody. Perhaps Billy Mitchell's gospel is getting somewhere, after all.

UNION PERSONALS

UNION. (Special) — Ed and Clifford Wolf were in La Grande Sunday afternoon to see the baseball game between La Grande and Pendleton.

A forest fire was reported in the vicinity of Bald Mountain the first of the week and the ranger who was in town thought he might need help in fighting it but the rain soon stopped the blaze.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Mann who are making a tour of the West on their honeymoon, having been married a few days before starting from their home in Shelbyville, Indiana, stopped over at the home of W. V. Connor Wednesday night to visit with old friends. The newlyweds will go as far as Stockton, California before returning to the Hoosier state.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jacobs and Adolph Lewin went to La Grande Sunday afternoon for the baseball game.

J. W. Cavender, who recently purchased sixty acres from Steve Hutchinson, lying north of Union, is moving into town for the winter, as he cannot get possession of the land till spring. Before moving onto the ranch he will erect a house, barn, and other buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Tudor have been visiting here during the past week at the home of Charles Miller. Their home is in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morgan who have been visiting here and Idaho for the past week left Thursday morning for their home in Pasco, Wash. While in Union they were guests at the W. O. Miller home.

Miss Ruth Connor is visiting with Miss Veda Hogensen their camp is near Telocmet, where Mr. Hogensen is superintending the building of the long line railroad for the Grande Ronde Lumber company.

W. V. Gamble who was the victim of an accident when a bottle of boiling honey badly scalded him, is much better and able to be out again. He was removing the honey from the stove when he fell and the boiling liquid struck him on the face and arm.

The Rev. C. A. Quinn preached at the M. E. church in La Grande last Sunday.

Heavy rains in this end of the valley during the past few days have temporarily stopped the dirt-shovels of Winnipeg went quietly to ferret machines from thrashing wheat for a few days.

The funeral services of Mrs. Mary Ellen Harris which was to have been held Sunday, was postponed until Tuesday on account of relatives coming from a distance. The services were held at the L. D. S. church after which the remains were taken to North Powder for burial.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Connor and sons, Ralph and Ray, attended the Modern Woodmen picnic and program at the La Grande city park last Thursday evening.



Ira Wall, 20, assistant scoutmaster of troop 66, Boy Scouts, at Des Moines, Ia., is believed to be the highest ranking merit badge scout in the world. A seven-year veteran scout and an Eagle scout since 1922, he recently received his 69th merit badge. The national council offers only 72, and no other scout has earned as many as 69.

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WIFE MURDERER HANGED

WINNIPEG, Man., Aug. 26. (AP)—Dan Prociw was hanged Wednesday for the murder of his common law wife, Prociw who killed the woman last spring in a cottage they occupied in the outskirts of Winnipeg went quietly to ferret machines from thrashing wheat for a few days.

RESTRICT EATING?

PHILADELPHIA—A constitutional amendment restricting eating is more necessary than one restricting drinking, in the opinion of Dr. John T. Buckley, of the University of Southern California, as given at a dentist's congress.

Writing philosophy is easy. All you have to do is correct the mis-Modern Woodmen picnic and program at the La Grande city park last Thursday evening.



YOSEMITE FALLS, YOSEMITE, CALIF., one of the most beautiful of all the western country. Here the Merced River, which flows through the gorge, tumbles 1120 feet over the precipice. The entire valley is noted for its beauty. The celebrated big trees of California are in this region.

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WALLOWA PERSONALS

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—Doc Gastin was visitor here the first of the week.

Harmon Brothers, of Leap, have two trucks busy the past few days hauling their wheat to the warehouse at Evans. They had nearly finished harvesting when the rain stopped cutting.

C. F. Van Dyke, and wife and son, of Walla Walla, have been visiting C. F. Harmon and family the past week. Mrs. Van Dyke is a sister of Mr. Harmon. On their trip in last Saturday evening, they figured in an automobile accident a few miles west of town, when their car was run into by a coupe driven by some young men on their way to Minam. Both cars were considerably damaged, but fortunately no one was injured.

Mrs. Meek and sons, of Leap, were visitors here Tuesday. Mrs. John Couch, of Leap, was a visitor in the Bear creek section the first of the week.

Guy Wetzel and Willard Bell were La Grande visitors the last of the week.

Mrs. F. A. Downing and Bruce Fisher were Lentine visitors Thursday.

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THREE CLAIM MAYORALTY STURBEVILLE, Ohio—Three fellows claim to be mayor of this city; of three others each asserts that he himself alone is the only legal cop. All are litigating about it.

SCOUTMASTER FINED PASADENA, Cal.—A fine of \$50 was assessed against E. M. Goff, scout master, who admitted accidentally starting a fire which threatened the Carnegie observatory on Mount Wilson.

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