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SET THE SOUL.—"Now set your heart and your soul to seek the Lord your God." 1 Chron. 22:19.

If everything alleged is true, it's base ball in more than one sense.

Now that Ma Ferguson is out of the Texas governorship, why don't Pa and Ma vindicate each other by running for president.

Aimee's case is dismissed but how about the poor people of California who have to pay the cost of these months of legal floundering?

Since it has dawned on them that last year was the most prosperous year in American history, our leading pessimists are finding some satisfaction in the argument that this year can't possibly be that good.

SEA EXPLORATION

Where will explorers next go? The world is now pretty well combed over. Spots around each pole remain, and there are said to be parts of Arabia of which the western world knows nothing. But none of these possess one-tenth the possibilities of new discovery that are presented by the sea. Such is the opinion of Prof. W. E. Allen of the Scripps Institution for Oceanography, who has just been addressing a convention of scientists in Philadelphia. No man has ever seen the miles of depth that lie below the surface of the ocean. Grappling irons have brought up strange plants and stranger creatures, but all oceanic exploration up to date is just the merest beginning.

Much valuable information could be obtained from a deeper study of the ocean. The changes that go on under the salt water are reflected on land by earthquakes. If we knew more about the ocean, we might foresee and avoid disaster on land. We could also get many valuable products that would help all the way from the fish market to the jeweler's shop.

Here, then, is a hint for the public-spirited rich man. If he wants to do good and perhaps get some fame for himself, he can endow an expedition to explore the depths of the sea.

ITALIAN SABER-RATTLING

War between France and Italy? Some writers see this possibility in the news that six Fascist legions have been mobilized along the French border. The French are reported to have sent troops in their turn as a counter-demonstration. The mutual ill-will of the two countries had its chief origin a few months ago, when Mussolini denounced France for permitting criticism of the Italian government. Later it developed that Italy was hiring agents in France to work up conspiracies against Fascist rule, in order to be able to complain that these plots were hatched on French soil. (Among these agents was the grandson of the great Garibaldi.) In other words, Mussolini was manufacturing his own grievances.

Unquestionably relations are strained, but war is unlikely. Not long ago prophets foretold immediate war between Italy and Germany. Now these countries have signed a ten-year arbitration treaty. Today the Italians threaten France; tomorrow it may be Turkey, where Mussolini sees an outlet for Italy's surplus population.

Italy has nothing to gain by war with France or Germany. The present hostile demonstrations probably aim only to flatter Italy's self-esteem and distract popular discontent. If any foreign blow is meant, Turkey is the most likely country to receive it.

History Repeats Itself in Action In Central State

By Rodney Datcher
WASHINGTON, Jan. 11. (NEA)—History repeats itself in America's befriending of President Adolfo Diaz of Nicaragua. It's the second time this country has gone to his aid.

Diaz, while Nicaragua's president in 1912, had trouble with one General Mena much as he now is to difficulties with Rebel Leader Somoza.

In January, 1912, the Nicaraguan constituent assembly, or congress, adopted and promulgated the Nicaraguan constitution, which stipulated that Nicaraguan sovereignty rested in Nicaragua and that congress alone might authorize loans and levy taxes.

The assembly attacked American interference, claiming that the American charge d'affaires had sought to monkey with the constitution and its promulgation. President Diaz, who had come into office when President Estrada resigned under pressure, promptly dissolved that congress, which had elected Mena president of the country for the following term.

Diaz ordered Mena's arrest and Mena escaped to Managua, where he convened the congress and organized his own government. According to report, Diaz soon found himself in sore straits and unsafe outside of Managua.

At this point the United States stepped in and its intervention apparently was all that saved the Diaz skin.

Eight vessels of war, 125 officers and 2,669 enlisted men, were used to support Adolfo. They participated in the bombardment of Managua, a night ambush in Masaya, the surrender of General Mena and his army at Granada, the capture of the Mena gunboats Victoria and Ninety-Three, the attack on and capture of Coatepeque, the defense of Paso Cabillon Bridge and participation in the capture of Chinandega and elsewhere.

If you will look up these names on your Nicaraguan map, you will note how closely Diaz was hemmed in at Managua before this country stepped in.

2,075-Acre Ranch Sold for \$100,000

WALLA WALLA, Jan. 11.—The first big land transfer of the year was made with the filing of a deed from M. A. and Adela B. Neims of Walla Walla to C. L. and Mrs. E. Waite of Los Angeles, Cal., for 2,075 acres, five miles from Lowden, in the dry land section. The consideration, according to the deed, is \$100,000 and there is no encumbrance on property. Dr. Neims stated that the actual consideration was \$15,000 higher than that shown in deed, or about \$50 an acre for the land.

"Woman robbed in home," says a headline. Wonder how she got there?

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Bring in your used school books you no longer need and get the money for them this week at Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store.

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School Funds now available for farm loans in Union County. See H. E. Dixon, Foley Building, La Grande, Ore. 2-15-11

I KNOW HOW AND DO IT
Jack, the Hatter, Savoy Hotel. 1-13-21p

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The January Special Sale is now on at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop. Visit the store and take advantage of the wonderful values. See the 25c table, 45c table and the 95c table. 1-10-01

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- ### FRESH VEGETABLES FOR SATURDAY
- Cabbage, per lb.....5c
 - Large Head Lettuce, 2 for.....25c
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G. B. S. Hands Dean Inge A "Bouquet"

LONDON, Jan. 11 (AP)—George Bernard Shaw recently handed Dean Inge a literary bouquet which banished the gloom of that ecclesiastical dignity for several days.

"I have a superior brain," said Shaw, leaning against the mantelpiece in the home of Lady Bessie, while talking to dinner guests, "but there is the greatest living writer in England," and he pointed to Dean Inge sitting in a corner. Shaw, instead of his famous words, wore a neat black suit which the Duchess of Hamilton and others agreed was most becoming.

Postal Receipts In 1926 Run High

MINNAPOLIS, Jan. 11.—Minnapoli's postal receipts broke all records during 1926 according to figures released by Tom Warren. Receipts for the last year totaled \$29,471,200, a gain of 12 per cent over 1925 receipts which amounted to \$25,992,000.

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