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EXPERIENCE QUICKENS FAITH—Answer me when I call,
O God of my righteousness; Thou hast set me at large when I was in distress; Have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.
Psalm 41.

Soon summer will be here. Then women can put on their furs and be comfortable again.

Maybe one thing wrong with our young people today is the way grown-ups are so seriously concerned about them.

A contributor to F. P. A.'s "Conning Tower" in the New York World suggests that if Senator King really wants to get into Haiti he ought to join the U. S. marines. They seem to be able to get into any foreign country at any time and on any business.

If the Longview bridge across the Columbia is built, the decision will be made in the face of one of the strongest cases of opposition ever made on a so-called public improvement of this kind. It's hard to see, as a matter of fact, how the government officials can report in favor of the bridge after such arguments and evidence were presented to them.

Social welfare service, community charity, and similar community activities constitute a problem that is seldom solved satisfactorily in a smaller city such as this. Churches try to minister to their own flocks; fraternal organizations care for needy members and, at times, for children of others; the county gives attention to the most outstanding cases. There is, however, only one organization in La Grande doing general welfare work all of the time with all classes—the Salvation Army. It is supported by subscription and by benefits. Without reasonable revenue its work cannot go on, but must be borne by some other agency. So it is that the benefit concert on Friday night of this week is provided as assurance for the year's budget. The event deserves support by all La Grande people because the money received will be used for community welfare. But it deserves and will receive wide support also because the program offers a real entertainment of varied features—the best talent to the city donated to make continued Salvation Army work possible. The auditorium should be crowded to its doors.

PRIVATE PROPERTY PEEPING

"They know not what they do" might well have been said of the state legislature when, in its recent session, it passed the new law designed to equalize assessed valuation of property. The Observer has constantly urged the passage of a law that would permit equalization but the interpretation of the present measure goes far beyond either our worst or fondest dreams. Forms authorized by the state tax commission and handed out by the county assessors look more like an income tax blank than a property assessment form. Every detail of every property owner's business is required—his total receipts from all sources, his total itemized expenses, his gross and net income, his complete trial balance—everything. And only twenty days are allowed for making the return to the county assessor to avoid possible penalty of \$1000. Property owners throughout the state are up in arms—and no wonder! Some big corporations cannot possibly complete such a form in the time allowed. Taxpayers everywhere are antagonized at the thought of giving to county and tax commission officials all the intimate details of their private businesses. But there is some relief already in sight, according to this morning's Associated Press dispatches from Salem, which say that the section requiring income information need not be filled out. It is possible also that some action, in addition to protests already filed, will be taken to restrain the tax commission from securing detailed information. One thing seems certain from the effect of the law thus far: It will be modified in interpretation or there will be a definite and strong movement on foot for its repeal at the next session of the legislature.

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BRITISH KING'S CAR ON DISPLAY

Automobile Used by King George V to Arrive Tomorrow

The Daimler Knight limousine, which was the personal car of His Majesty King George V of England from 1910 until last year, will be shown during the next two days at the sales rooms of Gettings & Hanks, local Willys-Overland dealer. It will arrive here from Baker tomorrow morning.

The car is being sent here by the Willys-Overland company, of Toledo, Ohio, manufacturers of Overland and Willys-Knight cars, as an example of the longevity of the Knight type (sleeve valve) engine, which are used in the Willys-Knight cars. While the body and equipment used in this car were all specially built for this limousine at a very high cost, the engine is the standard Daimler Knight, using the same basic design and embodying the same principles of operation as the Willys-Knight.

Car Repurchased
Charles Y. Knight, the inventor of the engine, purchased this car last year from the British government. Through arrangement made by John N. Willys, president of Willys-Overland company, this car will be shown through the east and middle west at its dealer establishments.

"A great deal of public interest is centered around this car, which for 14 years served the King of England day and night. It is indeed gratifying to know that during the years when Europe was in the throes of war and the world trembled on the brink of despair, the confidence and faith of the king of England rested in an American design motor," Mr. Knight said.

Realizing that the car with its long history would find favor with the American public Mr. Willys and Mr. Knight made their plans to display this car in America. The first public showing on this side of the Atlantic occurred in New York City a little over a year ago. Since that time, it has been inspected by hundreds of thousands in all parts of the east and middle west.

Accompanying the car is a Knight motor expert who is familiar with the Daimler car.

In addition to displaying the Daimler-Knight the demonstrator will arrange to give special showings of the newest development in the sleeve-valve type of engine as exemplified in the Willys-Knight sixes manufactured by the Willys-Overland company.

Smuggling Pact To Be Ended March 28

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 23. (AP)—In making formal announcement that the United States government through its embassy had notified Mexico of the abrogation of the anti-smuggling convention, the foreign office declares that the treaty was entered into at the special request of the United States, and that Mexico gave hearty cooperation of fulfillment of its provisions during the time it was effective.

"As the initiative for this treaty lay with the United States, as also its denunciation," the foreign office says, "Mexico must consider the pact concluded in accordance with the terms thereof, as from the 28th of the present month."

PACIFIC COAST IS PRAISED BY HUBERT WORK

BERKELEY, Cal., Mar. 23. (AP)—Describing the Pacific coast as the "land of beginning again," Dr. Hubert Work, secretary of the interior delivered the principal address at the Charter day exercises of the University of California here today.

In accordance with university custom, the honorary degree of doctor of laws was conferred upon Secretary Work at the conclusion of his speech. Honorary LL. D.'s also were conferred upon Herbert T. Turner, savilian professor of astronomy at Oxford university, England and Arthur William Foster, prominent California agriculturist and member of the board of regents of the university.

William W. Campbell, president, delivered his annual report of benefactions amounting to \$1,000,000 in gifts during the past academic year.

Obregon Hopes For Mexican-U. S. Amity

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 23. (AP)—"Cordial intelligence" between Mexico and the United States would be of much benefit, former President Obregon declared today in reply to a request by Vennel McCombs for a statement to be read at a luncheon at Berkeley, Cal.

"The strong must never forget that a friend is more helpful than a slave," he said, "and that it is less costly to convince than to subdue men and peoples."

Lorraine Snyder May Get \$25,000

NEW YORK, Mar. 23. (AP)—Nine-year-old Lorraine Snyder, probably eventually will receive the \$25,000 insurance carried by her murdered father, which the mother had increased from \$10,000 a few weeks ago, it was learned today. The law in this state specifically provides that a murderer shall not benefit from the life policy of a victim.

WOMEN INVADE OFFICERS
TOPEKA, Kas.—The offices of county commissioner and county engineer are the only county offices in Kansas that have not been invaded by women.

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Travel by Motor Stage

MARINES, GUARDS HOLD THE FRONT

British and American Soldiers Shoulder to Shoulder in Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Mar. 23. (AP)—American marines stood shoulder to shoulder with the famous British Coldstream guards on the national boundary of the international settlement today charged with preventing any attempted invasion by the defeated Shantungese such as were repelled with bloodshed yesterday.

Sent to the boundary at the request of the British commander, the Americans—a detachment of 40—were helping to hold the Markham road bridge across Soochow creek, connecting the settlement with the Chapei district which yesterday was the scene of wild disorders, looting and killings.

Chinese Disarmed
Near the Anglo-American position are little hills of bombs and ammunition taken by the sentries in disarming Shantungese soldiers are penned in a bamboo "bird cage" not far away.

The situation appears much easier in all the native districts, with the victorious Cantonese army gradually taking matters in hand. A small body of Shantungese were still holding out in the Chapei district today and there was some fighting. The Chinese shops, which usually constitute a good barometer of prevailing conditions, were reopening.

SITUATION UNCHANGED

SHANGHAI, Mar. 23. (AP)—There was little change in the strike situation today. Chinese joined the other 200,000 odd strikers who obeyed the call issued when the southern soldiers came into Shanghai.

It is stated in British quarters that the Chinese customs men were intimidated being warned by strike leaders that unless they quit work they and their families would suffer the consequences.

The customs and post office strike put the finish to such little foreign business as was possible under the present disturbed conditions. As a consequence, Shanghai is undergoing a temporary commercial eclipse. All international mail is being held up.

PEDESTRIAN RECOVERING

NEW YORK, Mar. 23. (AP)—Edward Payson Weston, noted 88-year-old pedestrian, was reported improving at St. Vincent's hospital today where he is suffering from injuries received when struck down by a taxicab Sunday night.

CHICAGO—Lotus Blossoms like those that grew along the Nile in Cleopatra's day bloom in the lagoons of Lincoln park.



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Willys-Knight

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