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PEACE AND SECURITY—I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the Lord sustains me. I will not be afraid of ten thousands of the people. That have set themselves against me round about. Psalm 3:5, 6.

And now, we suppose, Texas will start right in hopefully to fill up those penitentiaries again.

Germany must have a genius for self-rule. It can be without a government for weeks at a time, and get along just the same.

The Oregonian says that the assessed valuation of Multnomah county is now \$35,000,000 more than it was in 1915. Fine! Portland is coming up in the world. Their building permits since 1915 have totaled some eighty-odd million and property values in the city have increased twice as much more as a result of this growth and progress. Getting \$35,000,000 of it on the tax rolls is, nevertheless, most commendable. It might be worse—and has been.

CLERICAL ERRORS AND JUSTICE

Defense counsel in the contempt trial of Harry F. Sinclair, Teapot Dome lessee, the other day asked the judge to instruct the jury to acquit him on the following grounds: (1) Because a deputy marshal in New York instead of the senate sergeant-at-arms served a subpoena on him; (2) Because a senate resolution referred to another resolution as No. 292 instead of 294—which may have been a senate clerk's slip or a typographical error.

The justice regarded these technicalities as insufficient grounds for instructed acquittal, and the case went to the jury. But the fact remains that they were brought up in all seriousness, and that in many other instances defendants in serious civil and even criminal cases do benefit by similar unimportant legal details—a misplaced punctuation mark, a misspelled word or name, an obvious typographical error—which have nothing whatever to do with the fundamental facts at issue.

These legal quibbles have a bad effect upon juries. They, too, forget the fundamental facts at issue, or they become prejudiced against one side or the other because of such misplaced emphasis. Undoubtedly perfection should be the aim in stating legal issues and preparing legal documents. But also common sense should keep from confusing typographical errors and justice.

OLD AGE ANNUITIES

A bill for old age pensions on a national scale has passed the Canadian house of commons. Meanwhile a comprehensive plan for taking care of the country's aged on a more self-respecting basis is being worked out by the minister of labor.

The latter plan counts on paying perhaps one dollar a day for the rest of his life to every worker who reaches the age of 65 years. The fund would be supplied by regular contributions from the worker, the employer, the national government and the provincial government, amounting respectively to 9, 9, 5 and 5 cents a week in the case of a worker starting at the age of 22 years, and naturally rising if the start is made later in life. These small payments might be increased to any desired amount in order to increase the old-age payments above the basic dollar a day.

Some such legislation seems likely to be adopted in Canada before long. It would be regarded as pretty radical in this country. And perhaps it isn't needed so much here. If our present prosperity continues, surely there should be little difficulty on the part of any normal American in accumulating, during his working life, enough to take care of his old age by established methods of individual savings and investment. Personal thrift is to be encouraged more than philanthropic legislation. Those who cannot or will not save, however, must always be taken care of somehow.

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NIMRODS FACING 2 STRONG TEAMS

Local Trapshooters to Vie with Eugene and Pendleton Tomorrow

La Grande trapshooters, members of the Wing, Pin and Fleet-foot club of Union county, will again shoot at the Lone Tree grounds tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock in another lap of the Oregonian's telegraph tournament. As a result of last Sunday's disastrous defeat, La Grande is now tied with Baker for fourth place. Wins last Sunday would have put the local nimrods in undisputed third place.

Tomorrow La Grande will shoot against the Lane County Sportsmen's association in the first round and the Pendleton Gun club in the second. Both teams are listed higher in the percentage column than in La Grande.

Corrected percentages follow:

	W. L. Per.
Bend	10 0 1.000
Eugene	9 1 .900
Salem	9 1 .900
Medford	7 3 .700
Coquille	7 3 .700
Pendleton	7 3 .700
Hopner	7 3 .700
Baker	6 4 .600
La Grande	6 4 .600
Huntington	5 4 .556
Portland	5 4 .556
Food River	4 6 .400
Hillsboro	4 6 .400
The Dalles	3 7 .300
Klamath	3 7 .300
Astoria	2 8 .200
Monterey	2 8 .200
Echo	1 9 .100
Toledo	1 9 .100
Enterprise	0 10 .000

HARROWING TALE OF ESCAPE IS RELATED

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early in the afternoon, bringing the total to more than 50. Soldiers in nationalist uniforms began coming to the house in large groups demanding money and threatening to kill all within.

This occurred several times. Mr. Davis and Karl T. Hobart, Standard Oil manager, risked their lives while fleeing the soldiers and arguing with them in Chinese. Finally one of the soldiers said to Mr. Davis:

"We don't want more money. We want to kill; we'll kill Americans, French, British or any foreigners."

Ask Warships For Aid
"A rocket—the agreed signal asking the warships for aid—was sent up," Mrs. Davis continued.

The first shells began bursting around the hill, drawing off the attackers. We breathed again. We asked this chance to escape."

At ten o'clock Thursday night Mrs. Davis and her children were placed aboard the Kungwo, which sailed early Friday morning. Mr. Davis remained in Nanking.

The Kungwo and Wenchow, escorted by the United States destroyer Preston and the British gunboat Cricket were fired on at two places along the river. The warships replied. Although the Kungwo is the largest passenger boat on the Yangtze, there were many discomforts during the voyage.

Numbers of women passengers who had been aboard the destroyers Na and Preston prior to the shelling, sailed without news of their husbands. They feared for the worst as when they sailed from Nanking the situation was direful, but were much relieved when they learned that a majority of the foreigners had been evacuated.

TROUBLE IN CHINA ONLY IN INFANCY

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Shantung peninsula, has requested the despatch of a destroyer there, following clashes between the police and Shantungese (northern) troops.

URGES CARE

SHANGHAI, Mar. 26 (AP).—A wireless message from Hankow says that Eugene Chen, the Chinese foreign minister, has made urgent representations to the nationalist military authorities regarding the situation at Nanking, urging that the utmost be done to protect foreigners remaining there.

CHANG SEES PEACE

LONDON, Mar. 26 (AP).—Reuter's Shanghai correspondent says Marshal Chang Tso-lin, Manchurian warlord, is reported to be desirous of negotiating with the moderate southerners for a truce, to be followed by the conclusion of peace.

This report, the correspondent adds, is confirmed by representatives of the Ankuochun or allied northern armies, of which Marshal Chang is commander-in-chief.

PENDLETON WOMAN SAFE

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (AP).—Cable advice from Shanghai to the missionary headquarters of the Episcopal church today announced the arrival of three American women from Nanking. The message said nothing had been heard from the Rev. C. L. Pickens and family, of Washington, D. C.

The three women reported safe included Miss S. E. Igo, of Pendleton, Ore.

CHURCHILL STIRRED

NEW YORK—Winston Churchill is stirred by the marines and Coldstream guards standing side by side in Shanghai; "once again the great unconquerable forces of progressive and scientific civilization are recognizing all they have in common."

FIND IT HERE

Copy for this column must be in by 8:00 a. m.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Presbyterian ladies' A. I. will hold a rummage sale Saturday, April 2, at 9 o'clock, in the church basement.

EASTER CAKE SALE

The Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion will hold an Easter Cake Sale Sat. Apr. 16, 3-26-27

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Marathon May Be Run in Oregon

—If the terms of a wager made here yesterday are carried out, a marathon will be run on the Pacific highway between Medford and Grants Pass, a distance of 24 miles, within the next few days.

Discussion of the running powers of the Marathons Indians who recently completed a marathon between San Antonio and Austin, Texas, and the projected marathon from San Francisco to Grants Pass over the Redwood highway led to the wager between James E. Griev, of Prospect, Ore., and E. C. Jerome, a local man, the financial consideration to be divided among contestants in the race.

A "ROUND-THE-WORLD" TOUR will start from the Baptist church Tuesday evening, March 29, four places to be visited—Japan, Holland, Boston and New York. One course of a four-course dinner will be served at each place. Cars will leave the church from 6 until 8 o'clock. Everyone is invited. The price of the round trip is 50 cents.

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