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GOD IS GREAT—God is greater than man. Why dost Thou strive against God? For He giveth not account of any of His matters. Job 22:12, 13.

MRS. WILSON AT BLOSSOM FESTIVAL Westerners Urge National Policy On Reclamation



This photograph is one of the few pictures of Mrs. Edith Wilson, widow of the war president, taken since Wilson's death. The scene is at the annual cherry blossom festival in Potomac Park, Washington. Left to right are Mrs. Gary T. Grayson, wife of the former White House physician; Mrs. William Gibbs McAdoo, daughter of President Wilson; and Mrs. Wilson. —NZA, Washington Bureau

Westerners Urge National Policy On Reclamation

PORTLAND, Ore., May 6 (AP)—Suggestion that the federal government establish a national policy relative to the resources of the country which will permit the development of projects in which are involved reclamation, water power and navigation was made by Dr. Elwood Mead, United States commissioner of reclamation today by trustees of the Umatilla rapids association.

"Such a policy is necessary to being about development of the Umatilla rapids project, for in that is involved not only the placing of water on the soil, but the development of hydro-electric energy and the canalization of the Columbia river," said Marshall N. Linn, president of the association.

"We request that in view of the feasibility of our project give it your endorsement and that the secretary of the interior in turn endorse it the same as the Boulder dam project on the Colorado has been endorsed."

J. N. Twa, made an argument for a national policy governing development of projects involving the three factors and emphasized the great importance of the transportation feature, which he said would prove a medium for low rates in marketing of products.

E. R. Aldrich, editor of the East Oregonian, Pendleton, and George Ruet, also urged action in the matter.

Commissioner Mead, after hearing a delegation from Baker, said that a committee of three experts will be appointed to make an independent survey of Baker Irrigation project to determine its feasibility.

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A NATURAL RURAL DECREASE

Jardine, secretary of agriculture, in commenting on the cityward migration of farm population again evident in 1926, warns that deflation of this rural population, while natural enough after the war period of inflation, has gone far enough if the U. S. is to feed itself in the future. Other people, regarding the net loss in rural America of over a half million, are more keenly alarmed.

The time will come, without doubt, when a definite trend "back to the farm" will be noticed, but it is unlikely until national and world consumption of food products becomes great enough to allow a reasonable profit on agricultural operations. There is no immediate cause for population alarm. At the present time modern machinery and improved methods have made possible a constantly increasing farm production with constantly decreasing farm population. In this valley the value and volume of agricultural products is greater the last few years (excluding abnormal war years) than ever before. And yet our farm population is less now than twenty years ago. One man, with adequate machinery and scientific methods, is now able to farm half again or twice as much as he did a generation ago.

The same condition exists in industry. One man produces far more than was possible a few years ago, but the difference seems to lie in consumption. The average family probably eats no more, and probably less, calories than did the average family of the last generation. It may consume more expensive calories but the demand for quantity depends largely on the number of consumers. Not so in industry. The average family was content with a few plain chairs, a reed organ, a horse and buggy before better things were known. Today even moderate incomes are stretched to provide luxurious home furnishings, radios, washing machines, automobiles.

Tastes and desires have widened to permit a tremendous increase in per capita consumption of the products of industry while consumption of agricultural products is relative stationary. Our concern should not be so much for agricultural population as for agricultural profits. Necessary production will take care of itself.

Six Slain When Explosion Wrecks Two-Story House

NEW YORK, May 6 (AP)—Six persons are believed to have been killed in a two-story building at 23rd street and East River this afternoon as the result of an explosion in the building and collapse of the structure. More than 20 were reported injured. Unofficial reports were that a gas leak buried under the building exploded and burst a water main. The six reported dead are said to have been trapped and drowned while at work in the cellar of the building which was used as offices of the Yellow Taxicab company.

Defunct Bank Is Paying Dividend

NAMPA, Ida., May 6—Approximately \$27,000 will be here Saturday for distribution to depositors of the defunct First National bank, C. H. Hickey was advised Thursday by H. D. Jackson of Payette, receiver of the bank. This sum represents a dividend of 11 per cent on the assets of the bank which were turned over to the receiver after a sale of certain other assets which permitted a payment of 10 per cent to depositors a few weeks after the bank closed.

This dividend, which will be the final one, will make the total return to depositors on the individual accounts with the bank at the time it closed, approximately 55 1/2 per cent.

AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT HAS FACILEST MOTHER

VIENNA — Marianne Hainisch, mother of the president of Austria, who recently celebrated her eighty-eighth anniversary in perfect health and mental vigor, has at all times assumed herself an ardent pacifist, even during the tumultuous years of the world war. Frau Hainisch has always been a staunch liberal and an indefatigable charity worker. She keeps up a correspondence with women in other countries who are active in the women's rights movements.

Thousands of farm lands require considerable care and attention especially during the first year, before the home soil has had time to become settled thoroughly.

HURLERS MAINSTAY AT PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA — G. Foster Sanford, star hurler of the former Yale football star, Rutgers' coach and exponent of the multiple kick, is the mainstay of the University of Pennsylvania hurling corps for this season.

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to the United States marines. The marines took up positions between the conservative and liberal lines to receive the guns of both armies. This was done at the request of the Diaz government so that proposed elections might be unimpeded by disorders. After a certain period all firearms bearing arms are to be declared obsolete and authorized consular and the marines will proceed to disarm them.

LETTER PUBLISHED

MANAGUA, May 6 (AP)—In a letter published in the official organ of the liberal forces, General Jose Maria Montano, that the United States had threatened to use force to disarm

the liberal forces in Nicaragua, to lay them down, including the liberal peace delegates made government, and to disarm force public today a letter written by

Henry J. Simson, personal representative of President Coolidge. Many of the ancient possessions of the great riches. Crosses owned landed property alone worth \$6,900,000; Simson's fortune was estimated at \$14,000,000 and the estate of the arms of those who are willing Tibertus at about \$150,000,000.

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