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TRUST IN PROVIDENCE: Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust in him; and he shall bring it to pass.

Mussolini, who says his successor hasn't been born yet, must be getting just a little uneasy at all those babies being named after him.

A newspaper the other day carried two pessimistic news items. One told the prophecy of certain "experts" that in only 300 years, at the present rate of increase, the population of the world will number 8,000,000,000 people, the absolute maximum that can be supported on the world's surface.

DRESSING UP FOR THE PARTY La Grande is getting ready for the Legion convention next week in earnest. Decorations are being put on buildings, streets are flag-hung—the business area is preparing to make the most of the crowds that will be here the last three days of the week, combining hospitality with the natural business that will result from such an event.

Considering the street decorations, it is probably true that not all business houses and shops felt that they could afford the expense of the professional decorator. That is quickly realized but all business places can, we feel sure, take some special care in seeing that their fronts are decorated, individually. Some bunting or a few flags properly hung will help show the hospitable spirit that the entire community feels, and the opportunity should not be overlooked.

Looking at the city through the eyes of our anticipated guests there are several spots that could put up a better appearance, though a remedy is not hardly possible for most of them before convention time. Near the business district are numerous buildings, vacant lots, shacks that do not contribute beauty nor do they add to surrounding property values.

It is, of course, a criticism that could be made of practically every town and city but it is none the less objectionable. Some of the old buildings have long been depreciated out of existence but are not repaired or painted or replaced because the owners sometimes feel the additional investment would not return the present interest earning. Possibly so, but we are inclined to doubt the business sense of such a policy except where capital for needed improvement is absolutely unavailable.

There are probably numerous other things that will come to the mind of the average citizen as he thinks of the city in terms of what impression the convention crowd will get. There is also much to be proud of, much that can be pointed out as advantages peculiar to La Grande. Certainly they far overshadow the shortcomings and we'll hope that they are either so obvious or so enthusiastically emphasized by people of the community that the out-of-town throngs will not be able to see or remember very many chances for improvement.

Without Any Warning One Sunday morning Old Mother Hubbard went to her cupboard and found it was bare. So she went to the CORNER CUPBOARD and got her lunch goods there. Open every day including Sundays till 9 p. m. The Corner Cupboard Corner of Adams and Second Geo. B. Richardson, Prop.

NEW FRUITS ON LOCAL MARKETS

Apricots, Peaches Are Offered—Eggs Take a 5-Cent Jump Here

A variety of new fruits and small fruits are being offered in local markets this week and for the first time this season.

Peaches and apricots are now obtainable, both selling at 100 pounds for 25 cents.

Honeydew melons are for sale at 25 cents each and cantaloupes are retailing at 8 cents a pound.

Gooseberries are now offered at 10 cents a pound and green peppers at 20 cents a pound. Wax onions are selling three pounds for 10 cents.

Eggs have taken a 5-cent jump and are now quoted at 20 cents a dozen, or two dozen for 35 cents.

String beans are down to 10 cents a pound, but new potatoes are up to 8 cents. Lettuce is quoted at 10 cents a head and celery at 20 cents a bunch.

Bunch beets are selling two for 25 cents and yellow onions are marked up at 10 cents.

Lemons have jumped to 45 cents a dozen and oranges to 55 cents. Cantaloupes are down to 5 cents and watermelons are quoted at 25 cents a pound instead of 4 cents.

LA GRANDE WHOLESALE MARKETS

Poultry (live weight). Heavy hens—22c lb. Light hens—14@16c lb. Stags—8c lb.

Flour. Hard Federation (hard wheat) \$7.50 bbl. Soft wheat—\$7.40 bbl.

LA GRANDE RETAIL MARKETS

Butter, creamery—50@55c. Eggs—20c doz; 2 for 35c. Cheese—25@40c a pound. Honey, comb—22c lb.

Vegetables. New potatoes—4 lbs. 25c. String beans—1 lb. 25c. Green peas—2 lbs. 25c. Potatoes—5c lb. Tomatoes—15@25c lb. Parsley—1 lb. bunch. Cabbage—5c lb. Wax onions—2 lbs. 25c. Lettuce—1 lb. head. Celery—2 lb. bunch. Cucumbers—1 lb. each. Bunch carrots—2 for 15c. Bunch beets—2 for 25c. Bunch turnips—2 for 25c. Green onions—2 for 10c. Yellow onions—5 lbs. 25c. Radishes—5c dozen. Green peppers—20c lb.

Fruits. Raspberries—2 for 25c. Loganberries—1 lb. box. Blackberries—1 lb. box. Pine cherries—1 lb. box. Strawberries—2 for 25c. Cherries—20c lb. Rhubarb—8c lb. New apples—3 lbs. 25c. Bananas—13c lb. Lemons 45c doz. Oranges—55c doz. Cantaloupes—30c each. Watermelons—2 for 25c. Honeydew melons—25c each. Peaches—2 lbs. 25c. Apricots—2 lbs. 25c. Camions—3c lb. Gooseberries—1 lb. lb. Sugar. Cane sugar—\$7.15 @ 7.24.

Flour. Soft wheat—\$7.25 bbl. Hard Federation—\$8.20 bbl. Poultry. Spring chickens—25c lb. Hens—25@28c lb.

Meats and Fish. Beef bull—12 1/2 @ 13c. Crops and steaks—25@30c. Salmon (strictly fresh)—2 lb. lb. Halibut—20c lb.

Gasoline. Gasoline, regular, retail, 25c.

MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

Table with columns: Wheat, Open, High, Low, Close. Values for July, Sept, Dec.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT LIVERPOOL, July 16 (AP)—Close: Wheat 3 to 1 1/4d lower; July 10c, 11 3/4d; Oct. 10c, 11 3/4d; Dec. 10c, 10 3/4d; March 10c, 9 3/4d; May 10c, 8 1/4d.

CHICAGO CASH CHICAGO, July 16 (AP)—Wheat—No. 1 red, \$1.42 1/2; No. 2 hard, \$1.42 1/2. Corn—No. 3 mixed, 93c; No. 2 yellow, \$1.09. Oats—No. 2 white, 49c; No. 2 white, 44 1/2 @ 46 1/2c. Rye not quoted. Barley—15@18c. Timothy seed—\$4.50 @ 5.00. Clover seed—\$29.00 @ 30.00. Lard—\$12.75. Hides—\$12.75. Bellies—\$12.25.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15 (AP)—Increasing amount favor of Portland consumers for honeydew, or honeydew melons is being felt at this time on the local produce market. Although the supply of them is plentiful, the melons top the market at present at 15.50 for flats wholesale, and 17.75 to 22 for pony crates.

From The Willits have come egg plant selling at 25c per pound and lemon cucumbers for 25c a pound, \$1.25 per box.

Cucumbers have dropped down to 10c per box, following a week of higher prices. Best sold from 10c to 15c.

Yellow transparent apples sold in half boxes find a weekly supplied market and sell at the high price of \$1.75 per half box and \$2.75 to \$2 per standard box.

Butter and eggs are generally steady in price with low market firm. The only change for today on the daily exchange is a decline of 1c to 2c, for extra firsts butter.

Country dressed meats and poultry are firm at midweek prices with receipts light and demand firm.

Wheat Closes Firm And Higher Today

CHICAGO, July 16 (AP)—Opening at 3c decline to 1/2c advance. Wheat later secured general gain. Corn, oats and provisions were easy, corn starting at 3/4 to 1/2c decline and subsequently receding further.

Wheat closed firm, 1/4 to 1/2c net higher, corn unchanged to 1/2c off, oats 1/2 @ 1/2c lower, and provisions varying from 2c decline to 1/2c off.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK CHICAGO, July 16 (AP)—Department of Agriculture: (Hogs—4,000; uneven, mostly steady with Friday's low time, or 10 to 20c lower than the average; top, \$19.40; bulk 17.00 to 22.00 lbs., \$19.15 @ 19.25.

Cattle—300; fed steers and yearlings steady, grassy kind, 15 to 22c lower; fat cows, 25 to 40c lower; grassy butcher heifers, 25c off; culler cows strong; bulks, 25 to 40c higher; vealers steady; heavy steers weak at \$14.50; medium weights reaching \$14.25; long yearlings, \$14.00, and 955 pounders \$13.50; yearling heifers up to \$12.50; good trade on all grades of fat yearlings.

Sheep—1,000; practically none offered today; for week, 25 @ 30c; from feeding stations, 15 @ 20c; slaughter lambs closing 25 to 30c lower; slaughter lambs closing 25 to 50c lower; yearlings around 25c lower; aged sheep 25 to 50c higher; feeding lambs weak.

PORTLAND PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Ore., July 16 (AP)—Butter—First class 10 lower; extra cubes, city, 40c; standard, 35c; prime firsts, 25c; firsts, 25c. Creamery prices: Pratts 7c above cube standards. Butterfat 25c, 1 c lb. Portland.

Milk steady; raw milk 14 c p. unit, \$2.25 excl. 1.0 c lb. Portland. Hydrofat 25c c. o. b. Portland. Eggs steady; current receipts, 21c; fresh medium, 20c; fresh standard firsts, 24c; fresh standard extra, 25c.

Poultry steady; heavy hens, 21 @ 22c; light, 12 @ 14c; spring, 15c; broilers, 15 @ 18c; Pekin—white, ducks, 20c; colored, nominal; turkeys live, nominal; dressed, 27c. Onions, steady; local, \$3.50 @ 4.50; potatoes, \$2.50 @ 4.50 each.

BANK CLEARINGS

NEW YORK, July 16 (AP)—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows excess receipts of \$22,372,250. This is a decrease in receipts of \$2,421,246 compared with the week before when excess receipts of \$24,793,496 was reported.

Firm Undertone Is Displayed in Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, July 16 (AP)—The stock market displayed a firm undertone today, despite rather extensive work and readjustment of speculative accounts. Owing to the absence of many large traders, business was in relatively small volume, the day's sales aggregating about \$50,000,000 shares.

Itally again assumed the leadership of the market, with Rio common, which crossed 40 to a new peak, at the individual feature. DeWitt and Hudson, which sold off sharply towards the close yesterday, rallied 2 1/2 points and 1/2c, respectively. Chesapeake and Ohio, Chicago, Northwestern and Southern Railway all sold a point or so higher.

Standard Industrials held fairly steady, although Bethlehem was again subjected to profit taking. General Electric took on a new lease of life and good buying was apparent in Cuen Coal and Atlantic Refining. There were a few sell spots, the most conspicuous being Nash Motors and American Smelting. The closing was firm.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., July 16 (AP)—Livestock for week (approximate): 232 cattle, 419 calves, 2516 hogs, 8475 sheep.

Cattle—Compared week ago—most classes strong to shade higher. Veal calves 25 to 30c up; good steers comparatively scarce; best offered at \$9.75; fat cows up to \$1.50; few light weight heifers \$8.00 @ 8.25; butts, prices; slaughter steers, \$4.00 @ 4.75; butcher cows, \$5.25 @ 7.25; heifers, \$4.50 @ 7.25; cow calves and cutters, \$2.50 @ 4.

PORTLAND WHEAT

PORTLAND, Ore., July 16 (AP)—Wheat—RIB hard white, \$1.12; hard white standard, \$1.02; Federation, \$1.12; soft white \$1.12; western white \$1.12; hard white—\$1.20; northern spring, \$1.12; western red, \$1.20.

Today's net receipts—Wheat 4, flour 2, corn, 4, oats, 7; July 1.

BUTTERFAT

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16 (AP)—Butterfat 1 c o. b. San Francisco, 44 1/2c.

NEW YORK FRUIT

NEW YORK, July 16 (AP)—Dried fruit steady.

LONGWORTH COMING

PORTLAND, Ore., July 16 (AP)—Nicholas Longworth, speaker of the national house of representatives, will come to Portland from Seattle with Representative Maurice E. Thompson and is expected to arrive tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Longworth will speak Monday at the chamber of commerce and while here will hold conferences with republican leaders of Oregon, and probably will enjoy a fishing trip before resuming his journey.

KILLER FREED

PORTLAND, Ore., July 16 (AP)—Fred Hartwick, 42, housing house proprietor who shot and killed Donald P. Hapley last Thursday night when the latter broke into his home with a threat to kill him, was released from custody today, after the grand jury had returned a not true bill against him.

The coroner's jury previously had exonerated Hartwick, finding he had shot Hapley in self-defense.

A twin built a nest in a trap on the back porch of the home of a Chicago woman. His second wife had a nest and left the room undisturbed until a family of six were evicted.

A 500-gram hook has been published offering the favorite recipe of various men. It looks to us like a lot of blarney.

SALE ENDS WED. July 20th N. K. West & Co. Inc. La Grande's Leading Store for Over 25 Years

25c, medium bulks, \$5.25 @ 6.00; long pigs, \$12.00; bulk packing vealers, \$18.00 @ 12.00. Hogs—Compared week ago: market about steady; general run spots slightly higher, considering plain, most drives in lambs, \$10.50 weight; feeding pigs mostly 50 to 60 lb.; some strictly choice Mt. 75c higher; closing bulk 150 to Adams lambs, bought to arrive, 230 lb. averages for slaughter, \$12.50 and better; few yearlings, \$10.75 to \$11.25; heavy butchers \$8.50 down; shorn ewes, \$4.00 @ largely \$10.00 @ 10.50; best feed, 5.00.

Special Price Today ON ALL CHILDREN'S OXFORDS AND SLIPPERS Get a new pair for Sunday at low price NORTON'S KIDDY SHOP Better Merchandise—Lower Prices

William Shakespeare --besides being a poet was a judge of savory meals. If the ol' boy was living he would be writing poetry about the wholesome food they serve at the Lavender! KARTHER'S LAVENDER Sommer Hotel Bldg. Red Cross Drug Store

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