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OUR OFFERING—Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts, Psalm 96:1.

One reason why so many people don't vote nowadays is that husband and wife decide it's no use going to the polls when they'll just cancel each other's vote.

Some people thought that Lindbergh was flying right into a nest of Mexican bandits. Now they are disappointed when reading of his very civilized and very human reception.

If the weather man lets another thaw come along to melt all the snow before Christmas, he'll have to answer to all the children of the valley. How in the world could Santa Claus get around without it?

LEAKS IN LOCAL TAXES

The special committee to study the tax problem of Oregon and make appropriate recommendations to the legislature is getting on the job—at least to the extent of hearing about extravagances and ill-advised use of public funds. School funds are due for an investigation, for example, with the hope that educational advantages can be maintained while unnecessary accessory expenses are eliminated. The following paragraphs from a Portland dispatch are especially interesting:

"Much will be discussed on school costs by the committee before it makes its recommendations to the legislature. This much, however, is now apparent to the committee—the cost of local government is high because the people themselves are responsible. If a school district wants concrete or stucco buildings instead of a modern frame structure, or wants a gymnasium with its expensive equipment, or wants to pay \$35 for the gift ball on top of the flagpole, the taxpayers are themselves responsible.

"Another item going into the cost of local government is the mileage paid to county officials. In one county last year the sheriff collected \$4000 for the use of his car. His mileage basis is larger than the state of Oregon allows or is allowed by any business house. The mileage this sheriff collected would buy two brand new cars a year, but the sheriff is not spending the \$4000 for new cars. Not so long ago this sheriff's predecessors furnished their own horse and did not think of collecting mileage for its use.

"There is a county where each commissioner and the county judge collects mileage. They collect mileage even when they all go out together in a county-owned automobile. This statement has been made by one of the tax investigators."

One portion of the above is especially pertinent—"the cost of local government is high because the people themselves are responsible." That, although a special state committee was not required to discover it, is important and answers most of the questions about high taxes. New school buildings and the expense of operating them, other new improvements of a public nature are all usually the result of an affirmative vote of the taxpayers themselves.

Some injustices and some careless spending by officials can be corrected by legislative regulation. That should be accomplished as soon as possible. Leaks should be stopped. But when it comes to saving tax money in bulk it still depends on the people themselves—if they "step on" new expenditures and cut down existing ones, the tax burden can be reduced. But in no other way. Which raises a doubt in our mind whether the investigating committee will really accomplish anything more than the provocation of thought with all its work on the problem of local taxes.

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"Oh, I have no regrets. My life has been pure full and happy, 'cept I allus wanted to see an oil geyser," said Gran'maw Moots, 98, just before she passed away this morning. "I'd hate to live in a city where nobody knows your business unless you spend about \$50,000 a year advertising it," said Lyle Spry, of the Emporium, today.

MILLIONAIRE, 61, ACCUSED BY WIFE

Sebastian S. Kresge Said to Have Carried on Affairs with 2 Women

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—While Sebastian S. Kresge, 61, wealthy chain store operator, was giving huge sums to charities he was indulging in surreptitious affairs with two women, one a girl of 17, counsel for Mrs. Doris M. Kresge said in a plea for counsel fees to prosecute her suit for divorce.

In a hearing preliminary to Mrs. Kresge's divorce action, her counsel yesterday told of a raid on an apartment at 1714 Avenue A, in which he said Kresge under the name of Jones was found with a recently eloped girl who was hiding under the bed and whom he identified as Miss Gladys Ardelle Fish, 24-year-old stenographer, formerly of Seattle, Miss. The girl was named as co-respondent. Indiscretions with an unidentified 17-year-old girl were also charged.

Denies Charges.
Mrs. Kresge's lawyer said Kresge lived in New York City for the past year, with Miss Fish, a sister of a girl in one of the Kresge stores and known to her associates as the "princess." The attorney also said Kresge was with Miss Fish in Seattle last August. Kresge's counsel said the merchant is agreeable to a divorce but makes a general denial of his wife's charges.

Kresge is worth \$245,000,000 despite large sums he has given to charitable causes, counsel for his wife asserted, arguing that the wife of so rich a man must be allowed to live up to her position.

DENY STORY

NATICK, Mass., Dec. 17 (AP)—Denial was made by Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Fish of this town that their daughter, Gladys Ardelle Fish, had been caught in a New York apartment with Sebastian S. Kresge, as charged by counsel for Mrs. Kresge in her divorce proceedings. They asserted that the young woman and Kresge were "mere friends," having met through attendance at the same church in New York.

Mr. Fish said that Gladys had been working in New York as a secretary for the last two years. Mr. and Mrs. Fish said that Kresge had made one visit to their home. While on an automobile trip in New England last summer he and his nephew called to see Gladys, who was at home for a vacation. They stayed over night and the next day took Gladys and her mother for a ride to York Beach, Maine.

"Unwritten Law" Invoked by Mother



Calmly invoking the "unwritten law," Mrs. Hazel Hall (left) walked up to Gordon J. Waters on a street in Los Angeles and fatally wounded him. She charged that Waters had attacked her daughter, Marie, 17 (right), after being warned to stay away from the girl. Mrs. Hall is held on a charge of murder.

FEW CHANGES IN TURKEY MARKET

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 17 (AP)—Although prospects of the Turkey market this year is for lower prices than at Thanksgiving time and prices will probably be lower than last year, there is little change since yesterday when quotations dropped about 10c all around. The market today was fairly well cleared out by shipments to the north, and supplies on hand are nominal. Heavy shipments to California markets from Roseburg yesterday at low prices had a tendency to unsettle the market here but inasmuch as most of the local supply comes from small producers in this vicinity, just what trend prices will take here next week is governed to a large extent by the number of turkeys received in the next few days. The tone of the market is bullish, however.

Other classes of poultry are firm with supplies light and demand small.

Country dressed meats are steady at firm prices, veal moving around 17c to 18c, while hogs are bringing from 12c to 14c. Lamb is still selling around 20c.

Butter and egg prices are unchanged today on the dairy exchange board with receipts normal.

A stronger tone prevails in the onion division on the local produce market today with buyers offering growers slightly better prices. Best U. S. No. 1 yellow Danvers are in demand by buyers at from \$1.50 to \$1.60, while ordinary and No. 2 are selling downward to \$1.25. Prices to retailers are slightly higher but most sales this morning were around yesterday's figures with \$2.25 top.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP)—U. S. Department of Agriculture—Hogs: 5000; trade active; market steady to strong; several loads butchers, 24c to 25c; hams, \$5.50; top \$5.55; bulk desirable 21c to 22c; hams average \$5.20 to \$5.25.

Cattle—400; compared week ago: Fat steers and yearlings 75c to \$2 lower; yearlings generally \$1 to \$2 lower; better grades off most; sharp drop in yearling fat cows 25c to 75c off; butchers generally \$1 down; vealers \$2 lower; only specialties of steers and yearlings class sold above \$17.25—extreme top yearlings \$18; heavy \$18.75; medium steers \$14.75; down to \$11; vealers late \$11 to \$13.50.

Sheep—2,000; practically none on sale today; for week: light weight fat lambs closing 65c to 75c lower; heavier unevenly 75c to \$1.25 lower; sheep week: feeding lambs week to 25c lower; week's top: Fat muttons and fed westerns \$14.25; slaughter yearlings westerns \$14.25; fat cows \$7.25; feeding lambs \$14; bulk fat native lambs \$12.25 to \$13.75; fed lambs \$12.50 to \$14; fat cows \$6.75 to \$7.50.

Lindbergh Will See Bull Fight In Mexico City

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 17 (AP)—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, America's most famous aviator, today started an exceedingly busy weekend which will be filled with Mexican demonstrations of admiration.

The first number on the week-end program was a great popular demonstration in his honor this morning on the Mexico City stadium where 25,000 or more spectators gathered for a public fête arranged by the department of education.

At noon tomorrow Lindbergh probably will review from the balcony of the national palace a parade organized by the Mexican regional federation of labor. More than 80,000, some predict as many as 150,000 workmen will parade as an expression of the admiration and affection for the American flyer.

After the labor parade, Col. Lindbergh will lunch at the American embassy and unless present indications change, will go to a bull fight Sunday afternoon, not as part of his official program, but in response to an invitation of the management of the bull ring.

MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO GRAIN			
Wheat	Open	High	Close
Dec.	125 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2 @ 126 3/4
March	128 1/2	129	128 1/2 @ 128 3/4
May	130 1/2 @ 130 3/4	131	129 1/2 @ 130 1/2

LIVERPOOL WHEAT
LIVERPOOL, Dec. 17 (AP)—Grain close: Wheat—Dec. 10s, 2 1/2; March 10s, 2 1/2; May 10s, 2 1/2.

PORTLAND WHEAT

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 17 (AP)—Wheat—BBB hard white, \$1.34; hard white best, \$1.34; Federation, soft white, western white, \$1.22; hard winter, northern spring, \$1.21; western red, \$1.20 1/2.

Today's car receipts—Wheat, 104; flour, 8; corn, 2; oats, 4; hay, 6.

CHICAGO CASH

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP)—Wheat—No. 1 northern spring, \$1.25; Corn (new)—No. 5 mixed, \$1.13; No. 2 yellow, \$1.08 1/2; (old) No. 6 mixed, \$1.05; No. 2 yellow, 90c; Oats—No. 2 white, 50c to 50 1/2c; No. 3 white, 51 1/2c to 52c; Bye not quoted; Barley—\$3.92; Timothy seed—\$3.05 to \$3.08; Clover seed—\$2.25; Lard—\$11.57; Ribs—\$11; Bellies—\$11.75.

Wheat Climb As High As One Cent

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP)—Opening unchanged to 1/2c higher, wheat underwent a moderate general setback but later rallied. Corn developed strength, showing fractional advances all around, after an irregular start. Oats were firm. Provisions held steady.

Wheat closed firm, 1 1/2c to 1 1/2c higher; corn at 5c to 1/2c, decline; oats a shade to 1/2c off; and provisions unchanged to 5c down.

PORTLAND PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 17 (AP)—Butter steady; Portland dairy exchange net wholesale prices: Cream, extra 47 1/2c; standards, 45c; prime firsts, 46 1/2c; firsts, 45c; Creamery prices: Prints 30 over cube standard.

Butterfat steady: 45c station; 45c track; 51 1/2c f.o.b. Portland. Eggs steady. Fresh standard extras 27c; do firsts 26c; fresh medium extras 27c; fresh medium firsts 26c; undersized 27c. Association selling prices: Extras 40c; firsts 38c; mediums 34c; undersized 29c. Poultry steady. Heavy hens 18c to 21c; light 14c to 16c; springs 20c to 21c; broilers 23c to 25c; pekin white ducks 20c; colored, nominal; turkeys alive, 25c to 27c.

Potatoes steady: 75c to 1.25 sack. Hay steady; buying prices: Eastern Oregon Timothy \$20.50 to \$21; do valley \$15.75 to \$16; alfalfa \$17; oat hay \$14 to \$14.50; straw \$9 per ton. Selling prices \$2 a ton more.

EDUCATOR DIES

CHICAGO, Dec. 16 (AP)—Dr. Thomas Wakefield Goodspeed, 85, former secretary of the board of trustees of the University of Chicago, and connected with the university as an educator for a quarter of a century, died today.

The term "watered stock" originated from the custom among certain farmers of feeding their cattle a lot of salt, letting them drink all the water they wanted, and selling them by weight.

Bullish Forces Still Active in Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—Constructive forces were again at work in today's stock market, which gave another impressive demonstration of strength in the face of rather heavy week-end trading. Buying orders were distributed over a broad list but the copper, public utility, tobacco and merchandising issues made the best group showings. Trading was so unusually heavy volume, Anncon, Calumet and Arizona, Chile, Greene Cananea, and Nevada all reached new high grounds. General Motors and U. S. Steel common leaders in the opening yesterday ran into a lot of profit-taking and could make little headway.

Public utilities moved forward under the leadership of the western company stocks, particularly Pacific Coast and Southern California Edison.

WALLOWA PERSONALS

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—A considerable number of farmers from the surrounding country delivered fat hogs to J. L. Maxwell here last week for shipment to Portland. Apparently there has not been as heavy a movement of hogs from this end of the valley at any time this fall as for the same season in other years. A good many of the stock hogs in this end of the valley were sold and moved to other points quite early in the fall while there was a great demand for hogs as a means of getting the wet and spoiled grain into a marketable product, as high as \$12 per hundred being paid for stockers at that time. A number of farmers who have grown their hogs with the intention of feeding them out, believed this a better chance of making money on their hogs.

Dee and Irvin Gastin went to the Arthur Cussins ranch on Joseph Creek last week for a short visit with their uncle.

Bruce Fisher and wife, of Leap, were business visitors here the first of the week.

P. P. Harmon and wife, of Leap, were Enterprise visitors recently.

Sam Meek and Roy Gastin were delivering some fat hogs to J. L. Maxwell here last week.

Miss Cora Fisher and Mrs. Myrtle Robinson, of Harriette, were visiting recently at the P. A. Downing and Bruce Fisher homes at Leap.

Reports from school district No. 40 in the country east of here, state that a Christmas program is being prepared by the school there, to be given Friday afternoon, Dec. 23. Mrs. Victoria Herring is teacher.

George Tilton, a farmer from the Lostine community, was a business visitor in town the first of the week.

Neal Baker has returned home from Pendleton, where he spent a few days visiting his wife.

Sleighing is becoming quite good on many of the roads at this time. Several inches of new snow fell Sunday night, and where there has been sufficient travel over the roads to get them packed, they are fine.

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PORTLAND LIVESTOCK
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 17 (AP)—Today's receipts: Cattle 35; hogs on contract, 195. Total receipts for week (approximate): Cattle 2675; calves 280; hogs 4750; sheep 300. Cattle, compared with a week ago: Steers generally 50c higher; spots up more; cows and heifers mostly 15c to 25c higher; bulk good steers \$10.50 to \$11.50; others \$9.75 down; good heifers sold readily up to \$5; good cows up to \$5; other she stock \$7 down; low cutters down to \$3.25; cutters mostly \$5.50 to \$6; bulk desirable vealers \$11 to \$11.50; odd head \$12; calves \$9 down.

BUTTERFAT
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17 (AP)—Butterfat f.o.b. San Francisco, 52 1/2c.



Sunday Dinner Menu

5:30 p. m. to 8:00

TABLE D'HOTE DINNER

\$1

Grapefruit Supreme Cocktail

Chicken Gumbo Creole
Consomme en Tasse

Celery Sweet Pickles Ripe Olives

Planked Salmon Trout Muniere

Grilled Pork Tenderloin, Cauliflower au Gratin

Stuffed Young Goose, Baked Apple

Roast Prime Ribs of Beef au Jus

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