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GREAT EXPECTATIONS—My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning; I say, more than they that watch for the morning. Psalm 130:6.

Too much static in congressional handling of radio.

Prayer for Chicago might be more effective if the crooks did the praying.

After all, there's only one unailing, time-proved remedy for political ills, which is to go fishin'.

"Companionate marriage is merely an expression of revolt," says Count Keyserling, the German philosopher. Revolt never lasts. The further an action or doctrine is carried dogmatically, the greater will be the reaction. I predict that the next generation will be as conservative as its grandmother's. That is because the present generation has revolted." It may be so. Action and reaction are equal in physics—why not in morals? Customs, styles, standards, swing back and forth. Those of us who believe in progress, however, believe the back-and-forth movement is not that of a pendulum, but a rising spiral.

A reporter who interviewed Chauncey Depew many times, and knew him well, describes the genial railroad magnate as always friendly with newspaper men. He would go out of his way to accommodate them, and talk frankly whether the information he gave was printable or not. "You boys are good soldiers," he would say. "I have found 99 out of 100 reporters honest. You can talk to them in confidence and their lips are sealed." Every experienced newspaper man knows that. Experienced public and business men know it. As a rule, the bigger the man, the more frankly and confidently he talks with reporters. It is usually the little man or the novice who distrusts and shuns them.

### A CASE FOR LONG TERMS

"Dapper Don" Collins, international crook and confidence man, has slipped at last. After breaking just about all the other laws America and Europe had, he has got involved with the United States prohibition law—and he may, as a result, spend the rest of his life in prison.

Dapper Don is known to the police all over the world. Three times he has served sentences in New York state. Innumerable other times he has been suspected of crimes but escaped because the guilt could not definitely be fastened on him. But now he has been hooked.

According to the New York police, Collins tried to extort \$700 from the owner of two bottles of gin, representing himself as a federal prohibition agent. This represents a come-down for Dapper Don; formerly he tried to confine himself to "big-time" jobs. Yet this latest crime will prove the most serious of all; for, under New York's Baumes law, Collins, as a fourth offender, must get life imprisonment if he is found guilty.

There is no question that a good many police officers, in widely separated cities, will breathe more easily if they learn that he is in prison for life. For Collins is exactly the type of man for whom the Baumes law was passed.

Once in a while these laws work an injustice. In Michigan, where there is a similar statute, a rather inoffensive man drew a life term because he possessed a pint of gin. Yet there are cases where these stringent laws are amply justified; and the case of Dapper Don Collins is one of them.

To talk of "reforming" a man with a long criminal record like his is absurd. Such a man is a confirmed enemy of society. He can imagine no way of making a living save an illegal one. Society has every right to insist that such a man be kept behind the bars for good.

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## ABE MARTIN



It's only thing I like about high brows is that they leave toothpicks alone. "Oh, I seem 't be in th' way, an' I sometimes feel that those about me would be for better off if I tried 't cross th' street," said Gran'maw Pash 'd'ay.

## VEGETABLES AND FRUITS IN SLUMP

Prices in Down Trend Locally, Excepting in Fish Market

Numerous changes occurred in the local retail markets the first of this week, including dairy products, fruits, fish and vegetables. New arrivals on the market include strawberries, quoted at 35 cents a box, and two for 65 cents, and red cabbage at 10 cents a pound. Butter has dropped to 47 cents a pound or two pounds for 90 cents. Eggs are quoted at 20 cents a dozen. Hubbard is marked down to 10 cents a pound, asparagus to 15 cents a pound, and hothouse cucumbers are selling at 25 cents each, a reduction of 5 cents. Lemons are down to 40 cents a dozen. Fresh salmon is from 30 to 45 cents and halibut is up to 35 cents.

### LA GRANDE WHOLESALE MARKETS

Poultry (live weight)  
Spring—14@15 lb.  
Heavy hens—14@15 lb.  
Light hens—10c lb.  
Stags—8c lb.  
Flour  
Hard Federation (hard wheat)—\$7.60 bbl.  
Soft wheat—\$7.40 bbl.

### LA GRANDE RETAIL MARKETS

Butter, creamery—47c; 2 lbs. 90c  
Eggs—20c doz.  
Cheese—35@40c a pound  
Honey, comb—25c lb.  
Vegetables  
Potatoes—1 1/2 c lb.; 1 1/4 @ 1.25 per cwt.  
Mexican tomatoes—25c lb.  
Parsley—5c bunch.  
New Texas cabbage—6c lb.  
Wax onions—5 lbs. 35c.  
Lettuce—10c head.  
Radish—10c; 2 for 25c.  
Rhubarb—10c lb.  
Celery—15c bunch; hearts 20c.  
Squash—6c lb.  
Hothouse cucumbers—25c each.  
Bunch carrots—10c bunch.  
Bunch beets—15@25c bunch.  
Red cabbage—10c lb.  
Turnips—10c; 3 for 25c.  
Yellow onions—5c lb.  
Radishes—2 bunches 15c.  
Asparagus—15c lb.  
Green onions—2 bunches 15c.  
Parsnips—5c lb.  
Brussels sprouts—25c lb.  
Rutabagas—5c lb.  
New Walla Walla spinach—3 lbs. 25c.  
Artichokes—20c each.  
Fruits  
Apples—Jonathan, Rome, Belleflowers, \$1.50 box.  
Strawberries—35c box; 2 for 65c.  
Bananas—10c lb.  
Persimmons—2 for 25c.  
Lemons—40c doz.  
Oranges—50@70c doz.  
Florida grapefruit—Med. size, 3 for 25c large, 2 for 25c.  
Florida grapefruit—20c each.  
Sugar  
Cane sugar—\$7.14.  
Flour  
Soft wheat—\$4.40 bbl.  
Hard Federation—\$5.40 bbl.  
Poultry  
Spring fries—25-30c lb.  
Hens—25@30c lb.  
Meats and Fish  
Beef bolt—12 1/2 @ 11c.  
Chops and steaks—35c lb.  
Salmon (strictly fresh)—30@40c lb.  
Halibut—35c lb.  
Gasoline  
Gasoline, regular, retails, 26c.

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the Oregon State Highway Commission at the Multnomah County Courthouse, Portland, Oregon, at 10 o'clock A. M. Friday, April 20th, for the furnishing of a 70 ft. steel span at Union Junction, in Union County, Oregon. Plans may be obtained from the office of the State Highway Commission at Salem, or from the County Court of Union County at La Grande, upon making a deposit of \$5.00. No bid will be accepted unless accompanied by cash certified check or bidder's bond for an amount equal to at least 5 per cent of the total amount of the bid. These bids are being received in behalf of Union County. Union County reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to accept the bid deemed best for Union County. Apr. 12-19

## Wall Street In Another Wild "Bull" Market

NEW YORK, Apr. 12 (AP)—Wall Street witnessed another wild "bull" market on the New York stock exchange today. A swollen stream of buying orders poured on to the market from the sound of the opening gong, lifting prices \$1 to \$10 a share and sending scores of issues to new high records. Blocks of 1,000 to 5,000 shares were quite frequent, with at least half a dozen blocks ranging from 10,000 to 25,000 shares. U. S. Steel common and General Motors returned to their old places as market leaders, the former opening with a block of 25,000 shares at the spread price of \$165.50 to \$154, a new peak and an overnight gain of \$4 and the latter making its first appearance of the tape with a block of 15,000 shares at \$195—\$187.50 a gain of \$7 and only \$1 below the record high level. The closing was irregular. Total sales approximated 4,300,000 shares.

NEW YORK, Apr. 12 (AP)—A renewal of the "bull market" in high priced industrial issues was quickly nipped in the stock market today, and many early gains of \$5 to \$12 a share were obliterated, or turned into sharp losses. In a last-minute rally, U. S. Steel rose from below \$150 to \$151, a net gain of \$1. General Motors closed fractionally lower and Radio had a net loss of \$7.50.

CHICAGO CASH  
CHICAGO, Apr. 12 (AP)—Wheat—No. 2 hard, \$1.50 1/2; No. 1 northern spring, \$1.52 1/2; Corn—No. 2 mixed, \$1.01 1/4; No. 2 yellow, \$1.03 1/2; Oats—No. 2 white, 61 1/2 @ 62c; No. 3 white, 67 1/2 @ 68c; Rye—No. 3, \$1.24 @ 1.24 1/2; Barley—No. 2, \$1.01 @ 1.01 1/2; Timothy seed—\$3.15 @ 3.50; Clover seed—\$20.2 @ 21.75.

BUTTERFAT  
SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 12 (AP)—Butterfat f.o.b. San Francisco, 43c.

NEW YORK FRUIT  
NEW YORK, Apr. 12 (AP)—Dried fruits steady.

## MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO GRAIN  
Wheat: Open 148 @ 148 1/2, High 150 1/2, Low 147 1/2, Close 149 1/2 @ 149 1/2  
May 148 @ 148 1/2, High 149 1/2, Low 147 1/2, Close 148 1/2 @ 148 1/2  
July 148 @ 148 1/2, High 149 1/2, Low 147 1/2, Close 147 1/2 @ 147 1/2  
Sept. 148 @ 148 1/2, High 149 1/2, Low 147 1/2, Close 147 1/2 @ 147 1/2

LIVERPOOL WHEAT  
LIVERPOOL, Apr. 12 (AP)—Close wheat: May 10s. 9 1/4d; July 11s; Oct. 11s.

PORTLAND WHEAT  
PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Wheat—BBH hard white, \$1.54; hard white bluestem, hard, federation; soft white, western white, \$1.46; hard winter, western red, \$1.45 1/2; northern spring, \$1.35. \* Oats—No. 2 white feed and No. 2 gray, \$45.50. Today's car receipts—Wheat 41; barley 1; flour 19; oats 2; hay 1.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK  
PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Cattle and calves steady. No receipts. Steers 1100@1300 lbs., good, \$11.90; 900@1100 lbs., good, \$11.25@12.35; do 800 lbs. and up, medium, \$9.75@11.25; do common, \$8.25@9.75; heifers, 850 lbs. down, good, \$10.25@11.75; do common to medium, \$8.75@10.25; cows, good, \$9.25@9.75; do common to medium, \$8.75@9.25; do lower cutters, \$4.50@5.75; bulls (yearlings excluded), good beef, \$7.00@7.65; do cutter to medium, \$6.00; calves, 500 lbs. down, medium to choice, \$9.50@11.50; vealers (milk fed), good to medium, \$12.75@13.75; do medium, \$11.00; do cull to common, \$8.50@10.75.

Hogs steady. Receipts 245, including 140 on contract. Heavy weight, 250@350 lbs., medium to choice, \$8.00@9.10; medium weight, 200@250 lbs., medium to choice, \$8.50@9.20; light weight, 160@200 lbs., medium to choice, \$9.15@9.90; light lights, 130@160 lbs., medium to choice, \$8.80@9.30; packing sows, rough and smooth, \$6.00@7.75; slaughter pigs, 90@130 lbs., medium to choice, \$8.25@9; feeder and stocker pigs, 70@120 lbs., medium to choice, \$7.75@8.75. (Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotations.) Sheep steady. No receipts. Lamb, 84 lbs. down, good to medium, \$11.00; do, all weights, cull to common, \$9.00; spring lambs, 140@15, yearling wethers, 110 lbs. down, medium to choice, \$10.00; ewes, 120 lbs. down, med-

PORTLAND PRODUCE  
PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Wholesale prices: Butter—Extras 3c lower, standards 1c lower. Portland dairy exchange net wholesale prices: Cubes extras, 29c; standards 25c; prime flats 28c; flats 27c. Creamery prices: Prints 2c over cube standards. Eggs steady; fresh standard extras 24c; fresh standard flats 22c; fresh medium flats 18 1/2c. Prices to retailer 2c over exchange prices. Association selling prices: Extras 26c; flats 24c; medium 24c; undersized 20c. \* May steady; buying prices: Eastern Oregon timothy \$20.50@21; do valley \$18@18.50; alfalfa \$18@18.50; oat hay \$14.50@15; straw \$9.50 per ton. Selling prices \$2 a ton more.

Bids to the farmer: Butterfat steady; 40c station, 41c track, 43@44c f.o.b. Portland. Poultry—Heavy hens 24@25c; light 25@26c; springs 20@21c; broilers 22c; pekin white ducks 20c; colored nominal; turkeys, alive, 25@27c. Onions steady; local \$1.75@2.25 per cwt. Potatoes steady, 76c@81.25 sacks.

FRISCO FRUIT  
SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 12 (AP)—Federal State Market News Service—Apples: California (boxes)—Newtown Pippins, 4 tier, \$1.75@1.25; 3 1/2 tier, \$2.25. Pears: California (boxes)—Eldorado, 4 tier, \$1.75@1.25; 3 1/2 tier, \$2.25. Do, 120 lbs. down, medium to choice, \$6.50@7.50.

## Higher Grades Of Butter Are A Trifle Lower

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Higher grades of butter were quoted a trifle lower today. Extras were half cent lower at 29c, while standards were a cent lower at 28c. Butterfat was steady to firm with bids for fat delivered here a cent higher in some quarters at 44c. No. 1 grade butterfat was quoted at 45c today, f.o.b. Seattle. Yesterday's receipts of butter were reported at 18,151 pounds. Egg prices were steady and unchanged today. Receipts yesterday were 1,945 cases. Except for under quotations on higher chickens, prices were unchanged on the poultry markets. Good sized broilers were selling as high as 34c but most of the offerings went to the trade around 32c per pound. Country dressed meats were steady although an easier feeling prevailed in the lamb division. Beef prices continued weak. Locally grown asparagus of exceptionally fine quality was a little more plentiful on the wholesale markets today and sold rapidly around \$2.50@3 per dozen pound bunches. The grass is nice and tender and white and the entire stalk is edible. Local radishes, onions and rhubarb were more plentiful but prices were unchanged. Quality of the local brands is better, dealers report, and demand increasing.



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CONVICT ESCAPES  
SALEM, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—B. Huhm, trusty inmate of the state insane hospital who had charge of the mail delivery and library, escaped last night about 8 o'clock. He was convicted from Multnomah county in 1914 and is 55 years old.

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