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SWEET MEDITATION—My meditation of him shall be sweet; I will be glad in the Lord. Psalm 104:34.

France, calling for a new 5 per cent loan of $400,000,000, is overwhelmed with subscriptions. Money, money everywhere. Nothing easier nowadays than borrowing money—except when you want a loan yourself.

ALL-NIGHT PARKING DOWN TOWN

Last November the city commission added an ordinance to our municipal books that prohibited car owners from leaving their automobiles parked all night on the streets within the fire limits of La Grande. The reasons were varied and numerous. Primarily, parked cars prevent cleaning and flushing the streets properly during the night. No restriction is placed on the parking outside the business area.

This ordinance was the cause of little concern while the weather was bad and a minimum number of people were traveling by motor. Now the maximum number of traveling salesmen are covering the territory, tourist business is nearing its peak, and the city regulation that would require cars to be parked out of the fire limits or run into public garages is the target for everyone who would like to do the opposite. The ordinance, the city government, the community in general are all getting a measure of criticism.

Much of it is probably deserved, but we are convinced there are two sides to the problem. A dozen or more offenders, most of them traveling men, were ticketed the other night and hailed into municipal court for parking their cars in front of local hotels all night. Most of them were disgruntled. A few were experienced and reasonable. Some of them were just naturally mad. They said harsh things about La Grande and about this particular ordinance. Some of them, we understand, mentioned as a terrible threat the fact that Baker, Pendleton, and Union also have hotel accommodations at night.

These thoughtless talkers, we imagine, visit Portland or Spokane or Seattle occasionally. In those cities they are subject to a similar ordinance and meekly abide by it. They do not expect all-night parking privileges in Portland or other metropolitan cities; they admit such a privilege would be foolish there. But in La Grande and The Dalles and Baker they contend that the city authorities have peculiar facilities for cleaning streets that are covered with parked cars, for fighting possible fires in and around a long string of carefully locked automobiles.

We don't blame motorists for wanting to save a fifty cent storage charge if that's their way of traveling. La Grande wants their business, wants them to spend the night here, wants them to come back many times. But we are sure they want to be reasonable about it, too. These towns, after all, weren't built for the exclusive benefit of passing motorists. As a matter of fact, it's rather a mutual proposition—they benefit from our being rather stationary and we from their being generally in motion.

Other cities the size of La Grande have the same ordinance, but most of them fail to enforce it. Some of them haven't progressed far enough yet to see the practical need of such a regulation. The need exists, but what should be decided is whether or not it is great enough to offset the disadvantages. If the ordinance is right, fair and generally beneficial, it should be enforced. If it isn't, if a gesture of courtesy and invitation is to be made to the motoring public by allowing all-night parking, or of the fire hazard and street cleaning disadvantages are not great enough to offset the criticism the community will get, it should be repealed.

If retained, suitable signs might be conspicuously placed on the streets and the co-operation of our hotels sought in selling the idea to visitors. Small folders of explanation, tractfully and courteously phrased, are used to advantage sometimes in various cities, are handed out by hotel clerks. Most people are reasonable under circumstances of this kind, are irritated chiefly when they are poorly approached. It's La Grande's job to decide how the fewest people can be irritated, how these few can best be soothed.

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What Will $1.00 Buy

WATCH MONDAY'S PAPER FOR SPECIAL $1.00 BARGAINS IN DISCONTINUED STOCK
OUR MERCHANDISE IS OF BEST GRADE—WHEN YOU BUY FROM US YOU ARE ASSURED THE VERY MOST IN VALUE FOR PRICE PAID

NORTON'S KIDDY SHOP

ABE MARTIN

"I promised t' do everything that's humanly possible t' bring curves back," declared Lile Tharp, republican cannydate fer assessor, in a speech, last night, after sayin' that our tardy prosperity wuz bein' held back by th' dietin' fad, th' craze t' be splindly. If it's dangerous t' talk t' a motorman who's movin' along on his own right o' way, how many thousan' times more hazardous is it t' nag a driver?

LA GRANDE WHOLESALE MARKETS

Poultry (live weight)
Springs—16@18c lb.
Heavy hens—14@16c 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

Dairy.
Butter, creamery—47c; 2 lbs. 90c
Eggs—25c a doz.
Cheese—35@40c a pound
Honey, comb—25c lb.

Vegetables.
Potatoes—14 lbs. 25c; 49c sack.
New potatoes—3 lbs. for 25c.
Green Peas—15c lb.; 2 for 25c.
String beans—25c lb.
Mexican tomatoes—20c lb.
Parsley—5c bunch.
New Texas cabbage—10c lb.
Wax onions—4 lbs. 25c.
Lettuce—10c head.
Endive—15c; 2 for 25c.
Rhubarb—4 lbs. 25c.
Yellow onions—5c lb.
Radishes—5c bunch.
Hothouse cucumbers—15c each.
Bunch carrots—10c bunch.
Bunch beets—10c bunch.
Red cabbage—10c lb.
Turnips—10c—3 for 25c.
Celery—25c bunch.
Hothouse lettuce—25c lb.
Asparagus—10c lb.
Green onions—5c bunch.
Parsnips—5c lb.
Brussels sprouts—25c lb.
Rutabagas—5c lb.
New Walla Walla spinach—5c lb.
Artichokes—20c each.

Fruits.
Apples—Jonathan, Romes, Bellefloweres, $1.50 box.
Milton strawberries—2 for 29c.
Hood River strawberries—2 for 49c.
Bananas—10c lb.
Persimmons—2 for 25c.
Lemons—40c doz.
Oranges—50@70c doz.
Cherries—15c box.
Florida grapefruit—Med. size, 2 for 25c; large, 2 for 35c.
Florida grapefruit—20c each.
Cantaloupes—15c each.

Sugar.
Cane sugar—$7.14.

Flour.
Soft wheat—$8.40 bbl.
Hard federation—$8.40 bbl.

Poultry
Spring fries—28-30c lb.
Hens—25@30c lb.

Meats and Fish.
Beef boil—12½@18c.
Chops and steaks—30c lb.
Salmon (strictly fresh)—35c lb.
Halibut—30c lb.
Cod—25c lb.

Gasoline
Gasoline, regular, retails, 26c.

Pendleton Wheat Outlook Is Good

PENDLETON, Ore., May 26 (AP)—Wheat condition in this section looks excellent now, according to Henry Collins, local grain man. The spring wheat will be in need of rain within the next two weeks. It is hard to estimate the amount of moisture now in the ground. According to Mr. Collins, counties to the west of Umatilla have prospects for a good crop this year.

Most of the 1927 wheat in this district has been cleaned up and at present there is little contracting of new wheat. Harvest, thinks the local man, will start about July 10 in the light land and will be general by July 20.

PIONEER DIES

PENDLETON, May 26 (AP)—Richard C. Lawrence, 64, for 27 years a resident of Pendleton, died late yesterday afternoon at a local hospital. He is survived by a son here and a sister, Mrs. E. Patton, of Portland.

HOOVER'S OREGON EXPENSES

SALEM, Ore., May 26 (AP)—C. Henry Labbe, treasurer of the Hoover campaign fund, expended $3,353.37 in support of the presidential candidate at the primary election, according to an expense account filed in the state department here today.

One of the leading bootleggers of Kansas City was shot the other day. And with a busy season just ahead, too!

STRAWBERRIES CHEAPER TODAY

Prices Range from $1.25 to $1.75—Butter and Eggs Unchanged

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26 (AP)—Strawberries were about 25c per crate cheaper than yesterday at $1.25 to $1.75 per crate of 24 baskets, depending on quality. Berry offerings are practically all local offerings. Springbrook and Sherwood districts are supplying the bulk of berry offerings. It was reported a car of Grants Pass berries had arrived early today.

Butter and egg prices were steady and unchanged and the market today appeared firm. Yesterday's receipts were: Butter 19,104 pounds; eggs 3,141 cases. Storage holdings were: Butter 274,856 pounds; eggs 56,408 cases.

Country killed hogs and veal were lower on the dressed meat market, veal moving at 18@19c down about a cent, while hogs were from a half to a full cent lower. Lambs were about steady and the undertone of the market improved.

Poultry prices were firm, with broilers in best demand around 25c for average sizes, up to 30c for strictly choice heavy colored ones. Other classes were unchanged.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26 (AP)—Receipts—Cattle 185; hogs, all direct, 440; sheep none.

Market compared to a week ago: Most matured classes about steady, with spots in medium and low grade steers, she stock 25c lower; sheep market slow and draggy all week. Lambs and slaughter ewes quoted nominally steady with a week ago, yearlings a full dollar lower; feeder pigs were almost unsaleable at the close of the week on a $8.00 basis for adult lights. Steers, 1100 to 1300 lbs., good and choice, $11@12; 950 to 100 lbs., good, $11.50@21.50; 100 up, medium, $9.75@10; do common, $8.25@8.75; heifers, 850 lbs. down, good $9.50@10.50; do common to medium, $8.75@10.10; cows, good, $9.50@10.50; common to medium $8@8.75; low cut cut, $5.50@7; bulls, yearlings excluded, good beef, $8.50; do cutter to medium, $7@7.75; calves, 500 lbs. down, medium to choice, $8.50@13.50; do cull to common, $6.50@8.50; vealers, milk fed, good to choice, $13@14.50; medium, $11@13.50; cull to common, $7.50@11.

Hogs—Heavy weight, 250 to 350 lbs., medium to choice, $8.50@9.75; slaughter pigs, 90 to 130 lbs., medium to choice, $7@7.75; feeder and stocker pigs, 70 to 120 lbs., medium to choice, $4.50@7; others unchanged.

Sheep: Yearling wethers, 110 lbs. down, medium to choice, $6.50@8.50; others steady and unchanged.

NEW YORK FRUIT

NEW YORK, May 26 (AP)—Dried fruit and hops steady.

MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO GRAIN

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat				
May		150¾	147⅞	147⅞@147⅝
July	150¾@151	152⅛	149⅝	149⅞@150
Sept.	150⅝@150½	152⅝	149⅝	149⅞@150
Dec.	153 @153⅝	154⅝	152⅛	152⅛@152½

PORTLAND WHEAT

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26 (AP)—Today's car receipts—Wheat 19; flour 12; corn 2; oats 2; hay 1.

Wheat—BBB hard white, $1.54; soft white, $1.45; western white, $1.45; hard winter, northern spring, western red, $1.34.

Oats—No. 2, 36 lb., white feed, $47.

CHICAGO CASH

CHICAGO, May 26 (AP)—Cash wheat—No. 3 red, $1.66.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, $1.03¼; No. 3 yellow, $1.04@1.05.

Oats—No. 2 white, 69¼@71c; No. 3 white, 68@69c.

Rye unquoted.

Barley—92c@$1.01.

Timothy seed—$4@4.75.

Clover seed—$19.25@26.75.

Lard—$11.85.

Wheat Heavy And Lower At Close

CHICAGO, May 26 (AP)—After starting 1c off to ¼c up, wheat underwent a general sag, and then rose all around to well above yesterday's finish. Corn and oats averaged lower, corn opening at ⅝c decline to ¼c advance, and substantially showing a drop. Provisions tended downgrade.

Wheat closed heavy, ⅞ to 1⅞c net lower; corn 1⅛ to 2⅛c off, oats from ⅝c decline to ⅝c advance and provisions unchanged to 10c down.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, May 26 (AP)—Hogs—7,000; mostly steady to strong with Friday's average; spots weak to 10c lower on good to choice 190 to 240 lb. weights; top $9.90 paid for choice around 160 lb. averages; shippers took 1500; estimated holdover 3000; heavy weights, $9.35@10; medium, $9.50@10.15; light, $8.50@10.10.

Cattle—400; market compared with a week ago: Heavy steers 75c to $1 lower; very slow at decline; medium weights 50c lower; yearlings and lower grade light steers steady to 25c lower; vealers $1 higher; extreme top yearlings $14.65; vealers $14@16.

Sheep—3,000; today's run all direct; for week: 42 doubles from feeding stations and 26,600 direct; better grades fat lambs and springers 20 to 25c higher; most new crop lambs showing maximum advance; spots 75c up; lower grades about steady; choice light weight sheep steady to weak; lower grades and heavies 25 to 50c lower; feeding and spring lambs scarce, unchanged; top prices for week: Spring lambs, $18.90; fat ewes $9; bulk prices: western spring lambs, $18.25@18.90; natives, $17.50@18.50; clipped lambs $15.50@16.75; fat ewes $8@8.75; feeding and spring lambs $12.50@13.50.

PORTLAND PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26 (AP)—All produce markets steady; quotations unchanged.

STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED

NEW YORK, May 26 (AP)—The New York stock exchange and the New York curb market were closed today, the sixth Saturday holiday this year, to give member firms a further opportunity to catch up with the congestion of work created by the recent series of big markets.

Western State Farmers Moving To Protest Veto

CHICAGO, May 26 (AP)—In three states, Illinois, Iowa, and Nebraska, movements were afoot today to organize the farmers' attitude on farm relief measures for presentation at the republican national convention at Kansas City as the result of the veto of the McNary-Haugen bill.

The Iowa farm bureau in a resolution asserting the farmer cannot be quieted by bunk or promises appeared to call protest meetings.

Governor Adam McMullen, of Nebraska, started recruiting of an army of 100,000 farmers to march to Kansas City to compel the nomination of a candidate favorable to the farmers' cause.

Lester Lehmann, a Pleasant Plains farmer, connived the plan of modernizing Paul Revere by calling Illinois farmers to protest meetings over the telephone.

Northern China Drive Successful

PEKING, May 26 (AP)—Northern China struck back at southern (nationalist) China today.

Northern troops opened an offensive to the southwest of Paotingfu, key city on the Peking-Hankaw railroad about 80 miles southwest of Peking.

Early advices said the northerners were advancing successfully.

TWO SPEED MARKS BROKEN

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 26 (AP)—For the second time today the record of the Indianapolis speedway was broken when Leon Duray, California race driver, made the circuit at an average speed of 124.018 miles per hour. His time was one minute 12.57 seconds.

A short time previous Cliff Woodbury of Chicago had bettered the two and a half mile lap record with an average of 121.081 miles per hour. The new speeds were set during the qualifying runs for the 500-mile race to be held here Decoration day.

Duray's terrific speed shredded his two left tires.

TWO APPOINTED

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP)—Edwards S. Vaught, of Oklahoma, was nominated today to be United States judge for the western district of Oklahoma.

Anthony Savage, of Washington, was nominated to be United States attorney for the western district of Washington.

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U. S. Flood Control Greater Task Than Building of Panama Canal

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government has launched upon probably the greatest engineering undertaking in its history in the project to control the floods of the Mississippi river.

Even the construction of the Panama canal is believed by engineering authorities to be transcended in the task of curbing the 60,000,000 horsepower torrent of flood waters in the Mississippi.

The engineering task is a complex one, and methods are not fully specified in the legislation authorizing the project, but the plan for controlling the floods, prepared by Maj. Gen. Edgar Jadwin, chief of army engineers, will form the basis of the work.

It is designed to protect the Mississippi valley against future floods—even inundations 25 per cent greater than the disastrous overflow of last year, which took 246 lives and caused a loss of hundreds of millions of dollars. To supplement his plan is a project mapped out by the Mississippi river commission which is charged with the flood control work. The two plans will be fused into a single project by a board created by the new law.

The principal feature of the new method of curbing the floods will be abandonment of the policy of "levees only," which has been the sole means of keeping the flood waters in the river channel. A new device will be used in building a number of diversion channels to carry off excess water direct from the main channel of the Mississippi and its principal tributaries into the Gulf of Mexico.

Of the four diversion channels, two—the Boeuf Basin floodway from the Arkansas river through Arkansas and Louisiana into the Red river, and the Atchafalaya Basin floodway from the Red river to the Gulf of Mexico in Louisiana—will involve the building of an artificial river 300 miles long, paralleling the Mississippi. The other diversion channels are the Birds Point-New Madrid, Missouri, riverbank floodway, where the levees would be set back from their present location for an average distance of five miles along a 72-mile stretch, and the Bonnet Carre spillway north of New Orleans to take the flood waters direct from the Mississippi through Lake Pontchartrain and Lake Borgne into the gulf.

The floodways and spillways, however, will not be called into use except in time of excessive floods and the high waters would be diverted by building "fuze-plug" levees across their mouths. The "fuze-plug" levees are embankments lower than the usual levees so that flood waters will overtop them first and release the pressure against the other levees by flowing into the diversion channels.

Although the "levees only" policy is to be abandoned, the army engineers and Mississippi river commission will continue to place much reliance upon the embankments, and the levees along the Mississippi from Rock Island, Ill., to the gulf will be increased in height from two to three feet.

Methodists Elect Third Bishop Today

KANSAS CITY, May 26 (AP)—Election of a third bishop after a three-day deadlock, in which 29 ballots were cast today permitted the quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church here to turn to a mass of church business that virtually had been at a standstill since conference started Monday morning.

Choice of Dr. E. Stanley Jones, missionary to India, to fill the bishop's roster came late last night after Korean and Philippine natives bitterly protested elimination of a bishop's resident in the near east.

DRINKS POISON, DIES

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26 (AP)—Walking into a drug store on the east side today, Paul L. Pferdner, a mail carrier, 37, held up an empty poison bottle, saying, "I just drank this," and died within a few minutes. Pferdner had been in the postal department six years. He leaves a widow and two children. Reason for the act was not learned.

CHIROPRACTIC

TROUBLES pile up when neglected. So it is with health. If you are neglecting yours, you are simply marking time against a day of reckoning. It will be no easier to adjust your trouble later than it is right now.

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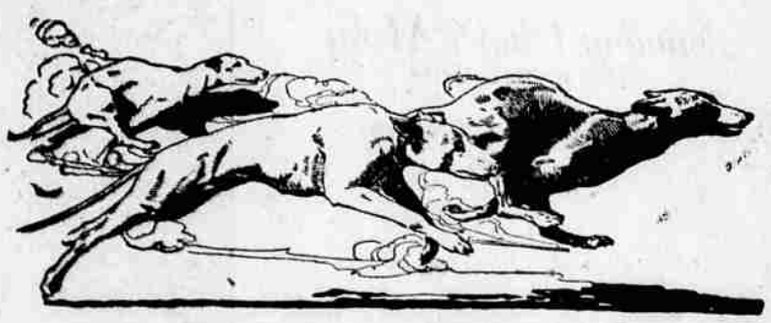
Lindy Brings Back Pictures for NEA

How Col. Charles A. Lindbergh brought back pictures of his landing at Quebec, Canada, for NEA Service and The Observer is illustrated above. Lindy made a hurried flight from New York to Quebec with pneumonia serum intended for Floyd Bennett. An NEA Service photographer snapped Lindbergh's landing in a howling blizzard (below) and also a close-up of Lindy, Commander Byrd and A. G. Penny, editor of the Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph (above) as Byrd received the package containing the serum. Lindy then took the films aboard his plane and brought them back to New York, delivering them to Bob Dorman, NEA Service photographer, who was waiting at Mitchel Feield, as the center picture shows.



Coming Thru Good

We have the pleasure of observing a very substantial growth for the past year. Our books show an increase in resources of over one hundred thousand dollars. We feel the confidence and good will of the people are with us and that through cooperation only can we prosper.

We solicit your business and in doing so, feel that our service will please you.

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