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AN UNSATISFIED APPETITE—He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase.—Ecc. 5:10.

The old swimmin' hole is more dangerous than ever now. Not from depth or undertow, but tin cans and broken bottles.

Explorers from sunny Italy naturally have a hard time on the Arctic ice floes. That crew of Nobile's ought to be composed of men like Stefannsen who like to sit on a cake of ice and breakfast on walrus blubber.

Judging from the pictures of Mlle. Masla, famous Russian dancer who has started touring the world advertised as the "Bolshevist Beauty," here's Russian propaganda that's really dangerous.

### CONVENTION PROFITS

Some citizens of this great republic who were never delegates nor candidates nor politicians nor members of the newspaper brotherhood have looked on at the national nominating conventions in the past and wondered, secretly, what was the use of all that flurry and hub-bub to get a presidential nominee.

But don't ask such a foolish question of a citizen in a convention city. Kansas City business men raised \$125,000 to get the republican convention to meet there. They expected to get up less than \$2,500,000 from the convention. That does not include the million or so dollars' worth of free advertising that goes with the political date lines. Jesse Jones, Houston publisher, promised to clean up the democratic deficit to get the democratic gathering at Houston.

It is work to attract and care for such a big convention. But it pays well as a rule. And aside from the monetary success to the hospitable city, there is usually general satisfaction for everybody concerned. Convention delegates go home tired but happy. There seems to be a real thrill in being a delegate to most any convention. New contacts are made, minds are stimulated, new sights are seen. May conventions never cease or their joys diminish.

### INDUSTRY AND ALCOHOL

Big business—industry and trade as represented by its captains of employment—is mostly lined up for prohibition. Good examples are Henry Ford, the Rockefellers, and Kresge of the ten-cent stores. Ford will not hire any man who drinks. Employers who oppose the present dry regime are mostly mere modificationists who want the Volstead Act liberalized a little, but accept the principle of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Labor, on the other hand, seems mostly hostile. It is a question how far this attitude is serious and thorough-going, and how far it is a sort of class pose, resulting from sensitiveness to any attempt to regulate the workman's life. The wet campaign in behalf of organized labor seems really to be little more than a demand for beer of mild alcoholic content.

To outsiders, particularly the professional and salaried middle classes, it seems evident that, whatever personal arguments and prejudices may be brought to bear in this issue, American industry as a whole has gained immensely from prohibition. It is possible that the immense productivity of our industry today is due more to this cause than any other. A sober workman, even though he be too sober for his own personal contentment, is an efficient workman. Moreover, the elaborate, high-speed machinery of modern industry requires sober operators.

Other nations are seeing in the situation and the prosperity they find in America, the chief argument for prohibition. If they follow our example, it will be for economic rather than moral reasons.

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## The W. K. GILBERT CO.

### ---First

Look Over Our Want Ads for Bargains

## ABE MARTIN



"The farmer could make plenty of money if he'd go to work," is a common expression among the leaders of both political parties, no matter what their platform say about agriculture. "Well," that's fair enough," said Hootzberger like lark, when he read that the Republican party would "avouch an declare sacrosanct" the Eighteenth amendment.

### MT. GLEN PERSONALS

MT. GLEN (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lyons of Glenn's Ferry are here in the community with relatives. They were called here because of the illness of their son Clifford who underwent a major operation at the Hot Lake sanatorium Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Leak has as her home guests for the summer, her mother, Mrs. Clara Richards, of Yakima, Wash., and her daughter, Mrs. Clarence DeGray, and small son, Esper, of Glenn's Ferry, Idaho.

After having visited here for two weeks with friends, Mrs. Sanler, of Yakima, Wash., left Saturday for various points in Idaho. She will spend some time visiting with her brother at Caldwell, Idaho whom she has not seen for 40 years, before returning to her home.

Mrs. Clarence DeGray and baby son, Esper, are spending the week with relatives at Cove.

Miss Dorothy Snider left Sunday for Echo, Ore., where she will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Fred Rhoady.

Homer Wilson has purchased a number of dairy cows from this locality.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Westenskow, of Imbler, were Mr. Glen visitors Wednesday.

The rain last evening was much appreciated by the farmers here. Crops and pasture land will be greatly improved by it.

A number of local people will spend the Fourth of July at Elgin. Others expect to picnic in the hills.

Mrs. Ellen Stoddard, Mrs. Elma (Cheg), Mrs. Leal Russell and Mrs. Anderson of La Grande were here in the interest of the L. D. S. Primary.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perry, of Imbler, visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Whiting.

## EGGS EASIER AND BUTTER STEADY

### Trading Somewhat More Active in Wholesale Vegetables and Fruit

PORTLAND, Ore., July 3 (AP)—Eggs were easier on local wholesale markets today. Standard firsts were a half cent lower at 36c per dozen and medium firsts were down a cent at 25c. Other grades were unchanged.

Butter prices were quoted steady but the tone of the market was firm and several local creameries were offering 47c for butterfat delivered here. Yesterday's receipts were:

Butter, 22,687 pounds; eggs, 623 cases. Storage holdings were: butter, 624,736 pounds; eggs, 73,324 cases.

Country dressed meats and poultry were quoted steady today and trading was active in all classes except lamb, which were in over-supply and dragging. Best springers were going at 22c, but the bulk of choice offerings moved around 20c, while less desirable kinds went as low as 15 cents.

Trading was somewhat more active on wholesale fruit and vegetable markets and prices showed few changes from yesterday's quotations.

Willamette valley peaches were coming in fairly liberally and sold around \$1.25 for the best. Other early fruits were also plentiful at steady prices.

Wholesale markets here will be closed tomorrow in observance of the Fourth.

### PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., July 3 (AP)—Cattle and calves steady. No receipts.

Steers, 1100-1300 lbs. good, \$11.00; do 950-1100 lbs. good, \$11.25; do 800 and up, medium, \$10.00; do common, \$8.50; 10; heifers, 800 lbs. down, good, \$10.00; do common to medium, \$8.50; 10; cows, good, \$8.75; do common to medium, \$7.75; do low cut, \$5.00; 7.50; calves, 500 lbs. down, medium to choice, \$5.50; 10.50; vealers, milk fed, good to choice, \$13.00; do medium, \$11.00; do cull to common, \$7.50; 11.

Hogs—Light butchers 50c lower; feeder pigs 25c lower. Heavy weight 250-350 lbs., medium to choice, \$9.50; 11; medium weight 200-250 lbs., medium to choice, \$8.50; 11.25; light weight, 150-200 lbs., medium to choice, \$11.25; 11.50; light hogs, 130-150 lbs., medium to choice, \$10.50; 11.50; packing sows (rough and smooth) \$8.50; 9.50; slaughter pigs, 80-120 lbs., medium to choice, \$9.50; 10.50; feeder and stocker fed, 70-110 lbs., medium to choice, \$9.50; 9.50.

Sheep and lambs steady; receipts 92, all brought to arrive.

Lambs, 54 lbs. down, good to choice, \$11.50; 13.50; do 52 lbs. down, medium, \$10.00; 11.50; do, all weights, cull to common, \$9.00; 10; yearling wethers, 110 lbs. down, medium to choice, \$7.50; 8.50; ewes, 120 lbs. down, medium to choice, \$4.00; 5; do 120-150 lbs., medium to choice, \$3.50; 4.50; do, all weights, cull to common, \$2.00; 2.

### FIVE DEATHS IN STORM IN MIDDLE WEST

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day when his automobile skidded on new pavement there and plunged 20 feet over a tank and landed upside in the ditch. McCracken was crushed to death under the machine. Oscar and Mildred Jacobson who were riding with Mr. McCracken escaped uninjured. McCracken was not married.

### FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRANTS ARE MAKING READY

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"All days of days alone it stands. While, like a halo round it cast. The radiant work of patriot hands. Shine the bright records of the past!"

"Silent Cal" Coolidge Gives Extended Interview on Fishing



## Demonstration Of Strength In Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, July 3 (AP)—Passing of the temporary considerable stringency which was reflected in the rise of call money from 6 to 8 per cent was the signal for another bullish demonstration in today's stock market. Early loss of 1 to 4 points were wiped out and converted into substantial gains ranging from 1 to 6 points in the popular rails and industrials and from 6 to 13 points in a few high priced rails and such utilities.

The closing was strong. Indian Refining preferred went up nearly 10 points to a record figure and being 2 1/2 to 5 points were well sprinkled among influential stocks, including General Electric, International T. and T., American Linseed, U. S. Industrial Alcohol, Missouri Pacific, American T. and T., Atlantic Gulf and West Indians.

### PORTLAND PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Ore., July 3 (AP)—Butter steady. Wholesale prices (cubes). Extras 42 1/2c; standards 42c; prime firsts 41 1/2c; firsts 40 1/2c. Creamery prices: Prima 2c over cube standards.

Eggs—Standard firsts 1/2c lower; medium firsts 1c lower; other grades unchanged. Fresh standard extras 31c; fresh standard firsts 20c; firsts medium extras, 27c; fresh medium firsts, 25c. Prices to retailers 1 1/2c over exchange prices.

Milk—Butterfat steady to 1c higher f.o.b. Portland. Raw milk (4 per cent), \$2.25 cwt. f.o.b. Portland.

Poultry steady. Live hens over 4 1/2 lbs., 22 1/2c; 4 to 4 1/2 lbs., 16c; 2 to 4 lbs., 15c; 2 lbs. and under, 12c; old roasters 10c; broilers 25c; young ducks 15 1/2c.

Potatoes—Quotations on basis of 100 lb. sack: Yakima netted gems, U. S. No. 1 grade, \$1.10; 1.25; combination, 90c; No. 2, 60c; 80c; Oregon Deschutes gems, U. S. No. 1 grade, \$1.10; 1.50; Burbanks, 90c; No. 1, new potatoes \$2.00; 2.50. Onions steady. California reds, \$1.50; 1.75; crystal waxy, \$1.50; yellow, \$2.00; 2.25.

Wool steady. Eastern Oregon wools (f.o.b. county points): Choice light shrinking, fine, 35 1/2; 37c lb.; heavier shrinking, fine, 32 1/2; 34c; crossbred wools, 25c; 26c; valley medium 50c lb.; coarse 45c lb.

Hay steady. Buying prices: Eastern Oregon timothy \$21.00; 21.50; do valley \$17.50; 18; alfalfa \$17.50; 18; clover \$12; oat hay \$15; 16; straw \$5.50 per ton. Selling prices \$2 a ton more.

### BANK CLEARINGS

NEW YORK, July 3 (AP)—All records were broken at the New York clearing house today in the money value of checks handled in a single day. The total reach \$2,413,000,000, which compared with the previous high record of \$2,228,000,000 on April 26, last.

### EUGENE, Ore., July 3 (AP)—AUTO COLLISION

Skidding on the wet pavement a stage from the Oregon Stages, Inc., and an automobile occupied by Ray Millison and Humer Spencer, both of Los Angeles, collided on the Pacific highway one mile north of Cottage Grove this morning, completely wrecking the smaller car and forcing the stage about 50 feet down the embankment.

### PATRIOTS' WIVES OF '76 PAID FOR HUSBANDS' GLORY

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become great. But history is silent on the subject.

Samuel Adams, at the time of his marriage to Elizabeth Wells, was a poverty-stricken widower with two children. There were some contentions who called him shiftless.

But after his marriage to Elizabeth, Adams began the long climb which was to give him fame. Indications remain which seem to prove that Mrs. Adams was perhaps more active in helping her husband than any other wife of that time. She is credited with having rescued him from poverty and at a time when state matters were claiming most of his attention.

### DEATH HELD ACCIDENTAL

MEDFORD, Ore., July 3 (AP)—A coroner's jury convening at Ashland last evening returned a verdict of accidental death in the case of accidental death in the case of the Green Springs mountain aurochs which was killed Sunday that crushed the life of a youth of 15 years by the name of Young, whose home and relatives are unknown.

# WATCH! WAIT!

La Grande's Leading Store  
Announce Their  
**Annual July Clearance Sale**  
Starts Friday July 6th  
See Thursday's Paper  
**N. K. West & Co., Inc.**  
We Will Be Closed All Day Wednesday, July 4th  
Store Closed 6 O'clock Tuesday Night

## MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO GRAIN				
Wheat	Open	High	Low	Close
July	137 1/2 @ 137 1/2	138 1/2	137 1/2	138 1/2
Sept.	140 1/2 @ 141	141 1/2	140 1/2	140 1/2 @ 140 1/2
Dec.	144 1/2 @ 144 1/2	145	144 1/2	144 1/2 @ 144 1/2

**CHICAGO CASH**  
CHICAGO, July 3 (AP)—Wheat—No. 2 northern spring, \$1.33. Corn—No. 5 mixed, \$1.01; No. 2 white, \$1.08. Oats—No. 2 white, 70c; No. 3 white, 68 1/2c. Rye—No. 1, \$1.30. Barley—56c @ \$1.05. Timothy seed—\$4.00 @ 4.75. Clover seed—\$21.25 @ 28.50.

**Wheat Irregular In Chicago Market**  
CHICAGO, July 3 (AP)—Opening 1/2c to 3/4c lower, wheat subsequently underwent an additional 1/2c. Corn and oats developed firmness with corn starting 1/2c off to 1/2c up and later scoring gains. July delivery in particular. Provisions were easy.

Wheat closed irregular 1/2c net lower to 3/4c advance, corn 1/4 to 1/2c up, oats 1/2 to 3/4c gain, and provisions varying from 2c decline to a rise of 20c.

**OMAHA, Neb., July 3 (AP)**—Sale of the Omaha-Bee-News to William Randolph Hearst was announced today by Nelson B. Updike, publisher of the newspaper.

**NEW YORK FRUIT**  
NEW YORK, July 3 (AP)—Dried fruit and hops steady.

## About Half Way Between —

Sometimes you have visitors from out-of-town — good acquaintances but not quite on the intimate footing of personal friends whom you take to the house for meals.

Business acquaintances—how nice a courtesy it is to take them to the Sacajawea for lunch. You are sure to have a good meal, a pleasant and unusual place to lounge before or afterward. And they are certain to appreciate your kindness.

### Sacajawea Inn

"Points the Way to Better Things."

## DRESS THE CHILDREN FOR THE 4th

ROMPERS - DRESSES - WASH SUITS  
Best of Quality -- Low in Price

### NORTON'S KIDDY SHOP

Better Merchandise -- Lower Prices

Closed All Day the 4th