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TRUST IN GOD—Was to them that go down to Egypt for help and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the Lord!—Isa. 31:1.

Since hot dog stands started imitating Greek temples, we're not sure the old ones were so bad, after all.

August A. Busch (where have we heard that name before?) startles the world by announcing that he will support Al Smith for president in order to end "eight years of miserable prohibition failure." Who would have thought that Mr. Busch, president of Anheuser-Busch, St. Louis, Mo., would do such a strange thing? We are overwhelmed.

A NEW COURT HOUSE?

Yesterday's fire, which destroyed a large portion of the Union county court house and entailed a damage estimated at \$35,000 or more, is a matter of general regret. Although most of the county records were saved, the county's business is seriously inconvenienced and officials must work under temporary handicaps that will be difficult.

Beyond these immediate needs occasioned by the fire—on which the county court is already at work—the question has immediately arisen as to what course shall be followed in providing a court house. Shall the old building, originally designed for a city hall and long inadequate for the expanding requirements of the county, be rebuilt and remodeled at an expense of thirty-five or forty thousand? Or shall the same money be added to such additional funds as may be required to build a new, modern, and fire-proof building that will meet the needs of the county for several generations to come?

There is already much sentiment in favor of a new building, now that the fire has brought the question to the front. The old structure was purchased from the city a few years ago at a cost of \$32,000. Insurance on it amounts to \$22,000, with \$4,000 additional on equipment. It was never intended for a court house, has been inadequate and inconvenient for court house purposes.

It is the Observer's opinion that a new building will depend largely on the possibility of disposing of the present site and partially destroyed building for enough to at least provide a new site, possible to be located nearer the center of the community. If that could be done and the insurance money utilized, the county could have a proper court building with a moderate expenditure of additional money, and an obvious need of long standing would be satisfied.

The old court house is ideally situated for a school building. The walls and lower floor remain in good condition following the fire, though rebuilding the entire interior is almost a certainty regardless of the use it is put to. While it is not as large as might be desired for school purposes, it could, according to builders, be made into a school and the immediate demands for more space be met very satisfactorily.

Everyone knows that additional school room is an absolute requirement of the next year or two. That a project has been delayed this long is due only to the present indebtedness of the district and the difficulty of financing a \$150,000 or \$200,000 building under the present law. If the court house could be purchased, however, for a fair price and remodeled for a school, the needs of several years in the future would be satisfied at a third or a half of the cost. It is a plan deserving full consideration.

Whether or not this is practical and expedient remains to be decided. It will be up to the voters of the county and of the school district to say what action should be taken—if a new court house is to be built, and if the district shall utilize the site and ruins of the old building for a school.

It is obvious, however, that this is the time to provide a new court house if we are ever to have one. In the interviews secured by The Observer today that is a very general opinion. The cost would not be great. Taking \$100,000 as an example of the tax money required, it means only \$1 per thousand of valuation. A home assessed at \$2500 would pay only \$10. A farm assessed at \$10,000 would pay only \$10.

What is the county to do? Shall we repair a make-shift or build a court house adequate for our needs, a credit to the county, a source of reasonable pride to its citizens, ample for the future? The time for a decision is here. The Observer believes we will never have a better opportunity or a more economic opportunity. The county has a chance to realize on its investment more than the original cost. Isn't it wise to grasp the opportunity, to go ahead and make the new court house a reality now, while we can?

ABE MARTIN



It is now estimated that enough liquor will be confiscated at the border end of the new Indiana-Kentucky bridge over the Ohio river for it in ten days. "Yes, I've won three times lately," said Mrs. Lark, when a guest admired her cauloupe.

Bath Tub Idea Entertains At Arcade Theater

Furthur and Marcus "Bath Tub" idea of the Arcade theater yesterday, scored favorably with the large audience that attended every sitting. The entertainment was plentiful and varied, ranging from athletes who turned flips with breath-taking speed to a pair of blackface comedians, with exquisitely garbed girls, furnishing singing and dancing in between. Scott Wilburn and Red Bill, funny-looking comedians, were featured, and their efforts resulted in spasms of laughter. The junior beauties, headed by Lucille Pace, who rivaled a conventional in her dance numbers, reached a climax in a powder puff number that lacked nothing in entertainment.

SPRING GRAIN IN WALLOWA COUNTY SLOW TO MATURE

Some of the crops will barely pay cost of harvesting. Some are inclined to believe that market conditions may have a chance for improvement later in the season, and feel that something may be gained in holding some of the grain. Labor appears to be more plentiful than a few weeks ago, while most of the men are busy, farmers state they are able to get sufficient help for harvest work. Reports from Pocatello, Idaho state that considerable logging is being done there. A number of trucks have also been busy hauling logs to the pond boys from off the mountains and from Bear creek.

CAPTURED JERUSALEM

RAN ANTONIO, Aug. 22 (AP)—The soldier who captured Jerusalem is to be a guest of the American Legion. Field Marshal Viscount Allenby has accepted an invitation to attend the convention here in October.

HOOVER LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON OFFICE TOMORROW

That from the northwestern states. President-elect in that section who just now are beginning to market their wheat crop are faced with sharply declining prices and political leaders say this situation has had an effect. However, they have expressed to the president their belief that these states will be found in the republican column in November. Senator Gerald P. Nye, of North Dakota, a republican independent, who had advocated the acquisition for principle, definitely abandoned by Hoover, announced last night that he would no longer hesitate to support the Hoover candidacy. He said he had been convinced at a conference with the party staff.

ard bearer that he was determined to bring to the solution of the agricultural problem the same force and energy that had enabled him to solve "many great and perplexing business problems following the war."

Much Encouragement
Besides the farm leaders, Hoover has conferred with a number of senators and representatives from several border as well as western states. All of them made encouraging reports, especially senators Fline of Oklahoma, and Sackett of Kentucky.

The journey across the continent from his California home has proven a strenuous one for Hoover and the effects of numerous speeches and endless conferences day and night, are beginning to show their effects. However, he has taken to them, to him rather now and necessity feature of re-organizing with a show of enthusiasm which has surprised even the closest of his admirers.

After he returns to Washington, he will be able to work under far less pressure and probably will seek a few days rest before delivering his next prepared address at Washington, perhaps on Labor day.

CROWD REACTS TO SMITH'S ADDRESS

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reaction of drastic changes in the tariff, for maintaining public ownership and control of water power resources, his reference to labor, veterans, conservation, government departmental reorganization, and his emphasis that his appointments, if he were elected, would not be influenced by a person's sex or by artificial, financial or sectional considerations or religious affiliations.

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In the next steps to thank the crowd, who gathered in the rain.
The audience then introduced Robinson, Pittman and Chairman Raskob of the national committee. Then a wave came up from the crowd through:
"I turned a perfectly good hat coming here to hear you tonight."
"Yes, and I'm turning a perfectly good voice trying to tell you about it," the governor shot back.
"Furthermore," he said, "you'll only need that hat until Sept. 15, but I'm going to need this voice for two and a half months."
That ended the show.

NORTH POWDER PERSONALS

NORTH POWDER (Special)
The Methodist church members from here attended a Methodist conference at La Grande Tuesday. Father Forestrom and children, accompanied by Mrs. Grace Forestrom and Lottie Knapp, were La Grande visitors Tuesday.
Junior Palmer, who has been spending his summer vacation with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Olson, left for Portland Wednesday. He will join his aunt, Mrs.



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33x4	15.90	5.00/20	13.45
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Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Moore were here yesterday.

J. R. Wilson has purchased a new truck.

Mr. and Mrs. Artie Ledbetter arrived the other morning from Medford, where they will spend several days with Mrs. Ledbetter's mother, Mrs. Violet Metcalf.

Edwin Hutchinson and Carl Forstrom left for Seattle last week, where Mr. Hutchinson will visit his parents and Carl will take an examination to enter the school of aviation.

Tom Semelchew was operated on Monday for tonsillitis.

At Pocatello and family, of Portland, you have been spending their vacation here with relatives, left for their home last week. They were accompanied by their niece, Lillian Walk, who will go to school in Portland.

Design farmers find clover seed too valuable a crop to risk loss through shattering. If the crop gets a little over-ripe it may be cut before it is the cutting or early burning and then get into shocks before the leading machine gets the seed. Loss of 10 pounds to the acre by shattering equals the loss on some clover land and the loss on two or three acres, says the expert at the station.

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