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SIN RUTINE—Though a sinner do evil a hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God.—Isa. 64:12.

A railroad bulletin says sharp curves are being eliminated. Not on thin people.

Anyone reading the Congressional Record will realize that it's just as well congress decided not to broadcast.

They're using gas flames now for refrigeration, but nobody seems to have discovered how to heat a house with ice.

One way to reduce armament would be to limit the number of admirals and rear admirals. Maybe somebody will call an international conference for that. Let Britain meet us half way, and cancel admiral with admiral.

### STATE ENFORCEMENT

A Washington correspondent observes: "A growing conviction that state and local governments must assume a greater share in prohibition enforcement if the Volstead act is to be made effective is apparent among government officials and members of congress.

"Experience has shown that the federal government can do little more than check smuggling, cut off large sources of supply and handle the big violations. It is impossible for federal agents to police the country and prevent the operating of speakeasies and the traffic of bootleggers."

It might make a considerable difference if congress were to appropriate \$300,000,000 a year for enforcement, as it came near doing just before Christmas. But even then, the federal government would be assuming, along with its natural prohibition job, a task which properly belongs to the states, counties and municipalities.

While the present liquor legislation remains on the federal statute books, local government units should do their part to make it effective. But many states or communities refuse or neglect to do so. The big question is, how can they be made to help in this fight if they don't want to help? Nobody has found an answer.

If it is granted that the present day amendment and statutes are enforceable, the fact remains that so far enforcement has been half defeated by local indifference and unofficial assertion of state rights in many places.

### ANOTHER AIRPLANE WONDER

A new aviation sensation is scheduled to come out of Friedrichshafen early this year. It is to be more thrilling than the construction and trans-Atlantic flight of the Graf Zeppelin.

This new creation is a gigantic airplane, now being built by Dr. Claude Dornier, of Dornier-Wal fame. Gossip describes it as having 12 motors of 500 horsepower each. It is to be a passenger liner. Its rooms are said to be more spacious and more comfortable than those of the giant Zeppelin. Its center corridor is 74 feet, 9 inches long. On flights up to 1,000 miles in length it can carry, so "they" say, 70 or 80 passengers, with comfort for all of them. On longer flights, it will carry only 15 or 20 passengers. It will have a crew of 14, including two cooks and two stewards.

It is to be equipped with a fine wireless plant, independent of the motors. Spark plugs or valve springs can be repaired while in the air. Short circuits and similar mishaps can be located and removed without landing. If the plane falls into the water, it is supposed to be able to withstand the waves. It is divided into water-tight compartments like a boat. There are numerous other remarkable features.

A newspaper correspondent, asking Dr. Dornier for confirmation of these and other glowing rumors, was told that nothing would be given out in advance. The craft is to speak for itself when it comes out.

That policy stimulates public interest in the mysterious airplane and avoids promises which might not be fulfilled. If the new plane is a success, it may revolutionize airplane construction. If it is a failure, at least it will have been a worthy experiment and one from which much of value may be learned.

## ABE MARTIN



"Next I givin' women th' right 'n' vote, th' biggest mistake that's been made lately was givin' politicians th' right o' way. It's a chink they'll abuse it," declared Squig Marsh Swallow, t' day. Fate is about th' only thing we have left that money can't fix.

### SEAL SALE AT HILGARD, ORE. IS SUCCESSFUL

By Verma Weimer (Observer-Contributor)  
HILGARD, Ore. (Special)—The Christmas seals which were given to Mrs. J. B. Weimer, Miss Martin and the children for sale here, were all sold and money sent to Mrs. Gump, county chairman.

Mrs. Gladys Lilly, of La Grande, spent the weekend at Hilgard. Frank Sanford was brought home seriously ill from the camp, but he is now recovered at this time. Wilmerth and Verma Weimer attended the New Year party at the Hugh Blank home in La Grande on Saturday night.

Mr. Glenn at Mountain Springs station, has installed a new lighting system, which is a great improvement to his place.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thornbrue, John and Eva Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Weimer, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Salling all attended the funeral of Mr. Cantrell held in La Grande on Sunday. The body was laid to rest in the Hilgard cemetery. Mr. Cantrell had lived in Hilgard about 40 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Cantrell came home Tuesday after spending several days in La Grande.

The Misses Verda and Jessie Ferguson are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ferguson at Meacham this week. They expected to attend the New Year dance.

Mrs. Ed Salling is spending a few days in La Grande with her daughter, Mrs. Lally this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Price, of La Grande, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reese on New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Weimer, of Five Points accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. H. Z. Baxter of La Grande attended the party given by the Ladies Club in Cove New Year's Eve.

The state gravel shovel which has been in operation on the river near Five Points, was moved to the state shops this week for repair. Mr. Wiley who has been running the shovel went to his home in Corvallis to spend the week.

Dona and Winfield Scott, Eva Thornbrue, Lester Eaton, Paul Gettal, John and Eva Price and Wilmerth and Verma Weimer spent the evening at Five Point station and watched the old year out and the New Year come in.

### Won't Investigate Lynching in South

JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 3 (AP)—Governor T. G. Bilbo's official notice of the lynching Monday night of Charles Shepherd, convict killer and kidnaper, was his announcement that he would not institute an investigation into the torturing to death of the negro by a mob. "I have neither the time nor the money to investigate two thousand people," the governor said in reply to telegrams of protest reaching his office.

California authorities are hunting a man who cashed a bogus check at an insane asylum. One of the few places you can get a check cashed these days.



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## Snow in Wallowa Territory Helps Protect Wheat

By G. C. Meek

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—A few inches of snow fell over this part of the country during the past few days giving some much needed protection to winter wheat crops which have been unprotected during much of the cold weather of the past month. Some improvement is reported in stock water conditions in some parts of the county since the warm weather of a few days ago when considerable thawing resulted. Some of the wells in the hill sections were at the lowest point in a number of years and some stock have been without water much of the time for the past few weeks. Much pasture is still being used yet and will not doubt be continued unless deep snow should come. Indications are that with a considerable saving of feed which has been made during the past few weeks through the use of much pasture, that feed supplies now on hand will prove ample for all needs during the rest of the winter.

Several small flocks of sheep belonging to farmers of the Lower Valley and Diamond prairie sections were brought in from the range only recently and are now being fed at the farms.

The annual ice harvest was started here last week and a considerable amount has been stored during the past few days. The ice had reached a thickness of from 10 to 12 inches and is very clear and solid.

Days Hoarling Jr., of Freewater, arrived here during the early part of the week for a few days visit with his father Harry Hoarling.

F. A. Downing and wife, of Leap, visited Tuesday night with their daughter, Mrs. James Weaver and husband, of Alder slope. They report a large amount of sickness in the upper part of the valley consisting of flu, sore throats and colds.

L. Couch and sons were Christmas day visitors at the John Couch home in the Leap community.

Asa Harmon has been confined to his home at Enterprise by an attack of flu. He is reported some better.

George Cousins went to Lostine this first of the week where he spent a few days visiting his brothers, Herb and Norris Cousins. He returned home the last of the week.

Duane Lathrop and wife and Mrs. Opal Osborn, of Parsnip creek, were visitors in town the last of the week.

E. J. Sherod and family, of Middle valley, have been suffering from the flu the past week.

N. C. Spalderson, county agent of Enterprise, was a business visitor in town the last of the week. Mr. Donaldson reports that a load of fat hogs were shipped from the county Wednesday for the Portland market. Shippers were guaranteed \$3.50 Portland for this shipment. There are still a number of large bunches of hogs to go from this section during the next few weeks.

Coyotes have proved a considerable menace to sheep on some of the ranges during the past fall according to reports from some owners. The coyotes are said to have been quite numerous on the Smith mountain range recently. E. F. Johnson who ranges his sheep in that locality found it necessary to keep a man on watch at night to prevent damage to his flock. A number of traps were set at one bed ground and seven of the coyotes were caught.

Don Fisher, of Leap, has been visiting relatives at Hurricane creek and Joseph during the past few days.

Doc Moore returned home from Bremley during the past week where he has been helping his brother Charles who has leased a farm in that section.

Miss Verma Austin teacher of the Leap school in district 17, spent the holiday vacation with her parents at Florida.

Miss Ann Murphy returned from Freewater Sunday to resume her duties as teacher in district 40, a few miles east of here.

A considerable number of persons from this community attended the dance at the Tom Ellidge home on Dry creek Saturday night. Those attending report an enjoyable evening.

Roy Gastin has been busy doing some papering at his home the past week.

A Parisian authoress sent a message to Mars the other day, addressed to "Prince Charming." Several newspapers seemed to regard the event as news.

## BEFORE MIDNIGHT

FRIDAY PROGRAMS

The National Broadcasting company program for Friday night follows: 6 to 6:30 Wrigley review 6:30 to 7, Philco program; 8 to 9, RCA hour; 9:30 to 10, Moon magic; 10 to 12, dance music.

The American Broadcasting company program for Friday night follows: 7 to 8, Salon orchestra; 8 to 9, artistic ensemble; 9, Salon orchestra; 10, dance orchestra.

KPO—San Francisco (680kc) 6, NBC; 7, concert; 7:30, duo; 8, NBC; 9, string quartet; 10, dance band; 11, NBC.

KOA—Denver (820kc) 6, NBC; 7:30, Solitaire cowboys; 8:05, dance music; 8, music album; 9:30 to 11, string trio.

KYA—San Francisco (1230kc) 6, news; 6:15, music; 7 on, ABC.

KGO—Oakland (790kc) 6, NBC; 9, mystery serial; 9:30, NBC; 10, concert; 11, NBC.

KFI—Los Angeles (640kc) 4, NBC; 9, concert; 10, NBC.

KPWV—Hollywood (950kc) 6:45, entertainers; 8, news; 9, light opera; 10, dance music.

KFON—Long Beach (1250kc) 6:05, entertainers; 8, movie stars; 11 to 1, music.

KGA—Spokane (1470kc) 7 to 11, ABC; 11 to 12, music.

KHJ—Los Angeles (900kc) 6, organ; 6:45, news; 7, program; 9, symphony; 10 to 12, dance music.

KFRC—San Francisco (610kc) 6, organ; 6:50, sports; 7, studio program; 8, "Great Ladies"; 8:30, music; 9, news club; 9:30, concert; 10, Amos and Andy; 10:10 to 12:10, dance music.

KOMO—Seattle (970kc) 6, NBC; 7, music; 8, NBC; 12, news, music.

KGW—Portland (620kc) 6, NBC; 8:30, concert music; 7:30 melody boys; 8, NBC; 9, josters; 10:30 to 12, Hoot Owls.

KOL—Seattle (1270kc) 6, dinner music; 7, sunshine; 7:30, old times; 8:30, studio program; 10:30 to 12, dance music.

KNX—Los Angeles (1050kc) 6, music; 7:30, revue; 8, Do-Nuts; 9, Lion Tamers; 9:45, boxing broadcast; 10 to 1, dance music.

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