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SECRET PRAYER—When thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret, and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.—Matthew 6:6.

## ABE MARTIN



MON. LILE KITE, CANDIDATE FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY WILL ATTEMPT THE DESTRUCTION OF INDEPENDENCE. COME ONE! COME ALL!

### Car Burns Near Imbler; Ignites While On Road

By Mrs. C. M. Hale (Observer Correspondent)

IMBLER, Ore. (Special)—Louis Anderson had the misfortune of having his car burned last Wednesday. He was driving the car when he noticed an unusual heat and looking around found that the whole back part of the car was on fire. He was unable to save anything from the car which was uninsured.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cleaver and daughter, Lydia, and Mr. and Mrs. Chick Cleaver and children spent the weekend picnicking on Catherine creek. The men spent the time fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Welch have Mrs. Ida Hendrickson as their house guest this week. They entertained several relatives at dinner last Sunday in her honor. Among the guests was Mrs. Welch's uncle, August Shaw, of Los Angeles. Mr. Shaw made his home in the Grande Ronde valley until late years but now he travels considerably and considers Los Angeles his headquarters. He is here looking after business interests.

Clarence Goodwin and family, who have been visiting with Mr. Goodwin's mother, Mrs. Rosa Sanderson, of Summerville, expect to return to their home in Portland some time this week.

Mrs. J. W. Lewis and daughters, Elva and Lila, of Pleasant Grove, spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. C. M. Hale.

Both Hale is spending the week with her cousins, Armond and Ted Arnoldus of the Pleasant Grove district.

Mrs. Emmett McCoy, of Irigon, is spending a few days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Buchanan and small son, of Elgin, were visiting here with friends last Sunday.

While "C" and family, of Elgin, were dinner guests Sunday at the R. M. McCoy home.

Many families of the community attended the celebration at Enterprise Thursday while others were on camping trips or picnicked for the day by some stream or shady nook.

Verna Bell Graybeal spent last week visiting with her friend, Ethel Culp, of Elgin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sweet, of Bend, visited early in the week with Mrs. Sweet's sister, Mrs. Tom Page. They are on their way to Boise, Idaho. Mr. and Mrs. Sweet and Mr. and Mrs. Page and Mrs. Shields, another sister, spent the day at Walltow Lake.

Bertie McCoy spent last Sunday in Baker.

The farmers elevator of Imbler has been rented by the Korr-Gilford company of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson and son, Howard, and Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Wilson and children spent last Sunday in Union with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fox.

Mrs. Grant Tucker, Mrs. William Rollins and Mrs. Tom Kalmier attended church in Elgin last Sunday evening.

Mrs. Walter Young and children, of La Grande, spent Sunday with Mrs. Young's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin.

Maek and Charles McCoy are again at home after spending some time visiting with relatives at Teragon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Dobbins and daughter, Catherine, of Enterprise, were visiting with relatives here last Tuesday.

Mrs. Ida Hendrickson, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Welch and J. E. Woods motored to Cove last Monday where they drove through some of the large orchards and called on Mr. and Mrs. George Childers before returning home.

O. H. Starns, of Summerville, left his team standing in front of the blacksmith shop last Friday and it became frightened and ran away. The horses ran as far as the Dave Osborn farm before Mr. Starns in an auto overtook them. No damage was done.

Miss Mildred Spencer, of La Grande, comes to Imbler each Friday where she gives instruction in music. At present she has four pupils here.

EXPLOSION TAKES ONE (SANTA ROSA, Cal. Jul 6—(AP)—Explosion of the gas tank of his motor car after it had been struck by an interurban train here killed W. N. Couch, 45. He died in the flames before the train crew could rescue him. He was a rancher of Sebastopol.

## Doubt Expressed That Gas Cause Of Chicago Death

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., July 6 (AP)—Dr. Mortimer J. Brown, general superintendent of the Koppers and Hulsbacher Chemical company of this city, manufacturer of methyl chloride gas used as a refrigerant, declared by Chicago authorities to have been responsible for 15 deaths in Chicago recently, has issued a statement in which he expressed doubt that the gas was responsible for the deaths.

Dr. Brown said the company manufactured and sold methyl chloride as a refrigerant for many years and had no clear record of any fatality caused by the gas.

He said that all the reported deaths occurred in large apartment houses and that had the gas been responsible for the fatalities it must have been through carelessness of the employees operating the refrigerating system who unwittingly tampered with the mechanism.

"All well known refrigerants," Dr. Brown said, "are definitely toxic and if used carelessly can result in illness, or, in certain cases, death, and the company has always warned its customers that methyl chloride, just as other refrigerants, should be used with reasonable care."

A New York pastor says the middle class is not drinking. May be that's why they manage to keep to the middle of the road.

## MIGHTY TUSKO COMING HERE



When the A. G. Barnes circus trains pull in La Grande Thursday, July 11, there will be the usual crowds on hand to see Tusko, the largest elephant in the world, a foot taller and a ton and a half heavier than was famous Jumbo. At every stand the circus plays, a huge gathering greets "the last of the mammoths." The other elephants are detained separately. When Tusko finally appears, a great "Oh!" arises from hundreds of lips, and then a moment of stunned silence as this massive trustful stalks like some fabled beast of mythology from his specially built car. When building the steel elephant car for Tusko, the shopmen of the A. G. Barnes railway forces were up against it. No car could be high enough to accommodate the giant creature without violating American Railway association clearance rulings. Finally, they worked out a practicable means of lowering the car floor. Tusko will be seen in the beautiful spectacular extravaganza, "Aladdin and the Parade of Gold," latest edition, which opens the show, and employing 1,500 people and animals.

## BIG CLOSE OUT SALE Now In Progress

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## Undertow, Surf Sweep Ten To Death On July 4

GRAND HAVEN, Mich., July 6 (AP)—The vicious surf and undertow of wind-swept Lake Michigan took the lives of 10 persons here July 4, all drowning virtually simultaneously and within a radius of but a few hundred yards.

Nine of the dead were bathers at a municipal park beach; the other was a girl, who, with three companions, was swept from a pier at the beach by a giant breaker which bowled the four into the water.

While three life guards struggled against the waves to pull the four struggling persons in the water to safety, a terrific undertow, apparently generated by the huge combles which first swept the pier, carried the nine bathers to their death. Hundreds of persons ashore, gay holiday picnickers and bath-

ers basking in a warm sun, watched horror-stricken as the nine were swirled, screaming for help, far out into the white capped lake. The dead are Mildred Pittfield, 16; Robert Shindler, 13; Julius Tusch, 19; Leonard Kellogg, 20; Carl Rohloff, 21; Walter Schwartz, 19; John Giddings, 21; Frank Pstrowski, 40; Rudolph Pitulik, 27; and Erwin Pitulik, 21.

All were residents of Grand Rapids except the latter two, brothers, who were from Detroit.

BUY MORE STORES (NEW YORK, July 6 (AP)—MacMarr stores, Inc., has acquired the Bay Cities Mercantile Co., operating 54 grocery meat and vegetable stores in Los Angeles and vicinity. The MacMarr chain now numbers about 1,100 stores, with annual sales of about \$58,000,000.

Not all the large-mouths are bass, even if they do sound fishy.

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If brains can solve the farm problem with the help of the new machinery set up by congress, it will be solved before long. Hoover is hiring brains. The chairman of the new farm board will give up a \$100,000 salary to serve agriculture for \$12,000. Other big men will serve at a financial sacrifice. Farming should profit.

Among other things the senate, just before entering upon its summer recess, marked the eighty-fifth birthday anniversary of its oldest member, both in age and length of service. It was a graceful tribute, richly deserved by him upon whom it was bestowed, Francis E. Warren, of Wyoming. In spite of his age, which even in these days of perpetual youthfulness is considered old, he is not of the type of veteran who "lags superfluous upon the stage." Senator Warren, whose 36 years in the upper branch of congress establishes a record, has proved that a senator's usefulness to his state and nation can increase with the years though they exceed the number usually allotted a senator.

**A BOY WHO WORKS**

A successful business man in La Grande is being assisted around his shop this summer by his small son. The boy is not loafing around his dad's place of business; he is working. He has not finished his first decade of life and is busy from morning until night at odd jobs. Playing at home doesn't interest him. He prefers to be down town at work.

The father tells us that he'd like to have the boy at home playing with other boys part of the time. He wants him to work, wants him to know how to work, to know the value and importance of work. But he doesn't want him to miss knowing how to play, as well. The father, having made his own way in the world from early youth, was never able to cultivate the art of playing until he was too old.

The boy is fortunate in having a smart father—and fortunate in having the will to work and the joy of working as an inheritance from that father. The father will see that the son learns how to play, that he has a fair measure of the pleasures afforded in this life. He will see to it because he missed some of these things in his own youth. But the father will also see that the son knows how to work, how to stick to it. We can predict that now.

Organized society doesn't have to worry about that boy or that father. The boy, taught to work as well as to play, will never be a candidate, we imagine, for the charity of others. He will never be a candidate for the reform school. He will never be blamed for wasting the substance of the father. Hard and consistent workers are too good citizens for that.

The father is probably right in worrying somewhat about the boy's dislike for play, his preference for an opportunity to help his father around the shop. But we can't see it as a serious worry. He would have a much greater cause for worry if the boy grew to manhood with the lone asset of knowing how to have a good time, and nothing else. The worry if the boy grew to manhood with the lone asset of once for spending his father's money instead of helping his father earn.

Many fathers who look back on their early adult years as a period of hardship aren't as intelligent in their attitude toward their children as this father. Because they had a hard time, too often they are inclined to indulge their children and make life too easy for them. And when they have taught them only how to play and spend, they wonder why their children disappoint them by being failures at working and earning. Knowing how to work and finding a worthy place to use that knowledge is youth's most valued asset.

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