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THE SPIRITUAL IDEAL.—Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.—Matthew 5:48.

After several years of effort the business men of Marshfield have succeeded in eliminating the daily newspaper duplication in that city. The Marshfield Daily News is ceasing evening publication and the Coos Bay Times continues alone in the daily field. Merchants there have long sought the greater economy, improved service of one newspaper. They held meetings, presented arguments, concentrated their advertising in the Times. They have finally been successful. The two-paper town of ten thousand is a thing of the past. Both advertisers and readers prefer one good paper to two poor ones. Marshfield people are gratified that their city now comes into this class.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR CITIZENSHIP

The case of a certain Professor MacIntosh, of the Yale Divinity School, has caused lengthy comment in the Oregon press. This gentleman was refused citizenship, following a supreme court decision, because he qualified his application by saying he would not serve this country as a soldier in an unjust war.

That, is, no doubt, a small thing to form the basis for refusal of citizenship, especially since many thousands holding the same opinion are born to citizenship in this country and go unmolested about their business. It wouldn't hurt this country to have a few more citizens who think seriously enough about their citizenship to discriminate between just and unjust wars, but the supreme court can, nevertheless, be legally and logically justified for its decision under the constitution.

Commenting on this (and in opposition to the court decision) the Baker Democrat-Herald says: "It is a mistake to assume that every war a nation engages in stands on an equal plane morally. A patriotic Englishman could oppose King George in 1775-83 or oppose the Boer war, just as an American could oppose the Mexican war or oppose the marine campaign in Nicaragua, yet no patriotic citizen of either could have hung back in the Great war when the existence of his country was at stake. Certain things have to be left to the individual conscience. They always have been in every democratic country. Our people are citizens, not subjects. They are not the puppets of their officials."

The whole trouble with this point of view is that the Baker paper seems inclined to classify unimportant wars as "unjust" and serious wars as "just," reluctant to realize that discipline and submission to delegated authority is as necessary for citizens of a democratic country as for "subjects" and "puppets" in any absolute monarchy. No nation can survive that permits its individual citizens to determine what is just and unjust in a national crisis and to give support or opposition accordingly.

As everyone knows there were many citizens of this country who sincerely opposed our participation in the world war. They thought it unjust. Anyone who participated to the extent of military or naval service had numerous experiences that convinced them that the conduct of war is unjust. But it would have been folly to allow that conviction in either case to dictate individual action. There was something at stake that was far more important than the opinion of justice held by one individual or a group of individuals.

Blind and senseless as it may sound to the idealist, Stephen Decatur's "My country, in her intercourse with foreign nations may she ever be right; but right or wrong, my country!! holds the secret of national integrity, of national and world progress. The highest type of citizenship calls for constant effort and study that our country may "ever be right" but in the face of and wrong as well as right the preservation of the constitution and the nation is forever paramount. The individual failing to subscribe to that standard may not be injurious in citizenship but he cannot be classified as a true patriot and American.

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### MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO GRAIN				
Wheat	Open	High	Low	Close
July	1.22 1/2 @ 1.23	1.23	1.20 1/2	1.20 1/2 @ 1/4
Sept.	1.27 1/2 @ 1.28	1.28 1/2	1.24 1/2	1.24 1/2 @ 1/4
Dec.	1.33 1/2 @ 1.34 1/2	1.34 1/2	1.30 1/2	1.30 1/2 @ 1/4
PORTLAND GRAIN				
July	1.19	1.19	1.17 1/2	1.17 1/2
Sept.	1.19 1/2	1.19 1/2	1.17 1/2	1.17 1/2
Dec.	1.24	1.24	1.21 1/2	1.21 1/2

**LIVERPOOL WHEAT**  
LIVERPOOL, July 9 (AP)—Grain close wheat: July 9s 14 1/2 @ 13.2, October 2s 5 1/4 @ 13.7 1/2, December 2s 8 1/4 @ 14.40.

**PORTLAND CASH**  
PORTLAND Ore., July 9 (AP)—Cash wheat: Big Bend bluestem, hard white \$1.19, soft white \$1.19, Western white \$1.19, Hard winter \$1.16, Northern spring \$1.16, Western red \$1.16, Oats: No. 2-38 lb. white \$34.00, Today's car receipts: wheat 51, flour 7, corn 2, hay 2.

**CHICAGO CASH**  
CHICAGO, July 9 (AP)—Wheat No. 3 hard \$1.19; No. 5 northern spring \$1.08, Corn: No. 1 mixed 36 1/2 @ 3/4; No. 1 white 28, Oats: No. 3 white 44 1/2 @ 1/2; No. 4 white 44 1/2 @ 1/2, Rye: no trading, Barley: quotable range 64 @ 70, Timothy seed: \$4.29 @ \$4.55, Clover seed: \$15.00 @ \$20.00, Lord \$12.02; ribs \$13.75; bellies \$15.00.

**BUTTERFAT**  
SAN FRANCISCO, July 9 (AP)—Butterfat f. o. b. San Francisco, 50 cents.

**PENNEY SALES REPORTED**  
NEW YORK, July 9 (AP)—Gross sales of the J. C. Penney Co. for June amounted to \$17,121,067, compared with \$14,129,435 in 1928, an increase of 21 per cent. Earl C. Sams, president, estimates that sales for the year will amount to more than \$200,000,000.

### Wheat Nervous And Lower At Closing

CHICAGO, July 9 (AP)—Fluctuating nervously, wheat prices averaged lower here today in early dealings. Standing orders to sell on advances were much in evidence and this circumstance did a good deal to offset pessimistic crop advices from spring wheat territory northwest. Opening unchanged to 1/2c higher, wheat afterward showed a material setback all around. Corn and oats were likewise easier, with corn starting unchanged to 1/2c up and subsequently undergoing a general sag. Provisions included upward.

Wheat closed nervous, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4 down, oats 1/2 to 1 1/4 cents off, cents under yesterday's finish. Corn closed 1/4 to 2 1/2 cents and provisions varying from 2c decline to a rise of 7c.

Farmers in northern Italy have inaugurated a "wheat raising battle" with a silver cup as an award.

**CHICAGO LIVESTOCK**  
CHICAGO, July 9 (U. S. D. A.) Hogs: 25,000; 200 to 300 higher; 250-300 lb. \$11.90 @ \$11.85; 160-200 lb. \$11.50 @ \$12.15.

Cattle: 7,000; calves 2,000; steer trade steady to weak; 1200-1500 lb. \$14.75 @ \$16.50; 950-1100 lb. \$13.75 @ \$16.40; fed yearlings 750-950 lb. \$13.90 @ \$16.25, Heifers 850 lbs. down \$13.50 @ \$15.50; cows \$9.50 @ \$12.75; bulls \$10.15 @ \$11.50; vealers \$15.00 @ \$17.25; stocker and feeder steers \$12.25 @ \$13.50.

Sheep: 14,000; 25c lower; natives mostly steady; fat ewes steady \$5.50 @ \$6.50; feeding lambs 92 lbs. down \$14.50 @ \$15.50; feeder lambs \$12.50 @ \$13.75.

### Berries Scarce With Tail End Of Season Near

PORTLAND Ore., July 9 (AP)—There was a spread of 40 cents between the poorest and the best strawberries at the East Side market today, with the fruit scarce even at those figures. The tail end of the season is not far off. Black caps are beginning to arrive in larger quantities, although the price holds firm. Raspberries were finding ready demand without any recession in quotations. Producers sold at the following prices:

Strawberries \$1.80 to \$2; black caps \$2; loganberries \$1.25; raspberries \$1.75 to \$2; peas 3 1/2 to 5 cents pound; beans 9 to 10 cents; new sprouts 3 cents; carrots 25 cents dozen bunches; onions 25 cents dozen bunches; beets 25 cents dozen bunches; turnips 5c to 6c dozen bunches; celery 20 cents to \$1 dozen bunches; cauliflower \$1 dozen; spinach 50 cents box.

In the absence of official quotations which were formerly fixed by the Portland Dairy Exchange, the prices of butter is in a somewhat uncertain state. The majority of creameries were quoting standard at 42 1/2, but there was a feeling in some quarters that there was an over-supply and that there was inclined to be a weaker tone to the market, especially with reference to grades under the 52 score. The cold storage movement has assumed proportions larger than at this time last year. Production has decreased, however, since the hot weather and this may have some influence on the price as well as the storage movement. Egg prices remain unchanged. The quality is said to show deterioration due to the warm weather and producers are being advised to keep their stock in cool places. Poultry and country dressed meats were steady.

### GRAIN MARKETS ADVANCE IN WEEK

#### Unfavorable Prospects for Spring Wheat in America is Cause.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Grain markets advanced sharply during the week ending July 6, influenced by continued unfavorable prospects for spring grains in the United States and Canada and uncertainty of seeding conditions in the southern hemisphere according to the weekly Grain Market Review of the United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Domestic wheat prices advanced 10c to 12c during the week but were still around 10c per bushel below a year ago, when harvesting prospects in general were considered more favorable than at present. Corn and other feed grains also advanced during the week but are still materially lower than a year ago, although present conditions point to a smaller outturn than last season. Flax turned sharply upward, reaching the highest point on the crop to date, reflecting the advancing market in Argentina and the uncertainty concerning crop prospects in North America.

Reports of continued unfavorable conditions for spring wheat in North America were the principal strengthening factor in the wheat market. While scattered rains were received in some areas of the American Northwest and Canada, they were generally insufficient to provide the moisture needed and the crop, particularly in Canada, is heading short and has suffered noticeably from the drought. Private estimates now place the Canadian crop around 100,000,000 bushels or more below last season's harvest.

The condition of the United States spring wheat crop appears more favorable than for the Canadian crop, although lack of moisture has caused material damage. Stem rust has appeared in some areas, according to specialists of the Bureau of plant industry. This is about a week earlier than last year but at least a week later than

in 1927 when the crop was late. A trace of stem rust is present on hard red spring wheat in South Dakota and southern Minnesota where the crop is in the heading to milk stages and in North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota where wheat is in the bent to flowering stages. Rust development in South Dakota and the Red River valley has been checked by drought. Leaf rust, which is entirely different from stem rust, is generally prevalent in South Dakota and Minnesota. The winter wheat crop has ripened or is ripening, with practically no injury from stem rust. European crops are making favorable progress although the season is somewhat late. Beneficial rains have improved crop conditions in Germany and the United Kingdom. Trade estimates place the Spanish wheat crop at around 145,000,000 bushels compared with 130,000,000 bushels harvested last season. Favorable prospects in France have been maintained and a crop about 70,000,000 bushels larger than was harvested in 1928 is in prospect. Threshing returns are generally good in Italy, although no definite estimates of the crop are yet available. While crop outturns are still subject to change with progress of the season, it appeared from such data as are available at present that the decreases recently reported in the lower Danubian countries may be offset by larger harvests in other sections and that the final European outturn may not differ greatly from that of last season.

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