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PRICES AND THE CONDITIONS—It is made in no, and any words made in no, shall not what is will, and it shall be done into no.—John 1:25.

Abe Martin



Mrs. Lute Rod was arrested for shoplifting in the Emporium today, but it was only one of the days of her new shirt gowns along beneath her coat. Clever Pie got caught in the Wall street crash and she and her wife won't take him back.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hug and children, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tracy and daughter spent Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Hug's and Mrs. Tracy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hug.

Miss Ida and Ella Thippin and Helen Bumpstead were shopping in La Grande Tuesday.

The Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Gervais were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Witherspoon Thursday.

All of the Christmas trees in the city were well attended, which showed that the people had the Christmas spirit. The teachers and pupils from the different schools had a well prepared and interesting program. Miss Ruth Kennedy said her program Friday evening at the Standard school house where she is teaching. Miss Helen Reed held her program Friday afternoon at the Highland school house where she teaches. Miss Andrews, who teaches at Fairview school held her program Saturday evening. The two teachers at the Lyman school and Cunningham school held their programs together Friday afternoon. The teacher of the Pine Grove school held her program Friday evening.

COLD IN MEXICO CAUSES 3 DEATHS

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Inevitable boats which put in to escape the ice. The Margate steamer received the news of the small German steamer Hermina in heavy weather at North Portland. The steamer was abandoned, a wreck.

75-MILE HURRICANE

HEBBIEN, Dec. 29 (AP)—Wreckage today traced the path of a 75-mile per hour hurricane which yesterday tore across northwestern Mexico. A partly completed church at Fortmad collapsed with such material damage. Other structures collapsed at Colague, Pansolito, and Mounster, with a few people injured. There were abnormally high tides in the Elbe and Wye rivers. Many vessels in port at Hamburg were torn from their moorings.

MAYOR AND 23 OTHERS FACING JAIL

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of Malien, and chairman of the board of trustees, John Wessley, Charles Hinton, Henry Fox and George Hinton, members of the board. Police officers were F. O. Welch, chief, and Harcourt Murphy, night patrolman. Others convicted were:

Joseph Beck, John Malloy, William Doughlin, Charles Pond, Charles Anderson, Walter Pickering, Walter Johnson, Mike Kennedy, Roy Appleton, Clifford Gardner, Martha Strop, "Maie" Kelley, Agnes West, Mena Molinard, and Herman Ashlin.

CRICKET FLAT

By Miss Lois Witherspoon
CRICKET FLAT (Special)—Mrs. Joe Hinton of North Powder, is visiting at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hart. Her stay will be a few weeks.

Miss Esther Witty, who is attending the normal school at La Grande, returned home Thursday to spend Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Witty.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Witherspoon and family and J. W. Witty were shopping in La Grande Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Witty and family and Mrs. Anna Wessley were shopping in La Grande yesterday.

Such persons like mother, for with Witty and they in La Grande, Ore. where he will not and the vacation with his grand mother. Mrs. Everett Witherspoon and Mrs. George Witherspoon are the proud parents of a baby girl born Saturday. The baby's name has been named Witty Home.

Mrs. Edith Witty and her daughter, Gladys Louise, returned to the home of Mr. Witty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Witty where they will spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Witty and daughter, of Hinesport, were visiting at the home of Mrs. Hinton's mother, Mr. and Mrs. John Houghton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hinton and children were in La Grande, Oregon Saturday.

The Rev. and Mrs. D. B. Gervais,

Sport Slants

By ALAN J. GOULD

The sports are beginning to report on the basketball situation, which seems to be well in hand and due for a banner campaign. Among the leagues that will be heard from shortly is an interesting fixture in Montana State College, the champion of the Rocky Mountain Conference, which came East to play Butler, Marquette, Purdue, Pittsburgh, Penn State and Nebraska.

"Here is a team that needs no apologies for anything," writes our Denver observer. "It won 25 out of 27 games last year, losing one to Utah Aggie and one to the Coors' Palace of Kansas City (the national A. A. U. championship) but Montana State won the series from each of those teams. They established an all-time scoring record of 2232 points to which Ashworth (Cat) Thompson, All-American forward, contributed almost 500 points personally.

"The team has lost Bredeen, a great guard, but the remaining four regulars of last season's quarter are back. Besides Thompson they include the famous Ward brothers, Frank, center, and Gerald, forward, in addition to Max Worthington, guard.

"They will take on Purdue and Sweet Murphy, Pittsburgh and Charley Hyatt, and I'm telling you in advance they will beat the bunch. The difference between the Montana State game and that in the Middle West and East, is that Montana scores.

"In 27 games last season, Montana hits averaged a fraction more than 50 points per game."

This makes Montana State the "point-and-a-half-per-minute" team, which seems about the human maximum unless a couple of lowizers are included to fire the shots.

To the galaxy of the college athletic situation, the following letter is contributed. It was received by a Southern college from a prospective student and published by the Journal of the American Medical Association:

Chattanooga, Tenn., October 24, 1929.
To Whom It May Concern:
I am now a sophomore in college, and I am a Cherokee Indian. However, I am about one-fourth white but not over one-fourth. I want to take up medicine, and I am not able to finance my way. If you will give me a scholarship for myself and uncle, who will complete high school this spring, it certainly will be appreciated by each of us. Furthermore, if I should get a scholarship, I expect I would like to go out for the football team in order to make a real team and bear other expenses. However, I have very little experience in football because I haven't had very much opportunity, but I believe could play a little. Give me a chance next fall.

Yours truly,
C. E. P. S. I will give you any information necessary concerning each of us.

social affairs of the executive mansion a poppy hotel orchestra has been engaged.

Arizona means to keep her business tracks. That ought to inspire Kansas and Texas to frame their packtrail footprints.

Woman, 56, Takes Course in U. of O.

EUGENE, Ore. (AP)—"One is never too old to learn," says Mrs. Stella M. Thayer, 54-year-old journalism student at the University of Oregon.

After being five of her seven children through college and the other two well on their way to an education, Mrs. Thayer has entered the school of journalism as a special student. She is interested in young people and says that her purpose in studying journalism is to prepare herself to be of service to them with her pen.

"The children are the most important asset of the nation, and women, especially, need to have brought to them a realization of the importance of the fact," Mrs. Thayer said.

CITY PREPARES TO GREET 1930 NEW YEAR'S EVE

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It's so tell the kids and babies to bring their voices along," he writes, adding that he has his knife all polished up and his knees specially

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MORE SHOOTINGS AND DEATHS ON THE RUM FRONT

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were seized in Long Island sound waters. A fire on the converted sub-chaser Flor-Del-Mar, set by the escaping crew after the craft was overtaken by the patrol boat Legare, was extinguished and the boat, with 4000 cases of assorted liquors aboard, was seized by the CG-22 and brought here after the crew had escaped to shore.

RANCHER AND WIFE ARRESTED

NAPA, Cal., Dec. 28 (AP)—John South, Napa county rancher, and his wife were in the county jail here today held on open charges pending the outcome of a bullet wound received by Robert E. Freeman, federal prohibition agent, during a liquor raid on the South ranch near Youngville yesterday.

HERE and THERE

Freeman was shot twice during a scuffle with South whom he fought to prevent destroying evidence seized on a search warrant in the ranchhouse. One bullet entered Freeman's shoulder and penetrated a lung, while the other lodged in his arm. His condition was said to be critical.

HI-JACKING THEORY

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 28 (AP)—A hi-jacking episode springing from the sporadic warfare for control of Cleveland's bootleg industry was suggested today as an explanation for the slaying of Edward Maddens, 26, known to police as a "small time" bootlegger and former amateur boxer.

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Allan Hoover To Be Host Tonight

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29 (AP)—Allan Hoover, the youngest son of the president, will reach the high point of his holiday (ring tonight with a brilliant dancing party at the White House.

Honesty may be the best policy, but telling the truth isn't always exactly polite.

There is not much hope for the person who makes work the last expedient for getting along.

The machine capable of exerting 600,000 pounds pressure is not comparable with the tight shoe on an aching corn.

Scientists claim man's cycle of years will be increased to 100 years, which will be a great boon to the installment business.

That La Grande people appreciate and thoroughly enjoy the finer things in music was demonstrated last night, when the First Methodist Episcopal church, large as it is, was hardly adequate to hold the crowd that gathered for the sacred concert given by the La Grande municipal band, directed by Andrew Loney Jr.

Following three December days that were warmer than any previous day in any December in La Grande in the last 43 years (since the weather has been recorded locally), the spring-like sunshine yesterday came as a fitting climax to an unusually agreeable winter-opening month. About the only disappointed ones in La Grande are those boys who are waiting to try out their Christmas sleds.

STANFORD DOES ITS STUFF

Final tests of strength between representative eastern and western football teams will extend the 1929 grid season into the first day of 1930, with the undefeated University of Pittsburgh meeting Southern California, twice beaten, at Pasadena Wednesday. At the same time the annual east-west all star game will be under way at Kezar Stadium, San Francisco. The Pacific coast continues to hold a margin in the post-season contests this year, with the Stanford 34 to 13 victory over Army Saturday once more demonstrating the strength and versatility of the far-western football machines.

LADD CANYON CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

By Mrs. Charles Grandy
LADD CANYON (Special)—The Ladd Canyon Golf-tennis club had an unusually pleasant meeting Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Drummond as it was the day chosen by the majority of Christmas packages among the members. Mrs. Drummond had a good sized box of beautifully decorated and its base was piled high with the festive and useful gifts. At the distribution of the gifts the business came in with a tray piled high with pink popcorn balls which was followed by the election of officers for the coming year. Mrs. J. W. Drummond was elected president, Mrs. Charles Grandy vice president, Mrs. Frank Poole secretary, Mrs. Albert Austin assistant secretary, and Mrs. Ada Clark treasurer. Mrs. Carl Allen, of La Grande, and Mrs. George Loney, of Yamhill, were guests of the club. Near the close of the afternoon Mrs. Drummond served a delicious luncheon to her guests. Mrs. Everett Hart will be the next business in the club in January.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hinton and family had Christmas dinner at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ada Winton in La Grande. It was a big family gathering and Mrs. Frank Poole, a sister of Mrs. Winton and her husband were also present.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Austin had a big dinner Christmas day which was held around the table.

Mr. and Mrs. George Loney have been here from Yaltona for the last week visiting with Mrs. Loney's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Egan. They and Mr. and Mrs. Hinton had Christmas dinner together at the home of Mrs. Loney's brother Andy Loney in La Grande.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Beah were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cliney Christmas day. The Beahs came from Prineville and Donavan drove over the mountains and had Christmas

at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Gervais.

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