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BURNING HEARTS—And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him, and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures?—Luke 24:30, 31, 32.

THE IDLE WORD

The idle word that stings is as old as human speech. Spoken thoughtlessly or spoken in a moment of irritation, it says more than the speaker meant. At least it says more than he would have said if he had taken second thought. Too often in a hasty moment one who really would not for worlds cause lasting hurt does just that because he reaches for the first remark that will register.

These idle words go deep, deep into the heart and memory of the one to whom they are addressed. There is no way of reaching his harm by law and courts. There is no way of resolving that one will never say the thing that cause needless hurt, except by resolving to build up a habit in one's life of saying only kindly things until quiet reflection has shown the need of something else.

This is not a text for weaklings, a counsel of meekness to the point of being trodden upon. It was not a weak man who prayed, "Set a watch before the door of my lips," nor a fool who wrote, "She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness."

THE HABIT OF THRIFT

Lots of people expect to acquire all their good habits in their second childhood.

And one of the good habits long put off is thrift.

Often this habit does come in second childhood. With appetites and passions burned out of the decaying mind and body, old men may find themselves freed from temptations and wrongly consider their condition due to ripened virtue.

But thrift, like any other "virtue" forced upon one by nature, is apt to find its environment unhealthy and to curdle into penurious meanness.

Some men would let their grandmothers starve to death for the sake of a few dollars. That cannot be called thrifty.

And virtue carried to excess becomes a vice and is no longer virtue. Thrift that does not take into partnership honesty and charity sours into covetousness and avarice.

True thrift is the opposite of thriftlessness, prodigality, improvidence and waste.

Thrift means better homes and better food, more comfort and enjoyment, less waste and less anxiety.

Out of it grow quickened energies, firmer courage, more stalwart thought and hope, more orderly citizenship, education and good chance in life for the children, and the independence and self-respect that lift aimless, hopeless drudges up to true manhood.

Forest Ranger McCool Issues Annual Report

By Mrs. A. G. Conklu (Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore. (Special)—A report from Keith McCool, forest ranger for the Grande Ronde ranger's district on the forest fires in 1929 is very interesting as it is compared with the fires in district No. 8 that includes 22 national forests in all of Oregon and Washington. Considering the fact that there was more money spent in the whole district in the control of fires in 1929 than there has ever been in the entire 22 years the forests have been under government control the small sum spent in the Grande Ronde ranger's district is very small.

There were 19 fires in the Grande Ronde district with a total of 1 1/2 acres of burned area. There were one smoldering fire on Elk Creek that burned approximately 1 1/2 acres. There were four smoldering fires and six caused by lightning.

There were three convictions on smoldering fires with total fines of \$700.00. Due to the fact that there were more people visited this part of the forest this year, than ever before and it also being one of the driest fire seasons on record, it is very remarkable that the burned-over area was so small when burning conditions were perfect for such a long period. There were times during the fire season that if a fire had started in the right place it would have spread over almost the entire district, an acreage of 122,332 acres, and if this had occurred our visitors next year would have been few as no one would care to visit an old burn. I hope everyone who comes to our little forest realizes the great importance of their care with fire during the dry period. Just one careless person might put this beauty spot in an unattractive position that would exist for a hundred years. How sad for the people who are making the Atlantic country their vacation place seem to appreciate the rare quality of such a playground and are glad to help preserve it as nature intended it to be. The care with fire exhibited by the 1929

Abe Martin



It's hard enough to get something for something, not to mention something for nothing. One thing a merchant should be glad of, however, is to make a lemonade.

visitors is the most important cause of the small area burned over and of course we that are employed by the U. S. forest service take part of the credit for we did our best to take quick and efficient action on every fire that started and none of them got away from us after they were under control. I don't consider it was all luck. Let us all hope and follow that hope up by giving good advice to others that the season of 1929 will not be any more destructive from fires than 1928.

The cold weather, with the mercury all the way from 19 to 20 degrees below zero, is the sole topic of conversation at this time. On Tuesday, the mercury did not quite get up to zero. Frozen water pipes and all the kindred ills that extremely cold weather brings occupy the attention of everyone. There has been considerable trouble at the school house with one or two plumbers daily on the job. The ladies guild that expected to meet Saturday will postpone their meeting until Saturday, Feb. 8.

In the report of the third and fourth grade pupils neither absent or tardy for the first semester, the names of Wanda Betty Orten and Irvie Hiner were inadvertently omitted.

Kathleen Comstock, in the fifth grade, is reported by her teacher, Mrs. Springer, to be in the lead in her memory work as she has completed all the required work for January.

There is still much illness in Cove. The school has only about 50 per cent attendance and many others are on sick list, but it is not serious as there have been no fatalities and the sickness lasts only a few days.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IS GRANGE PLAN

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preside in the absence of the lieutenant governor.

Should both the governor and the lieutenant governor be unable to serve, the governorship would fall upon the secretary of state, who would serve until the disability were removed or a new governor elected. Should it be necessary to elect a new governor this would be done at the next general election, the governor to serve for the unexpired term of the previous governor.

Overnight News Briefs

(By The Associated Press)

ATLANTA—Mrs. Rebecca Lattimer Nelson, only woman to hold office of U. S. Senator dies, aged 84.

CHICAGO—Citizens pledge \$50,000,000 to loan city in crisis.

WASHINGTON—President Hoover forbids importation of parrots.

ST. PAUL—Walter J. Hill, son of late James J. Hill, defendant in \$100,000 alienation of affections suit.

LOS ANGELES—Daneer sues Patanges for \$1,000,000.

TAMPA, Fla.—Hoover letter rood at building trades leaders' conference expresses hope country may find method for amicable settlement of strikes.

WASHINGTON—Paraguayan charge d'affaires informed that Bolivian commander has ordered general offensive.

BEACH, N. D.—One pilot injured when 18 army planes flying from Miles City toward Bismarck, N. D., are forced down by storm.

WASHINGTON—Interstate commerce commission asks change in law providing for railroad valuations.

LONDON—Italians think their differences with France provide difficulties for conference.

MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
Mar.	1.21 1/2 @ 1.22	1.23	1.21 1/2	1.22 1/2 @ 1.23
May	1.24 @ 1/4	1.27	1.26	1.26 1/2 @ 1/4
July	1.27 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.27 1/2	1.27 1/2 @ 1/4

PORTLAND WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
Mar.	1.23 1/2	1.24 1/2	1.23 1/2	1.23 1/2
May	1.25 1/2	1.26 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.25 1/2
July	1.28 1/2	1.29 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.28 1/2
Sept.	1.31 1/2	1.32 1/2	1.31 1/2	1.31 1/2

Butter And Milk Situation Crazy; Eggs Stay Firm

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 25 (AP)—While the price of milk, the parent product, steadily declines, the prices on butter, butterfat and cheese, by-products, steadily advance. This situation has become an enigma which those in control of quotations have so far failed to explain.

Another went up another cent at the Portland produce exchange Saturday, while butterfat jumped 2c to a basis of 41c delivered Portland. Tillamook at the same time advanced Tillamook triplets and loafs 2c.

Eggs were firm but unchanged.

MASKED BANDITS ROB GUESTS OF JEWELRY, CASH

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loose from their bonds and after releasing the women, they ran to a neighbor's and gave the alarm.

Among the heavy losses besides Mrs. Campbell, were Mrs. Campbell-Smith, the hostess, who was forced to give up a \$5,000 diamond ring and a \$500 pin. Jewelry worth \$500 was taken from Mrs. W. Hill while men guest lost cash, watches and pins valued at approximately \$5,000. Although police motorcycle and automobile squads patrolled the district and guarded every excess from the city, no trace of the robbers was found.

CUTTER HAMMERS WAY THROUGH ICE

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had been drained during the week of isolation.

Representatives of the chamber of commerce of Astoria accompanied the ice breaker after many telephone and telegraph appeals of aid had been received by Leo H. Merrick, secretary. Three days ago he arranged with the Acove Tug and Barge company to proceed to Altona and other nearby fishing villages with supplies. The tug was forced to abandon the attempt because of the river ice.

The Portland Oregonian, which furnished the airplane to transport Dr. E. L. Boylen, physician, to Puget Island to attend the Merrill, Gray girl, received a message from the medic today indicating that several other persons on the Malcolumbia island were ill and that he had attended them. None were serious, he said, except the child and she will live.

SEATTLE MAN KILLED

EVENE, Ore., Jan. 25 (AP)—Collision of his automobile with a Southern Pacific stage at Ankeny, 25 miles south of here, was fatal to Robert Fairbairn, 75, of Seattle. Five other persons were hurt in the accident said to have been caused by a skid on an icy pavement.

BREAK ACCIDENT FATAL

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 25 (AP)—John R. Lewis, 52, cranked his automobile while in gear in his garage. Two hours later he died of injuries suffered when the automobile crushed him between the fender and the garage wall.

FRANCE AND ITALY STUDY DIFFERENCES

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In accordance with national needs of the country. The spokesman said he was convinced that a just naval proportion could be worked out and the "total" or "global" machinery be built with each power having its equitable part thereof.

Acknowledged Introduced. As to naval parity with Italy the French spokesman expressed the opinion that this question had been awkwardly introduced by talking of parity at the outset instead of respective national naval needs. It was apparent that the French continued to hope to discover some solution of the Franco-Italian naval question but thus far they stood pat on their determination not to grant parity outright.

The Americans, British and Japanese stood by anxiously today as the negotiations between the two countries proceeded; virtually all other conference activity was at a standstill. The remaining powers were hopeful of good results but fully aware of the possibilities of the situation.

ASSAIL SECRET SESSIONS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (AP)—Secret session at the London arms limitation conference were assailed in the senate today by Senator McKellar, Democrat, Tennessee, as giving the international gathering "a black eye" to start with.

In the first mention of the London conference in the senate since the meeting opened, Senator McKellar commended Senators Robinson of Arkansas and Reed of Pennsylvania, members of the American delegation, for their stand in favor of open sessions.

COLD WAVE IS BREAKING AT LADD CANYON

By Mrs. Charles Grandy (Observer Correspondent)

LADD CANYON (Special)—The cold weather was very intense here, with everything almost at a stand still, but it has broken at last. A terrible blizzard raged here all day Wednesday and the night before when a high wind blew from the north, lifting the snow into high drifts. Log hauling from up in the canyon was suspended and both the mail carrier and the man who delivered the cream for the farmers in this neighborhood were unable to entirely cover their routes.

The Get-Together club was to have been entertained by Mrs. Harry Hanson of La Grande, on Thursday, was postponed for two weeks owing to the extreme cold and the drifted roads.

Several people here had the thrilling experience of listening to King George over the radio early Tuesday morning.

Lawrence Roy, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Munsell, has been having a siege of the measles. He is improving at present.

Charles Grandy has been nursing a very sore hand, having run a rusty nail through it, but is able to use it again now.

Mrs. Hattie Fischer was called to La Grande Wednesday morning to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Fred Synhorst, who had fallen, breaking some of her ribs and bruising herself badly. Mrs. Synhorst is well advanced in years.

"Story Book Romance" Crashes



SEA OMAHA BARON
The "story book romance" of Rosamund Gluck Powell, shown above, and Ralph Powell, inset, has come to an end in the Omaha divorce courts. Powell gave up a \$150-a-week position as secretary to Mrs. Arthur Schoellkopf, widow of the Niagara (N. Y.) Power Company executive, who inherited \$55,000,000 upon her husband's death, to marry Miss Gluck, who is Mrs. Schoellkopf's niece. The couple disregarded Mrs. Schoellkopf's disapproval of their marriage and Powell took a job as real estate salesman in Omaha at \$150 a month. Now he has filed suit for divorce and asks custody of Ralph Jr., their 4-year-old son. Powell was three times Missouri Valley Tennis champion.

making the pain doubly hard to endure and friends are hoping for her early recovery.

Saturday Market In Exchange Firm

NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (AP)—Wall street witnessed a firm Saturday market today despite rather heavy week end profit taking in some of the recent leaders. Increased activity and strength was noted in a number of low and medium priced oil and automobile accessory shares, probably due to a revival of poor operations, but the best gains were recorded in the high priced industrials and public utilities.

Wheat Irregular At Closing Today

CHICAGO, Jan. 25 (AP)—Despite unofficial estimates that Argentina has harvested 50,000,000 bushels more wheat than the Argentine government has reported, wheat prices here displayed notable firmness today. After an early dip that resulted from an overnight accumulation of selling orders and from prospects that considerable movement of the amount of wheat afloat on ocean passage would be announced Monday, the Chicago market averaged higher most of the day.

Wheat closed irregular, ranging from 1/2c net decline to an equal advance.

Corn closed 1/4c off to 5/8c up, oats unchanged to 1/4c higher, and provisions unchanged to 1/2c down.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 25 (AP)—Receipts: hogs 130, cattle 19, sheep 305, all direct. Week's total approximately: hogs 5875, cattle 2240, calves 205, sheep 2925.

Hogs: compared week ago, killing classes 25c higher. Feeders steady. Bulk light butchers \$11.00, a few lows Monday and one covek of outstanding quality Friday at \$11.25, over and under weights, \$10.75, mostly \$10.50 down, extreme heavies down to \$9.00. Bulk packing sows \$8.50 to \$9.75. Slaughter pigs \$10.00 to \$10.50, mostly \$10.25. Feeders mostly strong weights \$10.25 to \$10.50, choice light quoted up to \$10.75.

Cattle: compared week ago, steers steady, bulls, cows and heifers 25c to 50c higher. Calves and weaners 50c to \$1.00 higher. Good steers \$11.00 to \$11.25 with weights in instances up to \$11.50. Medium grades largely \$10.00 to \$10.75, commons down to \$7.50. Good heifers up to \$10.50, good cows \$9.25. Low cutters and cutters mostly \$4.00 to \$5.00. Bulls \$5.00 to \$5.25 and better, mostly \$7.00 to \$8.00. Best light vealers \$14.50. Calves \$12.50 down, off grades seldom stopped below \$5.50.

Sheep: lambs and yearlings quoted steady with week ago. Light lambs trading considerably short of choice sold freely up to \$12.00. Yearlings quoted \$7.50 to \$9.50 and better. One load good to choice 125 pound ewes Monday brought \$7.50 or \$2.25 higher than previously quoted.

SUGAR AND FLOUR

PORTLAND, Jan. 25 (AP)—Cane sugar (raw) basis—steady; cane (fruit de berry, \$5.40 per cwt.; beet sugar, \$5.50 cwt.

Flour: (city delivery prices)—steady; family patents, 49c, \$5.00; whole wheat, 45c, \$7.10; Graham, 49c, \$6.50; bakers' hard wheat, 88c, \$7.20; bakers' bluestem patents, 85c, \$7.50; pastry flour, 49c, \$7.50.

PORTLAND CASH

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 25 (AP)—Cash wheat, Big Bend bluestem, hard white \$1.25.
Soft white \$1.22.
Western white \$1.22.
Hard winter \$1.19 1/2.
Northern spring \$1.19 1/2.
Western red \$1.19 1/2.

Oats: No. 2-38 lb. white \$45.00.
Today's car receipts: wheat 57, barley 1, flour 15, oats 1, hay 3.

LIGHTWEIGHT BOXER KILLED IN DETROIT

DETROIT, Jan. 25 (AP)—Mickey Darnon, 20, Detroit lightweight boxer, died at 4 a. m. today in Providence hospital following a knockout in the Olympia ring last night at the hands of Eddie Kopy, also of Detroit.

Darnon, whose real name was Nicholas Darnand, did not regain consciousness after reaching the hospital.

He was knocked out in the fifth round of a six round fight by a right to the jaw. The bout was one of the preliminaries to the Archie Bell-Tommy Paul fight.

Kopy, his manager, Charlie Moore, Referee Sam Hennepsey, and Doc Casey, Darnon's chief handler, were questioned by Van H. Ring, an assistant prosecuting attorney, after the fight but were not held. Ring, who was a spectator at the ringside, ruled that Darnon was the victim of a legitimate knockout.

Darnon was on the losing end of the fight from the start. Kopy tied him up with rights in the first round and had him on the verge of a knockout in the second. The end came suddenly in the fifth when Kopy connected

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with a smashing right while the fighters were making it in a neutral corner. Darnon fell to the canvas and struck his head on the floor as he dropped flat on his back. Referee Hennepsey, at first not realizing the condition of Darnon, began the count.

Health Talks

BIG AND LITTLE GERMS
The biggest surviving animal is the whale; the smallest, the mouse. Great is the difference in their sizes, but greater still is the difference between the sizes of the largest and smallest known germs.

Some germs, like those causing anthrax, can be easily seen through the microscope of even low power magnification. There are some diseases, however, caused by living organisms too small to be discernible—filterable viruses.

What is the significance of this name? If germs, say typhoid germs, suspended in a fluid, were placed in a test tube made of unglazed porcelain and the fluid were drawn through the closed end, none of the germs would pass through. The minute cracks between the particles of porcelain are usually larger than the germs, but the tubes are so crooked that the germs cannot pass. A so-called filterable virus, however, will pass right through the walls of our finest porcelain filters. Hence the name filterable virus.

Seeing is believing, the old saw runs. How then can we be certain of their existence? The first actual answer to this puzzle was given in 1898, by French and Loeffler. These two scientists studying the so-called foot and mouth disease in cattle, could not find a germ-cause for it, but did find that a living something called a virus, was present in the fluid of the blisters of the sick animals. When this fluid was passed through a porcelain filter, the filtered fluid would cause the disease in healthy cattle. This virus will produce foot and mouth disease in animals experimentally infected.

Since the days of French and Loeffler at least 40 viruses have been identified.

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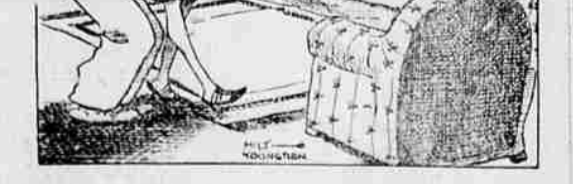
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