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Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name. For thou only are holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.—Rev. 15:4.

ANOTHER PROSPECTIVE BUILDING PROJECT

At the time the government decided to build the canal at Panama there were engineers who advocated its location at Nicaragua, and it is interesting to learn that interest is being aroused in the building of a canal across the latter country that would furnish another gateway from the Pacific to the Atlantic.

In going through the Panama canal a short time ago one of our battleships, the Arkansas, scraped her sides, and just recently the English battleship, H. M. S. Nelson, on its way through the canal, not only scraped, but dented some of the heavy steel plates. The width of the locks is 110 feet, while that of the battleship is 106 feet, leaving only two feet leeway on each side.

With the increasing size of ships, and the heavy volume of traffic passing through the canal it is very evident that additional and larger facilities must be provided, and this accounts for the interest now being manifested in the Nicaraguan route.

With the Boulder dam project now under way, the likelihood is that the proposed sea-level canal will be the next great government building enterprise, and it would result in the employment of thousands of men and a demand for immense quantities of building materials and machinery.

THE SOVIET CHANGES

The soviet system is based on the theory that all members are equal and that all burdens and rewards shall be shared, but it seems that their principles may be changed when the need is demonstrated.

Down through the years there has been evolved the principle that all men have not the same natural ability, nor do all make the best use of their talents, and now the soviet leaders have come to realize this in connection with the wages paid to the workers.

It is now proposed that the lazy and indifferent workers shall not receive the same compensation as the industrious workers, and thus they recognize the principle now existing between capital and labor in practically all other countries.

While it cannot always be said that a thing is good because it has heretofore been the custom, yet many practices have continued because they have been found to be the most workable. And one by one the Russian leaders are being compelled to admit that the practices in vogue in other countries, as a result of long experience, are worthy of consideration.

A bee expert gives this advice: "don't coddle your bees." This seems quite sensible, and we are willing to co-operate to the limit. The only thing we ask in return is that our bees do not coddle us.

When a locomotive whistles for a grade crossing it is a good time to believe all you hear.

Those German philosophers were nearly right. War will not make a people tough, but grubbing to pay for it will.

Most any man may be popular by keeping his opinions to himself.

Life is too short to waste time in hating anybody.

Briand Pursues Austro-German Customs Treaty

PARIS, Mar. 29.—Foreign Minister Aristide Briand told the French senate Sunday that he was going to pursue the affairs of the Austro-German customs treaty to the bitter end "On the day when it is no longer possible to count on the loyal execution of international conventions there will be nothing left," he said.

Replying to questioners, Briand asserted he did not waste a minute in raising the danger cry once he learned of the projected customs agreement and immediately made the necessary representations to Vienna and Berlin.

He did this to indicate France's position clearly, he said, and to warn other nations. "One of them even went further than to wish to defer the matter to the council of the league of nations and wanted to bring it before the court of international justice at The Hague," he said.

Briand admitted that he was disappointed by the announcement of the projected accord but said he wouldn't have been worthy of the title of foreign minister if he had not

IMBLER PERSONALS

By Mrs. Ray Wilson (Observer Correspondent)
IMBLER (Special)—The women's club met at the home of Mrs. C. C. Welch Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Lucy Westenkow had charge of the program which was a review of a book—a Japanese story. Those present were: Mesdames Gaskell, Berry, Cleaver, Westenkow, Crouser, Hazen and the hostess.

Mrs. Jennie Stringham and Mrs. Lyle Kiddle came out from La Grande Thursday afternoon to visit with Mrs. Clay Fox. Mrs. Stringham formerly lived in Imbler but have been making their home at Pasco, Wash. for a number of years.

Mrs. Stringham is visiting friends in La Grande while her husband is in Salt Lake City attending a bankers' convention in earnest.

William Volvinkler, manager of the Kiddle grain warehouses in Imbler, says he is well acquainted with the parents of Virginia Brooks, the little girl who was kidnapped and slain at San Diego, Cal. He says Mr. and Mrs. Brooks are former residents of Fruitdale, near La Grande and left there about 15 years ago.

Sam Knight, prominent farmer of north of Imbler is getting ready to start farming operations in earnest. He came home from La Grande Wednesday afternoon with a brand new three bottom gang plow. Sam says that the price was in line with the prices of farm produce.

PERRY PERSONALS

By Laven Pierson (Observer Correspondent)
PERRY, Ore. (Special)—An eight-month baby girl was born to Mrs. Alvin Carman Wednesday morning. Both mother and baby are doing nicely.

A pleasant surprise party was given in honor of Alvin O'Neill's birthday anniversary Sunday night. The evening was spent at cards and visiting and at a late hour refreshments were served. The main feature was a beautifully decorated birthday cake.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. O'Neil, Mr. and Mrs. Max Ayers, Donald and Alvin Kofford, all of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Peterson and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Peterson.

Mrs. T. E. Pierson and Ray Pierson of La Grande, and Mrs. H. J. Houtman, of Astoria, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Kelley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Myrick and Mrs. Steve Brock were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Del Turnbow, of La Grande, Saturday night.

Law Evans, of La Grande, and Fred Graves, of Cro Dell, were Perry visitors Sunday.

Ray Pierson, of La Grande, and Mrs. H. J. Houtman, of Kamela, were overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Kelley Monday night.

Ray Snyder, of La Grande, was a visitor at the Stanley Cathcart home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Holden spent Sunday in Baker at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Olsen.

Mrs. Leonard Ferguson, of Pendleton, was a visitor at the Proctor home Tuesday.

Darrell Allen, a former resident of Perry, but now of Medford, was a guest at the Frank Braden home Monday.

Alvin Carman returned home from a business trip to Baker Wednesday evening.

Alvin O'Neill and son, Don, left for Boise, Idaho, Thursday morning for an indefinite time.

Georgia Ware and Ray Pierson, of La Grande, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Kelley Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Harold Herron, of May Park, spent an afternoon visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Ruth McCormick, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kofford, of La Grande, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Braden Sunday.

Mt. Glen Personals

By Mrs. E. D. Whiting (Observer Correspondent)
MT. GLEN (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Peck, of Cove, representatives of the Union stake Sunday school board of the L. D. S. church, attended church services here Sunday.

Joseph Salisbury and James Smurthwaite, of Baker, visited here Sunday at the local church.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank James, of Cambridge, Idaho, have returned to their home after having spent a week visiting at the home of A. J. Peck.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence DeGraw and son, Eaper, accompanied by Mrs. J. A. Leak and her mother, Mrs. Clara Richards, returned Sunday from Kamela, Idaho, where they visited at the home of Mr. Guy Jones, Mrs. Lyons and Mrs. Leak are sisters.

The pupils of the Mt. Glen school joined with those from the Iowa district and played a game of basketball against the Fruitdale school. The Fruitdale pupils were victorious.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Guyman, of La Grande, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of A. J. Peck.

Albert Calkins, who is shearing sheep in Idaho, spent the weekend with his family here. He left for Idaho Sunday to continue with his work.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Metcalf and son, of La Grande, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Whiting Sunday afternoon.

Miss Blanche Whiting is left for Eugene Saturday to resume her studies at the university where she started last school year.

Miss Whiting has spent the spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Whiting.

A number of members of the local L. D. S. church attended the initiation and dance given at the La Grande Second Ward Recreation hall, Mar. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loft, of La Grande, visited at the J. A. Leak home Tuesday.

UNION PERSONALS

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrill
A large crowd attended the initiation services for Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Claviness, of La Grande, last Wednesday evening. A good delegation came down from North Powder, and most of the local members were present.

The floral design and floor work were served by the past matrons. Instead of the regular corps of officers, after the work was completed the refreshment committee served a tasty lunch.

Frank Gardiner, of Baker, was a business visitor Union Tuesday. Mrs. Bert Tucker came down from Walla Walla to visit her mother, Mrs. Effie Rosewall, the last of last week.

When she returned her mother accompanied her and will remain until after Easter.

Milton Bloch, Portland architect who drew the plans of the Union hotel, was a visitor in Union Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore, of La Grande, accompanied him over.

Billy Dobbin returned to his college duties in Eugene on Friday after spending his mid-year vacation with his parents.

After a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, Mrs. Howard Wilson returned to Lewiston on Thursday.

Mrs. George Hoffman gave a delightful party for the members of the recreation club on Thursday. Following lunch, the afternoon was spent at bridge. Because of the illness of several members only two tables were arranged.

Thompson May Aid Farm Board Wheat Problem

By Frank I. Weller (Associated Press Farm Editor)
WASHINGTON.—Sam H. Thompson is the first professional "farm leader" to receive any of the highly important agricultural positions President Hoover has had at his disposal in the last two years.

Until his appointment to the farm board was announced in June, it had prevailed that none of that group so long and ardently identified with farm legislation would be so favored.

The appointment was a surprise in farm circles.

The practice of passing those professionally identified with farm politics had created the impression that the new member of the board would be selected from the tobacco industry.

Through influence of James C. Stone when he became chairman.

The commodity Thompson is to represent was not named at the time he was appointed.

Has Midwest Backing
Thompson has a powerful personal following in the Midwest, where chief opposition to the farm board is centered.

In the last three months Thompson and American Farm Bureau federation of which he has been president, have been active in behalf of the farm board.

Previously the federation had been committed to the equalization fee principle of farm relief.

The National Grange, however, never has retreated from its position on the export debenture and plans to renew the conflict for it in the new congress.

Farm circles in Washington, expressing extreme satisfaction with Thompson's appointment, say it possibly may act to intrude further the farm board in the wheat belt while the grain stabilization corporation works out a solution for its vast acreage.

May Help Aerate Problem
They suggest the possibility that the presence of such a well-known friend of the farmer on the board may serve to inspire further confidence in acreage adjustment and cooperative marketing while those two paramount factors in the success of the board's program are still in the test period.

Thompson comes to the board with a sound record of farm support of his fight for tax reform, farm-to-market roads and his plan to preserve the family-sized farm through rural home modernization and beautification.

Thompson's theory of tax reform looks toward equalization of the burden, now largely borne by real estate, by taxing tangible property on its earning capacity rather than on its capital value.

Health Talks

VARIOUS ANEMIAS
Anemias are generally divided into two large groups, the so-called primary and secondary types.

Pernicious anemia is of the primary type. It is a disease in which recent studies have led us to believe that pernicious anemia is a deficiency disease due to the absence of some substance necessary to make the bone marrow produce its normal quota of red cells.

Pernicious anemia is an insidious disease. It steals upon the patient almost imperceptibly and yet there are certain characteristics which may be observed in the patient.

His skin has a lemon-yellow tint. His body gives the appearance of being well nourished and yet there is a flabbiness about it that is characteristic.

The patient becomes progressively fatigued, his appetite fails, the mental processes become weakened and he manifests a general appearance of functional decline.

The secondary types of anemias are due to nutritional disorders, such as a chronic infectious disease, or following the loss of blood by hemorrhage.

While liver is effective in the treatment of pernicious anemia, the public in some cases has drawn the broad and unwarranted deduction that, if the treatment is good for this type, it is good for all anemias and as a "health" food in general.

Virgin Islands And Porto Rico Diversify Crops

By Frank I. Weller (Associated Press Farm Editor)
WASHINGTON.—President Hoover's visit to Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands, closely following the request of the department of the interior for aid to improve native agriculture, centers attention on the chief industry of insular possessions in the Caribbean.

Farming there, still primitive to a degree, is moving swiftly toward methods of the mainland.

Farmers who once produced little more than sugar cane and bay oil not only are learning to meet their own requirements in food crops, but also to produce winter vegetables for New York and eastern markets.

Sugar cane still is the chief product of both Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands, but production is not expanding. Through influence of federal agricultural experiment stations, Porto Rico is turning attention to dairying and livestock and the Virgin Islands to vegetables and fruits.

Prof. J. R. Ricks, former director of the station at Starkville, Miss., has been appointed to the station on St. Thomas island, and the Mayaguez station in Porto Rico is in charge of T. E. McCalland.

The Porto Rican station has an annual appropriation from congress of \$59,000 and the Virgin Islands station \$25,000.

With the transfer of insular possessions from navy to interior control, the department of agriculture sent a chemist and a forester to the Virgin Islands at request of Secretary Wilbur.

Extreme prevalence of the fever which in Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands is given as one of the chief drawbacks to the production of dairy and beef cattle, but eradication has been started.

In addition to the introduction of poultry, the stations are emphasizing sweet potato culture and wider use of improved varieties of tropical fruits and vegetables.

TEAMS OF ATHENS COACH SET LOFTY CAGE RECORD

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—In five years at Athens High school Coach Jimmy Kite has produced two national scholastic cage title teams, one national runner-up and one Texas A. I. championship and three Texas Interscholastic league pennant winners.

His Hornets were the first to capture three Texas schoolboy titles. Kite is partial to height in his men, and fast athletes under six feet can be found on his first string.

ARMY TANKERS WIN ALL BUT ONE

WEST POINT, N. Y. (AP)—The United States Military academy swimming team won seven of eight events in the season just closed. Bill Davis, of East Orange, N. J., captain of the team which lost only to Columbia, led in points scored.

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CARD PARTY

Eagles hall, Mon. night. Public invited. 3-28-2 t.

COLONIAL BEAUTY SHOP

Will be closed Monday and Tuesday moving to La Grande Hotel. Open for business Wednesday morning. 3-28-2 t.

TREASURER'S CALL FOR CITY WARRANTS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, treasurer of the City of La Grande, Oregon, hereby calls for retirement all warrants drawn on the general fund of the city and registered prior to the 1st day of December, 1930. All interest will cease on above warrants remaining unpaid on the last day of April, 1931.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, March 28th, 1931.

J. E. STEARNS, Recorder-Treasurer. 3-28-2 t.

COOKED FOOD & EASTER CAKE SALE

By American Legion Auxiliary, on Sat. April 4 at Wagner's Hardware. 3-30-4 t.

HEALTHY MATCH TAXES START INTERNATIONAL FIRE

CAIRO (AP)—Egypt's burning question is through taxes on the lowly safety match, generally given away in America, that Egypt seeks to overcome its budget deficiencies.

It is estimated that the revenue produced under the proposal would approximate \$560,000 but countries whose nationals' business profits are threatened have lodged protests.

It is because of the Swedish Match Trust's position in a number of European countries, under which the government is loaned money in exchange for a monopoly, "free matches" as Americans understand the term, are unknown.

WASHINGTON STATE PIG YIELD

A Washington state fall pig yield was 19 per cent larger than same period in 1929.

More than half the nation's supply of cast iron pipe is made in Birmingham, Ala.

A single boll weevil may produce 12,500,000 descendants in one season if parasites and man do not interfere.

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