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For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—John 3: 16.

CURTAILING PRODUCTION

In the past few months several prominent men have proposed plans by which the government would be given power to curtail the production of any industry whenever the proper authorities might deem it necessary. Such a course, they say, would prevent overproduction and the recurrence of economic crises which have occurred at regular intervals in the past.

But there is considerable doubt as to the advisability of adopting any such plan. One of the doubters is Henry Ford. He says: "Will the public stand for a system that puts the market at the mercy of the manufacturer? Isn't it a healthier condition where the manufacturers are at the mercy of the discriminating public? Free competition for greater excellence in quality has done more to create wholesome and balanced conditions than all the business laws that governments have passed."

Then he goes on to say that legislators talk of curbing the factories, but do nothing about the stock market. "Surely it was not the factories that caused the crash of 1929. Why not apply the curb somewhere near the source of the trouble? Why not stabilize stock values?" Thus he implies that it was the speculation and artificial inflation that caused the trouble, and that if it could be regulated industries would take care of themselves.

"I'm afraid of any kind of artificial interference with natural production," says Mr. Ford. "This plan to destroy bread—that's what burning wheat and restricting acreage means—and to curtail useful labor, are startling illustrations of the power of the money obsession in our country. We think so much of money that we have entirely forgotten what real wealth is. We shall have to get back to earth again."

Ford believes that "we made a fundamental mistake when we got too far away from the soil" and because of the separation of agriculture and industry each has developed its own ills which can be cured only by bringing them both together again. During the past eighteen months he has been spending much time on the problem of finding new industrial uses for ordinary farm products, with the idea that in that way farmers' incomes will be increased and manufacturing costs decreased, and everyone will profit as a result.

As a further consequence of bringing industry and agriculture closer together, Ford suggests that agriculture may be stimulated to such an extent that it would be able to furnish four months of healthful employment during industry's slack period; a great many workers would thus be employed eight months of the year in factories and four months in the country, which would be beneficial to all concerned.

These suggestions are indeed interesting, and deserve careful consideration, especially since they come from one who has earned renown for his practical, progressive ideas and business ability. They should at least warn us of the danger of trying to cure our economic ills through legislation.

SAFE INVESTMENT

In a recent address on life insurance Calvin Coolidge expressed a truth which many policy holders have doubtless discovered for themselves. "When the market value of most personal property and real estate has depreciated," said Coolidge, "the contract value of life insurance policies in first class companies has been an outstanding example of firmness and stability."

Fortunes have been swept away during the past two years, but those who have been able to keep up their insurance payments find they have something which is worth as much as it ever was.

The secret of leadership is simply the knack of finding followers.

Over The Valley Personals

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down the hill to the camp his steering gear locked and he was unable to make the turn, and the truck tipped over on its side. The rack breaking and the entire load of potatoes spilling out on the highway. No one narrowly missed striking a car.

The truck was righted and found to be not badly wrecked. The logs were driven to the stockyards, and after repairs to the truck, the load was taken on to Portland.

Family Home—

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Bowman, of the Catherine Creek road, were very happy to have ten members of their family at home for Thanksgiving day. Mrs. Bowman and her daughters prepared what has been described as a "beautiful feast" with duck as the piece de resistance. The afternoon was spent visiting and with some games.

Visit Hither—

Having for her guests Mr. and Mrs. John Green, Mrs. H. H. Thomas, Calvin Hill, Dee and Lloyd Beem, Mrs. M. E. Beem entertained at a Thanksgiving dinner at her home out from Elgin. For her wonderful turkey dinner Mrs. Beem used her flowers for the centerpiece and throughout there was a color arrangement of pink and green.

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PERRY PERSONALS

By Miss Bessie O'Dell
(Observer Correspondent)

PERRY, Gem Special.—There was a near tragedy at Perry recently when a party of sleighriders ran into a barbed wire fence. The injured were Mrs. Frank Heminger and Mrs. Sherlet Peterson, both of Perry, Miss Bernetta and Ted Heminger from out of town. Mrs. Heminger was the most severely injured, receiving a large cut in her leg which required immediate medical attention.

Perry suffered from a water shortage due to the cold weather which froze all the pipes.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stein entertained the Perry Entrenchers club recently at their home. The evening was spent playing pinochle, after which a delicious luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Kelly, of Perry, and Mrs. Kelly's mother, Mrs. T. E. Pierson, of La Grande, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Kelly's mother, Mrs. S. Kelly, of Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Greenough, of Perry, spent Thanksgiving day at the home of Mr. Greenough's brother, Mike Greenough, of La Grande.

A birthday dinner was given at the Herbert Reiter home in honor of Mrs. Reiter's mother, Mrs. Cones. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ennis and the Misses Hazel Ennis and Margaret Cones, from La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stein, Clinck Adams and the host and hostess, all of Perry.

Virgil Anderson, who has been visiting his brother, Sunny Anderson, returned to his home at Union for Thanksgiving.

F. T. Carmen made a business trip to Portland last week. While returning home he visited friends and relatives at Hood River.

Mrs. Tennyson and Charlie Morris of Summerville spent one day last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Myrick's mother.

Ray Pierson, from La Grande, is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Kelly.

Mrs. Vonnie Pierson and Mrs. Helen Proctor attended the Methodist Ladies' Aid at La Grande Wednesday.

The school children of Perry gave a clever program for Thanksgiving. The song, wind, rain and trees were cleverly dramatized. The moral of the play was cheerful giving at Thanksgiving time. The children of the upper grades gave a pantomime of Hawaiian childhood, also a clever representation of the introduction of music in the church.

Mrs. Bill Evans, from La Grande, spent Friday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stein. Mrs. Evans and Mr. Stein are sister and brother.

Famous Pseudonyms

"Elia" was the pseudonym under which Charles Lamb, the famous English essayist and humorist, wrote.

OIL: What "Cracked" Gasoline Means to Motorist

CHAPTER XVII

It is fortunate for the owner of the motor car, for the motorists, and for the industrial user that oil refining methods and equipment have undergone change and improvement making possible the meeting of requirements for products in greatest and most essential demand, as well as products of greatly improved quality.

Straight-run Refining

The advances of the engineering professions, particularly with respect to metallurgy and furnace design, have made possible "continuous distillation" and refining operations have practically gone over to the so-called "pipe still" type of unit of large capacity.

Whereas the sorting of the collection of components comprising crude oil into groups, each as motor fuel and kerosene, was formerly accomplished largely by repeated partial separations—using in each case the principles of fractional distillation—operations have been raised to such a high state of perfection that the oils to be separated are converted wholly into vapor in a single step of continuous operation.

The whole separation operation is thrown upon a fractionating tower or rectifying column. The tower is able to make separations which would have been the despair of a refiner of even ten years ago.

This distillation process is usually referred to as "straight-run refining."

Making Gasoline by "Cracking"

Until twenty years ago kerosene was the petroleum product in greatest demand. More and more motor cars appeared on the road, and the need for greater quantities of gasoline became apparent. The fullest possible yield from "straight-run" refining seemed to have been secured. It was at about the time that so-called "cracking" processes began to be employed.

Cracked gasoline is made by taking the gas oil or fuel oil—the heavier constituents of crude oil—obtained in straight-run refining and subjecting it to high temperatures in specially designed stills. Usually this operation is conducted at high pressures. In other words, the distillation that is changing the liquid into vapor takes place at controlled temperatures and pressures. At these temperatures and pressures a chemical decomposition or "cracking" of the gas oil or fuel oil takes place. The vapors from the cracking distillation are released from the still and separated into distillates—the lightest being finished motor gasoline. The bottoms may be returned to the still for further cracking.

More Gasoline from Barrel of Oil

Twenty years ago a 42-gallon barrel of crude oil run through American refineries yielded on a yearly average only 4.5 gallons of gasoline; while from it was produced 19.5 gallons of kerosene. Today the gasoline yield is 10.5 gallons and the kerosene yield 2.6 gallons.

Without the supply of gasoline obtained from cracking operations, the use of automobiles could probably not have expanded to its present proportions because of lack of fuel. The average yearly consumption of gasoline per motor vehicle over the last ten-year period is estimated at 470 gallons. On this basis cracked gasoline supplies the annual fuel requirements for 22,700,000 motor vehicles, that is, for as many cars as the total number in operation in this country less than ten years ago.

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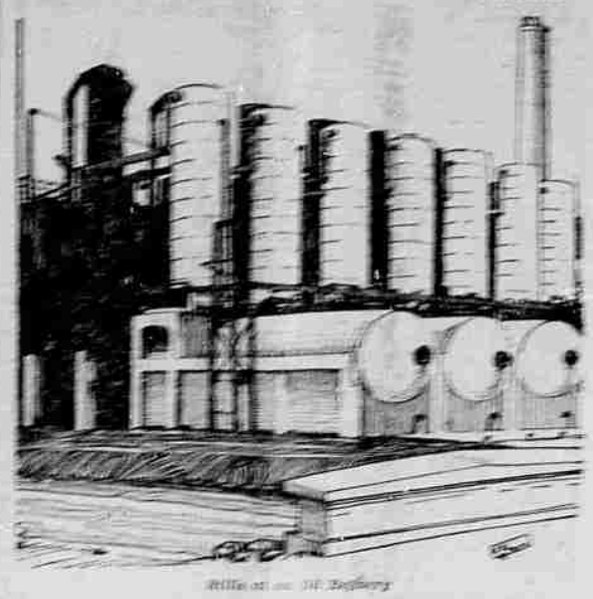

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1932 Automobile Models Arrive; Are On Exhibit

Starting the 1932 list of the motor industry for a greater, more progressive year, new model automobiles are being announced over the nation almost daily.

The newest announcement in La Grande comes from the Larsen Chevrolet company which announces a 1932 model. Four of the cars in different types, are on hand at the local company today.

The new car, among its features, has silent synro-mesh multi speed, flat floor boarding, improved air-cylinder engine 50 horsepower, speed of 65 to 70 miles an hour, faster, quieter gearing, smoother operation, smarter bodies, greater comfort and vision, and more economy of operation.

Italy Launches Seventh Cruiser

LEGHORN, Italy, Dec. 5 (AP) — In the presence of King Victor Emmanuel, the 10,000-ton cruiser "Pola" was launched this morning.

This is the seventh and last of the 10,000-ton type of cruisers decided upon by Italy after the Washington disarmament conference in 1922.

EX-AMBASSADOR DIES

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Dec. 5 (AP) — A distinguished career in legal and diplomatic circles was brought to a close late yesterday with the death of Charles Murraugh, 70, who was United States ambassador to Japan from 1925 to 1929.

Murraugh died at his winter home in Mission Canyon near here after a lingering illness of about a month. His home was in New York City.

INDEPENDENT FIVE ORGANIZED HERE

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years on different teams and his ability is well known. Moore is a forward and can play center in a pinch. Cecil Posey, guard; Buck Lloyd, forward, and Glen Crawford, center, all former E. O. H. players, are with the squad, along with Hanson Craddock, forward and center, and Clifford Hanson, guard, both former Wallowa High players. Hanson was all-state guard. Other members of the squad include Melvin Barber, guard, and Bi Roop, forward.

Most of the men are crack shots at the hoop and the team has great strength also at center and guard positions.

Auto Accidents In Portland Are Cause 76 Deaths

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 5 (AP)—Automobile accidents took 76 lives in Portland in the fiscal year ending Dec. 1, Captain Frank Brim, of Portland police, has announced.

Drunken drivers, he said, were responsible for approximately 40 per cent of the deaths. But, while involuntary manslaughter charges were preferred in most cases against drunken drivers of death-dealing automobiles, there was not a conviction in any case.

Brim said 71 persons were arrested on drunk driving charges in the 12 months. He estimated a fourth of them were convicted.

Marshfield Bridge Opening is Sunday

MARSHFIELD, Ore. 5 (AP)—The $900,000 Isthmus Inlet bridge, linking the eastside country with Marshfield, will be formally opened to traffic Sunday, Dec. 6. The ferry which for 25 years has served both motorists and pedestrians, will be abandoned on that date.

The bridge is 1,758 feet long and has a traffic span of 340 feet. It was built by Coos county but was turned over to the state highway commission, which will maintain it.

Flax Prospects In Russia Are Bright

SALEM, Dec. 5 (AP) — C. B. Barnum, formerly in charge of the flax industry at the state penitentiary, is visiting here from Russia, where he has been chief consulting engineer for the flax industry in the soviet. He will return there the latter part of this month.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH.

STATE OF OREGON, for the use and benefit of Albert Pegan and Joseph Gossman, Plaintiff,

vs.

AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK, a Corporation, and J. W. Sweeney and Fred Spaeth, whose true name is Fred Spaeth, individually, and as co-partners doing business under the firm name and style of J. W. Sweeney Construction Company, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under the date of September 28th, 1931, a judgment was duly entered by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Multnomah in a certain action then pending in said Court and in which said action the State of Oregon, for the use and benefit of Albert Pegan and Joseph Gossman, Plaintiffs and Respondents, did did then and there recover judgment against American Surety Company of New York, a corporation, and J. W. Sweeney and Fred Spaeth, whose true name is Fred Spaeth, individually, and as co-partners doing business under the firm name and style of J. W. Sweeney Construction Company and their surety The United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, Defendants and Appellants, for the sum of Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-eight and 70-100 Dollars ($4128.70) with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 28th day of August, 1927, and the further sum of Seven Hundred Fifty and 00-100 Dollars ($750.00) with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 28th day of June, 1930, and the further sum of One Hundred Thirty-five and 50-100 (Circuit Court costs Dollars ($135.50) with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 28th day of June, 1930, and the further sum of Ninety-three and 75-100 (Supreme Court costs Dollars ($93.75) with int. at the rate of 6 per annum from Sept. 28, 1931, costs and disbursements, which judgment was transcripted, enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said Court, in said County, on the 28th day of September, 1931, and which said judgment was duly and regularly entered, transcripted, enrolled and docketed in the Judgment Lien Docket of Union County, State of Oregon, on October 1, 1931.

AND FURTHER, that a Notice of Subrogation by the American Surety Company of New York, a corporation, was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Multnomah County, Oregon, on September 28th, 1931, and that notice of Subrogation by the American Surety Company, a corporation of New York was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Union County, Oregon, on October 1st, 1931, and execution was issued out of office of the County Clerk of the State of Oregon, for Multnomah County, dated September 30th, 1931, and directed to the undersigned as Sheriff of Union County, Oregon, with instructions to sell the property of the Defendants and each of them in an amount necessary to pay the said judgment and interest, under authority of said execution, I have levied upon the real property as hereinafter described.

NOW, THEREFORE, by authority of said Writ of Execution and in obedience to the commands thereof, I will on Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 1931, at the hour of 2:00 p. m., at the front door of the County Court House in the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption, all or as much thereof as may be necessary of the following described real property and all of the right, title, interest and equity of the defendant, Fred Spaeth, in and to the same, on the 1st day of October, 1931, the date of the filing, transcribing, enrolling, entering and docketing of the transcript of said judgment in Union County, State of Oregon, in and to the hereinafter described property, or any part thereof, situated in Union County, State of Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at a point Forty (40) feet south of the Northwest corner of Block seventeen (17) in Chapin's Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon, thence running East ninety-five (95) feet; thence South Forty (40) feet; thence West ninety-five (95) feet; thence North forty (40) feet to place of beginning.

The Northwest 10 feet of Lot 26 and all of Lots 27 and 28, Block 105, Chapin's Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

Lots 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8, Block 86, Chapin's Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

The East 70 feet of Lots 10, 11, and 12, and the East 70 feet of the North 20 feet, Lot 9, Block 4, Whitney's Addition to La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

The North 48 feet of Lot numbered three (3) and the South 8 feet of Lot numbered four (4) in Block numbered fourteen (14) of Gruntly's Addition to the town of La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

Said property to be in separate tracts and parcels and as much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of satisfying said judgment in full and as hereinbefore described. That the proceeds of the sale to be applied first to the payment of the costs and expenses thereof and then to the payment of the said judgment as set forth herein.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 28th day of November, 1931.

JOHN BURNHEAD, Sheriff, Union County, Oregon.

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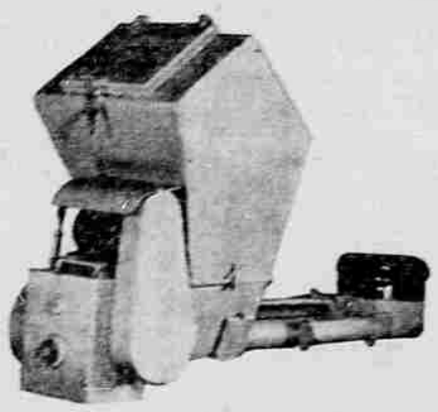

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DOLLAR GIFTS OF VALUE

If you are not watching the Dollar Window at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop then you are missing an opportunity to save materially on your Christmas purchases. Hundreds of new and exceptionally fine values are being run through this dollar window which will make ideal gifts for every member of your family and your friends. Watch it at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop, "The Christmas Shop." 12-3-1 t.

Remodeling, pleating, button holes, etc. Norton's Kiddy Shop. —Adv.

BRIDGE TAUGHT

Auction or contract. Work. Whitehead or Culbertson system. C. H. Devine, Sacajawea hotel. 12-3-1 m.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

The time is short for the getting ready of those gifts which must be mailed or expressed to other parts of the country. If you purchase your gifts at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop you will be saved the worry of having to wrap and pack them for shipping. This special gift service is offered to you without cost at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop, "The Christmas Shop." 12-3-1 t.

BEWARE

Smooth-worn tires skid on winter roads

Don't wait for accidents—get new rubber on every wheel now. New tires mean safety—you need them more right now than at any time in the year. It's a fact, good tires show almost no wear in cold wet weather—they'll still be "new" next spring. » » » » »

GOODYEAR PATHFINDER

SIZE	Price of Each	Each in Pairs
29x4.40-21	$4.98	$4.80
29x4.50-20	5.00	5.45
30x4.50-21	5.09	5.55
28x4.75-19	6.05	6.45
29x4.75-20	6.75	6.57
29x5.00-19	6.98	6.80
30x5.00-20	7.10	6.90
28x5.25-18	7.90	7.65
31x5.25-21	8.57	8.35
29x5.50-18	8.75	8.50

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