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Because thy loving kindness, O God, is better than life, my lips shall praise thee.—Psalm 63: 3.

SPiRiT OF THE OLD WEST

Our ever-popular Blue Mountain Wranglers are expressive of the spirit of the Old West which has been kept keenly alive in many songs, legends, and tales.

The Blue Mountain Wranglers, a philanthropic organization, during its brief history of about one year has entertained more than 250 gatherings in La Grande and surrounding communities.

Three members composed the original group—Mr. Berry, the harmonica artist; Ira Howell, bone rattler; and Marion Spencer, banjoist.

The Blue Mountain Wranglers have proved themselves an invaluable asset to La Grande because of the splendid publicity they have earned for the city.

La Grande and Eastern Oregon were placed definitely on the national map last summer when the Wranglers, in full cowboy regalia, ten gallon hats, brilliant shirts, and with bright handkerchiefs about their throats, invaded the great Elks convention at Seattle and proved the "hit of the show."

While in Seattle they were invited to broadcast their music to the people of the entire Northwest, who were "listening in" on the Elks convention.

La Grande may be justly proud of these Wranglers who, on their own initiative, have perfected an organization typical of Eastern Oregon's traditions, and always ready to offer its services at any public gathering, fraternal, social, or civic.

We all enjoy their mirthful music, but no one, we suppose, can appreciate it quite so much as the pioneers — those sturdy souls who crossed the plains, climbed the mountains, and settled the valleys of the West.

IT NEVER HAPPENED

It was a political meeting. The crowd was big, orderly, and goodnatured. The speech was announced for 8 o'clock, and promptly at that hour the presidential candidate appeared on the platform and was given a rousing welcome.

"My fellow countrymen. It is a real pleasure to greet this large audience. Before I discuss the issues let me say two things of a preliminary nature. First, if I am elected, I don't promise the millennium. I am not absolutely sure that I will be able to fulfill all my pre-election promises, but I do say I'll make an honest effort.

Other Papers Say:

BUSINESS UPS AND DOWNS

CAUSED BY FAMILY HABITS That boom and depression are largely due to the average family's habits of periodically getting in debt and then having to pay off that debt is indicated by the results of a consumer study by Investors Syndicate of Minneapolis.

As business goes from normal into a boom, and confidence becomes widespread, millions of families begin to spend their savings as well as current income, and finally borrow money to swell their buying power. Public buying ability then seems unlimited.

A WOMAN WHO MADE TWO STRONG MEN

For many years the name McNary has stood for political, social and professional prestige in Oregon. Charles L. has been a highly successful United States senator since 1918, rising to the stature of a national figure.

It now develops that the McNarys had as humble a beginning as any of the rest of us. Their parents both died when they were small boys, leaving the family without means of support.

GANDHI'S PRESCRIPTION

Mahatma Gandhi's recent plea to his followers to get rid of mankind's two greatest fears — the fear of death and the fear of the loss of material possessions — helps to explain how it is that the wretched little man can possess such a tremendous amount of power.

FORD AND PROHIBITION

There can be no denying that Henry Ford has made a success of his chosen field of endeavor and is entitled to a respectful audience when he speaks on subjects affecting a large share of our people.

There is both the industrial side and the personal side to prohibition as seen by the automobile manufacturer. To his way of thinking, the prohibition amendment is in the constitution to stay and the nation could not run now without it.

The human side is explained in the following phrase: "The United States is out in the country. The real centers of our nation are the small towns. The plain people and all the housewives are for personal freedom from liquor."

Mr. Ford and others who stand steadfastly against the return of legalized liquor realize that there have been important changes in the nation since prohibition was enacted. To do away with it now would be suicidal in many respects.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, Mar. 5 (AP) — (U. S. D. A.)—Hogs 5,000; active, steady to strong, medium to good 170-210 lbs. \$4.30-\$4.50; top \$4.50; 140-160 lbs. \$4.25-\$4.40.

Cattle 100; compared week ago; fed steers and yearlings weak to 25 cents under; vealers steady; top fed steers \$6.65.

Sheep 3,000; nominal; for week; most classes finished steady, choice lambs excepted; closing bulk lambs \$6.00-\$6.50; top \$6.85; fat and feeding lambs \$5.85; fat ewes \$3.00-\$3.75.

OMAHA SHEEP

OMAHA, Mar. 5 (AP) — (U. S. D. A.)—Sheep none; compared week ago; lambs weak to 25c lower, sheep and feeders strong, closing bulk; fed woolled lambs \$5.50-\$6.10; feeding lambs \$4.75-\$5.50.

MRS. MOONEY IN CAPITAL; HOOVER TO GET APPEAL

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hanging. Everybody knows he is innocent. I don't see why you want to keep this dirty shame on your country and your state of California.

The statement referred to the investigation made by two Wickiham commission experts and asserted that "of course they found the case against Tom a mass of lies."

"The White House has been my chief hope ever since Tom was convicted, because, as I told you, the White House kept him from being killed. Now, won't you please give him back to me out of prison?"

HELIX, ATHENA WIN

PENDELTON, Ore., Mar. 5 (AP) — Helix and Athena high school basketball teams will meet at Helix tonight to determine the winner of the sub-district hoop tournament.

BAKER NOSES OUT TIGERS FRIDAY 21-20

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matter of fact, the blue and white team had the game on ice at least two times. Once a sharp Baker rally gave the Bulldogs a temporary one-point lead, and then in the last minute of play personal fouls made by Burnett and Torrence gave the Bulldogs the chance they had been waiting for, and two free throws made the score 21 to 20 two seconds before the gun barked to end the game.

The Tigers played strong ball throughout, losing the game more through mistakes in judgment than anything else. Shirley and Dreisbach, Baker forwards, Lyman, La Grande forward, and Torrence, Tiger guard, were high scorers, with members of both teams playing strong ball throughout.

It was the closest game of the tournament and the most thrilling from the crowd's standpoint. The Tigers, however, are not yet out of the race, although Baker is regarded as a 10 to 1 chance to top the title. If La Grande can defeat Union at 2:30 this afternoon, the Tigers will meet the winner of the Baker-North Powder 3:30 game at 8:30 o'clock tonight.

Score by Quarters: La Grande 8 4 3 5-20; Baker 5 2 9 6-21; Totals 8 5 6 21.

Nervous Breakdowns

Whenever any one begins to react unduly to his surroundings and to the persons with whom he may be compelled to live, it is customary to say that he is about to have, or is in the midst of, a "nervous breakdown."

As Dr. L. F. Barker has recently stated, a nervous breakdown may include such states of mental and nervous disturbances as are included by neurasthenia with insomnia, inability to concentrate the mind on any topic, and unusually easy fatigue; hysteria with convulsions or simulated paralysis; anxiety neurosis with restlessness, unusual sensations of palpitation of the heart and unwarranted apprehensions; or a psychasthenic state with doubts, fears, obsessions and inability to make decisions.

The term "nervous breakdown" may, therefore, include almost any form of nervous and mental diseases. If properly limited it would involve only persons who are temporarily unable to meet the demands of ordinary life. They are temporarily, or perhaps permanently in some instances, misfits in family life, in school life, or in the business world with which they deal.

Among the causes of nervous breakdown, the physician is likely to list first any hereditary tendency to nervous and mental instability. There seems to be no doubt that some families incline more to such weakness than do others.

From a discussion of the causes that have been mentioned, the methods of prevention and treatment of nervous breakdowns should be obvious. Proper attention to heredity, to the prevention of injury to the germ cells and to the infant development before its birth, as well as proper attention to parental and prenatal hygiene and to child training will do much to lower the number of persons that will have to be treated for nervous breakdowns in the future.

As for the present, Dr. Barker says: "A great many breakdowns, both physical and mental, could be prevented if the growing practice of resorting to the family physician, to a consultant, or to a diagnostic group for a health examination on the birthday anniversary each year were to become general. Developing disturbances could then be detected in their incipency, a preventive or curative regimen if needed could be immediately prescribed, and in many instances a serious illness or even a tragedy might be averted."

Members of the Union County Medical Society. La Grande: G. L. Bigger, M. D.; Lee B. Bouvy, M. D.; J. J. D. Haun, M. D.; W. K. Ross, M. D.; Lewa Wilkes Ager, M. D.; A. L. Richardson, M. D.; F. L. Ralston, M. D.; C. L. Gilstrap, M. D.

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