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VIGILANT WATCH NECESSARY

The press of the country has been devoting much space to views on the cost of living, and many have been the reasons for the advance in the necessities of life.

At regular intervals the American people work themselves into a fine frenzy about somebody or something. Everyone grabs the nearest weapon and fires into the air, or takes a pot-shot at the first head that shows itself.

Why not for a change, disregard the labels that the candidates wear and find out what is in their minds?

Why not ask them just what they propose to do about the increased cost of living, and then when you have elected them to office, see that they do it?

An increasingly large number of voters and congressmen are beginning to grasp this idea of government. We call them insurgents or independents. An insurgent is simply a congressman who has a constituency that thinks for itself and demands an accounting from its representatives.

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A great many people say of a sermon, "That's good," and then go home and forget it.

Portland's big new packing plant, just completed by the Swift interests, began killing livestock yesterday. From now on, it will enlarge its operations until all the departments and allied industries are under way.

With Judge Lionel R. Webster in charge, headquarters have been opened in Portland by the Oregon Good Roads Association and it is planned to wage an active campaign constantly for good roads throughout the state.

Following a conference between officials of Oregon and Washington held during the past week in Portland, an agreement was reached as to the disputed state boundary at the mouth of the Columbia river.

Washington boosters will reach Portland on the afternoon of March 19 on their way to California. The visitors will represent cities in Western Washington and while in Portland will be entertained by the Commercial Club.

Large sums of Eastern capital have been invested in this state during the past week in the purchase of the Northwest Corporation, which controls numerous gas, water and electric light and power plants in Oregon and Washington.

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Religious Matters

Sunday School Lesson

March 21, 1910. Golden Text—They that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the word, Acts viii:4.

The following review scheme can be used with profit by all the newspaper clubs who are taking up the Bible studies, whether having actually studied the eleven lessons here reviewed, or only one of them, or whether this is the first lesson which has captured a reader's attention; or while it is a "review," it is also complete in itself.

The date and title of each lesson and where found, the Golden Text, and one question on each lesson follow.

Jan. 3—Acts 1:1-14. The Ascension of Our Lord. Golden Text: Luke xxiv:51. It came to pass while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

Jan. 10—Acts ii:1-21. The descent of the Holy Spirit. Golden Text: John xiv:16, 17. I will pray the Father and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever, even the Spirit of Truth.

Jan. 17—Acts ii:22-47. The Beginning of the Christian Church. Golden Text: Acts ii:42. They continued steadfastly in the Apostle's doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers.

Jan. 24—Acts iii:1-26. The Lame Man Healed. Golden Text: Acts iii:16. His name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know.

Jan. 31—Acts iv:1-31. The trial of Peter and John. Golden Text: Acts iv:31. They were glad with the Holy Ghost, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

Feb. 7—Acts v:1-32. The True and False Brotherhood. Golden Text: Prov. xii:22. Lying lips are an abomination unto the Lord; but they that deal truly are His delight.

Feb. 14—Acts v:17-42. The Apostles Imprisoned. Golden Text: Matt. v:10. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Feb. 21—Acts vi:1 to vii:3. Stephen, the First Christian Martyr. Golden Text: Acts vii:9. They stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

Feb. 28—Acts viii:1-4. The Gospel in Samaria. Golden Text: Acts viii:6. The people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

March 7—Acts viii:26-40. Philip and the Ethiopian. Golden Text: John v:38. Search the scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me.

March 14—Acts ix:31-43. Aeneas and Dorcas. Golden Text: Aeneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole, arise and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.

March 21—Acts x:34-43. How do you classify those who content themselves with going to church and prayer meeting, and talking and praying, but are not following Jesus, in going about doing good?

With the assurance that Uncle Sam will appropriate \$50,000 for Suislaw harbor, and the local taxes giving twice as much more, property should go up a great deal. The kind of property that will go up in price will not be any kind that human labor and invention will be able to produce or bring in, or take away, or destroy.

The Port of Toledo has been formed for the betterment of Yaquina Bay. There are magnificent opportunities lying idle all around Yaquina waiting for better transportation and harbor facilities. The property benefited should and could pay for the improvements. The state of Oregon should loan to such ports the credit, and the land values should return the loan over term of years.

The Torrens land law stops litigations as to titles in land. It costs considerable to start it, but where it has been in operation a few years it saves in litigation many times its cost. This is why some very able lawyers object to it.

Farmers in Texas are demanding the union label on all their clothing, and the result is that the readymade mail order shops in the cities are compelled to reform.

The people of Oregon should have the power of taxation close in their own hands. What they will do with it is another matter.

The people of Oregon have more to fear from the Supreme Court of the United States than from any other source, because it is always packed.

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Approval of the movement for a national tuberculosis Sunday on April 24, recently inaugurated by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, is given in a statement by the Right Reverend Richard H. Nelson Bishop Coadjutor of Albany, N. Y. for the Protestant Episcopal church, issued today. Bishop Nelson says: "I think well of the proposal that all the churches should unite on April 24th in presenting the truth concerning tuberculosis and stimulating public interest in the campaign for its prevention and cure. The campaign has entered upon its second stage. Having labored with some success to point out the danger, we are now concerned with the cure, and this depends upon improvement in conditions of personal and social life. Whatever the churches may be able to do along this line, will be a double contribution to physical and spiritual betterment and I should think that all would wish to have a share in such an enterprise." Reports from all parts of the United States indicate that the Sunday set apart will be generally observed, by the preaching of sermons on tuberculosis and by the distribution of special literature. The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis declares that the campaign against tuberculosis is a warfare against ignorance, and that as soon as the people of the

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