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 BE FREE—"And thou shalt take no gift; for the gift blindeth the wise, and perverteth the words of the righteous." Ex. 23:8.

MY EASTER

By Lena B. Ellingwood

They did not know, those faithful ones who went
 With fragrant spices, at morn's early bloom,
 Hopeless and sorrowing, the mists
 That had been wrought in Joseph's rock-hewn tomb.

Despairing went they forth—and met their Lord!
 New-risen, Victor over death, serene!
 Grief faded, and an ecstasy was born,
 A rapture deathless, sweet, all unforeseen.

Some day, whose coming seems but commonplace,
 Perchance aglow with woe and unaccord,
 Sickened and suffering, I shall go forth,
 Enter the glory-dawn, and meet my Risen Lord!

MORE FLAX SHOULD BE GROWN

It would be a fine thing if still more flax could be grown this year in the Salem district—
 More than the 2500 acres or so contracted for by the state and the Oregon Linen Mills, Inc.

There is a ready sale for the flax seed, at the oil mills in Portland; with a guaranteed price above \$2.50 a bushel, and the linen mills in Salem will need more fiber than there is at present in sight—

Both long line fiber and spinning tow.
 But there is a limit to what the state can buy; a limit of the amount of money that can be had to pay the farmers for their flax. That limit is probably reached now, with the contracts already out, and most of the seed in the ground.

But the state has plenty of seed, and is threshing more at the rate of 100 bushels a day.

If some one has a suggestion for financing more flax growing, it would be a fine thing—if the proposition can be worked out at once.

Who has such a scheme?

Perhaps there are some farmers who themselves might plant flax and be paid for it some months after delivery.

READ MR. RIGDON'S ARTICLE

Read W. T. Rigdon's article in The Statesman this morning—
 And then say if you want any delay in getting the vote on city ownership of the water works—
 Or any delay in providing a water supply by gravitation from the Cascades—
 Or do you want to put the matter off?
 This is a live question, and haste is important.

MAKING THE CHILDREN RICH

Parents live for their children, and whenever called upon, die for them also—
 For every natural parent is in the position of the scorpion mother which, that its child may grow strong, allows its body to be consumed—

And even death does not relieve the parent from this responsibility, for what parent dies happy in the knowledge that he is leaving nothing to his children?

Mothers and fathers scrimp and save for "a rainy day," but with the thought in the back of their heads that they must leave something for the children to "get started on." But there are things better than money to leave to children.

What will you, as a parent, confer upon your child? Money? Honor? Wisdom. Or just a good name?

Great among parents of all time is Charles Lounsbury, penniless Englishman, who left behind this Last Will and Testament:
 "That part of my interest which is known in law and recognized in sheep-bound volumes as my property being inconsiderable and non-account, I will make no disposition of in this, my will. My right to life, being but a life estate, is not at my disposal, but these things excepted, all else in the world I now proceed to devise and bequeath.

"ITEM. I give to all good fathers and mothers, in trust for their children, all good little words of praise and encouragement. . . and I charge said parents to use them justly, but generously as the needs of their children shall require.

"ITEM. I leave to children inclusively, but only for the term of childhood, all and every flower of the fields and blossoms of the woods with the right to play among them freely. . . And, I devise to children the banks of the brooks and the golden sands beneath the waters thereof, and odors of the willows that dip therein and the white clouds that float high over the giant trees.

"And I leave to the children the long, long days to be merry in, in a thousand ways, and the night and the train of the Milky Way to wonder at. . .

"ITEM. I devise to boys, jointly, all the useful, idle fields and commons where ball may be played, all pleasant waters where one may swim, all snow-capped hills where one may coast, and all streams and ponds where one may fish. . . where grim winter comes, one may sleep to hold the same for the period of their boyhood. And all meadows with the clover blossoms and butterflies thereon; the woods with their apparitions, the squirrels and the birds and the echoes and the streams' noises, and all the distant places which may be visited together with the adventures there found. . .

"ITEM. To lovers I devise their imaginary world, with whatever they may find, as the stars in the sky, the red roses by the wall, the bloom of the hawthorn, the sweet strains of music, and aught else they may desire to figure to each other the loveliness and beauty of their love.

"ITEM. And to those who are no longer children or youth or lovers, I leave money and bequests to them in the poems of Burns and Shakespeare and of other poets. If there be others to the use that they may live the old days over again, freely and fully, without title or distinction. . .

OREGON

(Written for The Statesman.)

I love thee, sweet land, of the gold and the gleam;
 With thy peaks ever purple, thy valleys all dream;
 Where the gardens of roses wave bright in the sun,
 And the mockingbird's song is forever begun;
 Where the pine and the hemlock are stately grown,
 And the breath of the myrtle forever is blown;
 Where the flowers ungathered are bright on the sod,
 And the mountains are great as the patience of God;
 Where the soft winds are music through lattice and grove,
 And the lutes ever throb to the pulses of love.
 How restful thy light and how balmy thy air,
 As soft on the cheek as an unspoken prayer;
 How lovely thy clusters, thy fruit-folded trees,
 With thy brow in the dawn and thy feet in the sea;
 How radiant thy fountains, how flashing thy waters;
 How burning thy romance and how lovely thy daughters,
 Whose hearts are as pure and whose bosoms are fair
 As the bloom of the cherry which rests on their hair.
 Here the song of the sinner is wildest of note,
 And the Children of Beauty are fairest of throat,
 Oh, here would I dwell till I sink to repose,
 Like the hands of the night which shut gently the rose,
 And soft as a hue fading out of the west
 Be folded for aye in the sweetness of rest.

—Guy Fitch Phelps.

Bits For Breakfast

"Christ the Lord is risen today,"
 Sons of men and angels say,
 Raise your joys and triumphs high;
 Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply.

—Charles Wesley.

April shower

But some of the May flowers
 Came in March this year.

Let it be known that the Salem district is never to be short of water, and it will give a stability not another thing can do. Take over the water works, and get a mountain supply large enough for the distant future. That is the big thing for Salem now.

Eugene has already seen the light, and is acting on the inspiration.

Read what W. T. Rigdon says, in the Statesman this morning. Los Angeles has reached the limit of safety in growth without a larger water supply, and San Diego has gone for beyond it.

The penitentiary flax plant played lucky. By working overtime, the forces got in the flax drying in the field Friday night, in time to escape the wetting of yesterday's showers.

The high man in the scutching mill at the penitentiary earned over \$53 last month. The scutching is paid by piece work. The pay of those not on the scutching machines is 50 cents a day. Nearly 300 of the inmates are now working in the flax plant.

The crowds in the stores of Salem yesterday indicated that everyone will have something new to wear this Easter day.

More fiber will be needed by the Salem linen mills than can be gotten from the acreage of flax now under contract; and no more, or very little more, can safely be taken on, to be paid for with the funds in sight. But there is plenty of flax seed available at the penitentiary plant. Who has a suggestion for financing more flax? Now. At once.

OREGON TRAFFIC LAWS LEAD EASTERN STATES

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tion of the motor vehicle department.
 "My conclusion gained from observation and study were that the coast states, and particularly Oregon, are far in advance of the eastern states with relation to practical and fair motor vehicle laws. In fact, much that the conference was striving for already has been included in the Oregon motor vehicle act.

"Safety was the keynote in formulating the model code, which will be published shortly. It was the earnest desire of all the delegates at the conference that the code be so framed as to eliminate and reduce the number of accidents.

"I found in many eastern states that the law enforcement departments are much less liberal in their application of regulations than is the Oregon traffic department. In one state I was advised that excuses or explanations were not accepted, and that any motorist who violated the speed law by three or four miles was arrested, taken before the courts and fined a minimum of \$25."

Mr. Rafferty said that while Oregon is in advance of the eastern states in motor vehicle regulation, he obtained considerable valuable information which will assist in solving future traffic problems in this state.

\$87,851 LIBERTY SPAN IS FAVORED BY ZONERS

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Next plans that the special bridge committee will work on will be for the South Commercial street bridge. If a comprehensive schedule is to be drawn up, a bridge to take the place of the present wooden structure and uniform the other proposed bridges must be considered. Eventually the commission hopes to have plans drawn up for every bridge needed in the sched-

ule. It will then be up to the city council as to whether or not the matter warrants placing before the people of Salem for approval or disapproval of a bond issue to cover the entire bridge program.

Although the report of the bridge committee, which is headed by C. B. McCullough, state bridge engineer, was the principal matter up for discussion at the meeting, a few building matters were also taken up. Mr. Joy is seeking to build a laundry on South Commercial street adjacent to the marble works.

Report of City Attorney Fred Williams in regard to the annexation of West Salem by Salem, was heard. In the report Williams expresses the opinion that the only way to make possible the annexation is for West Salem to enter Marion county or for Salem to enter Polk county.

SKATING MENACE UP TO CITY COUNCILMEN

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problem of finding unfrequented thoroughfares where skating will not be dangerous.

Several of the councilmen have been investigating the situation. It has been suggested that Center street be set aside as an open air skating pavilion. The street is handsomely wide. Moreover, the street is little traveled.

One objection meets this plan. It is simply that the children—grammar school or college—will not skate on Center street. For Center street is paved with concrete, and the concrete is old and cracked and the skating there is extremely rough.

That some street or streets should be set aside for skating seems to be conceded, and it will probably be threshed out at the

BIDS WANTED

Sealed bids will be received by the County Court of Marion county, Oregon, up to 1:00 o'clock p. m., April 15, 1926, for doing the following hauling:

10,000 cubic yards of gravel and crushed rock from the Silver-ton crusher.

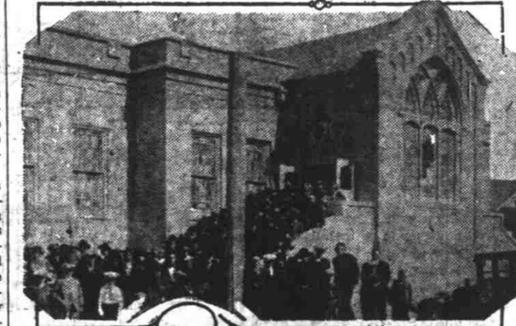
5,000 cubic yards of gravel from the Turner crusher.

4,000 cubic yards of gravel and crushed rock from the Stayton crusher.

1,500 cubic yards of crushed rock from the Union Hill crusher. Specifications and bidding forms are on file at the county clerk's office, Salem, Oregon.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.
 U. G. BOYER, County Clerk.
 a 4-7-11

Congregation Stands by Pastor Accused in Oil Promotion Deals



Guilty or not guilty as the court may decide, A. C. Parker, Dallas, Tex., Christian preacher and ex-K. K. grand cyclops, will find his flock waiting to welcome him back to his pulpit after he has been tried in New York federal court on charge of misuse of the mails. Congregation refused to accept resignation offered after he was indicted for alleged illegal oil stock sales. Photos show Parker, crowds waiting to get into his church, and the man who sold after the oil crash.

council meeting, as to what streets would be best for this purpose.

A petition will be presented to the council asking permission to continue with the fill on Liberty street between Trade and Mill streets. As the council is already conversant with the situation and as the matter is said to need immediate attention, the petition will probably be acted upon at the meeting.

Several street petitions will be submitted to the council. The city zoning and planning commission will submit a report recommending that the fill on Liberty street be allowed to continue.

PHILIPPINE QUESTION IS AGAIN TOPIC OF DEBATES

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this year for the republican nomination for governor. It would not do, said Senator Harrison for two administration candidates to go before the voters in Ohio and it may have been thought advisable "to get Mr. Thompson out of the country." Both Ohio senators protested that no such purpose figured in the selection.

Senator King, democrat, Utah, suggested that the purpose of the Thompson investigation more likely was to determine "how much farther we can exploit the Filipinos."

It was conceded by Senator Harrison that many explanations had been made, some saying it might be a reflection on General Wood and others that the president still had confidence in the general and wanted to reassure the country by exonerating him after an investigation.

Possible Eruption of Mount McKinley To Be Investigated

ANCHORAGE, Alaska.—Alex Liska, Alaska guide and mountain climber, believes it possible that Mt. McKinley peak may be in active volcanic eruption. To find out he plans to ascend it, following the route taken by the late Archdeacon Hudson Stuck, who in 1913 scaled the heights, approaching from the Northeast.

Stuck described the crest of the mountain as containing a crater-like snow basin about twenty-five by sixty feet in dimension. He made his trip in company with Harry P. Karstens, Robert G. Tatum, a missionary, a thirty veteran of the Klondike, and three Indian boys. On the summit, reached June 7, the instrument reading disclosed the peak to be 20,300 feet above sea level.

The stuck expedition made its start March 17, nearly three months being required for the ascent. Proceeding by dog team from Nenana, a month later camp was established 4,000 feet up at Muldow glacier. This was twenty miles from the top. The remainder of the trip was more difficult, the greatest obstacle being a steep ridge between the lower and upper glacial floors.

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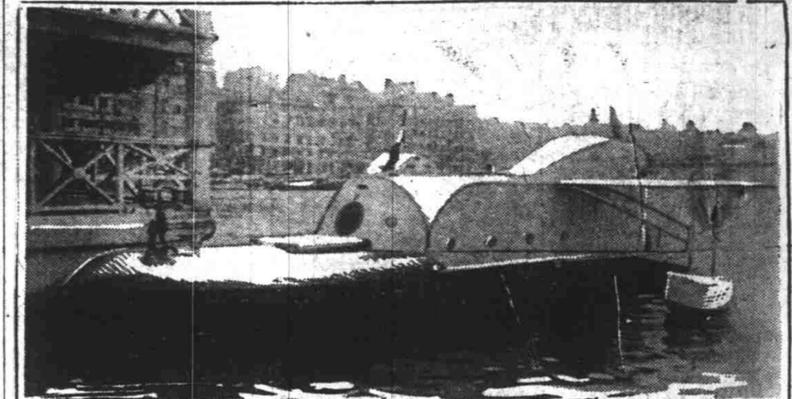
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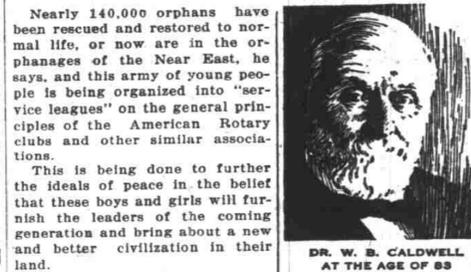
Near East Relief Starts Movement Among Youths

NEW YORK.—A "youth movement" in which American ideals of service and international good will are emphasized, is being promoted in the Near East, says Charles V. Vickson, general secretary of the Near East Relief, in a report to his board of trustees.

"Sea Flea" to Try to Set Transatlantic Record



A new type of speed boat, known as the oceanplane, will make an attempt to cross the Atlantic in record time, piloted by its designer, M. De Gasenko. He will start from Marseilles and head for Pernambuco. He estimates the open sea speed of the craft at 140 kilometers an hour.



DR. W. B. CALDWELL AT THE AGE OF 83

Mother! It's Cruel to "Physic" Your Child

Nearly 140,000 orphans have been rescued and restored to normal life, or now are in the orphanages of the Near East. He says, and this army of young people is being organized into "service leagues" on the general principles of the American Rotary clubs and other similar associations.

This is being done to further the ideals of peace in the belief that these boys and girls will furnish the leaders of the coming generation and bring about a new and better civilization in their land.

In connection with efforts to counteract so called disorganizing influences, the secretary says that all the major allied powers, with the exception of the United States, were occupied in "materially increasing armaments and military forces in the Near East" during 1925.

The relief organization spent \$4,219,000 in its work last year and because contributions amounted to \$4,752,000 was able to eliminate a deficit of \$298,000 and have a small balance for 1926.

Crown-Willamette Paper company will start logging in Clatsop county to salvage spruce damaged by fire.

To Dr. W. B. Caldwell, of Monticello, Ill., a practicing physician for 47 years, it seemed cruel that so many constipated infants and children had to be kept constantly "stirred up" and half sick by taking cathartic pills, tablets, salts, calomel and nasty oils.

While he knew that constipation was the cause of nearly all children's little ills, he did not believe that a sickening "purge" or "physic" every day or two was necessary.

In Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin he discovered a laxative which helps to establish natural bowel regularity, even if the child was chronically constipated. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin not only causes a gentle, easy bowel movement, but, best of all, it never gripes, sickens or upsets the most delicate system. Besides, it is absolutely harmless, and so pleasant that even a cross, feverish, bilious, sick child gladly takes it.

Buy a large 60-cent bottle at any store that sells medicine and just see for yourself.

Dr. Caldwell's SYRUP PEPSIN

Back to France with Your Buddies

Back to the old scenes of experiences you'll never forget. Back to the battle-scarred fields to pay reverence to those buddies who sleep in foreign soil. Back for one glorious week in "Gay Paree."

You won't want to miss the American Legion Paris Convention in 1927. Join the American Legion Savings Club for which the United States National is an authorized depository—save regularly—a few cents a day will pay your way.

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Blanks That Are Legal

We carry in stock over 115 legal blanks suited to most any business transactions. We may have just the form you are looking for at a big saving as compared to made to order forms.

Some of the forms: Contract of Sale, Road Notice, Will forms, Assignment of Mortgage, Mortgage forms, Quit Claim Deeds, Abstracts form, Bill of Sale, Building Contract, Promissory Notes, Installment Notes, General Lease, Power of Attorney, Prune Books and Pads, Scale Receipts, Etc. These forms are carefully prepared for the courts and private use. Price on forms ranges from 4 cents to 16 cents apiece, and on note books from 25 to 50 cents.

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