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March 17, 1928 Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder. And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy. Matthew 26:36-37.

NATION'S CHIEF CONSTRUCTIVE LEADER

Formation by Spokane engineers of a Hoover-for-President club, with 64 charter members, including Democrats as well as Republicans, is an impressive testimonial to the great engineer who now is secretary of commerce. The engineer, perhaps more than any other professional man, has the constructive spirit and vision in high degree. He has played a great part in the progress of America and the world. That has been the broad theater in which Herbert Hoover has performed his part.

To the honor of his profession and the greater glory of his country—

And for the betterment of the world at large. Mr. Hoover is aptly called the "greatest adventurer in human welfare of our times."

Hoover's election would give new impulse to the constructive genius of the American people. The fact that the chief constructive leader in America, by many regarded as the greatest in the world, was directing the national progress and destinies from the White House, would inspire confidence in all the constructive forces of the nation.

MORE SUGAR BEETS

Rain the first part of the present month has greatly improved the prospects of the sugar beet crop in southern California. While the condition previously existing had not reached the proportions of a serious drought, lack of moisture near the surface of the soil had slowed up the growth of the young plants and a heavy rain storm of the 6th came just in time to stimulate renewed progress. The rainfall was general over the coast region, varying from a third of an inch to an inch and three-quarters in different sections. With such an auspicious beginning of the month, growers are encouraged to hope for frequent good rains during March, in which event yields should be as good as last season, or even better, since irrigation water will be sufficient to carry the crop through the later stages.

In the northern part of the state precipitation has been somewhat below normal, and while the beet fields had not suffered from lack of moisture up to that time, the additional rains of the first few days of March were welcome. Barring possible damage by pests later on, the outlook is favorable to a crop increase in the northern districts also.

Judging from preliminary surveys, the area planted to beets in California this season is about 67,000 acres, or roundly ten per cent more than last year. In some districts the increase in sowings has been as high as 25 per cent. The acreage is about the same as in 1927. Conditions California should produce more than in the past two years.

And this is the story in practically all the sugar beet districts of the country. But even so, the production of sugar in continental United States will not keep pace with the increased consumption in this country.

That is, the proportionate amount will not grow. It is now around a sixth of the consumption of the country.

The rest we get mostly from Cuba, with considerable supplies from Hawaii and the Philippines, and a small amount from the Central American countries and elsewhere.

And the fact is that we should produce our whole supply in our own country and our insular possessions. We could produce it all in our own country without calling on our insular possessions, and there is no other one thing that would add as much in wealth and prosperity to our people as a whole, in expansion of our industries on the land.

The Willamette valley could produce as much beet sugar as the whole of the United States (continental) now produces, which is only about a million tons.

And to her vast advantage.

BE AN EDITOR

He says that he has been editing the Statesman for 25 years out of the week, four weeks of the month and twelve months of the year, and "edit" such stuff as this:

"Mrs. Jones, of Cactus Creek, let a can opener slip last week and cut herself in the pantry.

"A mischievous lad of Piletown threw a stone and struck Mr. Pike in the alley last Tuesday.

"Joe Doe climbed on the roof of his house last week looking for a leak and fell, striking himself on the back porch.

"While Harold Green was escorting Miss Violet Wise from the church social last Saturday night a savage dog attacked them and bit Mr. Green several times on the public square.

"Isaiah Trimmer, of Running Creek, was playing with a cat Friday, when it scratched him on the veranda.

"Mr. Pond, while harnessing a bronco last Saturday was kicked just south of the corn crib."

"When the victory shall be complete—when there shall be neither a slave nor a drunkard on the earth—how proud the title of that land which may truly claim to be the birthplace and the cradle of both these revolutions that shall have ended in that victory."—Abraham Lincoln.

WENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Washington—The senate voted to ratify the treaty with Columbia for construction of the isthmian canal.

One feature of the spring skirt preparations for welcoming President Roosevelt here May 21 will be held tonight.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 16—(AP)—Two republican senatorial colleagues were among the first to answer the call of Senator Borah of Idaho for a fund of \$160,000 to "repudiate" the contribution of that amount to the republican campaign deficit in 1923 by Harry F. Sinclair, lessee of Teapot Dome.

Senator Cutting of New Mexico wrote out a check for \$1,000. Senator Goff of West Virginia wired a proposal for contributions of \$1,000 each by 150 men "to lift the obligation of shame" as Senator Borah described the Sinclair contribution.

From coast to coast came messages to the Idahoan's office offering help in his role of campaign funds collector and while the first day's contributions did not mount very high he expressed confidence that the fund would be raised.

Other contributors today included Governor Brewster of Maine, Neb., \$100; Dr. Ernest Gruening,

SWEETHEARTS

Author of MY SON'S SWEETHEARTS, CONFESSIONS OF A WIFE, etc.

READ THIS FIRST: Lynda Fenton, daughter of John Fenton, a periodical drunkard, has obtained her first job in the office of Armitage & Son.

Her father is always telling her that every woman has her price, and that her own mother deserted them for a wealthy man.

Lynda's one friend and constant companion since childhood is David Kenmore, a salesman for Armitage.

Lynda meets Emily Andrews at the office, who cherishes a secret fondness for David, and determines to make it as uncomfortable as possible for Lynda.

All at once it dawns upon David that, although he imagines he is interested in Emily, he is really in love with Lynda.

Returning from the office one evening, Lynda finds that her father has deserted her. David calls for her next morning, tells her that he loves her, and that if she can get someone to stay with her, and will wait until the first of the year, he'll ask her to be his wife.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY Chapter 11 Poor Claire

WHEN Lynda reached the office, she found that even then she had about three minutes to spare, and as she passed Emily Andrews' desk, that young lady stopped her, saying: "Why the hurry, fair maiden? Have you been running all the way from home? Your cheeks are like peaches and cream. If you come down here often with that complexion, I'm afraid I'll hate you, and I want to like you, you know. Poor me! I was up until three a. m. When I saw my face in the glass this morning, I exclaimed: 'Never again!' But I think I cinched the young Hal Galbraith. He is a friend of the 'young boss,' you know."

Lynda was sure that Emily meant Mr. Ralph Armitage, when she mentioned the "young boss," but was too shy to ask her about it. Instead, she inquired: "Do you know, Miss Andrews, whether Claire Stanhope lives at home? It seems to me somebody said, when we were at school together, that her parents were dead."

"Yes, Claire is alone, but I'm afraid not fancy free. She seems to have fallen hard for Fred Blaque, who, although he is very rich, has a wife and two children, a fiendish temper, and a passion for drink. Outside of that, he's perfect. I heard, as I was coming in that morning, that he went to her boarding house last night and, because she wouldn't see him, he kicked up such a row that he was thrown out bodily and told never to come back. In consequence of this tragic sequence put on by Freddy, poor Claire is looking for a place to live at this moment. I don't understand her at all. I'd either let him furnish a flat for me, where we could row comfortably, or stay where I was and let him slide. No man could play fast and loose with me, as Fred has with her. Of course, he has money to throw to the birds, but I can't see where that helps her any, as she won't take any from him. I'd certainly see that he rented me an apartment, if he were going to make such a mess of himself and get me in bad. Claire is too good for that heel."

"Poor Claire," thought Lynda. "I'm glad I can offer her my home."

It was significant of her unworlshipness that there was no thought in her mind of making any trouble for herself by taking Claire into her house.

It was time to go to work, and Miss Gallop had piled so much on her desk that she hardly looked up from her typewriter until twelve o'clock.

As she did not see Ralph Armitage, she went on to her room, and, as the clock struck one, she passed through the room.

Emily Andrews had seen it, however, and decided that Lynda was more clever than she had at first thought.

Paying no attention to Emily, who was waiting for her, Lynda caught up with Claire as soon as they were out of the building, on the way to lunch and, although she had a feeling that Claire wanted to be alone, and at any other time would have taken the hint in the girl's impatient eyes, she now determined to give her a chance of refusing, if she wanted to, her invitation to come to live with her.

"Claire, I heard you were looking for a new boarding place," she said, as she came up beside her. "Who told you?" answered the girl, almost sullenly.

"Emily Andrews."

"She would. The little cat. Did she say anything else?"

"What would she say?" Lynda answered, evasively. "I had asked her if you lived at home, and she said no, you boarded somewhere, and she believed you were looking for a new place to live at this time. That interested me, as I'm looking for someone to come and stay with me. You know the house, you used to pass it every day on your way to school. That belongs to me. Would you like to come to see it tonight?"

"But I thought you had a father, Lynda?"

"I have, but you see he's left the city for several months. I shall be all alone."

An expression of such relief settled over Claire's face that Lynda was quite sure she would jump at the chance, even before she said: "I'll come to your house tonight to talk it over. You've spoken just in time. I want a new place to live immediately. You—you have heard the gossip about me, I suppose?"

"One of the girls tried to tell it to me, Claire, but I made up my mind that it was your business, and it didn't make much of an impression on me. If you'd like to come and live with me in my little house, I'd be glad to have you. I know you and I could be very good friends."

Claire Stanhope surreptitiously wiped away a tear.

"You're a darling, Lynd," she said, "and if you'll let me, I'll come tonight. What do I want to see the house for? Haven't I seen you? But do you think I can afford it?"

"You certainly can afford it, Claire, if I can. I know I don't get as much salary as you. How much do you pay for your room?"

"Thirty-five dollars a month."

"Give me thirty-five dollars a month and I'm sure we can live very well. I will put up the rent of the home against it."

"That is much less than it's been costing me now," confided Claire. "You see, my meals, except coffee and a roll, were extra."

"We'll take turn about with the work," said Lynda remembering what David had suggested about having a clear understanding.

"One of us will do the market-ing and cooking one week, and one the next. We'll also take turns at the cleaning and keeping the house generally neat."

A wistful look came into Claire Stanhope's face.

She was to play an important part in Lynda's life.

(To be Continued.)

HAYS' SPECULATIONS IN MARKET BARED

him to assist with the republican party debt prior to the 1924 campaign.

"Hays was away behind with me in his accounts on account of the falling off in the stock market and that kind of thing," Connery said, "and I was trying to keep the ends up."

Portland, Ore., \$100; and two persons who called at the senator's office, one leaving \$10 and another \$1.

Old guard republican leaders maintained silence generally as they watched the independent movement of Borah to wipe out the Sinclair contribution, a move which he first asked the national party to undertake, and which he says he is willing to turn over to the party for completion if it so desires.

YOUTH ADMITS THAT HE PLACED POWDER

brothers he drove that night to Sandy in the family car. There he charged the blasting powder to his father's account. Earl parked the car some distance from the house on his return and told the others to go ahead of him. He then carried the dynamite and placed it under the house.

He explained today that he was out of the house at the time of the explosion because he had been nearly a victim of the blast, declaring he was struck by a heavy timber.

When officers switched the questioning to the topic of the actual firing of the fuse, Jones became sullen and evasive. "If I remember I'll tell you all about it," he was quoted.

The youth brightened a bit late today when told that Circuit Judge Morrow of Portland, his great uncle, was to visit him tonight, on his request. Jones asked that he might see the jurist and talk to him.

Earl is being held in jail here on an open charge. No time has yet been set for the coroner's inquest into the death, pending further investigation by the officers.

The sheriff today searched further for possible motives for the deed, should it be shown that Earl actually caused the explosion. One theory was that the youth and his father had quarreled recently and this report was confirmed.

After the lad took the family automobile last year and went to California, the paternal authority is said to have been exercised strongly.

Another incident in the town of Sandy, nearby, a short time ago, resulted in Jones' father appropriating his salary for settlement.

NO HOPE HELD FOR 2 MISSING AVIATORS

plane in the vicinity to have it take part in the search.

So many rumors following on the disappearance of this and other trans-Atlantic aircraft have proved groundless that aviators here hesitated to place much credence in the Greenville reports.

GIRL RESERVES' STATE CONFERENCE HERE SOON

ing session; 9:30-10:30, Mrs. Sando walking on pascent; 10:30 to 12:00, discussion groups; 12:45, luncheon at church, given by one of the aid groups; 1:30-2:30, discussion; 2:30-3:00, surprise program. Centralia is around city, through state house and out to Chemawa; 6:30, banquet, church, Ethel Cutler, principal speaker.

Sunday: 11, special services. First Methodist church, Rev. W. C. Kantner delivering a sermon appropriate to the pioneer theme; 12:30, lunch to be provided by delegates; 2, closing session.

All delegates have been requested to wear the Girl Reserve uniform of white middie, dark skirt and blue tie during the conference. Sunday the white skirt and middie and blue tie will be worn.

MUCH LOOTING GOING ON WITHIN FLOOD AREA

was leaking or seeping prior to its collapse last Tuesday morning and that there was reason to believe it would give way.

Water to be Tested Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, health officer of Los Angeles county today issued a warning to all residents of the affected region against the indiscriminate use of water from wells and other sources of supply. Analysis of all water sources is going ahead.

Strict prohibition against drinking any surface water was ordered by health authorities at Santa Paula to prevent possible epidemic.

The death list late today stood at 203, with 54 known to be missing and a number of others reported unaccounted for.

Ventura county official figures showed 273 homes destroyed in the Santa Clara river valley area alone, of which 133 were entirely swept away; 87 damaged and untenable; and 51 flooded.

Camulos rancho, of historic association with "Ramona" suffered extensively through the ravages of the Santa Clara river flood, according to word today from Piru.

Houses Carried Away The rancho borders the river a few miles east of Piru and is the most famous of all Ventura county's show places. The flood carried away a number of small houses occupied by workmen on the rancho. Several lives were lost here.

The flood waters also destroyed a \$50,000 irrigation system operated by the rancho and carried about 60 acres of fine walnut grove, but missed the historic ranch house by a few yards.

Seven automobiles have been reported as having been run into the flooded Santa Paula area, deputy Sheriff Ed Hearne said that it was probable that some of the

cars on the highway between Piru and Saugus must have been in the path of the flood.

George McIntyre of Castile said: "I heard that the flood was coming shortly after several automobiles passed my place on the highway going south towards Saugus and Newhall. I went outside and counted the lights of six machines as they climbed a short hill before dropping down to cross the river."

"Six pairs of lights pointed over the brow of the hill and sped down toward the river and the on-rushing water."

"I waited for the lights to reappear on the other side of the river but they never appeared."

Deputy Sheriff Hearne declared that "we have every reason to believe several machines were caught on the bridge at Santa Paula."

NEED RELATED, LANDING FIELD FOR THIS CITY

lem can have an airport in the immediate future is to go out and establish it.

The chief specifications for an airfield are that it have a straight, level runway for a distance of some 3000 yards, that it be fairly dry and hard and that the running distance extend in any direction against which the wind may happen to be blowing. At Salem the wind comes, from so many different directions during the year that it will almost be necessary for the field to measure 3000 yards across in any direction.

As for location, the field should be as near the city's business section as practicable, but this is a problem that does not face Salem nearly so acutely as it faces the larger cities. To go from the center of Salem to its outskirts takes only a few moments by automobile.

Of the expedition that went from this city to Seattle six men returned yesterday, the other two—Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hillman—remaining in Seattle for a few days. The others, consisting of George Vick, president of the Salem chamber of commerce, W. W. Chadwick and W. A. Cummings and three newspaper representatives, left Seattle shortly before 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and landed at Rankin Field, Portland, at 3:14. They reached Salem at 5:30.

A meeting is to be held at the chamber of commerce in the near future in the interests of an airport for this city. Vick announced immediately upon his return.

MUSSOLINI WINS MORE POWER FROM ITALIANS

Giolitti, dominating the uproar continued:

"In order that the assembly may represent the entire nation I believe it necessary that its members be elected in full liberty."

Shouts louder than before again interrupted the speaker, while from all sides fascist members cried: "Which liberty? That of 1919?"

This was an allusion to the time when Giolitti as premier was accused of allowing the socialists, communists and anarchists to seize the factories throughout Italy.

Giolitti resumed: "The deputies must be elected directly by the voters, according to the electoral law as prescribed, by article 39, of the constitution."

Medford Wins Way to State Tourney Finals

goal or the other every second. There was contrast in the play, too. Medford used a pivot-pass method of progress that was dazzling, while Salem relied on high passes to Beecher to break through the visitors' ranks.

On defense, Medford played a conventional five man formation, while Salem was more aggressive. Kelly and Ecker frequently breaking in to intercept passes.

The play was fierce, with plenty of aggressiveness displayed on both sides and frequent head on collisions, but it was clean for all that.

Both teams fared alike in one respect; the men who had been counted on to lead in scoring, failed to do so. Melvin of Medford may be excused for his failure to scintillate, for he played with one hand bandaged, the result of cutting a finger to the bone on a piece of glass shortly before the game. Duffy of Salem was closely guarded and his only openings were long shots taken on the dead run, so that he did well to sink two of them.

As stated, it was basketball instinct that kept Medford in the running. Its players seemed to know from some sort of second sight where the ball would go after a missed shot, and they were always there. Salem, on the other hand, covered shots just as determinedly, but failed to diagnose

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Bits For Breakfast

Speaking of flax— Which the Bits for Breakfast man has often done—

The managers of the state flax industry tried to get all the flax seed into the hands of the growers by the 15th, and are insisting that it all be taken by the end of the month. This will help early seeding, which will be a great advantage—in quality and per acre tonnage.

The oil mills people at Portland are working for a larger acreage for seed only this year. They say 1000 acres were put in seed flax last year and the year before in this section, and they expect several times as many acres this year. As the Portland mill uses the product of 50,000 acres annually, there is plenty of room for expansion here.

They make the claim that \$2.20 flax is better than \$1.50 wheat, and that seed flax makes a good rotation crop for wheat and other grains. Flax seed is now \$2.30 a bushel at Portland.

The time will come, of course, when there will be enough fiber flax in the Willamette valley to supply the Portland mill with as large a tonnage as its present requirements. Then, of course, no one will grow flax for the seed alone.

Mrs. Small—"I believe I shall have to give up bridge."

Mrs. Sharp—"Really? Isn't the game worth the scandal?"

Waiter—"Would you like to drink Canada Dry, sir?"

Customer—"I'd love to, but I'm only here for a week."

Doting Mother (to teacher of piano who is instructing her child)—"And what do you think of my daughter's execution?"

Professor—"I'm not in favor of it."

Lady—"Is this milk fresh?"

Milkman—"Ain't an hour ago madam, it was grass."

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