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And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full. And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow; and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish? Mark 4:37-38.

AFTER FORTY-FOUR YEARS

The Statesman property passed into new hands yesterday. From this day forward Sheldon F. Sackett and Earl C. Brownlee will be the publishers and managers of the Statesman group of newspapers and its printing plant.

Mr. Sackett has sold his interest in the McMinnville Telephone-Register, and Mr. Brownlee has disposed of the Forest Grove News-Times.

Both the new men coming into the Salem field have been successful publishers and editors. Both have had college training, Mr. Brownlee at the Oregon Agricultural college and Mr. Sackett at Willamette university, from which he was graduated several years ago.

And with a vision of a great future for Salem, the Willamette valley and the state of Oregon. They hope to be helpful in making Salem a constantly bigger and an ever better city, and the trading territory constantly more progressive and prosperous.

Col. Carle Abrams and the writer have been associated in the ownership and publication of the Statesman for a long time; Mr. Abrams coming to the property in 1903. The writer came August 18, 1884. Salem at that time was a town of about 2500 people within the corporate limits.

To be associated with the forces making for a better and a larger Salem in these 44 years has been a great life. The writer believed in Salem and its high destiny, and it has been a labor of love to work with those fine spirits of the same mind here. He is more firm than ever in his belief in the great destiny of Oregon's capital city.

This is not a good-bye. It is not even a temporary leave taking. The writer will still work on and with the Statesman and its allied publications. He will still be a resident of Salem; expects to remain so permanently, and to enjoy a long period of activity in his chosen fields of endeavor.

For he loves Salem and her people. He would not feel at home anywhere else. He could not do his best work in a city not his first and chief love; in the state of his birth and his pride. He hopes to be free and unhampered in performing more useful work along development lines in as many years of the future as are vouchsafed to him.

Salem and her people have been good and kind. They have been ready and constant with their sympathies and their patronage. It has been a pleasure to work with the other members of the old Statesman family, as the writer believes it will be with the new and larger family of this newspaper.

Again, in relinquishing the large responsibilities that are necessary in the carrying on of such an institution as the Statesman properties have become, it is a satisfaction to be able to say that the new people taking charge have high ideals. They will publish a clean newspaper, and it will be a vigorous exponent of every worthy enterprise.

So their opportunities as well as their responsibilities are great. The writer believes they will fully measure up to them. They will deserve much at the hands of this wonderful patronizing territory, and that they may receive the full measure of their deserving, is the wish and the expectation of the writer.

R. J. HENDRICKS.

AND HE DID NOT ADVERTISE

"On all sides may be seen the march of science and invention, says a writer in the Eugene Register, going on to say: "The two Eugene newspapers recently installed machines which do away entirely with the services of telegraph operators. Tex Rickard complains that radio has ruined his fight audiences, and shivers at the thought of television, which one of these days will show such events as prize fights to the American citizen as he sits at home in front of his radio. One hesitates nowadays to laugh down the wildest predictions of mechanical and scientific invention and progress."

Thomas K. Kelly, himself one of the greatest users of newspaper space in the United States, told the Salem Lions luncheon club crowd on Friday last that the reason Tex Rickard lost \$250,000 the night before, instead of making a million dollars, as he did on one of his prize fight exhibitions, was because he thought he had become so great and important as a prize fight manager that he did not need to advertise.

That the crowds would come anyway. He is a wiser if not a happier man on account of the fact that he was a bad guesser.

Pacific highway travelers who drove between Eugene and Roseburg Sunday without the inconvenience of punctures should be particularly grateful to the state highway commission whose big magnet had just passed over this stretch of roadway. Almost any one of the scores of bits of metal exhibited here yesterday by the commission employees would have been sufficient to create delay, perspiration and blasphemy. Special credit is due this sort of service from a

public service body. No one would ever have thought of blaming the highway commission because his tire was punctured from a tack on the state road. And the rapidly traveling motorist, because he has no trouble will probably forget to credit the state commission for saving him from it.—Eugene Register. (The state highway commission does many things for the traveling public, besides building good roads and safe bridges and keeping them in repair. Its activities are manifold for the accommodation and safety of the traveling public, and Oregon stands out in this respect among the states of the Union, compared to population and extent of territory served.)

Senator Owens, Democratic, from Oklahoma, is out in an interview saying that Herbert Hoover is best qualified man for the presidency who has ever been presented to the people for their votes in this country in his, Owen's life time. And Mr. Owens has been living 65 years. There is nobody who can disprove this, and yet, Mr. Owens should remember that in a republic where the people vote on candidates the best man doesn't always have a cinch. In this particular campaign for instance, thousands will vote against Hoover and for a glass of beer.—Corvallis Gazette-Times.

As we understand the trouble in Amsterdam, the guards neglected to kiss the French athletes as they entered the Olympic field gates.—Exchange.

NEW ARCHBISHOP OF YORK CHOSEN

Present Bishop of Manchester to Succeed Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang

LONDON, July 31.—(AP)—The Right Rev. William Temple, Bishop of Manchester, has been named Archbishop of York to succeed the most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang.

Dr. Lang was recently elevated to the Archbishop of Canterbury to succeed the most Rev. Randall Davidson whose resignation becomes effective November 12.

The new Archbishop of York is a sympathizer with the labor movement and always has taken a keen interest in social questions.

He also is renowned as a preacher and has frequently spoken by hour on the most abstruse theological questions and without notes.

In the recent prayerbook controversy he strongly favored the revised book and since its rejection has been one of the leaders of the movement to secure spiritual liberty for the church without, however, disestablishment.

The Right Rev. William Temple, who is 46 years old and a son of a former Archbishop of Canterbury, has been an honorary chaplain to King George since 1915.

He took holy orders in 1904 and since that time has been noted as both a priest and educator, serving as chaplain to the Archbishop of Canterbury, the head master of Tepton school, and Canon of Westminster Abbey.

He was named Bishop of Manchester in 1921. Many of his sermons and religious works have been published.

Bits For Breakfast

He has not resigned.—The Bits for Breakfast man.

A friend tells the Bits for Breakfast man that there are hundreds of "nests" of caterpillars on the trees in and around Salem, that ought to be destroyed for the looks of the thing, and so that we may not have an army of the pests next year, which might happen as happened even in Oregon, as note such an army stopping trains on the railroad from Corvallis to Newport a few years ago.

Another thing the friend notes. He says more and more of the big California and eastern black walnut trees in and around Salem are being grafted over to the English variety, with such kinds as the Franquettes predominating. And he says there should be more of this work done. In particular, he says there are hundreds of large black walnut trees on state property here that would in a few years bear 1000 pounds to a ton each annually of good nuts, if made over into the English kind. Nuts that would be worth \$250 to \$500 a tree each year, in market value, or food value.

Heat has ruined the crops in Italy and long procession led by priests, kneel before the shrines praying for rain. A friend suggests that they would have as much chance of success in asking Mussolini.

There have been fewer deaths from cirrhosis of the liver in the Pacific northwest since prohibition. That is easy to understand, says a friend at the writer's elbow. With the stuff they get nowadays a liver never gets time to cirrhosis.

As we understand it, Frank Kent, veteran political writer for the Baltimore Sun, the democrats expect to win this year by the use of money in the voting precincts on election day. We trust this comes to the attention of Jim Reed, the great democratic purist.—Exchange.

BOURBON BOSS BETTER

Condition of George E. Brennan of Chicago Improves

CHICAGO, July 31.—(AP)—The condition of George E. Brennan, Democratic national commit-

3 YEAR OLD CHILD CAN'T QUITE DRIVE

Spokane Lass Ends up in Hospital, Youngest Case of Her Kind

SPOKANE, July 31.—(AP)—Her first attempt to drive an automobile having proved disastrous late today, three year old Dorothy Culver a few minutes later learned she was the youngest driver ever to receive first aid treatment at the emergency hospital.

She has promised to confine her driving activities to a coaster wagon in the future.

The little girl climbed into the car of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. E. G. Culver, which was standing in front of the home here, turned the key in the switch, and the motor started, probably because it was hot and a piston was on dead center, investigators suggested.

While the automobile dashed down the hill, the child, unable to do anything to bring it under control, closed her eyes and waited for something to happen. Some distance down the hill the car crashed abruptly against the curb and the child was thrown against the windshield. Rescuers found her wedged under the steering wheel which had been broken along with the two front wheels on the car. Examination revealed the child's injuries consisted of cuts and bruises about the head and face, none of which was thought to be serious.

PHYSICIANS SUED BY REGENT PATIENT

Two Salem physicians, Frederick H. Thompson and Edward A. Lebold, yesterday were jointly sued for a total of \$16,550 by Mary Alexander on the ground that they were unskilled in the treatment of her broken leg.

She experienced a fall while at her home on August 2, 1927, the plaintiff alleges in a complaint filed in circuit court here yesterday. At that time she broke her right leg near the hip, sustained several torn ligaments and was otherwise injured.

She immediately summoned Dr. Thompson, she asserts, who examined her but failed to treat her for the broken leg. Dr. Lebold also assisted in the treatments. The woman claims that an X-ray was used in the examination, but that used unskillfully and the break in the thigh bone not detected.

On September 5 of last year she went to another man for an examination, she recites. His treatments cost her \$550 and it will cost \$1,000 more to heal her. She demands the \$1,550 as special damages. In addition to this she demands \$15,000 as general damages, alleging that she has been made permanently lame, her nervous system injured and her health impaired generally.

Pennies are in brisk demand as a medium of exchange in Nigeria, Africa. It is consoling to think these coins are esteemed somewhere, since American children long since have turned up their noses at them.—Seattle Times.

Will Rogers comes out against national conventions. But if it weren't for national conventions what would the gift badge manufacturers do for a living.

ASSASSINATION INCITED BY NUN

TORAL'S CONFESSION NOW INVOLVES WOMAN

"Indirect Influence" of Religious Nature Admitted By Oregon's Slayer

MEXICO CITY, July 31.—(AP)—Jose de Leon Toral, assassin of President-elect Alvaro Obregon, admitted in testimony before a criminal court today that the nun Concepcion "indirectly influenced" him in his deed.

His hearing before a court today marked the first step in the legal procedure which is aimed at trial and punishment for the assassination of the president-elect. It took place before "the preliminary court of first instance" of the town of San Angel, where the crime was committed, and suburb of Mexico City.

When Toral was placed on the stand he was asked first if he had a lawyer to defend him. He answered no and the court made the customary offer of an attorney which Toral refused. The court, nevertheless, appointed two lawyers to defend him.

Toral's only comment on the procedure was that he had no defense to offer.

In the questioning which followed he asserted vehemently that "nobody on earth" knew his intention prior to the assassination itself. Further questioning elicited the statement that he had been "indirectly influenced" by the nun, Concepcion Acebedo de la Iata, who is being held by the police in connection with the case.

This statement is, after a fashion, contradictory to his contention all along that no one had influenced him in the least, and followed a denial by the nun herself that she had done so.

Toral, calm and composed without a collar and his scraggly black beard showing more than a week's growth, was brought from the police headquarters to the San Angel court at noon under a heavy guard. On the stand his voice was low but tremulous and with precise enunciation. He made few gestures, but occasionally clenched and unclenched his fists.

He seemed utterly indifferent as to what was going on about him—the only evidence of interest came when he thought he saw chances to shorten the procedure. Thus, for instance when the clerk of the court began to read a long document consisting of a police statement with the formal charge, Toral interrupted to say "It is unnecessary to read this document. It is all true and I have already signed every page of it." The charge was then formally entered by the court.

It has not yet been decided whether the preliminary hearing will be followed by a formal trial or whether there will be an interval, or whether the trial will be held in San Angel or in nearby

SEATTLE YET TRIES TO EXPLAIN REPORT

Documents Having to do With Cascade Tunnel Bother at Hearing

PORTLAND, Ore., July 31.—(AP)—John P. Hartman, Seattle attorney and member of the Cascade tunnel commission, took the stand today at the interstate commerce commission hearing on grain rates.

As a proponent of a great tunnel project in the Cascade mountains of Washington, he had helped to compile a report which emphasized extreme difficulties in mountain railroad operations. He was called by W. C. McCulloch, Portland attorney, to identify and establish the authenticity of the report which was issued in December, 1924.

After stating that the report was based on railroad documents, government data and reports of engineers, Mr. Hartman repudiated some of the salient points. Difficulties of railroad operation through the mountains, in connection with the snow hazard, had been overdrawn, he said, and were based on conditions that existed several years ago. He stated that improved locomotives and snow-fighting equipment have reduced the difficulties.

One paragraph of the report said: "The three railroads crossing the Cascade passes are required to compete with railroads having water grades through the Columbia river pass. The importance of the river grade is evidenced by the estimate that each rise and fall of 1000 feet in elevation is equivalent to more than 75 miles of level running. The cost of operation is indicated by the fact that five powerful locomotives are required to haul 100 freight cars westbound to the top of the grade, while with a low level tunnel with the resultant gradient in the mountain division, one locomotive would do all the work."

On this point, Mr. Hartman said modern locomotives are more powerful and can haul 35 or more cars up the grade and he said he would discount 50 per cent the statement that 1000 feet rise and fall is equal to 75 miles level running.

Mr. McCulloch asked if the corrections noted had been submitted to the governor and Mr. Hartman replied that this move had

25 YEARS AGO

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The Juanita concert company of Chicago will appear at the First M. E. church Friday.

Of the 48 cases on the docket for the circuit court, 16 are divorce actions.

Ex-Governor Z. F. Moody is home after a visit with his son Malcolm at The Dalles.

Rev. Donald McKillop, formerly of the Baptist church of Salem but now of Ashland, visited here while on his way home from Minville where he attended the marriage of his son James.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Smith are home from a month's visit to the East.

Miss Eunanie Craig has returned from an extended visit with Portland relatives.

Hon. J. Q. Wilson was a Turner visitor yesterday.

Mrs. J. C. Gardner is visiting relatives in Portland.

D. H. James went to Albany last night.

Dr. W. H. Byrd arrived home yesterday morning from an extended visit to his old home in Pennsylvania.

J. G. Graham is in Albany and Corvallis on a business trip.

RATS THREATEN SUBURB

Abolishment of City Dump Causes Rodents to Wander

ASTORIA, Ore., July 31.—(AP)—Residents of Williamsport, a suburb of Astoria, have appealed to Ira N. Bagrielson, rodent expert with the United States Biological Survey, for aid in exterminating an army of rats marching on Williamsport homes. The city garbage dump which has been the camp of thousands of the rodents has been abandoned, and deprived of their accustomed source of food the rats have begun a drive to blot themselves in Williamsport homes.

Hundreds of the hungry invaders were killed by automobiles on the road near the dump. Juvenile Astoria hunters have bagged many of the rodents, using small calibre rifles. One lad accounted for 54 in two hours.

BLACHMAIL PORTLANDER

Woman Receives Threatening Note Demanding Sum of \$15,000

PORTLAND, Ore., July 31.—(AP)—A letter demanding \$15,000 and threatening the lives of Mrs. J. H. McDonald and her small daughter was received through the mail yesterday, according to report made to police.

The note, crudely scrawled with a pencil, ordered Mrs. McDonald to leave the money near her home in a black bag and was signed, "The Three Eyes." Inspectors were assigned to the case.

BULL INJURES FARMER

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 31.—(AP)—An angry young bull that attacked Douglas Waite, farmer, Monday night, inflicted severe injuries, including a fractured shoulder. Mr. Waite, whose home is eight miles east of Roseburg, was taken to a Portland hospital today.

The victim of the bull's attack had just driven several calves into a corral and was putting up the bars when the bull charged. He was struck in the back and hurled to the ground. Mr. Waite is secretary of the Roseburg lodge of Elks.

Tomorrow!

at BREAKFAST YOU'LL HAVE

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