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THIS IS THE CONFIDENCE THAT WE HAVE IN HIM, THAT, IF WE ASK ANYTHING ACCORDING TO HIS WILL, HE HEARETH US.—1 John 5:14.

THE CIRCUIT RIDERS

Last Saturday at Salem, a deserved tribute was paid to a class of men, whose services in the early development of the state were of inestimable value, and which have never received sufficient recognition. These were the old circuit riders who traveled and blazed the trail through primeval forests and unbroken plains, proclaiming the Gospel. These men kept the religious consciousness of the settlers alive, by which they were prevented from sinking to the level of the merely animal. It is supremely true that man does not live by bread alone, but by every word of God, for a man's life does not consist in the abundance of the things which he possesses.

The circuit riders saved the day from crass materialism. They may have been illiterate in many respects, and their theology narrow, but they were versed in the scriptures and men of faith. It was eminently fitting that their memorial should be erected in a prominent position at the capitol of the state, and that it should be given by one whose father was a circuit rider. The donor is a man of substance, and the gift is all the more fitting, in that it shows that he is not unmindful of his early teaching and training, and that his spiritual vision has not been eclipsed by the material goods he has accumulated.

The memorial represents an old circuit rider mounted on his faithful steed, preparing to go out on one of his itineraries, to preach the gospel, and minister to the sick and dying. The type has almost vanished, and while the ministry is more educated, more polished, it is not more faithful or self sacrificing. In spite of their limitations, there were giants in those days, and it is doubtful whether their like will be seen again.

The senate was rather hasty in taking exception to the expression, "grave consequences", in the protest of the Japanese ambassador to the exclusion bill. The latter has subsequently explained that the words did not imply a threat of war. It ought to be readily seen that apart from any likelihood of war grave consequences might follow, politically or socially and commercially. The matter is a most delicate one, for while Oriental exclusion is justified, yet nothing should be done to wound the susceptibilities of those thereby excluded, especially of a progressive nation like Japan. We should, while certifying that on account of the radical difference in race we must refuse them the privilege of settlement and citizenship, yet we can welcome them as honored visitors and guests, especially as we wish to maintain business relations with them.

It is all very well to keep the home fires burning, but put out the camp fire before leaving.

All Oregon to Aid Albany Self-Help College

The entire state of Oregon will be appealed to in a campaign now being organized to raise \$500,000 for new buildings, equipment and productive endowment for Albany student self-help college, Albany, Ore., an old-established school under Presbyterian auspices, but not narrowly sectarian. State headquarters are in the Multnomah hotel, Portland, J. Henry Lang being director.

Following are division chairmen and vice-chairmen and their residential headquarters:
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STATE MARKET AGENT DEPARTMENT

BY C. E. SPENCE, MARKET AGT.

The farmers of Oregon, and especially those engaged in dairying, should take active part in a general movement to get the full vote cast against the referendum on the oleo law. Two and half million pounds of Oregon butter had to find an outside market last year—a surplus over local demand. Two and a half million pounds of counterfeit butter was sold in Oregon last year, mostly shipped in from other states. Dairying is one of the few lines of farming that there is any profit in. The more oleo shut out, the more demand for real butter. If the farmers will all vote, the referendum will be killed and the law made effective. The matter is of utmost importance.

It has been printed and shown that stoves manufactured in this country have been shipped to Germany, bought there by Americans, brought back to this country, the freight and expenses of both ocean trips paid here, and the cost was then less than the selling price by the manufacturers in the city where made.

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But when the farmers sell one-fourth of their wheat crop, the surplus, abroad at low prices, these prices make the market for the 800,000,000 bushels that are sold and consumed at home.

The reason why agriculture has to stand for this disadvantage is because agriculture is not organized, while the manufacturers are tightly combined. If the wheat farmers of the nation were as solidly organized as the manufacturers, and the bulk of the wheat was handled in one great marketing association, they could sell their surplus cheaply abroad and yet get profit prices on the home sales.

It is often pointed out that shoes are on the free list, yet regardless of protection the prices remain high in this country. But it is NOT pointed out that the manufacturers own the machines very largely in the foreign countries, also many of the foreign factories, and that in reality they benefit by making the shoes cheaper abroad than here and there is no tariff obstruction against bringing them in.

In the agricultural outlook for this year the Department of Agriculture states that from reports from every agricultural county in this country, it finds that there will be a normal production

in general, but that high wages, high machinery costs and difficult credits will not permit expansion.

Spring wheat will be reduced about 14 per cent; corn production will be increased, but on account of the serious condition of the cattle and hog industries there is not a demand for the increase; the swine industry is most discouraging, drastic reduction in breeding has resulted which may later result in a shortage; The dairy industry has expanded to where milk production slightly exceeds the domestic demand, foreign surplus production is also increasing, and the department suggests that further expansion is not warranted. It points out that 18,000,000 pounds of butter and 40,000,000 pounds of cheese were imported last year.

The wool industry is reported as distinctly favorable and an advance in production is warranted. Of potatoes the department says these states will not increase their acreage: New Jersey, Maryland, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Nebraska, Montana, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. All other states will increase their acreage.

O. A. C. News

Corvallis—(Special)—Royse I Clayton of Estacada, freshman in commerce, was one of the four men finishing first in the tryouts for the half mile last Saturday on the cinder track here at the college. Other men placing with him were Earnhart, Pendleton; McMillan, Lexington. They ran a hard race in the half mile. Clayton also took second place in the 440, easily outdistancing the other runners.

Three men will be picked for each event in the meet at Linfield college Saturday. Many men are being kept on the squad because of the meet with the Oregon frosh soon, when four men will be needed for each event.

Easter Day was ideal and all places of worship report good and crowded congregations. In New York the orchid showed indications of supplanting the Easter lily for floral decoration.

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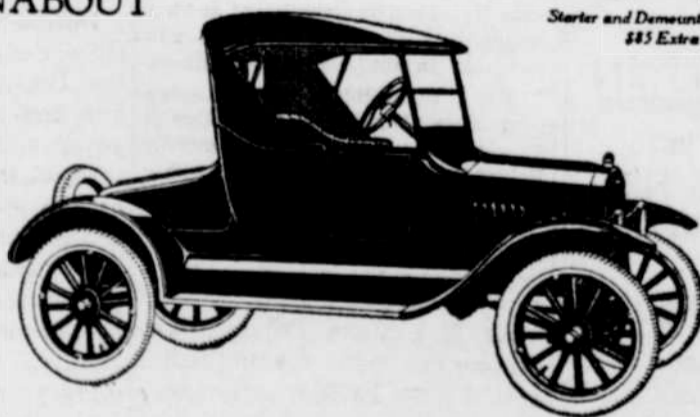
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