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BIBLE SELECTION AND PRAYER

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TO GREY IS BETTER THAN SACRIFICE—Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people, and walk ye in all the ways that I commanded you, that it may be well unto you.—Jeremiah 7:23.

PRAYER—"O may these thoughts possess my breast, Where'er I rove where'er I rest."

PROGRESS AND SHADOWS

Three separate prizes for non-stop flights around the world have been offered in the last few days. At the same time, a western millionaire offers \$25,000 to any man who can communicate with any one of the planets in our solar system. A British statesman, furthermore, predicts that 100 years from now we shall have such knowledge of obscure physical processes that we can change the climate of any part of the world to suit our tastes.

The world, beyond doubt, is moving somewhere pretty rapidly. We are doing things that never before were deemed possible; furthermore, we are beginning to think that there will be no limit whatever to our future achievement. No dream is too fantastic to be given belief. The wildest imagination is not accused of being unbalanced. We are ready to believe anything.

Yet, side by side with this breath-taking advance, there exist strange patches of darkness. A firm belief in witchcraft has just been uncovered in a populous eastern state. A lady astrologist is commonly reported to be the chief adviser of a western governor. An aged and blind Holy Roller pastor in the middle-west marries an 11-year-old girl with her parents' approval. A southern state prepares to bring criminal proceedings against a backwoods schoolteacher who allowed a book on evolution to stray into his school library.

These things develop hand in hand with the advances in science and invention. No sooner do we get through patting ourselves on the back for a new intellectual achievement than some bit of age-old superstition or ignorance pops up to make us reconsider.

It is quite possible that we are advancing too fast at the top and too slowly at the bottom. To be sure, that is the way the human race has always made its progress. But it so happens that modern conditions have made it supremely import-

TODAY

By ARTHUR BRISBANE

You Ask: "What Is News?"
Religion Can Stand It
Beholding William
75,000,000 Rings a Year

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PICKING up a newspaper you ask yourself, "What really is news?" For instance, that very Reverend Dean Inge said it may be necessary for the countries of Europe "to combine to draw Shylock's teeth." Shylock is Uncle Sam, who modestly asks Europe to pay part of a ten-billion-dollar debt of honor.

BRITISH CLERGYMEN unite to repudiate Dean Inge's statement, and say they like us. That is hardly news.

Our British friends tried the tooth-pulling process in 1776, when Uncle Sam was small, again in 1812. They are probably too kind hearted to try it again.

A NEW VACCINE prevents distemper in dogs absolutely. "All cases, all breeds." That's not important news, except to dogs. A vaccine that would keep dogs from going mad and biting children, would be more valuable.

AN ENGLISHMAN with all of his stomach removed is back at work with "the upper part of his small intestine stitched to the gutter." The digestive glands were left in, so he digests and lives.

WHAT we need in this prosperous country is something to digest all the food we put into our stomachs. Learn from the stomachless Britisher that it is important to take care of your digestive glands. Don't tire them out with irregular eating.

MARSHAL POCH, his courage conquering illness, is out of bed, enjoying the sight of the French people, that he loves. That's important news, for it unselfish patriotism and ability constitute greatness. Poch is a great man.

PROFESSOR BARNES told scientists gathered in New York that men must change their concept of God. Now he tells Dr. Henry Fairfield Osborne, head of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and Cardinal Hayes, who rebuked him, and all the clergy in general, that religion is out of date, hinders the progress of civilization and is "primitive and superstitious."

ant that that system be altered.

In the old days society could put up with a great deal of submerged darkness. It didn't matter how ignorant the bulk of the people were, because the bulk of the people didn't count for anything. They had no voice in the conduct of affairs, and the tasks they had to do could be done just as well in darkness as in light.

But we have changed all that. First we established democratic government, under which the most down-trodden, benighted citizen has as much to say about his nation's course of action as the highest. Then our scientists began to invent a great variety of new tools which completely revolutionized every-day life. Ignorance and superstition are not to be tolerated anywhere in a world of automobiles, radio, television and large-scale industrialism. They are altogether too dangerous.

The universal education which our forefathers insisted on establishing in this country is probably the most important institution we have. It is the implement with which we must dispel these black shadows that dot our countryside. If we fail to do it we shall run into a fearful mess. To paraphrase Lincoln's famous remark, the nation cannot exist half ignorant and half enlightened.

IN ADDITION, this professor who teaches history at Smith college, says the ten commandments need revision, orthodox religion increases human suffering, being based on "fears and superstitions which obviously have not the slightest scientific validity, but terrify countless millions."

NEVERTHELESS churches will be open next Sunday and religion will continue to rule the world after Professor Barnes travels on beyond, to learn, perhaps, more than he knows now.

FOR two hundred years William of Orange had stood on College Green in Dublin, on his war horse. Sometimes the Irish nationalists pulled the statue down and battered it. Then the statue was put up again.

The other day Irish republicans blew William up with dynamite. While it was being repaired young Irishmen broke into the repair shop, cut off the statue's head and took it away. It will never be erected again.

THAT'S a pity. Irishmen of all kinds should keep in Dublin a statue of good old William. If only to remind them that when Ireland lost the battle of the Boyne, it was William, a Dutchman, that led the English and an English king, commanding the Irish, that ran away while the Irish were still fighting.

THIS is the day of mass production. The Muskogee Piston Ring company has orders from the Chevrolet company for 60,000 rings a day, another order for 100,000 rings a day to supply old model T Ford cars, of which 500,000 are still running, and 90,000 rings a day for new Fords and Fordsons. That means 250,000 piston rings a day, more than 75,000,000 a year.

SOME PEOPLE laughed when Henry Ford said he meant to build 19,000 automobiles. Automobile makers said he would ruin the business, destroying its credit by such extravagant statements. He has since made 15,000,000 cars.

DR. LITTLE, head of the University of Michigan, one of the youngest American university presidents, resigns.

He advocated a "some form of birth control," didn't want students to use motor cars, objected to an alleged blacklist of the Daughters of the American Revolution, that probably would have kept Franklin, Jefferson and surely Tom Payne from addressing the daughters.

Dr. Little will find a job somewhere—perhaps farther west.

THAT vigorous "little girl," Texas Gullman of the night clubs, has beaten cruel Uncle Sam's efforts to prove that she conspired to defeat the prohibition law. Thirty others arrested and accused are also released, and will live to dispense liquid refreshment another day.

IT IS EASY for detectives to get evidence if they have public money to spend getting it. But it seems difficult to convince a judge and jury.

Youths Fined for Stealing Traps

Edgar and Albert Wahl, two Madoc youths, have been fined \$75 each on a charge of larceny of traps belonging to Ed Sent, registered trapper.

The youths are accused in a complaint signed by Scott of picking up traps set to catch predatory animals. Scott has a large number of traps set in various places. Recently when he went on a tour of his "line" he found many missing. They were located in the possession of the Wahl boys.

The youths were hauled before Justice of the Peace W. B. Barnes, where after entering pleas of guilty they were sentenced out in the county jail, in lieu of money.

NOTICE

That after this date, I, J. M. Curran, will not be responsible for any bills other than those made by myself.

Threats Against Thomason Told

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day morning promptly at 10 o'clock, Horace Mann, chief of the defense council and senior member of the firm of Manning, McCulloch and Manning, stated that the defense would offer their testimony under a plea of "not guilty." Allowing the defense to bring out self defense, and also to show the state of mind of the defendant at the time of the homicide.

District Attorney Wilson S. Wiley, chief prosecutor for the state, argued that he thought the defense should lay a foundation for self defense and if they intended to use it, to lay a foundation to show that Thomason was mentally deranged at the time of the shooting.

Clarkson Called
Judge W. M. Duncan, in a firm manner, ruled that under Section 1887, relating to manslaughter, the defense could introduce its testimony.

Harry Clarkson, who testified Tuesday, was the first witness called by the defense. He was asked questions in regard to threats allegedly made by Pearson against Thomason. Before the witness answered, District Attorney Wiley objected on the grounds that the proper foundation had not been laid.

The court sustained the objection, and the defense called Roy Horst.

Mr. Manning then said, "If the court please, I believe that the jury needs to see the scene of the homicide in order that they may know the location of the business houses mentioned in testimony of the curb, and other material matter."

"I believe that it will help the jury to understand the testimony. It would take but a short time and would speed up the trial."

Judge Duncan then agreed and it was decided that the jury would visit the scene during the afternoon.

Tells Of Shooting
Horst took the oath, mounted the stand and was questioned by Ralph W. Horan, of the defense counsel. He was asked to tell of the events on the night of November 27, 1928, in Chillicothe.

He said that he saw Pearson and Rufus Hicks come out of the "Cash Does It" market. Pearson went to the side of his Chevrolet truck with a delivery body, walking past the seat of the car and set a box of empty milk bottles which he was carrying, slipped in the car or on the running board.

Heard Threat Made
He testified that Pearson said "You haven't got the guts," reached toward the door of his car and that then "Bill" Thomason shot.

He was then asked by Attorney Horan, if he heard Rufus Hicks make any statement after the shooting.

"I did. I heard Hicks say, about five minutes after the shooting, in front of Johnny's pool hall 'I'll get a gun and kill the son of a bitch.'"

His testimony was not shaken by cross questioning.

Clarkson Recounts Warning
Harry Clarkson was recalled by the defense. He told of a conversation between himself and Pearson about a week before the shooting.

"I met Pearson in a pool room. I told him that there seemed to be quite a bit of trouble over the girl and it looks like if he had any principle about him he would let her alone. He answered me and said 'Tell that big black— to leave me alone and to quit trying to run my affairs or I'll bump him off.'"

Pearson Carried Rifle
Clarkson stated that he later conveyed the threat to Thomason.

"Nearly every time I saw Pearson he had a rifle or some kind of a gun in his car or with him," the witness stated.

"Did you ever tell Thomason that you saw guns in Pearson's car?" Manning asked.

"Yes, two or three days before the shooting," Clarkson answered.

As in the case of Horst, the state failed to shake the story in cross questioning.

Summers Tells Of Threat
Port Summers, Indian, who has held the positions of Indian police, deputy sheriff officer, and constable of Chillicothe, and who has known Thomason 24 years, next testified.

He told of hearing Pearson say to him "If Bill Thomason has a warrant for me he better not arrest me or he'll kill him." Summers stated that he told Bill Thomason what Pearson had said and also stated, to Bill, that if he had a warrant to serve on Pearson to give it to him because "Back" had threatened to kill him (Thomason).

Tells Of Election Night
George Butts, special officer, testified that he was in Chillicothe on the night of November 6, 1928, (election night) and that he and Thomason parked their car in front of Poll's store.

They started walking down the street. When they reached a position in front of the Pelican Lunch, Pearson accosted Thomason.

TODAY IN KLAMATH'S THEATRES

At the Pelican

Margaret Mann in "Four Sons" "Four Sons," heralded as being the type of mother dramas and playing three days at the Pelican starting at matinee today, has its star, Margaret Mann, who has proved herself to be an exceptional actress even though she was past the fifty-year mark when she embarked on her film career.

The stage, especially in the past few years, has provided notable examples of actresses who continued to act well on into old age, and still hold their audience. Sarah Bernhardt and Eleonora Duse are illustrious examples which immediately leap to the mind.

None of these players had to undergo the nerve-racking experience of Margaret Mann, new Fox leading woman in "Four Sons," which opens at the Pelican theatre today. She was not fortified by past training in public performances, as were all the distinguished stars previously mentioned. Moreover, they all attained a definite prestige long before they were even middle-aged, and its glamor carried them with its momentum well on into their declining days. Hence the belated achievement of Miss Mann is considered in show circles to be correspondingly noteworthy.

At the Pine Tree

Victor McLaglen

Victor McLaglen, celebrated player who is cast as Citizen Hogan in "Hangman's House," playing today and tomorrow at the Pine Tree, has the distinction of being the best all-around athlete in motion pictures. He has been a soldier, boxer, wrestler, general roustabout and man of all trades in virtually every civilized country in the world. At one time he was reputed the best two-fisted fighter in Canada, and his list of opponents includes the formidable Jack Johnson when the black panther was in his heyday.

While all of McLaglen's roles have been of the fighting type, still they represent strikingly different characters.

At the Liberty

Tom Mix and Tony

Tom Mix and Tony, his famous horse, take a wild auto ride in "The Arizona Wildcat," latest release which will show at the Liberty theatre today and tomorrow.

Mix has the role of Tom Phillips, former army captain, and he is all ready to ride in a polo game at Santa Barbara.

The crook who is captain of the opposing team has his game got Tom into putting Tony into a trailer behind a racing auto pretending they will be hauled to the polo field. Instead they race away to the mountains to keep Tom out of the game. When he discovers the trick, he knocks out the crooks, turns about and starts for the field.

Mix gives Tony a fast ride until the trailer is wrecked. Both escape injury and then Tony carries Tom onto the field just in time for him to turn the tide and win from the crooks.

Dorothy Sebastian and a cast of screen favorites support Mix in this picture.

son. Pearson abused Thomason, using foul language. Thomason tried to avoid the meeting, but Pearson insisted on talking.

When he became too loud, John Lee Ball (now deceased) took hold of Pearson and took him away. Later in front of the community hall, where a dance was in progress, Pearson again stopped Thomason and Butts, who were at the dance in line of duty as officers, and again used foul and abusive language to Thomason.

Saw Open Knife
William "Bill" Thomason, a young, bright-eyed youth, who stated that he was no relation to the defendant took the stand and testified further about the meeting in front of the Pelican Lunch.

In a clear manner he told of the meeting. He stated that he was standing close to the two men and could see an open knife in Pearson's hand. He further testified that Pearson advanced toward Thomason in a threatening manner and that Thomason backed up.

In cross examination Harry Edwin, deputy district attorney, asked how large the blade of the knife was.

Answer Brings Laughter
"I didn't measure it," the witness answered. A spontaneous outbreak of laughter filled the court room but was quickly quelled by Judge Duncan who rapped for order.

C. Flurry who was sitting in the Pelican Lunch, heard the commotion outside, told of the meeting. When asked what Pearson said to Thomason, Flurry blushed beneath his coat of tan, swallowed and then said the foul

Copco Dividend Checks Reveal Company's Growth

Quarterly dividend checks, accompanied by the regular quarterly report on the condition and progress of the company, have been mailed to local owners of shares in the California Oregon Power company. The report is an excellent one, showing a healthy increase of earnings for the twelve months period ending November 30, 1928 over the previous twelve months period. This, of course, reflects the growth and general prosperity of the communities and territory served by the company.

Under the heading of "New Business," which includes new loads and general expansion, it is noted that on December 1st, the town of Battle Falls, Oregon was supplied with central station service from the lines of the company. To render this service it was necessary to construct fourteen miles of transmission line from McLeod on the Rogue river to Battle Falls and to build a distribution system in the town itself. Likewise in northern California the town of Mt. Hedra was supplied with service upon completion of a line from Macdonald. Fifty-seven communities in Southern Oregon and Northern California are now served by Copco.

One of the largest loads contracted for during the quarter was that of the Glendale Lumber company at Glendale, Oregon, for approximately 1500 horsepower. The new mill will employ many men and stimulate business in that community to a marked degree.

Added load for the immediate future includes airway and airport lighting over a large part of the entire Copco territory. The Pacific Air Transport company will commence night flying on June 1, 1929, and to make this possible, all regular and emergency landing fields, in addition to the routes of travel between fields, must be completed and lighted by this date. Lighting of this nature is a new type of load and is occasioned by the constant progress of aviation in the past few years.

The Merchandising Department of the company has increased its service facilities to customers and residents of the Klamath Basin by the opening of a new electric appliance store at Malin, Oregon on November 19. An office for payment of bills and convenience of customer is maintained in conjunction with the store. Modern fixtures and furniture were installed throughout and this store and office is conceded to be among the finest of its size in the state.

The company reports approximately one thousand electric ranges added to their lines during the past year and the selling of one hundred eighty one new ranges during a recent eight weeks' campaign period. This places a range in one out of about every four homes on their system, making the comfort and convenience of electric cooking available to more housewives than ever before.

Stockholders are invited to avail themselves to the services of the company's investment department. Advice and information regarding securities which investors might be interested in will be given gladly without any expense or obligation.

words which Pearson used, according to witnesses.

In all testimony the witnesses call "a spade a spade" and nothing is withheld from the jury which sits in judgment over the events related.

Saw Knife or Razor
"Did you see a knife in Pearson's hand?" Horan asked.

"I saw a flash. It looked like a knife or a razor. I guess it wasn't a razor," Flurry testified.

He told also of an officer taking Pearson away and taking the knife from him.

Bert Johnson, last defense witness to testify, added nothing to the story of the happenings in front of the Pelican, only corroborating facts already related.

The judge then instructed the jury that they would leave for Chillicothe at 1:30 p. m. and for them to be back.

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MALIN HIGH NOTES

MALIN, Jan. 23.—Boxing has been an active pastime of students in the Malin high school during the last week. Couple after couple have entered into bouts, which so far have been on a friendly basis. The boxing craze has even struck the girls, several of them trying their skill with the gloves.

The typewriters were readjusted Thursday, January 17, by representatives of the Shaw-Maclean company of Klamath Falls. Some of the typewriters were found to be badly in need of repair but are now in good condition.

A basketball game was played Monday, January 14, between Pelican City and Malin high school on the Malin floor. The game ended 17 to 15 in Pelican City's favor. Both teams played a fast, clean game. Frank Kamrard was high point man of the game with 8 points to his credit. Malin high made no substitutions during the game. A return game was played Monday, January 21, at Pelican City, the score being 27-18 in favor of Pelican City.

The Malin high school was victorious over the national guards of Klamath Falls in a basketball game played at Malin last Wednesday, January 16, with a score of 22-12. Although this was not a scheduled game, it is the second game won this season. Malin high defeated Chillicothe high school, but lost to the Pelican City lumber company team by only two points.

The Malin high school boys played their first scheduled game of the season with Bonanza high school at Bonanza Friday, January 18. Both teams played a good game. Malin boys winning over Bonanza with a score of 42-2. John Mikovsky was high point man with 15 points; Frank Kamrard and Lloyd Smith each had 12 points. The Malin second team was put in the game for one-quarter of playing. The Malin grade school team also played the Bonanza grades. The Malin boys won after playing two quarters overtime. The grade school girls were less fortunate, losing to the Bonanza girls.

Many high school students saw "Uncle Tom's Cabin," which was presented in the Malin Broadway theatre Sunday afternoon and evening, January 20, and again Monday night. Harriet Beecher Stowe is the author of the book from which the play was taken. This play is of value to the students in their study of literature and history.

The debate scheduled with Hentley has been called off because Hentley has not a debating team this year. The Malin team will debate in the near future with Chillicothe and Bonanza. Malin has debated one other team, Klamath Falls, winning the affirmative decision and losing the negative. The total score was 4 to 2 in favor of Malin.

The second girls' basketball game of the season was played with Bonanza at Bonanza, Friday, January 18. The Malin girls were victorious, the score being 25-19.

Are You Ready



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