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**OUR THOUGHT FOR EACH DAY**

By Mary Baker Eddy

“Every day, every hour, our work increases in effectiveness and power.”

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**THINK UPON THIS**

The universe of Spirit is peopled with spiritual beings, and its government is divine Science. Man is the offspring, not of the lowest, but of the highest qualities of Mind.

*Science and Health 264:32-3*

**A QUOTE FROM THE PAST**

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire, called conscience.

George Washington

**GEMS FROM OUR HERITAGE**

*Sermons and Articles p. 71*

By Doris White Evans

At the present time the world is in a state of turmoil. Truth is overturning all that is untrue. Our job is to maintain our peace, undisturbed by error's self-destructive detonations.

**JIM'S CORNER**

What do you call a train that carries gum?

A chew-chew train!

Author Unknown

**THOUGHTS FROM PULPIT  
AND PRESS** Page 21

Christian Scientists, their children and grandchildren to the latest generations, inevitably love one another with that love wherewith Christ loveth us; a love unselfish, unambitious, impartial, universal,—that loves only because it *is* Love. Moreover, they love their enemies, even those that hate them. This we all must do to be Christian Scientists in spirit and in truth.

Mary Baker Eddy

**QUOTES FROM  
PETER V. ROSS**

You know when the great Architect turned you out He guaranteed that you would run for a good long while. He was perfectly safe in issuing this guarantee, because He used the best substances and fitly joined them together in the course of the construction work. This means that there are no weak spots in you, call them vision or whatnot. Each part and function is as perfect as the others. So it is that out of divine Mind you see and hear and understand in quiet assurance.

*Leaves of Healing p. 194*

# “A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD”

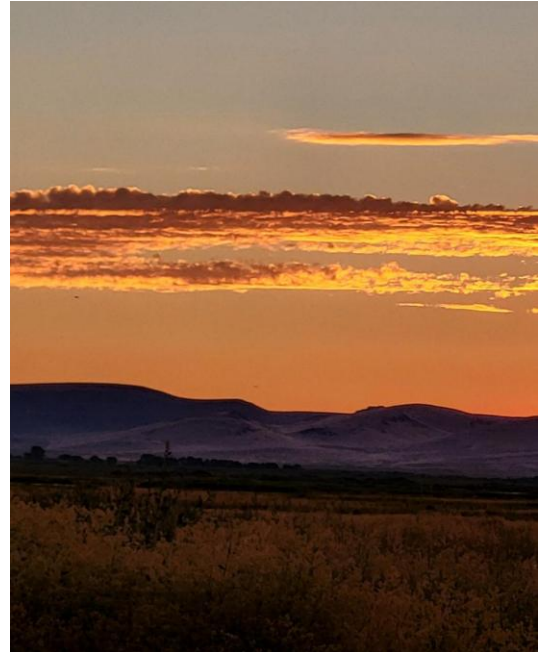
A visit to Nevada  
With Tarrah



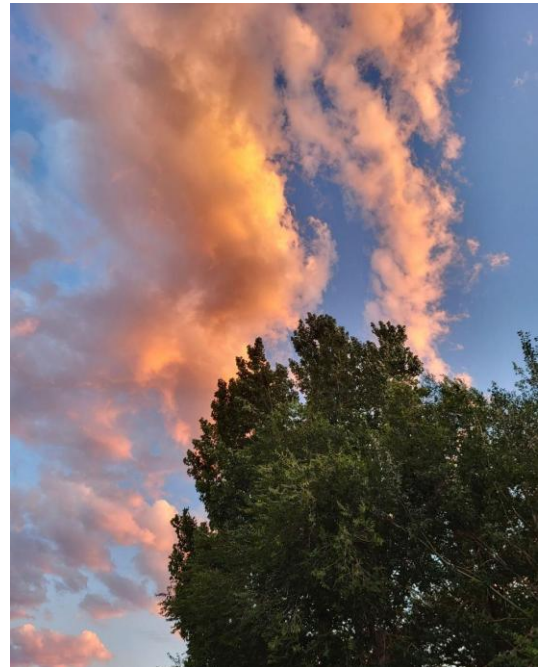
Southeastern Oregon, Route 20 heading south. That’s the Steens mountain range ahead.



First snow on Santa Rosa peaks, as the morning fog is lifting



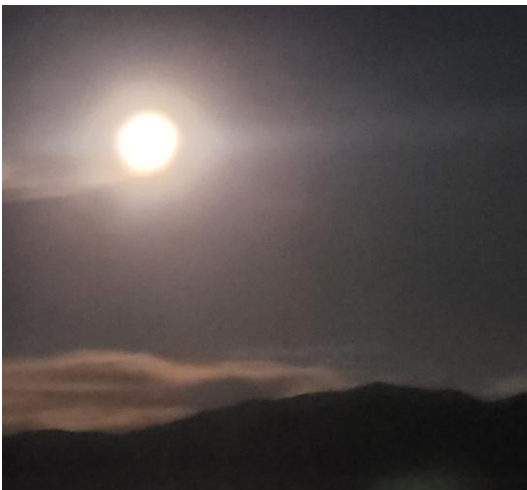
Sunset, at the Oregon-Nevada state line, looking toward the Cordero mountain range.



Looking up at a 100-foot hybrid poplar tree in northern Nevada.



McDermitt Creek in dry season, willows are turning yellow. McDermitt Creek and the town of McDermitt, Nevada, were named after Lt. Col. Charles McDermitt (often spelled with one “t” in historical records), the commander of the Military District of Nevada. He was killed in 1865 in a skirmish with Native Americans in the area, leading to the nearby military outpost being named Ft. McDermitt in his honor.



Full moon looking into Nevada.



Sun setting over Nevada.



Total eclipse of the sun, Saturday, October 14, 2023, at the Oregon-Nevada border. How black the sky is as 9:22 a.m.!

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### **Pharaoh’s Army and the Red Sea**

There have been stories of divers seeing what looked like broken chariot wheels, and other debris on the floor of the Red Sea, covered with silt and coral. But scientists didn’t believe the reports, saying maybe there was an old wreck, but certainly not pharaoh’s army. That was just a **Biblical myth** and didn’t really

happen. That's what universities all over the world teach.

In 2024 a quiet, covert operation was developed. A group of private backers donated ten million dollars. They gathered a team of divers, engineers, and underwater archeologists, using high tech cameras, deep sea drones, and submersible scanners. They had maps that other divers had drawn, and followed those maps.

Hundreds of feet below the surface, they found human bones, the skeletons of horses, chariot wheels with 4 spokes, 6 spokes, and 8 spokes, which are the wheels the Egyptians used at that time, and the field stretched almost a mile-and-a-half in length! They found the remains of hundreds of chariots. The wood has rotted away, but the coral that covered the wood remains. There are twisted metal axels and other pieces of metal.

Sonar revealed a land bridge, 10 miles long, "only" 900 feet below the surface. But on each side of the land bridge, the sea bed drops down a mile. The debris field extends along that land bridge.

One theory is that, around that time, a volcano erupted, possibly the worst ever, causing a tsunami. Before a tsunami hits, it draws the water back, away from land, possibly exposing the land bridge. Moses and his people crossed safely, but when the Egyptians got into the middle, the tsunami hit.

It's wonderful that they have pictures now and can verify that it really happened, just as the Bible says.

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**Confidence**      **Martha Harris Bogue**  
(*CSJ* March 1903)

Moses stands for moral courage. Josephus, in his description of the crossing of the Red Sea, says, When the

Egyptians had overtaken the Hebrews they prepared to fight them. The number that pursued after them was six hundred chariots with fifty thousand horsemen and two hundred thousand footmen, all armed.

When Moses was come to the seashore he took his rod and made supplication to God and called upon Him to be their helper and assist, and he said: "Thou art not ignorant, O Lord, that it is beyond human strength and human contrivance to avoid the difficulties we are now under, but it must be Thy work altogether to procure deliverance to this army which has left Egypt at Thy appointment. We despair of any other assistance or contrivance, and have recourse only to that hope we have in Thee, and if there be any method that can promise us an escape by Thy providence, we look up to Thee for it, and let it come quickly and manifest Thy power to us, and do Thou raise up this people unto good courage and hope of deliverance who are deeply sunk into a desolate state of mind. We are in a helpless state, but still *it is a place that Thou possessest*; still the sea is Thine, the mountains also that enclose us are Thine, so that these mountains will open themselves if Thou commandest them, and the sea also if Thou commandest it will become dry land. Nay, we might escape by a flight through the air if Thou should determine we should have that way of salvation."

Is it any wonder that when such confidence, boldness, and courage went before them straight into the sea, that it should have parted, and that they should have walked through triumphantly? There was but one thing for them to do,—go straight ahead. There is but one thing for us to do,—go straight ahead, neither turning to the right hand nor to the left.

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