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Bible Thought For Today

WHY WILL YE DIE?—Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.—Ezekiel 18: 31, 32.

Schools For Ships

A double page of pictures in a current magazine illustrates strikly some of the statistics which have been presented frequently in less interesting form.

There is a campus view of the nation's largest university, showing a group of splendid buildings. Beneath it is the comment that two great universities like this one could be established, each a permanent institution, for the cost of one capital ship. The present naval construction plan of this government calls for 16 such ships, and 32 possible universities are thereby set aside indefinitely.

Another picture shows a farm tractor at work. The tale it illustrates tells that such a tractor and an automobile could be furnished for every one of the 6,500,000 farms in the United States for the money six months of the Great War cost us, and there would be left $600,000,000 for good roads.

There is a picture of the U. S. S. Indiana, completed in 1895, costing this government $5,800,000, which has recently been made a target because it is obsolete as a fighting ship. Will the sixteen $40,000,000 battleships now being built be suitable only for targets 26 years hence.

There are other illustrations in which schools, churches, playgrounds, swimming pools and homes figure. It is evident that the civilized world has never begun to use education for its own development as it has used war and the tools of war.

Clearly it would not be safe to abandon armies and navies with a single stroke. It is not so clear that it is either impracticable or unsafe to replace heavy armament gradually with greater facilities for education, health, commercial development and international friendship.

Railroad Psychology

Whatever genius there may be on the operating side of American railroads does not seem to lie in the direction of understanding public sentiment or labor sentiment. Possibly the operators do not care about trying to understand any psychology but that of their stockholders. If so, that is unfortunate.

Just now they are going ahead with what looks to an outsider like unnecessary haste in preparing to formulate and submit their demands for additional wage cuts. After the recent strike scare, it might be supposed that they would wait a little for that, unless they really want the strike that the rest of the nation does not want.

If there is to be any haste for change, it might better take the form of readiness to accept rate cuts. After one general wage cut, a general, though possibly moderate, lowering of freight rates is regarded by the public as the next obvious step. Wage cuts, then, could follow in due time as they were found justified. It seems odd that the railroads don't see that. Or don't they want to see it?

An Emperor's End

The Hungarian parliament at last has formally dethroned Emperor Charles, last sovereign of the ancient Hapsburg dynasty. Until this action was taken, Charles, though ousted from his throne and country, was still theoretically the legal head of Hungary, because he had refused to abdicate. The Hungarian government now stands legally on its own feet. It may hereafter be a republic or a monarchy, but it will do without "Kaiser Karl," the last conspicuous representative in Europe of the absolutism which began with Julius Caesar before the beginning of the Christian era. "Kaiser" is merely German for "Caesar," as "Czar" is Russian for it. "Caesar" hereafter will be only a name for a dog.

Charles with his "empress" goes guarded by British soldiers, to Funchal on the island of Madiera. He will be a prisoner for the rest of his life. It is better than Napoleon's St. Helena. The climate is pleasanter, the scenery is lovely and the wine is good. The erstwhile royal pair will be housed in a building intended as a sanitarium. Royalty nowadays belongs in a sanitarium.

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN

SYLVESTER HARRINGTON WHO HAS BEEN COURTING THE WIDOW BOWERS HAD AN EMBARRASSING ACCIDENT IN FRONT OF HER HOME LATE YESTERDAY

Airplane Fishery

Submarine mines, depth bombs and torpedoes killed enormous numbers of food fish on the world's richest fishing grounds. They drove the herring from their accustomed haunts and for months past the fishing towns of the east coast of England and Scotland have been appealing for government aid. The twalers could not find the fish, and they did not know where to look for them.

The latest device utilized in their behalf is the airplane. During the war men learned that, from a plane flying high, it was easy enough to "spot" a submarine, even at a great depth or lying on the bottom. Many of the German U-boats destroyed were first located in this way, and trailed until they reached the surface. At the same time naval aviators discovered that fish, moving in great schools, were hardly less apparent.

As a result of this aerial scouting, the 1921 herring catch, although far below the pre-war normal still promises fairly well despite an abnormally warm winter and a summer of record heat which have kept the fish in deep water.

What will be the next use for the plane?

When the United States Steel Corporation reports earnings of $19,000,000 for the last quarter, business in this country can't be altogether shot to pieces.

The Allies' interest in the debasement of German currency is largely academic. They're not accepting any paper marks from Germany. It's the German people that are getting stuck with them.

EARTHQUAKES INTERMINGLED

WASHINGTON—Two pronounced earthquakes were recorded on the seismograph at Georgetown university Friday afternoon, the first being at an estimated distance of 2,500 miles and the second 1600 miles from Washington. The first disturbance was said probably to be in South America but the location of the second was less certain.

The first shock began at 1:55 p. m. and was continuing when the second began at 2:54 o'clock. Both thereafter were intermingled but the disturbance ended at 4 o'clock.

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—By JUNIUS—

Now that the football season is upon us, doctors are beginning to buy new cars.

MOON WINKS

A full moon floated overhead,
'Twas full as full could be;
A mongrel pup sat looking up
And whined most piteously.

He shook the midnight silence
With his canine repertoire,
In true log fashion such as you
Have doubtless heard before.

Who'd criticise this little dog
If even he was off a bone?
A very little moonshine, and
You'd do somewhat the same.

The lady bank clerk had completed her first week, and a friend asked her how she liked the work.

"Oh, it's beautiful," said the girl. "I'm at a branch where nearly all the people we know have accounts, and it's so nice to see how little money some of your friends have in the bank."

"Kills Walter."—Headline. Dumb waiter, perhaps.

HOW THEY DO IT

An old farmer and his wife lived near the village church. One warm Sunday evening while they sat dozing on the porch, the crickets set up a loud chirping.

"I just love to hear that chirpin' noise," said the old man drowsily, and before the crickets had stopped, he was fast asleep.

Soon after the church choir broke into a beautiful chant.

"Just listen to that," exclaimed his wife, "ain't that beautiful?"

"Yes," murmured the old farmer sleepily, "they do it with their hind legs."

Opportunity knocks, but temptation kicks the door in.

A doctor, attending an old gentleman, had instructed the butler in the art of taking and recording his master's temperature.

One morning on arriving at the house the doctor ran into the butler.

"I hope," said he, "that your master's temperature is no higher."

"I was just hoping that myself, sir," said the butler solemnly. "You see, he died an hour or two ago."

We never hear much any more about love in a cottage. The cottage no longer stands for what it did. The flivver has taken its place and its significance.

Our idea of a smart man is one who can pick up a monkeywrench and make an automobile go.

QUESTIONS THE OFFICE CAT CAN'T ANSWER:

Please tell me if it is true that many models make only a bare living? J. D. J.

Do you think I could be elected if I ran for mayor? I am a street car conductor, and have a fine platform.

DO THEY JAIL HORSE THIEVES?

(From the Detroit News)

A horse thief and an automobile thief broke jail together in Poughkeepsie. It suggests that the motor age is not without team work.

Cities have more than 50 percent of the population, but the country has more than 50 percent of the grub.

A watched pot never boils, and his poor relation will tell you a rich old man never dies.

Dressed Up

Lord Reading, Viceroy and Governor General of India, in his robes as Grand Master of the Order of the Star of India. He is having his hands full with an uprising in Malabar.

Blackstrap.

Blackstrap is a low-grade sugar cane molasses. At one time it was generally discarded in sugar refining, but is now used not only as an appetizer and tonic for stock feeding, but is included as a regular ingredient of mixed rations, being a food of the carbohydrate class.

HOW NOT TO TAKE COLD.

Some persons are subject to frequent colds, while others seldom, if ever, have a cold. You will find that the latter take good care of themselves. They take a shower or cold sponge bath every day in a warm room, avoid over heated rooms, sleep with a window open or partly open, avoid excesses, over eating, becoming over heated and then chilled and getting the feet wet. Then, when they feel the first indication of a cold, they take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without delay and it is soon over.—Adv.

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