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Bible Thought For Today

REMEMBER THE POOR: — If I have withheld the poor from their desire, or have caused the eyes of the widow to fail; or have eaten my morsel myself alone, and the fatherless hath not eaten thereof; if I have seen any perish for want of clothing, or any poor without covering; then let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade, and mine arm be broken from the bone.—Job 31:16, 17, 19, 21.

The Cut-Off

It is an axiom in America that taxation without representation is unfair and that government exists by the consent of the governed. But these fundamental principles seem to have been forgotten by some Portland people who are urging the construction of the highway between Umatilla and Wallula.

The case at issue relates to the apportionment of federal funds that are now available or soon will be available under the recently enacted federal aid road law. Oregon gets $1,180,000 of federal post road money and $1,325,000 of forest road money, making a total of $2,505,000 for use in the state. If wisely distributed this money can be made of much benefit to Oregon.

Eastern Oregon has much of the forest reserve land and most of the roads needing post road money. In allotting Eastern Oregon's quota of the federal money one would naturally suppose that some attention should be paid to the wishes of Eastern Oregon people. The people of this section of the state are acquainted with their highway needs and competent to know where money may be expended with maximum benefits to all.

But there are two or three people in Portland who seem to feel they have been divinely appointed to handle this subject for us. One of these estimable gentlemen is Mr. H. J. Ottenheimer, chairman of the highway department of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Ottenheimer feels that by virtue of his position in the Portland chamber he is the logical man to decide where federal road money shall be expended in Eastern Oregon! As an initial step he has prepared a map indicating his first recommendation is for a road from Umatilla to Wallula. This is a road that will cost from $350,000 up to $1,000,000, if paved. It is a road that is not of the slightest benefit to Eastern Oregon. There is not a home or a farm or a mail box along the proposed route for it is through desolate country along the upper Columbia. It is admitted by nearly all that from a tourist standpoint the road would be a mistake because any saving in distance it would make would be inconsequential and such a route would give visitors an entirely unfair impression of Eastern Oregon. It would mean they would travel through Eastern Oregon from Wallula to The Dalles without gaining any idea whatever of the real Eastern Oregon country and its resources. Such visitors would miss all of Umatilla county's agricultural area and they would naturally come to the conclusion that Eastern Oregon is an uninhabitable region.

The reason the Portland gentleman favors the road to Wallula is that he has been told it would tap a certain portion of Washington and thus be of some value to our metropolis from the standpoint of a feeder road to Portland. Men who know the country believe he is misguided even as to this point, but that feature is immaterial.

The chief point involved is that Mr. Ottenheimer wishes to do our money spending for us and desires to spend Eastern Oregon's quota of federal money, not for the good of Eastern Oregon, but for what he conceives to be Portland's good. Naturally that [illegible] position to arouse resentment [illegible] section of the state.

[illegible] county people naturally [illegible] fly to the Ottenheimer [illegible] feel that in this [illegible] has a common [illegible] the subject in [illegible] Ritner [illegible] on the [illegible] neglect [illegible] Oregon [illegible] highway, [illegible] for the [illegible] Grande [illegible] of [illegible]

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN

matter is investigated the more will this be seen.

Are we to sit idly by and see Eastern Oregon's essential highway needs neglected in order that a misguided Portland merchant may have his way in connection with spending our quota of federal road money?—Pendleton East Oregonian.

Why Wait

The government has made a favorable impression everywhere by the prompt, business like way in which it has set about the task of reducing armament. A suggestion made by Senator Pomerene looks like another sensible and practical step in the same direction. Senator Pomerene proposes that as a pledge of good faith the United States stop naval construction immediately, without waiting for the conclusion of the conference.

The success of Secretary Hughes' plan, in its major features at least, seems already assured. It might make assurance doubly sure if this country would start now doing what it expects to do in two or three or four months from now. It would hurry up the whole business and probably win greater concessions from the other powers. It would also save money, now being poured out by millions; for if the plan carries, all of the work done and paid for up to the time of discontinuances will will have to be undone when the pact is formally O. K. 'd.

That money might be far better spent on constructive public work, say on highways or bridges or irrigation. And some other useful work could probably be found for the ship workers thrown out of employment.

The St. Lawrence Project

The neccessary preliminary study and discussion of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence ship canal and power project are going forward steadily. Governors from 18 states of the middle West were invited to a conference on the subject held recently in New York city. The meeting was planned by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers. It was the biggest gathering yet assembled for purpose.

A good many details need careful study a considerable amount of opposition must be overcome. On the whole, however, the plan is making rapid headway. The chief interests standing out against it are recognized as selfish and sectional. The opinion in favor of it is widespread and increasing in volume. Many persons who understand the problems involved and the purpose to be achieved agree with Secretary Hoover who calls proposed waterway "a national remedy" for our transportation difficulties. The vision exists already. Achievement is now only a matter of time.

THE OFFICE CAT

—By JUNIUS—

POOR OLD BOAT

My boat was once a thing of joy,
A handsome young machine,
It never cost a cent except
For oil and gasoline.

It ran for miles without a squeak
It never knew a pain,
It never failed to roll along
In sunshine and in rain.

But now its bolts are rusty,
It has a million ills,
It groans and squeaks and jerks along
And lumbers up the hills.

I shell out shekels to my friend,
The trusty handy man,
Who tightens, loosens, readjusts
And mends as best he can.

But when I venture forth again
To tour the bumpy ways,
I wonder oft and plenty if
External fixing pays.

Some day I'll take my chariot
And run her in the lake,
An leave her safe from groan and squeak,
And mortal motor-ache.

And then I'll hoof it fast and free
To some good motor store,
And there, beneath the rubber tree
I'll swear forevermore,

"I'm through with busses four years old,
I'm through with all this woe,
I'm through with freely shelling out
My shilling, pence and dough.

Trot out your newest, brightest car,
Bring me a trusty pen,
I'll write a check and save myself
From motor woe again."

Even if the girls do adopt the new knickerbocker style, its dollars to doughnuts they will make them out of the same transparent materials they used for skirts.

Lots of people who fancy that they are making a big impression on their so-called inferiors by a show of dignity are merely making themselves ridiculous.

He narrates a case in point as follows:

When a young mistress of the house entered the kitchen she carried herself with great dignity. She had, incredible as it might seem, come to call the cook to account.

"Bridget," she said, "I must insist you have less company in the kitchen evenings. Last night I was kept awake by the uproarious laughter of one of your woman friends."

"Yes, mum, I know," Bridget admitted cheerfully, "but she couldn't help it. I was telling her how you tried to make cake yesterday morning."

In the old country, the stork builds on chimneys; but here it doesn't bother the man who is rich enough to own a house.

A New York youth who tried to amuse a baby by playing robber killed the baby. But anyway he did try to amuse the baby. Give credit where is due.

SHE WASN'T HUNGRY

A delicate girl from Silver Lake, [illegible]

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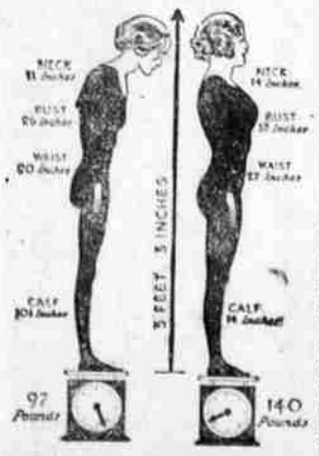

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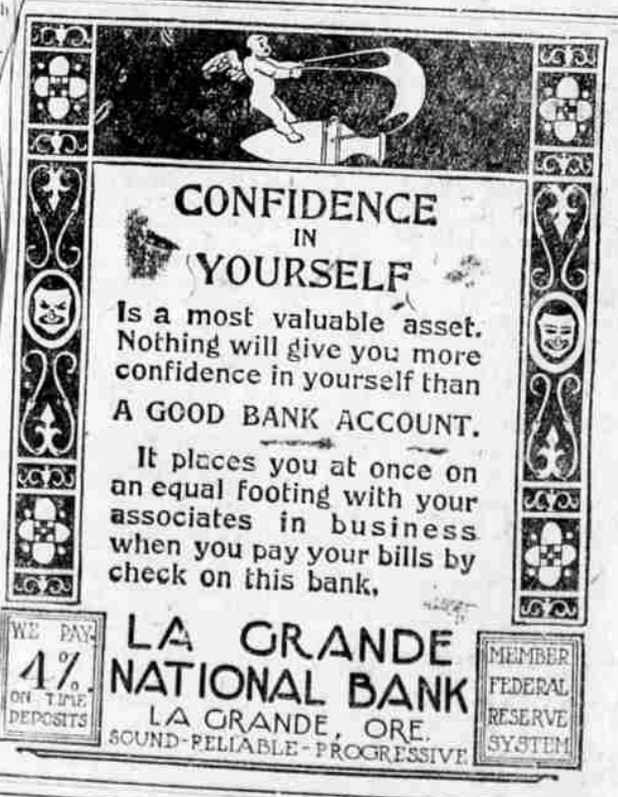

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