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Bible Thought For Today

POWER OF THE WORD:—For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.—Hebrews 4:12.

Practical Disarmament

What the arms conference has arranged to do so far has won almost universal approval because it is not only idealistic but practical. Anything further undertaken must stand the same test.

This is especially true of such additional disarmament projects as the abolition of submarines, poison gas and warplanes. When it comes to abolishing such weapons altogether, or even restricting their use, a totally new factor enters into the discussion.

The five naval powers agreeing to the battleship curtailment plan put their plan through because it rests wholly with them. Suppose they, or the whole nine nations now represented at Washington, agree to do away with the other weapons mentioned. They can only bind themselves. Any other nation, big or little, might wreck the project by refusing to accept it, in peace or in war. Indeed, almost any, however small, might play havoc with the rest of civilization if it had these weapons and the others did not.

All must consent, and all the consenters must be held to fulfillment, or any such plans will come to naught. And evidently there is no hope for such universal reforms except through the enforcing agency of some kind of world organization which includes all nations. It seems to demand either an all-embracing league of nations or a corresponding association of nations, and if the United States is not prepared to advocate and enter an organization of either type, such sweeping reforms are hardly worth discussing.

Married Women's Names

One of the things the National Woman's Party will urge upon the various state legislatures this winter, as part of a sweeping "bill of rights," is the right of a married woman to keep her maiden name if she wants to. Another, allied to it, is the married woman's right to choose her own domicile.

Raiders may be reminded by this of a celebrated woman writer in New York, who won special celebrity by adopting both of the "reforms." In question when she was married, and subsequently hoarding of them as an example for emulation. If memory serves, however, that matrimonial quality of names and residences failed to work very long.

Just why a married woman should want to keep her maiden name, otherwise than by tacking her husband's onto it, is something that few men are gifted enough to understand. In the present acute state of society, it certainly leads to confusion. One of the many questions arising from it is which name the children shall take, if either. Also, what is to be the responsibility for the children, and for the family bill-paying? And are the children of advanced mothers going to be obliged to explain in detail at school and elsewhere, why mother should be "Miss" So-and-so?

A family heretofore has always been considered a unit, not only in name but socially and economically. It has usually been a unit, too, in religion, education and politics. If all this is swept away, will there be any family left? Family customs may be old-fashioned, but some of them still have merit.

French Diplomacy

Poor France seems to be getting in bad all around. She yields on the battleship issue, but leaves a spreading wake of irritation.

Nobody seems able to understand just what is wrong with France and what she is driving at. And this is the France which the world has always admired for mental clarity and diplomatic cleverness.

It must be admitted even by France's best friends, that her diplomacy at the Washington conference has been strangely erratic, where nothing of the sort was expected. There were not to be any difficulties with France, whatever trouble there might be with Japan. At Great Britain, the peace of

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



"HER FROM CHICAGO STOPPING AT HOTEL, FELL ASLEEP MAKING A CIGARET."

powers have negotiated with tact and vision and have co-operated finely with the United States, while France has lost much of the prestige and favor she had when the conference started.

Premier Briand's speech defending France's big army, though received courteously, was a jarring note. But that was nothing to the jar of the later demands for a big navy, at the most inopportune of moments. And though France backs down from that position, nobody knows what she will demand next. The France America knows and admires has always been used to getting what she wanted without leaving any hard feelings.

how to handle money when he is older, without being either a miser or a waster.

An anti-saloon league officer says German beer and wines were responsible for the world war. Now we know what is meant by the German military spirit.

A Chicago preacher says that jazz music is the reason why girls go wrong. It is up to the dancing master to teach them to reverse to the right.

THE OFFICE CAT

—BY JUNIOR—



The modern girl's morals are not what her mother's were. I was talking the other morning to a modern girl in an ultra-modern building suit. "My hired chaplain," she said, as she brushed a bit of sand from her bare, round knee—"my hired chaplain caught me kissing a married man last night."

"Good heavens," said I. "What did you do?"

"I discharged her," said the modern girl.

THE LIMIT.

I've stood for Volstead prohibition, but one thing I will never stand; When I am called unto my fathers, I'll go without a monkey gland.

When labor loafs, that is malingering; when capital loafs, that is business depression.

Roll stockings are like reputations—hard to keep up.

THE ONLY LACK.

Mother—"Well, Nellie, is your doll kitchen completely furnished now?"

Nellie—"No, mama, I still need a policeman for the cook."

What happened to a man who married his mother-in-law is shown in an article taken from the Madison County Democrat. The marriage of Geo. E. Bader, 44, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, last Friday, makes him the grandfather of six of his children and stepfather of his former wife. He married

ried his mother-in-law, Mrs. Julia Davis, 48. He was divorced a few weeks ago from Mrs. Eva Bader, daughter of his new wife and mother of the six little Baders.

Of course, there are others, but one difference is that the chickens on the farm go to bed earlier.

FOOL QUESTIONS.

O. W. P. asks: Why do they call a saxophone a musical instrument? Nobody knows, O. W. P., any more than they know why a crow thinks it can sing.

There are, of course, a great many ignorant people in the country, but if we were looking for a d—n fool who thinks he is smart, we would go to a city to find him.

A LADY GREASER.

"We must treat our new cook with respect. She belongs to the Revolutionary Dames where she came from."

"Where'd she come from?"

"Mexico."

And, while ordinary beauty may be only skin deep, a dimple's depth depends upon how far you fall for it.

ONE RANGER ENOUGH.

Some decades ago there was a riot down in Texas and a hurry call for help was sent to the Texas Rangers an organization that in those days was something different from the collection of mail-order cowboys of today.

The Governor wired back: "Rangers en route."

The Sheriff met the train. One lonely Ranger—little 'ole Mill Macmillan—got off. The Sheriff said: "Oh, my Lord, where's the rest of the outfit?"

"Rest, hell!" said Billy. "You ain't got but one riot here, have you?"

If you save your pennies the dollars will take care of the lawyer who breaks your will.

CONVENTION IS IN SESSION NOW

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 27.—Businessmen and educators from all parts of the country were here today for the opening session of the thirty-fourth annual convention of the American Economic Association. The convention will close at noon Friday.

Meeting at the same time are the American Statistical Association, American Political Science Association, American Sociological Association, American Association of University Instructors in Accounting, American Farm Economics Association, American Association of University Professors, and American Association for Labor Legislation.

Meetings of the Economic Association will open this afternoon with the general topic, "The Business Cycle," a paper being read by Wesley C. Mitchell, of New York City, on "The Crisis of 1920 in the United States." It will be followed by the "Crisis of 1920 and the Federal Reserve System," by Warren M. Person, of Harvard University. An evening session will be in conjunction with the American Statistical Association.

The labor problem will occupy the attention of the Association on Wednesday, the principal speakers being George E. Barnett, of Johns Hopkins University, on "The Present Position of American Trade Unionism," and W. M. Leiserson, of Rochester, N. Y., on "Constitutional Government in American Industries."

In the afternoon the general topic will be "The National Finances," with papers by E. R. A. Seligman, of Columbia University, and Paul Warburg, also of New York City. "The Railroads" will take up the evening session, Walker D. Hines, former federal director of railroads, and Logan C. McCheson, former director of the bureau of railway economics, being the principal speakers.

A joint meeting will be held with the American Statistical Association and the American Association of Labor Legislation on Thursday morning.

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There Are Others, Not Yet Unpacked

This week is a busy one here—
Watch the Announcements for Next Week!

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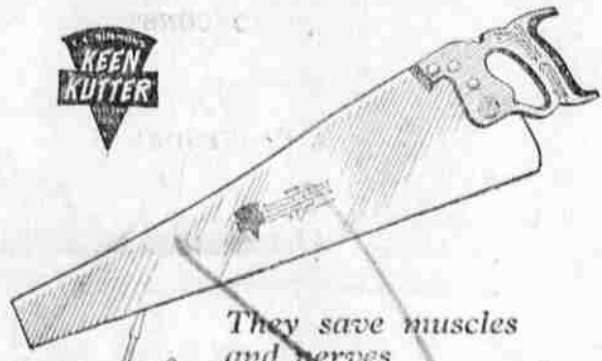
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