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Bible Thought For Today

SAFEGUARD—He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.—Psalm 91:11

A Formula for Citizenship

The American type is still an elusive, undeveloped thing if one is accurate and honest in seeking to describe it. In New England there is a fairly distinct type. It is a combination of English, Scotch and Welsh, with the background those races have of Danes, Poles, and Scot, Saxon, Norman and Celt. This New England type is also modified a little by a strain of French and sometimes Dutch.

In Pennsylvania the native American would be English Quaker or Platt-Deutsch. Again in the Gulf region there is still another "typical" American of French-Spanish ancestry. And so it goes throughout the nation. Each sectional type is as deserving of the name American as is any direct descendant of the Pilgrim Fathers.

It is not racial unity which makes the American nation. Our distinguishing characteristics, says a writer in the Survey, are of a different sort. They are expressed in these facts:

That our country is traditionally the refuge for the oppressed of every land;

That here each individual may seek happiness in his own way;

That the individual man or woman is deemed the ultimate political unit;

That essential justice and the common sense of right relationship are the final standard and appeal of human conduct, over against every claim of precedent and authority;

That the spirit of America is a protest against militarism and the dominion of the professional soldier, against compulsory military service in time of peace;

And that almost always when we have gone to war we have gone inspired by the sense of a righteous cause, and for liberty.

These things, in the hearts of the American people, make them a nation. They are the ideals which the immigrant must take on when he becomes an American, not by accident of birth, but by choice.

Lords and Ladies

The British House of Lords, the most famous legislative body in the world, will be heretofore the House of Lords and Ladies, in fact if not in title. Perhaps speakers will get into the habit of addressing their fellow-peers as "my ladies and lords," though it is rather an un-English to put the ladies first in that fashion. Perhaps, too, the lords will eventually stop wearing their hats in the house while transacting business.

These, however, are trivial matters. The important thing is that Lady Rhonda, insisting on her right under the feminine enfranchisement law to sit in the House of Lords as the heir of her father, has been upheld by the membership committee of that exclusive body, and that she will soon take her seat, followed by several other women with similar rights.

Lady Rhonda will add strength to the British upper chamber, which has languished in recent years, since it was deprived of the right of veto over acts passed by the Commons. She is a capable business woman, with vast interests, director of 27 companies and manager of some of them.

"Rudies to Harding to go 50,000 miles" headlines a Washington paper. Now who's invented a wire-less car that will keep tires around the world before landing?

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



THE CITY TELLER WHO BOUGHT THE OLD PEKINS FARM LAST SPRING IS SELLING OUT AND MOVING BACK TO TOWN

The Bluff of Fear

If recent reports are to be believed, Trotsky, threatening military aggression if everything at Genoa does not seem to go to suit Soviet Russia, is like the boy who whistles when he passes the graveyard. It's "partly to keep his courage up, and partly to show that he isn't afraid."

The coils of famine are beginning to tighten around Moscow. It is said that beginning with this month it will be necessary to put even the favored Red army on rations, and that before the scanty harvest of next July, starvation will invade the strong holds of communism itself.

It is only lately that the soviet leaders have really awakened to what menaces, and whatever their words may be, their thoughts are not cheerful. Lenin cannot sleep. Trotsky reverts to the old stuff about the capitalists and the "final conflict." They know that if outside assistance is not forthcoming, their government will fall; and having engineered the fall of a previous Russian government, they do not find the outlook comfortable.

Because of this situation, the Russian delegates to Genoa already have been instructed to make any sort of concessions which will secure needed loans and some form of recognition for the soviet government. Perhaps the aid will be granted and recognition may possibly come in time. It may be that these traitors who have deceived and destroyed a people will themselves be saved. But they will have no one but themselves to blame if they are not.

Paris condemns American dancing as "low and ugly." And do you remember when Americans were hotly denouncing "indecent dances imported from the French underworld?"

There's five and a half cents difference in the price of gasoline between Chicago and New York. Chicagoans will soon be flying to New York for their gas.

Some folks seem determined to take a Fall out of the cabinet.

There are senators who just won't treat a Pacific treaty peacefully.

There seem to be two theories of government fighting over John Barleycorn's body. One of them is that you have to give the people plenty of booze to keep them quiet, and the other is that you have to keep booze away from them to keep them quiet. As far as we can see, they raise quite a holler in either case.

There's something to this conference business, about labor troubles and such. If you just keep on conferring long enough, things will usually straighten themselves out.

FORUM

COWS AND TAXES.

To the Editor of The Observer: A 500 assessment on milk cows is not fair to the farmer and the dairyman. That is a tax on labor and labor is what makes the difference between a stock cow that is taxed \$30, and a man who takes care of his cow and milks her should not pay double tax as the man who owns so many that he cannot take care of them and milk them.

A stock cow is worth more for beef than a fat Jersey cow or any other breed of milk cows. A calf from a stock cow is worth more for veal than from a dairy cow. The average milk cow costs about \$80 or less than that on the market. The big farmer and the rich man do not milk cows because it is too much work and they have to stay home too close, but they would put a double tax on the man that does milk his cows, and try to rob little children of milk to drink and call it an even tax. It is a cruel and unjust tax and, as for me, I say tax every cow for what she is worth on the market, not what labor makes her worth. If a cow is worth \$30 for beef, why should she be taxed \$80 for milk? That is taxing the labor and extra feed that you pay on the cow to produce milk.

D. A. PHILLIPS

THE OFFICE CAT

—BY JUNIUS—



FISH!

There was once a fellow named Fisher, Who fished at the edge of a fissure, A fish with a grin Pulled poor Fisher in, And they're fishing the fissure for Fisher!

"Are you enjoying the winter sports here, dear?"
"Rather, Auntie! Why, I'm engaged to three of them!"

LIMITED KNOWLEDGE.

Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph: "What kind of people are those who have just moved in next door to you?" asked Mrs. Gadder.

"Oh, I never talk about my neighbors," replied Mrs. Hercho. "All I know about them is that their stuff came in one load, that only one of the bedsteads has any brass on it, most of the furniture looks old, there's six in the family, the children are all boys, they have two dogs, the man is about twenty years older than the woman, they had a squabble with the driver of the van when they settled with him and their name is Smith."

BAD CLASSIFICATION.

Harper's Magazine: The politician rushed past the official Cerberus into the editorial sanctum.

"What do you mean by insulting me as you did in last night's column?"

"Just a minute," replied the editor. "Didn't the story appear as you gave it to us—namely, that you had resigned as city treasurer?"

"It did," admitted the politician. "But you put it under the head, 'Public Improvements.'"

A man may think the world is flat and get snarfed. But if he thinks it's on the level his goose is cooked.

Any fool can catch on, but it takes a wise man to know when to let go.

A man who is always polite to his wife in company doesn't always remember that two is company.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

An assembly was held today for the purpose of arranging the inter-class contest to be held at the "Y." Many and varied were the ideas and discussions on this subject. Owing to the various events the date fails to point to any particular class winning. The Freshmen expect to win in the leap frog race and the Juniors might annex the Paul Revere race, but outside of that the outcome is in doubt.

Now that "Clarence" is safely a thing of the past and is only lived over when some of the stellar players get together and give themselves up to blissful retrospection, the high school is back to normal again, fussing only over petty things like setting down on somebody's gum or spilling some ink on one's chemistry notebook. But, at that, two or three things happened in "Clarence" that will not be forgotten for several weeks.

Jupiter Pluvius, in conjunction with Old Man Winter, put a serious crimp in outdoor track activities. The gymnasium is the scene of all phenomenal outbursts of speed at present.

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RETRENCHMENT RECOMMENDED

Taxpayers League In Resolutions Demands Drastic Measures Be Taken To Slash Taxes.

The following resolutions were passed at the meeting of the Taxpayers' League of Union county at its meeting here Saturday:

Inasmuch as the people of our county and state are burdened by reason of unnecessary and unwarranted taxation, the Taxpayers' League of Union county recommends:

1. That the State Taxpayers' League provide for the appointment of a committee whose duty it shall be to investigate and make public report of all unnecessary and extravagant expenditures of the public funds of this state, and the persons responsible for the same; and we recommend the appointment of a committee of investigation and protection in each county of the state whose duty it shall be to investigate the abstraction and unlawful appropriation of the taxpayers' money from the public treasuries of the county, cities, school districts and other municipalities, and who shall bring the proper legal proceedings to enjoin and prevent the unlawful abstraction of the people's money.

2. We recommend that the County Court of Union County eliminate and abolish all county offices not absolutely required by the Constitution and the laws of the state for the transaction of the regular business of the county.

3. We recommend that our county courts, city councils and commissions of the various cities of the county, and the fiscal agents of other public corporations having the handling of the public's money be guided by, and keep in view, the best interests of the citizens and taxpayers as a whole of their respective territory, and not by officious persons or clubs elected to represent nobody but themselves, and not representing the majority of the people.

4. We recommend the efforts made by certain officials to protect and subvert the interests of the people and taxpayers, and pledge our support to those.

5. We condemn the action of the Public Utility Commission of this state in upholding and granting extortionate rates for service in favor of corporations holding public franchises from the people—rates higher than during the Great War, when labor and materials were much higher than now—instead of reducing them to correspond to other values; and we further recommend that public officials representing the people be prohibited by law from having interests in corporations holding public franchises.

6. We favor and recommend the abolition of useless and unnecessary state commissions, agents and officials, when the functions of such officers can be vested and consolidated in fewer officials.

Respectfully submitted,
JNO. S. HODGINS,
GEORGE MILLER,
L. L. MCKENNAN,
Committee on Resolutions.
(Unanimously adopted March 11th, 1922, by Meeting.)

JUNIOR GIRLS ARE IN LEAD

The Junior girls inter-class basketball team won the inter-class series and the coveted cup, which they will keep in their possession for one year, by defeating the Freshman team in a close and interesting game by a score of 22 to 11.

At the end of the first half the Fresh led by one point, the score being 7 to 8, and in the first fifteen minutes of the second half they maintained their lead. Then the Juniors turned loose a rally that ran them up from behind to just double the Fresh score.

No particular outstanding stars were noticeable but both teams played well together and were evenly matched until the final desperate Junior rally. Miss Maud Shirley refereed the contest.

The four classes in the girls' inter-class tournament stand as follows: Juniors, won three and lost one, 750; Freshmen, lost two and won two, 500; Seniors, lost two and won one, 323; Sophomores, lost two and won one, 323.

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CRIMINALS ARE TO BE INTERNED

(By Associated Press)
—STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14.—Habitual criminals in Sweden would be "interned" until they are cured of their criminal tendencies under a plan recommended by a special government committee.

The committee has been making an extensive study of the best means of protecting society from such undesirable as well as from degenerates, mentally diseased, epileptics and moral offenders.

It recommends the establishment of special institutions in which to keep habitual criminals until they are restored to normal.

Many Swedish legal experts favor the committee's plan.

The head of the Swedish prison board has further recommended that effective means be taken to prevent all such undesirable from having children. He says this is in line with efforts which have been made in certain parts of the United States.

Chief inspectors of hospitals and homes for indigents have sponsored a bill in the Riksdag which provides

Joseph High School Contends for Honors

Joseph high school won the right to represent District No. 1, which includes Baker, Union and Wallowa counties, in the intercollegiate state basketball tournament to be held at Salem, by defeating Enterprise last Saturday 29 to 28 in one of the closest games played in Eastern Oregon this season.

Joseph high lost only one game this year and that to the strong La Grande five, while she defeated the

Enterprise quintette, that was figuring on the championship, in the two final games of the season. The score of the game preceding Saturday's game was 41 to 30 in favor of Joseph.

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