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## Bible Thought. For Today

WHY WILL YE DIE?—As I live saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked. . . . Turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?—Ezekiel 33:11.

## Over-Coming the Seasons

Fresh peaches, plums, apricots, grapes and melons are arriving at American seaports. They are just in season—below the equator, where they come from. Naturally, in this antipodal season of the northern hemisphere, they are doubly welcome.

Here is a marvel of modern transportation that ought to be duly appreciated. It is not so many years since there was never any fresh fruit anywhere except in the ripe fruit season for that locality. The pre-influence of American housewives in canning is based on that fact. There is not more than half the need of canned fruit today, in the average American community, that there was a generation ago. Transportation for many years now has been bringing tropical fruits to all but the most remote homes, and now our own kinds of temperate zone fruits are coming from beyond the tropics, where the fruiting time is reversed. With the rapidly increasing speed and facility of transportation, especially in the air, before long we may have our choice of fresh fruits anywhere the whole year round.

## Thirty Slaves per Citizen

Any one who has been feeling poor in material wealth has but to read a recent bulletin of the Smithsonian Institution to find himself surfeited with luxuries and served by 20 slaves. If the inland aristocrat wanted fish for dinner in the days of long ago he had to send slaves to bring it from distant seas or streams or lakes. Today a very humble citizen can procure fish and countless other desirable commodities for a comparatively small expenditure. Delicacies from many lands await his pleasure at the corner grocery store.

But food is not everything. Transportation, entertainment, running water, household heating and lighting methods, labor-saving devices, luxuries and comforts and necessities of life are all supplied in marvelous ways. Even the poor man who feels his deprivations keenly would find himself well off indeed compared with some kings of ancient days.

## Evacuation of Shantung

Dispatches from Tokio state that the Japanese evacuation of Shantung will begin April 1. The government is proceeding in this matter on the assumption that the Washington agreements will become effective, and is showing its own good faith by plans for the immediate fulfillment of its own obligations.

If outside evidence were needed to emphasize the fact that the United States Senate should ratify the treaties without further delay, here is an excellent argument. Unless Japan had been willing to make satisfactory propositions as regards Shantung, the negotiations at Washington would have suffered a setback. If the United States now goes back on agreements for which it was largely responsible, it can have little reason to expect that its future wishes will carry much weight in Japan or elsewhere.

Has the poor soul who do not know it is spring because they see no back door sign of it.

Now that the famous Nova Scotia man has been explained, we wonder whether it's some administrative "injustice" that's making all the trouble in the U. S. Senate.

## IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



THE DRUMMER WHO ARRIVED AT CENTRAL HOTEL TODAY, HAD FOUR TRUNKS.

## THE OFFICE CAT

By JUNIUS



OFFICE CAT— . . . . . If we thought that we would have as hard a time keeping warm in the hereafter as we have had the past winter right here, we would forego the pleasure of harp playing and apply for the position of head keeper of the "Making it hot for the Janitor" Department for His Nibs below.

JUNIUS.

You can judge good breeding by the length of the fingers, perhaps; but the length of the tongue is even more conclusive.

Some thrifty families overcome poverty, and some have occasional twins.

## MERELY PREPARATORY.

Los Angeles Times: Wishing to give his Scotch steward a treat a man invited him to London, and on the night after his arrival took him to a hotel to dine. During the early part of the dinner the steward was noticed to help himself very liberally to the champagne, glass after glass of the wine disappearing.

Still he seemed very downhearted and morose.

Presently he was heard to remark: "Well, I hope they'll not be very long 'til the whisky, as I dinna get on verra weel w' these mineral waters."

## A WALKOVER.

Tatler (London): Among the many amusing stories which Eugene Carri has at his command is one concerning a prize fight which occurred in America. One of the contestants had been instructed by his father to cable the result as soon as the fight was over. He soon duly sent off the following message: "Won easily. Seventy-five rounds."

## HIS CONTRIBUTION.

Wayside Tales: Mistress—Is your husband a good provider, Jimma? Jimma—Borvidler? Why the onlies thing that nighg ave provides, my wif is argument 'bout when does we eat.

A woman never realizes that the worst has happened until the salesman says: "We have some charming models in stouts."

Providence Journal: Boston girls to the number of five hundred a day are bobbing their hair. If this keeps up, Boston will be famous for its bobbed beams.

When a clock is fast you can always turn it back, but it's different with a young man.

And if we knew the private lives of those who knock the movies perhaps we wouldn't approve of them, either.

Democracy has its little faults, but back in the good old days "Darn thing" was a jail sentence.

## FORUM

ALICE, Mar. 22.—To the Editor of the Observer: I have been thinking all winter of writing to you and expressing my satisfaction because of the decided stand taken by the fourteen senators on the 1925 fair proposition. I don't suppose that history will ever give you the prominence that it has accorded Leonidas and his three hundred deathless Spartans who defended the pass of Thermopylae, yet it is certainly gratifying to a tax-burdened people to find that we still have men of the Roosevelt type who are strong and yet honest.

and so forth of the other to-day.

## HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The girls' basketball team met and selected their basketball letter. One similar to the boys' football letter, only smaller and with a blue background and a white "L" was selected. This letter is on the plan of a spiked "L".

The Live Wires will meet tonight in the seventh period. Several items will be discussed at this meeting and the further completion of the organization will be acted upon. Eight members form this advisory committee, two from each class. The personnel is as follows: Freshmen, Myrtle Mason and Lawrence Kerr; Sophomores, Garnett Bowers and Tom Russell; Juniors, T. C. McDonald and Thelma Choate; Seniors, Velma Switzer and Foster Sims.

The executive committee met yesterday afternoon and a financial report was turned in at this time. The report shows a balance of \$368.49, a considerable increase over the usual amount in the treasury at this time of the year. This report includes the covering of all high school student body activities.

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Polo coats too are in a wondrous array—manly styles, large pockets and belts.

And the spring cape is undoubtedly the most stunning of all apparel with its straight loose line—of beautiful rich materials in navy blue and shades of brown. Rich linings and trimmings add much to their beauty.

Prices here start at \$15 in coats and range upward to \$17.00. We want you to call and see us soon.

**New Figured CREPE DE CHINES**  
In dark colors for dresses, blouses or for the linings of the new spring coats and capes.

Navy-blue with all-over designs, or with small figures. Canna with small figures, and light tans with smaller figures. These are delightfully new and very superior in quality. 40 inches wide and attractively priced at \$2.50 and \$2.75.

**CONCERNING CANNA**  
It isn't fair to keep on talking about canna dress goods, canna gowns and canna hats and blouses without telling you what it is. As a matter of fact it is an Sforzani's first wife. There had to be an Oriental tint for spring, 1922—so pure yellow was dipped in henna and beheld the new color—canna!

Ernie as the flower for which it is named—subtle as Persian Magi's cloak.

**A POLO PUMP**  
Sprightly as a spring Zephyr is a flapper pump of dark brown kid—one strapped—well soled like an oxford, and low military heeled. It is polished but not punched.

You'd wear it with the new "nude" hose, and you'd step into the spring sunshine with an assurance of elat.

Something about the softness, color and style of the pump suggests its affinity for polo coats.

And the best part about it is that it's an "ARMSTRONG." It is priced at \$10, or in black at \$9.25.

**The Spring SUIT**  
Tailored suits fashioned of the finer materials and extremely well tailored have more distinction than ever, yet are priced far more attractively than in previous seasons.

Suits of navy, tricotine and twill are shown here in beautiful models—and suits of tweed and sports materials hold equal sway this season for all kinds of outdoor wear.

You will undoubtedly be surprised at the unusually large showing we have at this time.

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## GRASSHOPPER REGULATION

(By Associated Press) EDMONTON, Alta., Mar. 22.—Attempts to regulate grasshopper and other insect crop pests in affected portions of Alberta will be made this year by the provincial department of agriculture, by means of legislation which will make compulsory the taking of certain precautions on the part of landowners to meet the grasshopper pest. Spreading of poison will be required in all places where the hoppers are known to exist in menacing numbers.

## APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL SOON

(By Associated Press) WENATCHEE, Wash., Mar. 22.—Definite plans for the Wenatchee Apple Blossom festival of 1922, which is expected to be the best yet, are rapidly taking shape, under the guardianship of the Wenatchee Commercial club. The dates for the festival are May 5 and 6, Friday and Saturday. It is planned to open the celebration Friday morning with an industrial parade. In the afternoon will occur the coronation of the Apple Blossom queen, followed by

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