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## Bible Thought For Today

WENT ABOUT DOING GOOD.—And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.—Matthew 4:23.

## A Good Start

After reviewing the national situation, the Department of Commerce is moved to predict that at least 1,000,000 new homes will be built in the United States in 1922. In 27 states, inhabited by two-thirds of the country, contracts totalling \$75,000,000 for the construction of homes were awarded last month. Reports from less thickly settled districts are likewise good.

It is a fine outlook. If things keep on, and the indications are that the boom is a "steady, healthy nature," building will soon equal and may surpass pre-war activity. The amount of employment which such a program will provide is one of its best features, and the confidence in steady business improvement thereby induced is reassuring.

## A Story With a Moral

An illustrated story of nine sentences is told by Hendrik (William) Van Loon in The Survey. It is the story of a town—self-made, the artist calls it—which took a genuine interest in its schools and the education of its children. This is the story:

"They were going to build a school in our town. The school board spent two years examining the plans of the architects. They spent \$100,000 for a piece of land. They spent \$200,000 trying out different pens and they investigated 194 different sanitary roller towels. They ordered books by the truck load. They hired the highest priced efficiency expert to explain a new system of reading. They spent \$30,000 on a house that the janitor might be comfortable and \$20,000 on a house that the assistant janitor might be happy. And then they hired people to teach their children for \$1,800 a year."

Perhaps the school board in the story was a trifle more extravagant in some details than other famous school boards. But in the last analysis, isn't it a true story? Need anyone hire an efficiency expert to point the moral?

## Movies and Mummies

"Movies," says Yachel Lindsay, the poet, "are a new form of picture writing, and with the increasing popularity of movies, American psychology is coming closer and closer to that of the ancient Egyptians, who wrote in hieroglyphics." It may be so. Students of the occult have long maintained, anyway, that the American people are a reincarnation of the old Egyptian race. If so, it is perfectly natural to express our life in pictures, as they did. That they used still pictures, spread mostly on the walls of tombs and the wrappings of mummies, while we use moving pictures in public halls, is not important. It is merely a difference of technique.

It may even be said that our picture art follows the Egyptian in its tendency to stereotyped forms. Any habitual patron of the films soon comes to know just about what kind of picture story to expect in any given situation or for the expression of any particular fact or feeling. We hope, though, that the producers won't continue to use the same old business as far as their ancient predecessors did, giving us mere symbols for nothing, instead of real life. The Egyptian pictures were for the dead to look at, and we're not mummies.

## IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



THREE OF THE BOYS WENT TO THE DEPOT TO SETTLE A DISPUTE ABOUT THE CORRECT TIME - THE DEPOT WAS CLOSED - AND THE ARGUMENTS STILL UNSETTLED.

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## THE OFFICE CAT

—BY JUNIOR—



Uncle Joe mustn't think there was anything personal in the world's determination to scrap its cannons.

Virginia (who has just been operated on for appendicitis). "Oh, Doctor, do you think the scar will show?" Doctor: "It ought not to."

## HIS CURIOSITY.

"Say, take a look at that kid out there by the ash hopper, and see if he's one of our'n, will you?" said Gap Johnson of Skumpus Ridge, Ark., addressing his wife. "Probably he is, but I've been noticing him off and on for the last four, five days, and he's sorter got me guessing. Mebbe you'd better ketch him and wash his face, to make shore."

## A DIFFICULT COURSE.

Boston Transcript: An astronomer was entertaining a Scotch friend. He showed his visitor the moon through a telescope and asked him what he thought of the satellite. "It's a' right," replied the Scot, who was an enthusiastic golfer, "but it's awfu' fu' o' bunkers."

Character is made by the things you stand for; reputation is made by the things you fall for.

One half the world doesn't know how the other half manages to buy gasoline.

## REFORMED.

Judge: And at her request you gave up drinking?" "Yes, sir."

"And you quit cigarettes for the same reason?" "I did."

"And you no longer swear because of her disapproval?" "Most assuredly."

"And it was for her that you gave up dancing, poker parties and pool playing?"

"Absolutely."

"Then why did you not marry her?" "Well, sir, after all this reforming I saw I could do better."

ANYWAY, IT PUT OUT THE FIRE. From Le Petit Parisien, Paris. bert's masterpiece so splendidly that (Translated for the Kansas City Star) they were compelled to respond to

Gilbert Stuart, an American doctor, arrived in London last week accompanied by a friend from the state of Maine—a state in which there is, perhaps, a more strict enforcement of the "dry" regime than anywhere else in the "Land of the Free."

Before retiring Mr. Stuart's friend ordered that a bottle of whiskey be sent to his room.

The next morning he woke up with his mouth in a condition that might be described as muddy and thought it best to consult the hotel manager on the subject.

"Your whiskey was all right," he told the manager, "but the stuff in the siphon was simply rotten."

"But I sent no siphon to your room, sir," said the manager.

Reprimand. Exposition. "Well," said the American, "look here. What'd'ye call that?" With these words he pointed to a siphon-like vessel on the mantelpiece. "What'd'ye call that?" "Eh?"

The siphon in question was a fire extinguisher! Evidently it had served its purpose.

Jimmy, somewhat of a braggart, was telling his father and mother of his experiences while out casing:

"And all at once I stepped right on a big rattlesnake," he began.

"How did you know it was a rattlesnake, Jimmy?" asked his father, skeptically.

"I could hear its teeth chattering the minute it saw me."

## PROGRAM PLEASED LARGE AUDIENCE OF MUSIC LOVERS

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der Miss Birney's direction.

An additional contribution by the student body was a charming spring dance interpreted by eight little girls under the direction of Miss Jones, head of physical education. Miss Anthony and Mrs. Birney played Shubert's masterpiece so splendidly that they were compelled to respond to

an encore. The Methodist church male quartet, consisting of Towler and Quigley, Bass; Cramer and Williams, tenor, sang Dudley Buck's "In Absence," and "Down in the Depth" (Carl Linders). Miss Edeis Maguire interpreted Baruchetta in a psyche dance and was so greatly received that she was encored. The closing number was a male chorus selected from the Methodist choir, which sang Scott's "Soft as the Night."

During the evening it was announced from the platform that the Yvonne committee had definitely decided to refrain from underwriting Yvonne courses in the future and that if the Yvonne course is presented next year the bureau must take its own chance financially, or some organization other than those which sponsored the course this year, will take the responsibility. That there be some high class entertainment, proper committees are alert to anything in the way of outstanding national talent that might be available for one or two numbers during next winter. That the audience last night approved this action of the committee was shown by the applause given the announcement. The committee will not be in a position to announce definitely its financial situation until fall reports have come in from committees having tickets in charge.

The whole program last night was a splendid evidence of hardy co-operation.

## Miner's Body Found In Stice's Gulch

BAKER, Mar. 25.—Fears expressed here by friends of Paul Weizold, 64 years old, a miner near Stice's gulch, 7 miles southwest of Baker, that he had been entombed back of a cavern in his mine were confirmed today when a searching party discovered the body after working 12 hours without rest.

The body was found back of a 15-foot cavern and death had evidently been caused instantly by a falling timber. Weizold had been mining since around Christmas time. Nothing was heard of him until his body was found today by the searching party.

## Tangled in His Adjectives.

At the close of a suburban political meeting the other evening the customary votes of thanks were being given, when one of the speakers electrified the gathering by asking those present to accord "a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. X— for the able manner in which he has discharged the erroneous duties of chairman of this meeting."

## TODAY'S NEWS

From La Grande's Greatest Department Store!



Beautiful New TAFFETAS All The Bright New Shades Taffeta, the springtime silk in all the new shades including the much talked of Canna. The quality of these new silks is lovely— heavy yet crisp and fine as one could desire. Gros de Londe taffeta in changeable shades are also among them.

If you seek the spring silks do not delay as you will find everything desired here and selections from such a fresh new stock could never be better.

## SUITS IN OUR READY TO WEAR DEPT. OFFER VARIED CHOICE \$15.00 TO \$75.00

The spring mode has waved a fairy wand over the once practical and conservative suit and changed it into a costume of many gay possibilities.

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The very tailored style and the rough and ready sports type will be seen on the lithe young person who seeks the outdoors.

No matter the kind of suit you desire, you are sure to find one here in our spring showings. Call and see!

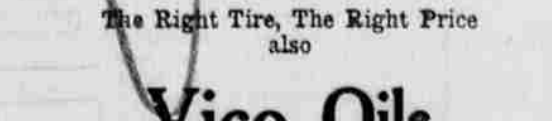
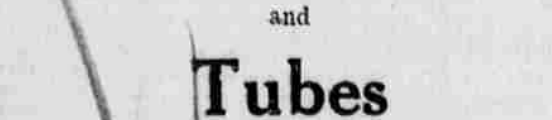
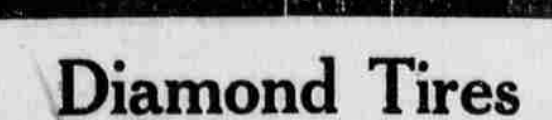
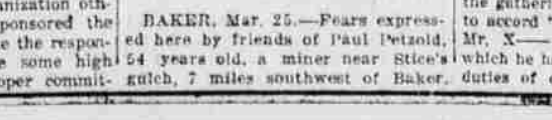
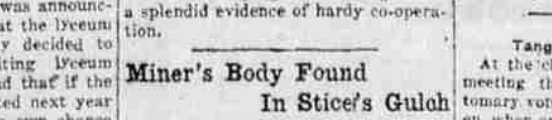
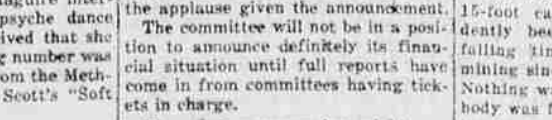
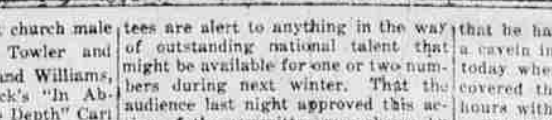
## AND COATS

Were never shown more varied in such beautiful styles as this year. We are showing every kind proclaimed by fashion.

Beautiful capes and wraps are awaiting your inspection.

## SMART NEW Footwear For Women and Children

Early customers for the new spring footwear have told us that it was a great delight, and really most unusual too, to find so many styles here to select from—such an assortment of smart new styles. You can really find most anything you desire from our showing now. There are twenty-six distinctive new spring styles in low footwear for women. Prices start at \$5.00 and range upward to \$12.25.



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