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Bible Thought For Today

THE CHRISTIAN MISSION:—Preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.—Matthew 10:7,8.

Municipal Auditorium.

The Dalles recently opened an elegant municipal auditorium. It is in the heart of that city and cost the people right at $150,000. Containing a modern theatre and a dance hall of large dimensions, a headquarters for the American Legion and several other rooms and departments for civic bodies, it is of course the city's social center.

The idea is excellent. Elgin, Oregon, was the first town in the Northwest to do such a thing. That was when Mr. Weatherspoon was mayor and he received the criticism of a community while it was building, but gracious thanks since it was completed, for it affords Elgin a meeting place that she formerly did not have.

And it will be so with The Dalles. We doubt if there was any criticism expressed in The Dalles for that city is old and rich and a small property tax for such an institution is not felt so keenly there.

At the opening of The Dalles fine building Mayor Staddleman had the military band from Vancouver barracks and representatives from different communities of the northwest as guests of the city. A program was rendered in the evening which was dedicatory in nature, followed by a community ball which was enjoyed by hundreds of people.

Later that evening Mr. and Mrs. Pat Foley gave a dinner for a number of the out of town guests at the hotel and it was an event of social importance to the city.

Behind the beautiful auditorium which has arisen to serve the people of Wasco county is the spirit of patriotism for the idea was conceived as a monument of appreciation to the soldiers who fought from Wasco county in the late war. With this sentiment to always remind and refreshen the memory the auditorium is indeed an institution that is close to the hearts of the people of that part of the state.

Constant Vigilance Needed

On Friday La Grande will entertain a number of the officials of the forest service, both state and federal. Their mission here is to determine the best course to pursue in the great campaign of reforesting the cut-over regions to the end that the west will not fare as did the east and north, namely when the forests of today have been worked into lumber there will be no growing trees to replenish that element which is so much needed.

The meeting will be held in the city hall and it will be open to the public. Anyone with an idea on the work will be welcomed. Another feature that gets very close to home is the burning of waste in the forests, of the care necessary by campers so that fires will not get away.

Constant vigilance is needed and must be had if we are to retain the timber wealth of Oregon. Nature, the grand old mother that she is, provides for reforesting if she is but given meager aid, and it is that aid which the meeting next Friday will have under discussion.

Now Tumulty has to back up on the Wilson interview given out a few days ago, and the former presidential secretary admits that Mr. Wilson did not speak for publication. But the public knows that Tumulty very likely quoted his former chief correctly, but the chief is getting old and peevish. Swaying an interview is a fascinating habit with old, defeated statesmen.

Hull, head of the democratic party, says he sees victory ahead. He did not claim victory in the nation for he very likely had in mind the state of Oregon. From the many splits and rents and tears in the republican party in this state, Mr. Hull's glasses may not be colored.

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN

They are trying to fire a fire chief in Portland, and it is said the reason is because he would not join a secret order. The chief has demanded a show-down and the city commission announces it will force those making the charges into the open. That begins to sound like Portland is getting her reasoning powers back again.

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Liberty bonds did some handsome jumping of late. But the sad feature is that the money of the country is seeking that sort of investment rather than enter industry, which gives employment to the people.

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La Grande's machine shop is working overtime to get all the saw mills rigged up for the summer's run, which is not very bad news for this time of year.

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Walla Walla is rich enough that she can afford to pave a few miles of streets this year and has advertised for bids as boldly as in the days when things cost much less.

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Island City leads off with a clean-up day, which shows conclusively that the people of that community have not let the long winter lull them to sleep.

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George White says he is going to stay with his job as adjutant general even though he is running for governor. That's all right with us, George, play her safe, play her safe.

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Springtime this year is a great deal like some of our notes—long past due.

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THE OFFICE CAT

—By JUNIUS—

The secret of success is not in goat glands, but in the sweat glands that are factory equipment.

Hell is paved with good intentions, but it isn't because they freeze that we slip up on them.

And yet those who appear in the magazine ads in union suits are not exposed like those who appear in the newspapers in divorce suits.

Found Wanting.

Los Angeles Times: A story was recently told to exemplify the pride which every man should take in the work of which he makes a living, no matter how humble the work.

Two street sweepers, seated on a curbstone, were discussing a comrade who had died the day before.

"Bill certainly was a good sweeper," said one.

"Ye-e-s," conceded the other thoughtfully. "But don't you think he was a little weak around the lamp posts?"

If God filled the rivers with fancy soft drinks, men would be making pure water and selling it at five cents a glass.

All Aboard.

Boston Transcript: Tottie traveling on a train with her parents objected strenuously to being put in an upper berth, but on being assured that her guardian angel would watch over her all the time she finally quieted down. All was still in the car for a few minutes. Then a small voice piped up. "Mamma, are you there?"

"Yes, dear."

"Papa, are you there?"

"Yes, I'm here; now be a good girl and go to sleep."

Quiet reigned again for a little while and then the questions were repeated, till at last a fellow-passenger lost his patience and roared out, "Yes, confound you, we're all here—your father, mother, brothers, sisters, uncles and aunts."

After a brief pause the tiny voice piped up again, "Mama!" "Well?" "Was that the guardian angel?"

It Was Potent Stuff

Kansas City Star: Jones had been troubled with insomnia. He tried several alleged cures without success. One day he told his trouble to his friend, Brown.

"Why, I know the very thing for you," Brown said, after Jones had concluded. "Meet me tonight, I have some stuff out home which will fix you up in no time."

That night the two met, and Brown handed Jones a bottle filled with a murky white liquid, instructing his friend to take a "good drink" before going to bed.

"That will make you sleep if anything can," he said.

Two days later the two met again on the street.

"How was that stuff I gave you to cure your insomnia? Was it any good?" Brown asked.

"Good?" replied Jones, "I should say it was. Listen here! I took it as you suggested, and went to sleep soon after retiring. Then a friend with his head under his arm came along and asked me if I wanted to buy his feet. I was bargaining with him when the dragon on which I was riding slipped its skin, and left me floating in mid air.

"While I was considering how I should get down, a bull with two heads peered over the edge of a wall, and said he would haul me up if I would first climb up and fix a windlass for him. So as I was sliding down the mountain, the inspector came in, and I asked him when the train would reach my station.

"'We passed your station 200 years ago,' he answered, calmly folding the train up and slipping it in his waistcoat pocket. At this moment I woke up found that I had been asleep ten minutes.

Final Devotion.

Los Angeles Times: The man with the hand organ was playing in the street and 6-year-old Joan was eating a banana on the porch. The monkey approached, anxious to share the feast. Joan was so surprised that she gave him the fruit and then fled indoors to her mother.

"I haven't another banana," said her mother, "but here is a penny you may give the monkey."

Joan returned almost immediately.

"Well, what did the monkey do with the penny?" asked the mother.

"Oh, he gave it to his father," said the young person airily.

KING EDWARD IS HONORED

(By Associated Press)

DELHI, Apr. 13. — One of the spectacular incidents which attended the Prince of Wales tour in India was the unveiling here of the equestrian statue erected in memory of his grandfather, King Edward VII, known as the All-India King Edward Memorial. The work of the erection of this memorial has been in progress for 11 years and it is situated in a beautiful garden.

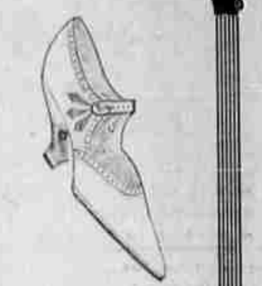
Great throngs were present when the Prince performed the ceremony of unveiling while a royal salute of 101 guns was fired. The exercises were attended by Viceroy and Lady Reading and Lord Rawlinson. At the conclusion, the Prince was lustily cheered by the crowd.

In his speech here the Prince of Wales pointed out that Delhi had been connected with the crown of India since the dawn of time and that it was now the headquarters of a central government "in which Hindus and Mohammedans alike and indeed all classes and communities in the Indian Empire have a direct share and take a definite part."

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I wish to announce to my friends and patrons that this is the last week to order trees and shrubbery for spring delivery, but I may have some left over from shipments already received.

J. H. KILBY.



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The Easter displays are all aglow here and too there are special offerings as well. Prices for women and misses start $3.95 and range upward to $12.25, and for men they start at $6.00, and range up to $13.75.

We list only a few here for your approval.

A black kid pump of cut out pattern and strap, with high heel is priced at $10.50.

A black kid strap pump with Junior Louis heel is priced at $6.00.

A black kid saddal strap pump with buckles, baby Louis heel priced at $7.25.

A brown kid strap pump with welt sole and military heel is priced at $10.00. The same in black, $9.50.

Others from $3.95 up.

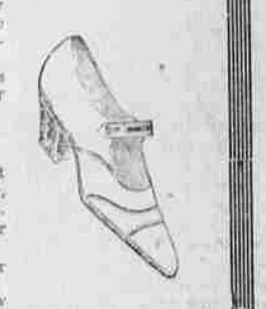
A brown kid Armstrong oxford, welt sole, military heel, slightly squared toe, priced at $10.00. Same in black, $9.25.

A brown kid oxford with low rubber heel, welt sole, priced at $7.00.

A black or tan calf oxford, low rubber heel, welt sole, is priced at $5.50.

A patent Armstrong oxford, with low heel and welt sole, square toe is priced at $8.50.

Others from $5.25 up.



Our ladies' shoe department is now in charge of Mr. Stallsmith, very recently of the "Cresent" in Spokane. Mr. Stallsmith has spent years in the study of properly fitting women's and children's shoes and comes to us highly recommended as an expert in this line. He is now ready to serve all our former patrons and to render the best possible service.

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Edwin Clapp and Florsheim

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The Edwin Clapp Shoe

A medium brown calf of the very finest stock obtainable is in this oxford of "EDWIN CLAPP" make—it has a heavy sole and medium toe. Men who desire the finest will like this shoe. It is priced at $13.75.

A FLORSHEIM oxford of nut brown calfskin, square toe is priced at $10.00. Others at $6.00, $10.00 and $11.00.

The Florsheim Shoe

TRADE BEING REVIVED NOW

(By Associated Press)

WARSAW, Apr. 13.—Poland and Soviet Russia are doing some trading despite their difficulty in arranging a trade convention.

For months Poland has been sending into Russia, by wagon and by packs on horseback great amounts of cloth and some food supplies, most of the business being carried on at night away from the beaten path where either soviet guards or Polish soldiers are on watch.

In return the smugglers have been receiving some of the old Russian gold rubles, which peasants had buried, hides, furs, and in some instances diamonds.

Dress material and bright colored shawls which the Russian peasant women wear over their heads on Sunday when they go to church are in greater demand than at any time since Russia's troubles began and, according to travelers, bring a fancy price once these goods are landed on the other side.

A Soviet Russian trade commission has been in Warsaw some time arranging purchases from the Poles and it was announced recently that the first consignment of goods purchased officially by the soviets would leave soon for Moscow.

This consignment is made up chiefly of clothing materials manufactured in Lodz. The goods will go insured against theft, the insurance company furnishing armed guards to convey the freight cars all the way from Warsaw to the Soviet capital.

Despite the famine in Russia the government has permitted caviar to be sent out of the country because of the high price it brings. There has been but little genuine Russian caviar on the world markets since the great war began.

In December last Russia exported to foreign countries through Latvia alone more than 130,000 pounds of caviar, some of which was sent to the United States. Other exports included hemp, flax, leaf, tobacco, furs, untanned hides, kerosene and bristles.

AUTOGRAPHS TO BE AUCTIONED

(By Associated Press)

VIENNA, Apr. 12.—An auction of autographs at the Dorotheum, the government pawn shop, brought some curious contrasts in prices. The top price was given for a Schiller letter, 190,000 kronen (about $380 at current exchange). Beethoven's signature went for 180,000 kronen while Voltaire and Wellington sold for 32,000 and 35,000 respectively. A Wagner signature brought 170,000 as against a Napoleon for 75,000.

Among other relics sold in the institution was the silver writing set of the murdered Austrian Empress Elizabeth which brought 2,000,000 kronen. The name of the seller was not given.

MALARIA IS STAMPED OUT

(By Associated Press)

JERUSALEM, Apr. 3. — Malaria has been almost stamped out in Palestine and trachoma has been reduced by one-third by the work of the American Zionist Medical Unit, says Dr. I. M. Rubinov, head of that organization. The unit has been at work here for three years combatting these two scourges of Palestine. Dr. Rubinov added that the unit has expended about $500,000 a year in this work of which about equal shares were contributed by the Joint Distribution committee and the Women's Organization Hadassah, both of America.

Four hundred thousand persons annually visit the clinics maintained by the medical unit here and all nationalities are welcomed. In addition, the unit maintains 275 beds in hospitals in Jerusalem and Jaffa. At present its main work is in taking care of Jewish immigrants, and conducting campaigns for sanitation among the school children and teaching them how to be healthy and strong. The work of the unit is both sanitary and medical.

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