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Bible Thought For Today

PROCLAMATION OF PEACE:—
Glory be to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.—Luke 2:14.

THE OFFICE CAT



KEEP SMILING.

He Smiled—and his home was a place of happiness.
He Smiled—and children ran out of their way to meet and greet him.
He Smiled—and his co-workers in business worker better than in any other place of employment.
He Smiled—and his business clients and callers spoke well of him; and business increased.
He Smiled—and all who entered his office door were pleased to be greeted as a friend and equal.
He Smiled—and followed the smile with a brotherly hand-clasp, and those who were discouraged and down-cast went out and took a new grip on life and their work.
He Smiled—and while the years rolled on, he grew younger—because he smiled.

Don't let the badness of your neighbors worry you; they might do worse.

Unfortunately, it's not the Pollyanna, but the chronic kicker, who seems to get the best service at a restaurant.

PUTTING IT GENTLY.
Life: "Do ye favor this here soldier's bonus?"
"Well, it's like this: if I sh'd fall in to the creek and you'd pull me out so I wouldn't drown, and I'd offer ye a dollar'n a half with ten per cent off fer cash, wot'd ye think o' me?"

BUT ONLY ONE COMMISSION.
Boston Transcript: "I received two orders today," wrote a canvasser to the publishing firm, "one for a set of Dickens, and the other to get out."

Dark-haired women marry first, on an average, it is claimed. It's harder to see 'em coming—especially in the dark.

When some men are bitten by the "sack to the farm bug" they compensate by joining a Country Club.

Nashville Banner: The Ku Klux Klan declares its purpose to be to force respect for law and order. People with any such noble object do not have to wear bedspreads and masks.

TIME FOR FURS.
"Jim," she said, as he settled down on a comfortable smoke. "I've got a lot of things I want to talk to you about."
"Good," said her husband. "I'm glad to hear it. Usually you want to talk to me about a lot of things you haven't got."

BREAKING IT GENTLY.
Chicago Phoenix: Prisoner—Good morning, judge.
Judge—How old are you?
"Twenty-nine."
"You'll be thirty when you get out."

All normal persons have five senses and a few have the sixth one known as "common."

THE PSALM OF SAD REMINDERS.
Grand Old Kansas still reminds us. We can make our mark in soil, and departing leave behind us the tracks where we lozed for oil.

FARMERS STILL HAULING HAY

(Special to The Observer)
NORTH POWDER, Apr. 26.—Bennett Harrison is improving his house by building on a bath room. Will Pearson and C. E. Pearson left for Echo, Oregon, Tuesday to work at the H. L. Pearson sheep shearing plant.

Mrs. Oliver Moore, who was taken to the Baker hospital for an operation, is reported to be getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Pearson and W. A. Hudson motored to La Grande on business Wednesday.

Mrs. Grant Dalton has been confined to her home because of illness for over two weeks.

A few farmers in this vicinity are still hauling in baled hay for which they receive \$15.00 at the warehouse.

On Thursday of last week Alma Jones had the misfortune to lose a valuable work horse. The animal's death was caused from founder.

Another social evening at cards was enjoyed by the Masons and their wives Thursday. Quite a number were present. Mrs. Arthur Gil was one present with a load for evening high score. A delicious luncheon of sandwiches, fruit salad, cake and coffee was served by the ladies at the close of the evening.

Portland has had a fire chief investigation that sounded from its evidence, much like a Kentucky feud where one side was trying to "get" the other.

Let the cold nights continue or we will have more water than two Grande-Bonde rivers can carry away.

Mrs. George Young is on the sick list this week.
Dick Dunning and his mother have just recently moved to what is known as the High Poken place to take the place of Bruce Dunning and wife, who have gone to Nevada for the summer.
Manager Olson of the Bungalow Theater, give to the holder of the lucky number at his special weekly show a substantial prize. The prize Friday night was a 25 pound sack of sugar and was won by Master Lloyd Irvine.

The high school baseball team of Haines and North Powder played a game on the local diamond Friday afternoon. The ninth inning resulted in a tie, 11 to 11. One more inning was played and North Powder succeeded in making one more score thus winning the game by a close margin. On Saturday the ball team of the seventh and eighth grades went to Haines to play a return game which resulted in a victory for the North Powder team, the score standing 26 to 11 at the close of the game.

Earl Gilkison went to Baker on the noon train Saturday.

Mrs. E. A. Carnes was taken to the home of her son, Windom Carnes, Saturday for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. McGrath made a trip by motor to Union Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Davis spent Sunday in Union visiting friends.

DOUBT CANNOT EXIST.
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BOON FOR ACTORS.
LONDON—In an effort to aid actors to get work, a company is being formed to produce plays on a profit-sharing basis.

Large-sized, clean cotton rags wanted at The Observer.

In Dixie Land Today.

The bands are playing low, soft music in Dixie Land today; the drums are muffled, the line of march leads to the cemeteries where stalwart men and women, with their children, are depositing sweet flowers on the graves of the soldier dead.

Yes, putting flowers on the graves of the men who followed Robert E. Lee and other generals of the confederacy.

In the north we observe it not; in the north we keep May 30th as our decoration day. It is then we strew flowers over our soldier dead. Ours was the victorious side while the south had the losing side in the greatest domestic war ever fought.

Here is a feature to remember—it is the sweetest of the wicked war. If perhaps a northern soldier sleeps in a southern cemetery, and thousands of them do, today the big-hearted people of Dixie will strew flowers on his grave, just as we decorate the graves of the confederate dead who sleep in our northern cemeteries on May 30th.

The bitterness is gone; the nation has lived down the after effects of that war—America is united and her people no longer make a distinction between the boys who wore the blue and the boys who wore the gray when honor and respect are to be shown, for both were fighting men of the highest type, each fighting for what he believed to be right.

In La Grande on May 30th we will have the same service that is being held today in the south. Our flowers will be in bloom then just as the flowers of the south are in bloom today. Our little children will carry the baskets of roses to our cemeteries then, just as their little children are carrying the southern roses today. And on May 30th the dead soldier who was in Lee's army will get the same profound respect and attention as will the soldier in Grant's army.

Wonderful America! There never was such a people as ours in the whole world before this nation was born.

Anti-Flapping.

The problem of how to curb the young woman who lures the poor, innocent young man into dark corners where he has no recourse but to kiss her, who will dance cheek to cheek or not at all, so the poor youth must even dance that way against his inclination or go partnerless, seems to be bothering a good many people.

But the mothers, apparently, need not worry too much. The boys are organizing to combat this insidious menace, the flapper who flaps at noonday and pets beneath the moon. At one college has been formed an organization known as the "Eight Minute Eggs," whose purpose is to make men masculine once more. They have agreed to "chastise, castigate, punish, submerge into cauldrons of boiling water or run through a meat chopper all specimens of male flappers, slickers, finale hoppers, scandal walkers, corridor vamps, classroom petters and kindred insects who are being converted into the ranks of femininity."

This is in the East, where there are several such clubs. In the West, the girls themselves are taking the matter in hand. More than a thousand girls at the University of California have declared themselves against extreme dress, too free relations with the opposite sex, extreme slanginess and the use of alcohol. But they uphold bobbed hair and modish gowns.

The whole flapper question seems to be settling itself. The pendulum continues to swing. The race adjusts itself to new times and new manners. It is safe to say that whatever is comfortable and pleasant in the new way and dress will be modified and retained, while the disagreeable and dangerous stuff will soon be dropped into the discard.

The Benefit of Genoa.

If no tangible results came from the Genoa conference, it will still have been worth while. What has been accomplished already, intangible as it may seem, justifies the effort. This is the actual bringing of the Allies, Germany and Russia, with a group of neutrals, together around a council table.

It is the first getting together of Germany and her enemies, on a basis of at least theoretical equality, since the war. It is the first meeting of any kind between Russia, the revolutionary giant of Europe, and the other European nations whose fate, for good or ill, is inevitably bound up with Russia's.

It was a happy idea on Lloyd George's part, and that stout-hearted statesman is doing his best to overcome the huge obstacles of national pride, jealousy and hatred and bring the warring European families into the same suit of working agreement. He cannot fail entirely. Getting together only to disagree is better than not getting together at all. With a prospect of conference once established, there is hope for the future.

Spring.

Now is the time of year when nearly every city woman longs to find an ancient farmhouse in the country and make it over to her heart's desire, adding modern plumbing while preserving the charm of century-old wooden beams and hand-hammered door hinges.

But alas! There are so few beautiful colonial farmhouses and so many yearning women! One out of every ten thousand may find her farmhouse. Another will decide that a tent will do her family this year, and the other 9998 just stay a home and look at the pictures in the house-building magazines.

Perhaps the Inglewood, California, band was sincere in desiring to enforce the prohibitory law but two of them are now dead. The best way to have law enforcement is to elect officials who will do the enforcing—that's our system of government. If officials will not then elect men in their places who will, but don't attempt to take the law in your own hands. It is dangerous.

Lady Astor forgot to powder her nose when she went shopping and the press of the nation took notice. How about other little features of the noted lady's appearance?

We stand with Weeks—don't cut out the army too much and keep a pretty fair navy at least enough for good strong police duty in case the devil fish in the Pacific ocean should go on a strike and attempt to take one of our seaport cities.

"When a monument was erected in 1911 at Strasburg in honor of Emperor William I," says the Portland Journal, "the base was said to hold an urn containing gold and silver coins and the head of the dead emperor. When the urn was opened a few days ago it was found to be empty. But the money had not been taken to help pay the war debt. As a matter of fact, investigation disclosed that the thrifty Teutons had merely gone through the motions of putting the money into the urn in the first place."

Texas has more floods. The Lone Star state has a good many things that Oregon is not bothered with.

The National League of Women Voters has endorsed Henry Ford's scheme at Muscle Shoals. This was the last thing needed, probably, and now the great project can proceed with very assurance of success.

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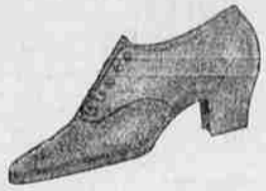
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Oxfords for Street Wear

The shoe man has had style problems of his own in the last few months. We, too, have had to do some plain hard work to keep ourselves posted, but we will not fake our own drawings—an illustration must be more than just a pretty picture to satisfy us. It must tell the style story.

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