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Bible Thought For Today

—THE ONLY GOD:—Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord.—Deuteronomy 6:4.

THE SINNOTT OPPOSITION

The candidacy of Mr. James Gwynn of Pendleton for congress against the present incumbent, Nick Sinnott seems to be merely incidental, as the basis for the fight against the congressman is in Idaho. This fact is disclosed by dispatches from Washington stating the ambition of Addison T. Smith, Idaho congressman, who seeks to unseat Sinnott in order that he (Smith) may advance to committee positions which Sinnott has gained by long years of active, earnest work.

With this understanding people of the Second district will be less anxious to displace the present congressman, for it will be a plain Idaho victory. The plot is an Idaho plot conceived by Idaho politicians and a victory for them would mean that Oregon loses to Idaho valuable places on committees in congress.

It only shows to what depths men will resort to in order to secure place and power. The tearing down of a man who has been on the job for years means nothing to one who aspires to take his place in committee appointments at Washington.

But Mr. Gwynn is plainly the candidate of the Sinnott opposition in Idaho and not a candidate for congress in the full sense of the term. In fairness to Mr. Gwynn it must be stated that he may possibly not be aware of this Idaho plot, for the glamor of a campaign and the desire for office very often turns one's head to such an extent that he cannot see conditions that those outside of the fight see very plainly.

The Sinnott opposition based in Idaho is not the kind that Oregon wants when a change in congressman is made. This state can ill afford to lose any of its prestige to Idaho which naturally seeks to obtain all the money possible from the government for reclamation projects. In the past she has been Oregon ten to one on getting government money, but throughout those fights, Sinnott has fought lone handed the Borah machine in Idaho. That is the big reason why Idaho wants Sinnott out of the way. He is very troublesome to the state that wants everything the government gives out in the way of reclamation. It would please Idaho immensely to have a new man from the Second district in Oregon for the fight against Oregon's reclamation projects would then be easier.

WHAT? A QUAKE IN OREGON?

We have laughed at California people when they become excited as the dishes rattled in the pantry, we have proclaimed to the world that Oregon is the place to live because it is free from earthquake shocks, and we have scouted the idea of this section of God's paradise ever being bothered with tornado, cyclone or quake.

But we have reckoned without analyzing what might happen for now the Willamette valley admits that it felt an earthquake shock yesterday—a shock that lasted a full minute when the furniture shimmied and the buildings swayed, when the housewife screamed and the plumbers stood in readiness to grab the money had the quake lasted much longer.

And so far as can be learned neither the governor's message on the Ku Klux Klan nor the Klansmen's reply to the governor had anything whatsoever to do with the shock. In fact all candidates for governor on both tickets have been declared not responsible for the trouble. But there is one element in political battle that may be guilty. The shock which caused buildings to sway back and forth may have been caused by Congressman Pat McArthur and Maurice Crumpacker, each campaigning for congress in the Third district, for each has a sonorous voice which when working at full capacity will naturally cause vibration, and these two candidates may be the guilty ones when George Baker's investigating committee finally turns in its report on the quake.

The Fourth R.

"I taught the three R's for a long time, now I teach the fourth R," said a recreation director in explaining his new job. "Getting all sorts of people to learn how to have a good time is a good way in the greatest business that was ever started."

There used to be a good deal of contempt for the idea that a teacher was needed to "teach kids how to play." Yet on school that installed a course in playground instruction has ever willingly dispensed with it. Since then it has been found that a good many grown-ups need the same kind of teaching. Where wholesome amusements abound, there is little chance for the unwholesome ones to take root.

Teaching a community to make constant use of its parks, its playgrounds and its school-houses for community fun of the kind that brightens eyes and strengthens muscles, cools worried minds and breeds sportsmanship and friendly cooperation, is, indeed, a great and useful business.

Now that the British have that Russian oil, you'll be about their lack of these Wyoming leases, too.

Making war, everybody works together. When it comes to making peace, everybody works against everybody else.

Berlin newspapers express disgust that the French should make such a fuss over Dempsey, a mere pugilist fighter. Berlin you know, always has such cultured ideas about fighting.

The trouble in Ireland seems to be that now the Irish want to be independent of the Irish.

When Herbert Hoover is made Radio czar, we hope he'll start his regime by telling the world whether a concert is broadcast or broadcasted.

Game of Chess is Old.
The game of chess seems to have been known in Hindostan by the name of Chaturanga. It was changed by the Persians into Chaturang, but the Arabs, who had possession of that country, had neither the initial nor the final letters of that word in their alphabet. Consequently they altered the name to Shatranj. Though at one time the Chinese claimed to have played chess in 171 B. C., the Hindus played it 100 years before that time.

THE OFFICE CAT



FISHIN'.
I jes' see here a-dreamin'—
A-dreamin' every day,
Of the sunshine that's a-gleamin'
On the rivers—fur away,
And I kinder fall to wishin'
I was where the waters swish;
For if the Lord made fishin'
Why—a feller orter fish!
While I'm studyin', or a-writin',
In the dusty, rusty town,
I kin feel the fish a-bitin'—
See the cock a-going down.
So I nod an' fall to wishin'
I was where the waters swish;
For if the Lord made fishin'
Why—a feller orter fish.

THE LION TAMER.

Gadya: "Would you marry a wid-
ow, Marjell?"
Marjell: "No, I prefer to tame my
husband for myself."

Did you ever notice when a male is
pulling he isn't pulling?

STOP!

"Well! What are you stopping
for?" asked the young man, as the
taxi came to a halt in the middle of
the block.
"I heard the lady say, 'Stop,'" said
the taxi driver.
"Well, she wasn't talking to you."

THE HUSBAND BELOVED.

"At four each morn he calls forth,
To milk the old brown cow,
And on his way stops at the shed and
feeds the old white sow.
Then to the old big barn he goes and
feeds the old bay mare,
He puts the coffee on to boil and cooks
the bill of fare.
The chores he does, the breakfast
cooked, the children's slumbers
over,
He dresses half a dozen twins and
spunks a dozen more.
He washes off the dishes and scrubs
the dirty floor,
The while he sings and works away,
he lets dear wifery snore.
He saws the wood and gets the tax
and from the corner there
The old washboard he gets and
scrubs the clothes, for wifery fair,
Then to her room he softly steals,
right lovingly does say,
It's ten o'clock, my love, and are you
going to sleep all day?"
—Chas. Hannah, Starkey

HIS ADVICE.

"Your wife," said the military in-
spector, "is your best friend. Take
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your wife; rub it thoroughly with an
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NOTICE.

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(Signed) R. H. SAWYER,
(Paid Adv.) King Klango, 5-15-22.

Nature Keeps Her Secrets.

Man's conquest of nature is very
slow and unsteady. Many of
her methods and secrets she has not
revealed; some she may never reveal.

BASEBALL GAME IS POSTPONED

(Special to The Observer)

PERRY, May 16.—The baseball
game pined Sunday between Palmer
and Perry was called off in the latter
part of the game on account of rain.
When the game ceased the score was
even. Another game to settle the
supremacy will be played soon.

Mrs. Gene Bousham will leave the
latter part of this week for Spe-
laine to visit with friends and rela-
tives. She expects to be gone about
two months.

Roy Parkman has been absent from
work for several days on account of a
sprained ankle.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowery went to La
Grande Friday morning. Mr. Lowery
will undergo a major operation.

W. A. Watson left Wednesday on
No. 23 for Seattle to spend a few
days visiting with friends and re-
latives.

A surprise party was given Wed-
nesday evening to Mrs. Tavel Han-
sen, the occasion being her birthday.
A pleasant evening was spent at
cards, after which coffee, cake and
sandwiches were served.

Mrs. Claud Braeden drove to La
Grande Friday afternoon.
Mr. Johnson spent Thursday shop-
ping in La Grande.

Joe Smith, who has been ill for
several days, is able to be out again.
H. Larsen is having his house re-
modeled this week. He has also built
a new foundation under his building.

The ladies of Perry are giving a
party at the Community Hall Satur-
day afternoon for the children from
the seventh grade down. In the eve-
ning they will give a party for the
eighth grade pupils. After the parties
the younger set will give a dance. Re-
freshments will be served. The or-
chestra has been engaged from La
Grande.

Mrs. George Robertson and Mrs.
Jack Murray drove to La Grande
Thursday to do some shopping.
Mrs. Laver has sold her home in up-
per Perry and expects to reside in
La Grande. A little later on she ex-
pects to make her home permanently
in Milton.

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