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### Bible Thought For Today

SOURCE OF TRUE HELP:—My help cometh from the Lord; which made heaven and earth. — Psalm 121:1.

### AN ALLEGORY.

Summer is a good season for fairy tales. Once upon a time there was a great round world whose people had discovered a kind of little brown pills whose first effect made them happy, care-free and forgetful of their troubles. Taken in excess, the little brown pills had a very distressing effect of lowering the morals and finally inducing unconsciousness. Taken in small amounts over a long time, they broke down mind and body, leaving the soul no tools to function with. One might think the poison pills would have been forbidden by law soon after their discovery, but such was the stupidity of these people that they were willing to take all the dreadful consequences rather than lose that feeling of ease and freedom from care produced in the first few minutes after taking. Finally one nation was brave enough to break away from the little brown pills. It made a law that they were not to be made or sold or imported within its confines. Most of the people were wise and kept the law. But a few thousands were foolish and bad and always trying to break it, and they made a loud noise. This nation owned ships. And the ships of other nations were allowed to sell the little brown pills, so some people preferred to ride on the foreign ships. And the man who was boss of the wise nation's ships said if they couldn't be allowed to sell little brown pills, the other ships would get the trade. And on that funny planet people supposed to have brains are still disputing as to whether it is better to encourage the selling of poison pills which bring disease, death, poverty and all kinds of misery, or to lose a little temporary trade.

### Examinations.

Students are apt to dread examinations. In some school systems the nerve strain attendant upon them has been allowed to grow so great that the authorities have abolished the examinations. People who have thought and observed much in reference to this matter are apt to believe that the authorities should have retained the examinations and abolished instead the bad mental attitude which caused the nerve strain. There is no reason why a student who has done his work each day should fear an examination. He has made the work a part of himself as he went along. A quiet review of the term's subject matter will show up a few points on which the memory may be a little weak. An hour or two on those points, and the student is ready. Examinations are no matter of life and death. They do not, alone, determine whether or not a student shall pass. But to the teacher's duty record they add a test of the student's power to view his work as a whole. The New Rochelle Standard remarks, "The student who can collect his thought enough to tell what he knows on short notice has acquired mental power that will help him in tight places." The school which makes an ogre of exams is on the wrong pedagogical track. The school which takes for granted that every normal student can pass exams without difficulty is headed right. The examination should be regarded chiefly as one valuable and necessary part of the term's work. Together with the review—not frantic cramming, but a quiet and sane looking over—which precedes it, it constitutes a knitting up of the separate parts of the work into a usable whole.

### Easier to Travel Abroad.

There is to be far less formality hereafter about going abroad. Passport regulations are simplified. Any holder of a passport obtained since the beginning of 1918 will need no further identification in obtaining a passport to any part of the world. It is no longer necessary to travel even in Russia and other countries where the United States has no diplomatic or consular representation, although in such countries the traveler goes at his own risk.

How is present evidence that international relations, after all, are not so much of a mess as many have supposed. Foreign governments are getting less particular about the character and purposes of visitors. It seems to be assumed at Washington that there is less likelihood every-where of American citizens getting into trouble and thereby making trouble for their own government. Traveling is getting back to normal although it may still have some distance to go. Little by little, the tangled work is straightening itself out.

### A Box Car Finishing Studio.

Whatever may be said in disparagement of the artistic development of the motion picture drama, its progress in photographic, mechanical, production and general efficiency can not be denied. Among the recent innovations in the producing world was the fitting out of a baggage car laboratory in which cutting and assembling was carried on while the train moves from

### THE OFFICE CAT

—BY JUNIUS—



MODEST DESIRES. Fond Mother: "Dorothy, if you are bad you won't go to heaven. Don't you know that?" Little Dorothy: "Well, I've been to the circus and the chautauqua already. I can't expect to go every-where."

The difference between the price of hides and shoes indicates that somebody is making a darned big profit on the eyelids.

It is really encouraging the way diplomats turn at last to the sensible thing after every fool scheme has failed.

A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING. To keep things in their right place is life's continued battle; the tick is all right in the clock. But it isn't on the cattle.

The old-fashioned woman wept for the thing she desired; the new woman reaches for her trusty six-gun.

FEW ARE DOING IT. John D. Rockefeller says it is hard to give away a million. It must be, especially if it is given to the government in the form of an income tax.

"What you all doin', honey?" "I'm writin' a letter to Lilly." "But chile, you can't write." "That's all right, Lisa. Lilly can't read."

The only institution that can "set" still and produce results is a "setting hen."

VIVE LA FLAPPER. The tendency is to knock the modern girl as undomesticated. But ye pastor notices that she gets married about as often as her forebears did— if not oftener.

"A man does his best work after fifty." Our observation is that he does his best work after a million.

EXPERIENCED. A whizzer was to be married for the third time, and his bride had herself been married once before. The bridegroom wrote across the bottom of the wedding invitation sent to a particular friend: "Be sure to come, this is no amateur performance."

If Ananias had lived, it would be

rather amusing to hear him talk about his golf score.

### ALWAYS.

Better break your word than do wrong by keeping it.

The way America's foreign debt is being handled, it may be possible to bring the money back on horseback when it is finally collected.

### HARD TO TELL.

Art gallery attendant—"This picture is labeled 'Ready for the Bath'—shouldn't it be 'Ready for the Bath?'" Official—"Hm! Lay it aside and I'll confer with the artist."

God made woman after man and she has been after him ever since.—First chapter Faet, third verse.

### SHOP NOTES

Items of Interest from the O.-W. Shops.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith will leave this evening for Portland to take in the Rose Festival. Mr. Smith is a well known shop man.

General Foreman Perry will leave in a few days for his summer vacation through the south. He will take in Alabama and Florida on his trip.

While running engine No. 2146 into the shops for a general overhauling, the engine decided that it did not need overhauling and got unruly, and, instead of stopping when the air was applied, it plunged straight through the brick wall. The engine was not damaged.



(By Associated Press)

PORTLAND, June 21. — Cattle were weak today. Hogs were 25 cents lower and sheep \$1 lower. Spring lambs brought \$8 to \$9. Eggs were unsettled and butter was steady. Wheat was \$1.09 to \$1.15.

### DESERTION IS DIVORCE CAUSE

A divorce was granted to Alexander L. Watke recently by Judge J. W. Knowles. The papers were originally filed with Josephine W. Watke as the plaintiff charging her husband with cruel and inhuman treatment but, on a cross complaint, the divorce was granted to Mr. Watke on the grounds of desertion.

A divorce was also granted to Gladys Elsie Montgomery who filed against Lewis Montgomery on the charge of cruel and inhuman treatment.

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### JUDGMENT ON NOTE SECURED

In the case of J. Hallgarth vs. J. W. Lewis, and others, of Elgin, a suit asking for \$250 on a note, which is the last case tried in this session of the circuit court, yesterday the jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff of \$209.76, which includes the costs and interest on the note. The case had to do with a car sold by Hallgarth, on which he received part payment in a note, which was not paid.



## Patent Flappers

Patent one-strap, low heels with welt soles same as above in gray, suede. Also patent gray suede trimmed oxfords. These shoes are all high grade shoes, Rochester Made.

## The Bootery

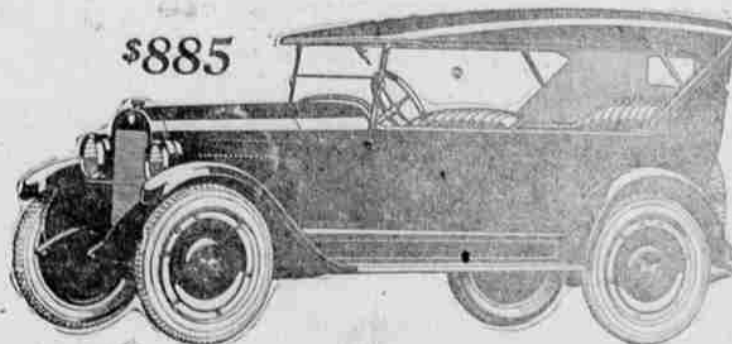
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