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Bible Thought for Today

CURSE OR BLESSING, WHICH?
He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him; but blessing shall be upon the head of him that selleth it.—Proverbs 14:26.

THE OFFICE CAT

—BY JUNIUS—



"You can now buy little aluminum thingamabobs to insert in the ends of roasting ears, thus doing away with the usual case of butter fingers," announced a La Grande husband. "Well buttered cheeks and chin are still fashionable in roasting ear time, however," and "water-melion" is still eaten in the good old way.

Mistress—"Nora look out of the window and see if any person is using the ocean. If not, I shall bathe."

YOU CAN SING THIS
It was a little lawyer man,
Who softly smiled as he began,
Her poor dead husband's will to scan.

He smiled while thinking of his fee,
Then said to her quite tenderly,
You have a nice fat leg-a-ree.

And when next day he lay in bed,
With bandages upon his head,
He wondered what on earth he'd said.

Here's a line on "imitation."
"My little girl is very clever,"
said a woman to her guests. "She can imitate almost anyone."

"She can, indeed!" echoed the husband, proudly. "Come, my dear, show us what you can do. Pretend to be the housemaid."

The little girl bowed to one of the guests.

"Will you take any more chicken, ma'am, or a little more beef?" she asked politely.

Then she turned to another.

"Shall I put the screen before your chair, ma'am?" she inquired.

"The fire is very fierce."

"Go on, my dear," chuckled the proud father.

Backing away from her parents, she exclaimed in a terrified tone,

"Sir, let me see. Don't touch me, sir. Give you a kiss, indeed. Supposing missus was to bear you?"

Then the clever little darling was suddenly bundled out of the room.

When a fast passenger hit a wagonload of beer on a Homestead (Pa.) grade crossing, the engineer and fireman must have thought they were in a yacht plowing the foamly white capped billows.

WILLIE EXPLAINS
Teacher—"Willie, what does the word reverie mean?"
Willie (textedly)—"A reverie is like a baseball umpire, only he operates at prize fights."

MAGIC
All day long she sadly kept her bed,
Her brow with fever burned;
She had a deep and constant dread;
and wildly tossed and turned;
Her husband came and broke the spell
with tickets to a show;
In seven seconds she was well
and getting dressed to go.

The number of people in the United States who cannot speak English is less than two millions. This includes train eaters.

CAN YOU BLAME HER?
Judge—"What are your grounds for divorce?"
Young Bride—"Harry snored."
Judge—"How long have you been married?"
Young Bride—"Two weeks."
Judge—"Granted, he shouldn't snore."

Pungent Paragraphs.
Columbia Record: The auto is often the first step towards the autopsy.

Columbus Dispatch: The German dye patent transaction seems to have been a little off color.

San Antonio Express: New York has declared war on watermelon profiteers. They deserve to hang.

Kansas City Star: "Tell your love by radio," says a popular song. It also is a good way to convey your opinions to the traffic cop.

St. Paul Pioneer Press: Senator Watson eats meat three times a day. But this does not include the small, under-sized senators he sometimes nibbles between meals.

Richmond Times Dispatch: What M. Peincaire is going to be, now that he has decided to quit being an intrinsigant, nobody seems to know; but we sincerely hope some plain English word will cover it.

La Grande Knights of Pythias to Attend the Davis Funeral at Union

Local Knights of Pythias are preparing for a big attendance of knights at the Martin Davis funeral tomorrow at Union. All knights who have ever been asked to drive to the Allen (Club) Cigar Store at 1:30 p. m. to 1:50 to pick up such as have no means of transportation, and those who have not cars are advised to assemble at that point. The funeral is to be held at 2:30.

Rev. R. C. Lee, of Haines, who was a staunch fraternal brother and friend of the deceased, will preach the funeral sermon. Tony D. Smith will sing a song to the effect that God will give us his death for that purpose.

Pre-Convention Sidelights

W. W. (Bill) Wilson has been named chairman of the ushers who will handle the crowds at the ball park on Friday night when the stunts will be presented.

A shortage of tourist sleepers is manifested in late developments and several parties who were to have traveled thence and thereby to have been assured sleeping quarters, will now have to come by coach means and be housed in local homes. The sudden changes have added to the stress upon the local housing committee. One whole train of this sort of transportation has been cancelled.

At a meeting of the Dokie committee last evening judges were named to select the best floats in the parade and award the cash prizes, and to pass on the window displays.

Several local business houses are already "dolling" up and are not only decorating the windows but are carrying the idea into the store itself. The committee is highly pleased with the spirit of co-operation evinced by businessmen in their efforts to get a cordial welcome into every window in the city.

Who are the tallest and shortest Dokies in the northwest? This question is a mooted one for each in his class will win a decidedly attractive ring.

Saddle horses are at a premium. The number required to handle the mounted sections in the parade is considerable and J. A. McCarthy is busy wedding first class mounts.

In an effort to advise the public early where cars may park during the parade, Chief of Police Jaynes wishes it made known that from Hemlock to Fourth on Adams, south on Fourth to O, east on O to Sixth, and north on Sixth to Washington, no cars will be permitted except at the intersections. The public is urged to not attempt to see the parade from automobiles.

W. E. Burk, leading theatrical man of Baker, was in La Grande yesterday, reporting at Ad club headquarters that Baker is of one mind—that it will hereafter be irrespective of whether or not it is of Dokie complexion.

Mrs. Claude Seranton is chairman of a committee of women representing the wives of business and professional men to look to the comforts of the visiting women. Cards and tea at the Country club Friday afternoon are some of the failures already provided for.

The Boy Scout messenger service for Dokies will be operated from the Glass Drug store instead of the Western Union.

SINGH THROWS SCOTT TWICE

Basanta Singh, the champion Hindu wrestler of Calcutta, India, fully demonstrated his superiority over O. B. Scott, of La Grande, champion middleweight of Eastern Oregon, when he threw the local man twice within the time limit of one hour with several minutes to spare. The first fall came in 28 minutes with a double armlock, and then, after a short intermission, Singh again threw Scott, this time in six minutes, with a combination fall Nelson thus winning the match.

Following Singh's failure to win the handicap match held in Union some time ago, the match was arranged here at the Star Theatre under the same agreement, that is, Singh was to throw Scott twice in sixty minutes. As in the former match, the Hindu took the offensive to Scott practically the entire period, subjecting the

TEACHER OF PSYCHOLOGY AND SPIRITUAL SCIENCE IN HEALTH, WEALTH AND SUCCESS.

Classes have now started and arrangements for classes can be made at the parlors. People pronounced incurable have now a chance to get well. Advice given on all the affairs of life.

Yours truly,
CECELIA GUSTAF.

1510 Adams

Thinking of New Things To Wear

SMART FROCKS
Have the Greatest Appeal

Beautiful NEW COATS
For Fall

—Coats for fall were never shown in such a varied assortment as this store is now showing. Rich in fabric, and so many different fabrics, too, they are enchanting in their deep lustrous colorings, so becoming to the autumn season. And so fine they are more distinctive than ever with deep mandarin sleeves, girdles, embroideries and braiding. These with more practical day coats range from \$25 up to \$189.50.

Visit Our French Costume Room

THE AUTUMN SUITS

—Suits for fall are typical American. Poiret Twill perhaps leads in materials and easy blue of course. But there are lots of other materials and lots of other shades. —Shirts are a trifle longer. —Jackets have fur collars and narrow belts—some are a trifle longer, too. —Suits range from \$25 up to \$75.

Among the New Arrivals in FOOTWEAR

—Space permits us to tell only of a few.
—At \$6.50 smart three-strap pumps with military heel and of light kid in black only. Queen Quality make.
—At \$7.50 a patent pump with Baby Louis heel and single strap, turn sole, Queen Quality make.
—Same in black kid is \$7.50.
—At \$18, a very smart Armstrong pump of brown and polo suede, two straps and brass buckle. Has a low, broad heel. A beautiful fitting shoe.
—And at \$9.00, a black kid Armstrong pump with medium heel and welt sole, wide instep strap.
—Same pump in brown is \$9.50.
—And ever so many other styles in both pumps and oxfords that are very new, range from \$5.00 to \$19.00.

BE THINKING NOW OF SCHOOL

—Within another two weeks it will be drawing close to the opening of school. So many mothers and fathers are outfitting the children from fresh, new stocks now—that's why we think of it. —The boys' suits are going to make a wonderful appeal—watch for announcements. Also his blouses, shirts, shoes and stockings are now here. —Little girls' coats, shoes, stockings, etc., are ready now. School shoes are in a fine assortment at very low prices. —We just want to remind you—outfit them early.

A LEADER IS NEEDED.

The heads of the railroads and the heads of organized railroad labor have had several conferences to adjust the shopmen's strike and they have failed.

The last conference broke up in New York with the two sides far apart and with no hope of getting together.

The "die-hards" of the executives won their point and all railroad heads joined them in refusing all offers made by men of the Big Four who were acting as mediators.

Unless a leader of greater size than any who have thus far shown up, including President Harding, can take hold of the situation, this nation is due for a long drawn out battle between labor and capital.

It is not the shopmen's strike alone that will cause the trouble, but the shopmen's strike acts as a lever to start many another organization both in rail circles and out of them.

The industry of this nation is threatened with one of the worst campaigns ever known in American history, all because we lack leadership. All because the word "seniority" could not be abridged in a way that would act as a welding force.

When the trouble intensifies it must be borne in mind that the shopmen agreed to President Harding's demands; that those men were willing to forego many of their demands, and in fact according to their offer of settlement they practically lost everything they had struck for.

But even with this offer to work upon, railroad executives refused to move only a short distance to settle a dispute which now promises to cause a long siege of trouble. It would not have taken the railroad heads a great distance from their original stand to have settled things; most of the difference was absorbed by the shopmen. But the settlement was not made and now the public generally must suffer, for the strike is to continue and all realize what it means for a nationwide strike to get in its drawn out stages.

The Evening Observer does not like to be pessimistic but we cannot refrain from calling attention to the Omaha resolution passed recently by the Portland Labor Council. "It must be kept in mind that Oregon's organized labor has never been considered safe; it has never gone 'red' neither has it flirted with I. W. Wism. Throughout troublesome war times Portland financial heads leaned to a great extent upon Portland's organized labor and it never failed them.

That resolution reflects a dangerous condition in state and national affairs.

Nothing can be done but hope for the best. However, it is to be deeply regretted that railroad executives from the extreme east did not join with heads of western railroads who were anxious to settle the strike.

The arrival of a leader on the scene will be hailed with much joy by America as a nation.

RE INFLATION IS ON WAY.

It was generally agreed that there were but two ways open for this country to follow to get rid of war fluctuations and the general upheaval in industry which followed and has held the country in a tight grip since.

One was to hammer down everything to the "good old days" when the nickel "seegar" and the "two-bit meal" should prevail, and the other was re-inflation of prices, by which is meant adoption of a looser money standard throughout the nation.

The Evening Observer has contended for months that re-inflation had to come in order that present day high taxes and expensive transportation methods could be met. We could not bring ourselves to the belief that we would all "get back to the days of old" in a business way. The war changed the whole scheme of living, and prices, it seemed to us, had to be maintained to meet that scheme's demands.

Indicative of this conclusion now comes the announcement that all steel mills of the country have made a material advance in wages. Hardly the ink dried on the newspapers telling of the steel mill's action when other industries began to follow and give increases in wages. So, it seems to us that the re-inflation period is on and will continue until the higher levels are reached. They will not go back to wartime levels but they will keep up far above pre-war times.

It is hard to find a proper ground for the Labor Board to stand upon in its cut in shopmen's wages right in the face of advances in other lines of work.

Money is the cause of present national and international troubles which no one is able to settle. Money was the cause of quite a little trouble back in those days when Jesus Christ ran the money changers out of the temple, was it not?

Having a water still in your possession is mighty dangerous as Dr. Maxville can testify. Better drink Grande Ronde river water, if it is not so pure than to attempt to distill any water these days.

Next Friday and Saturday there will be something going on in the old town—and it's dry, don't forget that.

Compensation--

"Everything has two sides—A Good and Evil—Every Advantage has a Tax"—EMERSON.

The laws of compensation were never better exemplified than under present economic conditions. Many people who were prosperous because of inflated business during the war—now find themselves handicapped by circumstances which have come with the regime of re-adjustment. But the silver lining to the cloud is looked for in the form of a lower cost of living.

PRICES ON MANY DRUG STORE ITEMS HAVE BEEN REDUCED

At our store prices are being re-adjusted just as rapidly as possible—dependent on manufacturing conditions and other things which must necessarily be considered.

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