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DAILY BIBLE THOUGHT

LET ALL BITTERNESS, and wrath, and anger, and clam-
our, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice;
and be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one
another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.—
Ephesians 4:31, 32.

What The People Pay

One of the advantages of the income tax, whatever its
inequities or burdens in individual cases, is that it makes
the people generally realize what they are contributing
toward meeting the cost of government. It is often al-
leged in behalf of indirect taxes that the people do not
"feel" them. But they pay them just the same. It is a
good thing for the taxpayer to "feel" his taxes, for then
he is ready to appreciate the desirability of economy and
efficiency in public as well as private affairs.

Political economists have never had much success in
devising painless taxes. "Pay as you go" is a pretty good
rule for governments as for individuals. Borrowing schemes
only put off the evil day and make it worse when it does
arrive. The steady improvement in Great Britain's finan-
ces is attributed to this traditional, sound policy. While
other European nations have been piling up their liabil-
ities and steadily increasing interest charges and depreciat-
ing their currencies by putting out fiat money, Great Brit-
ain has stuck to the rule of "pay as you go," and while
it has been a hard pull, she is beginning to emerge from
her difficulties.

The federal budget bureau has been analyzing proposed
estimates for the coming year to show the cost of dif-
ferent departments to each American citizen on the aver-
age, and the figures are most interesting. For instance,
it is shown that the office of the president cost two and
a half mills a year for each resident of the United States.
It is said that this is less than the cost of the chief official
of any other government in the world. The sum of \$227,-
000 is set aside for the president's salary and allowances,
but it is not excepted that he will spend it all.

The cost of congress to the average resident is put at
8 cents a year. For the government as a whole the indi-
vidual annual cost is now about \$33. The interest on the
national debt will require \$9.25 from each resident. When-
ever the question of incurring fresh obligations is under
discussion the people should have a clear idea of what the
government is costing now. They have a right to any-
thing they are willing to pay for, but should realize that
they are the only ones, who will do this paying.

A picture show in Portland that insists on opening its
doors before 1 o'clock on Sunday afternoon should be put
out of business. The church people have a right to the
Sunday morning, and if they are willing that shows shall
run in the afternoon of the Sabbath day that should be
sufficient. If the selfishness of men running shows in the
metropolis continues it will bring down a statewide wrath
upon the industry which is not justified.

Teddy Roosevelt, Jr., says Congressman Stevenson is a
crook, and we believe he is right. A lot of tin horn con-
gressmen are trying to get into prominence over alleged
irregularities. There are probably enough of the genuine,
but let Senator Walsh, La Follette and Brookhart be
heard without having a myriad of little congressional acts
batting in.

We must remove our headgear to that basketball team
from Medford which won the state championship. Inci-
dentally, we would like to ask Sump Smith and Bob Ruhl
of the Medford Tribune, how they do it. We thought we
had raised some huskies up her in La Grande, but those
Medford "winter bunions" got our goat.

Those who are trying to revive the Republican conven-
tion of 1920 should take notice that another national con-
vention is upon us, and the mere fact that Jake Hamon
tried to control the appointment of a secretary of the
interior in 1920 and failed has little to do with the fast-
moving events of today.

Portland is said to rank twelfth in building volume for
last year, and that did not include the building of Mayor
Baker's boom for the United States senate.

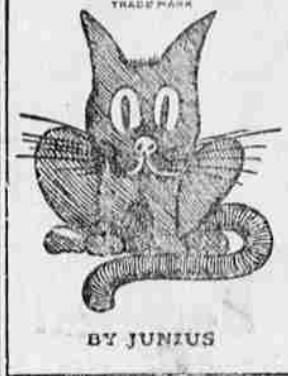
A fool laughs when his wife's corns hurt, while a wise
man goes to a movie.

The man who tells a girl he would die for her wouldn't
be so rash if he had ever tried it.

THE OLD HOME TOWN



OFFICE CAT



Mary has a laughing girl.
"The pretty, without doubt—
And when she crows inside th-
thing
The most of her ways out!"

Jesse James and the Younger
boys had nothing on some of our
women bandits when it comes to
robbing the males.

Mrs. Faced wouldn't allow Henry
to run for the presidency. Which
proves once more that many a man
owns much happiness to his wife.

THIS SOUNDS FUNNY BUT—
A CHICKEN CAN PICK A MAN
IN 30 SECONDS.

When it comes to spending mon-
ey and wasting time on investiga-
tion, what Congress needs is four-
wheel brakes.

Every man, no matter how able
at some times needs his Waterloo.
Even Luther Hulsman can't invent
a non-squirt grape fruit.

If girls are nice enough to use
flavored lip-ticks, men should quit
eating onions.

The waitress said to a La Grande
saloonman, "I'm not doing
somebody's soup?" "Oh, a shut?"
"No," he replied, "it's a commis-
sion."

Obituary

MARION McMURRY
Marion McMurry, a resident of
La Grande for the past 10 years,
passed on at his home in Feat-
date this morning. His death, al-
though he was ill for some time
prior to death, was received with
great sorrow by his many friends.
Funeral services will be held at

the Snodgrass and Zimmerman
funeral service parlors Thursday
afternoon at 2 o'clock.
The deceased, who was born in
Casey, Illinois, on December 11,
1857, left to mourn his passing on
his widow, Ollie Atkinson McMur-
ry, the following children: Mrs.
J. O. Anson, Mrs. A. E. Kelly, Mrs.
E. H. Kelly and Mrs. C. W. Cain;
three sisters in Nebraska and Cali-
fornia and one brother, William
McMurry, of Colorado, who was
with him at the time of his death.
Mr. McMurry was a member of
the Modern Woodmen of America.

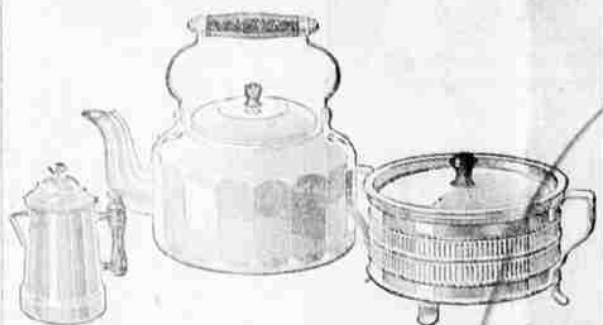
Editorials From Over the Nation

THE LESSON OF THE CENTURIES

Gunnar Bjornson in Minnesota
Mason: How it must amuse—if
it does not grieve—the infinite
God to see the insects that swarm
about on this ant hill that we call
the earth, quarreling about His at-
tributes and forming themselves
into sects that hate each other be-
cause of their difference over His
manner of manifesting His love!
Would that 1924 could usher in
an era of better feeling among
nations; that during this year the
world might take a step in the di-
rection of universal co-operation!
For nineteen centuries the chil-
dren of the world have been strug-
gling with the Master's great les-
son, the lesson of the Golden Rule,
the lesson that teaches that the
end of life is service, and these
children are still woefully ignorant
of the truth therein contained.

THE LAND OF MAKE-BELIEVE

Rochester Times Union: What-
ever awakens our imagination, our
sense of the mystical, and our will
to make believe, is a benefactor
and a blessing. For out of these
deep wells happiness is forever
gobbling.
The drama is one of the great-
est inventions of the human race.
It is one of the most popular
forms of diversion and instruction.
It is man's land of make-believe.
On the stage before him he im-
poses his own moods, aims and
life enacted by another who might
easily be impersonating himself.
There he beholds his own ambi-
tions, passion, hopes, dreams and
frustrations personified. There he
lives for the brief hours, the good,
and but he faint would live in real-
ity if he could or dared. From
the play he emerges a rejuvenated
person. He has forgotten for the
moment the real world, so often
monotonous, merciless, material-
istic and dull.
This is also true of the motion
picture. Some are stupid. Some
are evil. Such should be purged,
expunged and prohibited. Here is
too excellent an art for brutish
men to exploit. But the picture
that is clean and appealing is a
Godsend. Without this new form
of amusement, the modern man
would find his humdrum life too
often intolerable. By the land of
make-believe is made more real
and absorbing than in any other
form of illusion.



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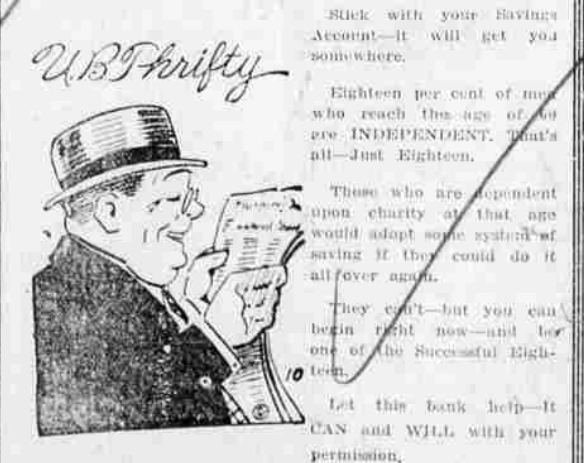
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