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## BIBLE THOUGHT AND PRAYER

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**WARNING TO MEDDLERS:**—He that passeth by, and meddeth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears.—Proverbs 25:17.  
**PRAYER:**—Help us, Lord, to be true peacemakers even although suffering may follow thereby, for they shall be called the children of God.

## AS TO DR. SLAUGHTER

Dr. A. Slaughter finds fault with an article printed in this corner of The Statesman of last Sunday, under the heading, "Against Mob Law."

And Dr. Slaughter attempts to prove that the attack of La Follette upon the Constitution, behind which is massed a heterogeneous combination, the largest portion of which are the Socialists, opposed to the existing order of things and flying the red flag, is innocent of any intended harm to our fundamentals of government, and he attempts to cloud the issue with a mass of verbiage.

But he cannot do it. The issue is clear cut. The LaFollette attack is an attack upon the fundamentals of our government; it is an appeal to mob psychology. It would allow Congress to make an unconstitutional law the law of the land by re-enacting it after the Supreme Court had declared it unconstitutional. That would change the form of our government. It would place Congress in supreme authority, over both the executive and judicial departments. There would in effect be only one authority in this country, and that the legislative; and when Congress was swayed by mob psychology, under such men as LaFollette, it would be dangerous. The rights of neither states nor individuals would be secure.

That is the issue. There are many names for Socialists, parlor and other. But in the final analysis there is only one kind, and that kind is against our form of government. And the Socialists of every name and variety are behind LaFollette. No one who believes in our institutions and traditions can afford to line up with them.

## BRYAN WAS AND IS DANGEROUS

In his Salem speech, W. J. Bryan had some pleasant things to say about himself.

To the effect that as for his own living he was secure, in accumulations made possible by his paid platform utterances; but as for all the rest of the people of his country, he had worked and was working in order to leave them a good government; and the interests of the whole people were entitled to higher consideration than those of any one man, etc., etc.

Mr. Bryan was no doubt sincere. So have nearly all mistaken leaders of history been.

But Mr. Bryan has been a dangerous man during all of his political career. He was a dangerous man when under his leadership the United States came very near going to the silver standard and putting this country on a par with Mexico, which would undoubtedly have precipitated a panic and ruined millions of our people and brought dire and abject want to many more millions.

And he is dangerous now. He is the author of the tariff plank of the Democratic party; is very proud of it.

And if its language should be followed literally, or even measurably, with legislative enactment, at least 10,000,000 of our working people would be thrown out of employment, and if they ever went back to work, with such a law still in force, they would go back at wage scales competing not with those of Great Britain, which are about half those we now have in this country, but they would go back competing with the still lower scales of Germany, rehabilitated under the working of the Dawes plan, and efficient beyond any country but our own. So Mr. Bryan is dangerous. He is dangerous to the projects of progressive people here in Salem planning beet sugar factories, in order to cash in on our own wind and water, instead of sending \$900,000 a year for the products of Cuba's wind and water, plus the hot air of the sugar refiners of the Atlantic coast. He is dangerous to the plans of our people proposing to build linen mills here, to keep in the United States \$100,000,000 now going to foreign countries for linens and the by-products of flax. Dangerous he is to our booming poultry industry, which would succumb to the competition of Chinese cheap eggs and other poultry products. He is dangerous to our cherry growers and our producers of walnuts, filberts, and practically every other grower of any thing in or on our land.

Mr. Bryan is a pleasing speaker. But he is one of the most dangerous of all the men who have been or are now in our public life; dangerous to the highest good of the people whose welfare he mistakenly thinks he is striving to advance.

## LET'S BE FAIR

There has been so much talk about the people who live and do business in the smaller towns that some people actually believe that Main street is a hog pen for maroons. Why anybody should think this is hard to see. For 150 years the country and the small towns have been furnishing our strong and useful citizens. If conditions were as bad as painted this could not be true.

The children who come out of any neighborhood are no better than that neighborhood. In fact they are representative of that neighborhood. To decry country and village life is to show yourself unfamiliar with history. You can go to any public gallery and ask all who came from the villages and country to stand up. More than three-fourths of them will stand up, and among those standing will be the leaders in thought in the world.

It is time to quit insulting Main street. It is time to recognize that that is representative of Am-

erican life and that the hope of our country is in the hands of precisely these people. For want of a better name we call them the middle class, but they are the governing class; they are the average American citizens and everybody knows this government of ours is made up of average American citizens.

## PLEDGING THE WOMEN

One woman whose name escapes us at this moment has pledged ten million women votes to Senator La Follette. She is learning early the practices of the ward politicians. After a careful analysis of the political situation we have come to the deliberate conclusion that no man can control over 25 votes, and few men can control more than one vote. Every man thinks he can control votes, but he can not. Voters are not controlled in this country. Mr. Gompers is trying to control the voters this year. He will not control any of them. They will vote just as they please and as they believe to be for the best interests of the country. Em-

ployers used to attempt to control the votes of their employees. They quit it because the attempt was never successful.

Men vote convictions and it is their own convictions. They study the issues, turn them over in their minds and when election day comes do their duty as they see it. The chief advantage of a political speech is that it strengthens the friends of the party and gives them arguments to use on the other fellow. It is the casual conversation carried on by those who attend the meeting after they leave that makes the difference. Mr. Bryan is a great orator, yet we do not believe he made a vote in Salem. People listened to him, but they will vote the other way.

## GOING AHEAD

It must be admitted that Oregon has not made the development it should make. There is a reason for this. Our own people have not all of them been constructive. Oregon has had some of the greatest boosters in the world, but they have been handicapped by having to carry the recalcitrant citizens. Just now C. C. Chapman is in the limelight. He is smart but he is using all his talents to defame Oregon and hurt the state. He is more of a liability than all the bad laws we have ever passed.

If he was a disinterested patriot it would be different, or if he was a lone cryer in the woods it would be different, but unfortunately he represents a reactionary element that is willing to pay the price of an unsquare deal. It is these men who make the fight so hard for the progressive state builders.

However, there is probably no use complaining. Oregon can not make its citizens good or loyal. It can only offer them an opportunity by showing them a place where they can do constructive work. If they don't want to construct we will have to keep on kicking them and finally the undesirable will either submit or leave the state.

## HANDLING A NON-VOTER

There is a good deal of discussion about how to get people to vote. Judge Landis who is always extravagant recommends prison sentences to those who refuse to vote. That is foolish of course. You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink. There is just one way to reach the non-voter and that is to appeal to his patriotism and arouse in him an interest in good government. Men fail to vote because they are not enough interested in the result of an election to take the trouble of going to the voting place. Some way must be found to interest them and cause them to make the small sacrifice sometimes necessary to vote, but all this talk of jailing men who do not vote is foolish, and it very properly comes from a man who fined the Standard Oil company \$29,000,000.

## NOT A PRECEDENT

Since when did Judge Caverly get the privilege of saying who should be and who should not be hung in the United States? Because he left off two youngsters who richly deserved death does not warrant the courts from sending other criminals to the gallows. Judge Caverly prostrated justice, but that ought not to be accepted as against all hanging of young men. As long as we have this law it should be respected and the guilty hung. We most earnestly protest against Judge Caverly being accepted as a precedent maker for justice in America, rather he would stand for injustice.

## MAKE THEM SHORT

The Oregon Statesman is always glad to get communications on matters of public interest, but it is always bothered by people writing too long. Yesterday an article was just three times too long. Everything in it could have been said in one-third the space. Practically every communication submitted is too long.

Those who have a penchant for writing for publication must remember that in order to get a hearing they must be concise and short. The public hasn't time to read these long winded communications and the Statesman hasn't room to print them.

## A PERVERSION

There has been widespread complaint about the misuse of the frank by senators and congressmen. It has come to be a national scandal. As outrageous a proceeding in that line as we have seen has just come to our notice. Under a frank of United States Senator Oddie we find an advance copy of his address to be delivered before the state bankers' association at Elko, Nevada, Sept. 19. A man who would abuse the

franking privilege like that ought to be criminally prosecuted.

## THAT'S CHEAP

Senator Wheeler is trying hard to be a martyr. He has been getting irresponsible and extravagant and announced in advance he expected to be arrested in Ohio. He is throwing a cheap halo around his head and making believe he is a martyr, just like the old story of sticking a feather in his cap and called it macaroni. Wheeler is mighty cheap stuff. They don't make either heroes or martyrs out of that kind of material.

## BITS FOR BREAKFAST

The showers are fine—  
If they will quit and give way to sunshine right soon.

But the state fair managers are not scared—yet. And the prunes and hop and berry men are out of the woods; almost.

There is going to be a bigger walnut boom here in the Willamette valley. But it will never get too big. We can beat the world with walnuts, and we should do it.

One of Mars's moons is a dinky little thing only twelve miles in diameter. "That isn't a moon, it's a freckle," remarks a moon-eyed moon struck Salem moonshiner.

Putting up a thirteen story bank building at Long Beach, and the steel frame was reared to its full height in 26 days. Must be in a hurry down there.

There are many thousands of voters in the south who are not at all pleased with the Bryan tariff plank of the democratic platform. They may voice their displeasure at the polls in sufficient number this year to break the solid south.

John W. Davis has been made an honorary member of the Boy Scouts and is on even terms with Calvin Coolidge. Whatever else may be said about the democratic leader, he is conceded to be a good scout.

The secretary of labor says that America is the one bright spot in a world of economic gloom and he might have added that Oregon is the whitest patch in all the effulgence. The secretary, who was not long ago a mine worker himself, says that the American worker and the captain of industry are moving rapidly toward complete cooperation—toward that mutual good will and understanding which will ultimately assure permanent peace in industry. That sounds good.

## HUSKIES GET STARTED

SEATTLE, Sept. 17.—Coach Enoch Bagshaw sent two score candidates for the University of Washington football eleven through the first scrimmage practice of the season at the stadium here today.

## FUTURE DATES

September 22-27, Oregon State fair.  
September 17, Wednesday—Constitution day.  
September 29, Monday—Salem public schools start.  
September 30-October 2.—State convention of Congressional churches.  
November 11, Tuesday—Armistice day.



**VERSES AND REVERSES**  
By George S. Chapell  
Holly-hocks and four o'clock,  
Mallow pink and larkspur blue,  
Pansy, candy-tuft and phlox,  
Salpiglossis, fewer-few,  
Lady's slipper, golden-glow,  
Flowers of every form and look,  
Every one by name I know,  
When I see them—in the book.

A farmer's stock is cattle,  
A broker's stock is cloaks and suits,  
Did you ever hear such rot?  
Potatoes have a hundred eyes,  
And yet they cannot see;  
A needle is as blind with one,  
It don't seem right to me!

What do you eat, O Moom, so bright,  
Gliding the mountain snows,  
What do you whisper on the height?  
Who knows?—who knows?  
What does the South-wind sigh to the trees  
As he passes swiftly by?  
And what is the meaning of verses like these?  
Who knows?—Not I—

**Best Liar Wins**  
They were arguing over the merits of their respective dogs,  
Said Bilkins: "My dog is so intelligent I am at a loss to devise new tricks to teach him."  
"That's nothing," his friend replied. "Mine has reached the stage where he teaches ME new tricks."  
—Albert Briggs.

**Those Summer Resorts**  
Jay: "So you picked out one of those places to vacation where there were no mosquitoes?"  
Jean: "Yes, but I was stung."  
—Herman Woolf.

**Blue-Pencilled**  
Neighbor: (meeting the little boy next door) "You're looking more and more like your father every day."  
Small Boy: "Why shouldn't I? They make me wear the old man's clothes cut down."  
—Clarence Bryan.

Criminals in jail belong;  
Watches frequently go wrong.

**Ups and Dows**  
Jill: "You say he knows his business from the ground up?"  
What is his business?"  
Bill: "He's an aviator."  
—B. C. B.

**Wild Willies**  
Willie, to his great disgrace,  
Criticized his cousin's face.  
"What a pity he can't change it,"  
Willie said, "or re-arrange it."  
—C. F. Doran.

Willie, playing near the hedge,  
Found some clippers, keen of edge;  
Grandma on the porch hob-nobbed  
SNIP, and lo, her hair was bobbed!  
—R. Shephard.

**A Limit**  
Jack: "Have you got a loud speaker in your house?"  
John: "No, but my daughter is a loud singer and that's enough."  
—Phillip Shafter.

"Twas Ever Thus  
Ralph: "There is only one thing my wife and I always agree on."  
Victor: "I know. The fact that you should never have married each other, eh?"  
—Chris Rehmann

**Chicken Feed**  
The chief reason why city chickens are more expensive than country chickens is to be found in the dressing.  
The average girl does not want two strings to her bow, so much as two bows to her string.  
Fine feathers make fine birds and big dressmaker's bills.  
Chicken broth can never be expected to satisfy as a substitute for XXX HENnessy.  
—Captain Kidd

**For Her Benefit**  
Park: "So you've taken out a larger insurance policy on your life. I suppose the agent-talked you into it eh?"  
Parker: "Not me!" He convinced my wife that it would be a good investment for her."  
—Isa Gertrude Bowen

**Not a Beauty**  
Tommy was industriously getting in his blows when the screams of the under boy in the fight brought his frantic mother to the rescue.  
"Why Tommy, you little rascal!" she cried. "what are you doing? Just see the blood on Willie's beautiful little face."  
"Just you wait till I get through with him," replied Tommy, calmly going on with the punishment, "and I'll bet my rocking horse against his kite that you won't call him a beauty again for some time to come."  
—Isa Gertrude Bowen

## THE EDITOR'S GOSSIP SHOP

Shortly we shall show you the kind of sympathetic treatment THE FUN SHOP gives to contributions if they possess any merit at all.  
We shall run a poem as it actually comes in to us, and immediately below it we shall shall run the poem as it has been revised to fit in with this department.  
We shall present a Jingle-Jangle a contributor sent in, in its original form, and show the Jingle as it has been revised.  
Merely emphasizing that nothing of merit is permitted to go by—even if we have to spend considerable time in revision.

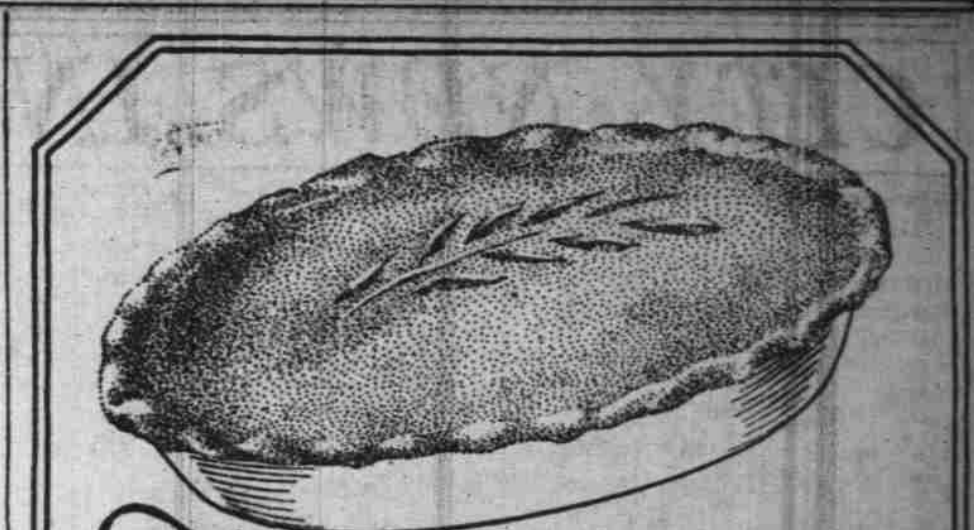
**The Jingle-Jangle Counter**  
Every charming girl's a gem;  
Scales have quite a weigh with them.  
—Peter Probst

'Tis better to have loved and lost,  
Than to be forever possessed.  
—C. F. Doran

We should make our lives sublime,  
But alas! we haven't time.  
—Sophie E. Redford

Fields and parks are pleasant places;  
Toothpicks seek the open spaces.  
—Edmund Bartels

**The Star**  
North: "Which actor in the play did you like best?"  
West: "The one who gave me a complimentary ticket."  
—Phillip Shafter



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**By Proxy**  
Lew: "Is your wife continually asking you for money?"  
Mac: "No; but the people she buys things from are."  
—Leonard Goebel

"I stand for an awful lot!"  
sighed the real estate sign, surrounded by rusty tin cans and several billy goats.

**A Real Comedy At Grand Saturday**  
"Hold Your Breath!"  
And that is exactly what you will do when you witness the thrills that are crowded into the moving picture production of that title which will open a week-end showing at the Grand theater to-morrow.

There never were, according to the critics who have viewed the film, so many breath-taking situations and so much real comedy crowded into one picture in the history of the picture making industry as are jammed into "Hold Your Breath."

Those who have the idea that the life of a moving picture performer is in the nature of a bed of roses will get a jolt when they see the 100 or more ways in which pretty Dorothy Devore risks her neck in this production, all for the amusement of the movie fans.

Among the other laugh makers in the cast are Walter Heir and Tully Marshall. If that isn't enough there a dozen more who are near rivals to them in the matter of proven talent.

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