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BIBLE THOUGHT AND PRAYER

GOD CARES FOR HIS OWN

PRAYER

AGAINST NATURAL LAW

(Salem Capital Journal)

Accusing the allopathic doctors of trying to form a medical trust and strangle other groups engaged in the healing arts, the osteopaths, chiropractors, neuropaths, eclectics, mental scientists and other schools of curing are strongly protesting a measure pending before the legislature (H. B. 391) which raises educational standards by requiring practitioners to supplement grammar and high school education with two years of university training and four years of special training in their own particular school of healing, before securing a license.

As might be expected, the druggists' trust is heart and soul back of the bill, for the practice of drugless doctors threatens their thriving business of prescription filling and peddling patent medicines. The dominant school of allopathy is also strong for the measure, for it already requires much training, and seeks to force others to be equally prepared, knowing it is too late for most of them.

Great progress has been made during the past few years in medical science and surgery—altogether too much progress for the welfare of the race, for as a result there is a preservation of the unfit that nullifies nature's law of the survival of the fittest. Therefore ignorant practitioners fulfill a useful purpose in helping nature take her course by maintaining the natural ratio of deaths.

While everyone desires that the surgeon that rips him open be a learned and scientific butcher, such eruditeness is wasted on the specialist that merely thumps your spine or massages you. A husky physique like a blacksmith's is better than six years of schooling. And what use is an education to the seventh son of a seventh daughter, or to the seeress that convinces you that your ailment is your own mental delusion?

We are again this law not only because it creates a trust and provides more bureaucracy, more regulation and interference in other people's affairs, but because it is an inherent human right to choose your own method of death and it is about time that we ceased legislating for the survival of the unfit against natural law.

The above was the leading editorial in the Wednesday issue of the esteemed evening contemporary of The Statesman.

The writer hereof is inclined to agree in opposing the bill, but for different reasons; principally because he does not believe medical heresy hunting ought to be encouraged, any more than religious heresy hunting; for in either case the hunted heretic of today may be the regular or the orthodox of tomorrow—and with either you must depend largely on faith rather than on demonstrable truth.

But the remarkable thing about the above editorial is its naive cynicism; its reactionary harking back to past times. It must make the doctor smile to be told that he is making too much progress; that the ignorant practitioner "fulfills a useful purpose in helping nature take her course by maintaining the natural ratio of deaths."

Who is to be the judge of the "unfit" who are being kept alive by progressive surgical and medical science?

Most of us would be in danger if we were to pass for judgment before some executioner such as is illustrated in that old play, "The Mikado." There are no doubt some even in Salem who would for either the Journal editor or the writer of these few lines make the motion of thumbs down, with the sentence, "He never would be missed."

The reader could no doubt readily pick out judges who would send every state official and member of the Oregon Legislature, and nearly all others under the bronze dome, outside of the lady clerks, to the discard as among the unfit.

It all depends on how you look at things; whether you are a pessimist or an optimist; a cynic or a sympathetic simp in the eyes of the cynical.

This life is a disgraceful brief experience on a minor planet, in the way the cynic looks at it—

While with most of the rest of us it is a glorious adventure in a beautiful world that is a shining part of a universe grand beyond human conception.

In which class are you?

THE LARGEST AUDIENCE IN HISTORY

The largest audience which ever listened to a public speech, and probably the largest in the history of the world, will hear the inaugural address of Calvin Coolidge on March 4th.

The inaugural address of Warren G. Harding was the first pronounced under an amplifier. That device had come into general use for expanding the area of audibility only a few months before Mr. Harding took office.

Such are the mutations of time!—In years gone by the crowds which assembled at the east front of the United

States capitol usually numbered between 20,000 and 25,000. They were able to watch the moving lips of the Chief Justice of the United States and to see the new President bow forward to kiss the ancient Bible on its crimson pillow.

GETTING BETTER

Mr. Taber, head of the national orange, told congress that the temporary emergency of the farmers was over and what was needed was permanent legislation.

The condition of their banks is but a reflection of the condition of the American people. They are in a period of sound and unprecedented prosperity.

IT MUST NOT BE

Senator Hiram Johnson, in an extravagant speech declared that the time was coming when the east would be arrayed against the west, politically.

We are one country of 48 states and while the nation is large, the interests of the people are practically identical.

The south has suffered in untold ways by its narrow partisan program, and never will the west, with the bad example of the south before it, commit the same folly that the southern states committed.

CLEAVER SHOULD GO

The report on Cleaver was milder than was expected, but no milder than circumstances warranted. There was nothing discreditable proved on Cleaver except unfitness for his position.

PRICES GOING UP

The government has been asked to investigate why the price of gasoline has gone up in the face of an unusually heavy production.

MOTT BATTLES AGAINST ALIENS

Representative Mott declared that his report did not prevent the alien from fishing after he had taken out his first papers.

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Shoemaker Is Scored "Packing interests drive the alien like slaves in order to get fish," Representative Mott declared.

Importance of the fishing industry, the third largest revenue producer in the state, was stressed by Representative Mott, who went into the history of the acquiring of virtual control of the fishing industry of the state by private interests.

WINE WITHOUT THE KICK IS NOW OFFERED TO SALEM MEN

A new business has been introduced into Salem during the past few days. It is the business of wine-sipping, the wine that has the color and the sparkle of the old-time product, but has a minus quality, in that the kick is gone.

Cross word puzzle grid with letters and numbers

SAP AND SALT BY BERT MOSES

Look out for billious attacks along about the 1st of the month.

Too many of us think more of our pockets than of our reputations.

The solution of long speeches in Congress is to tax orators by the word.

Being kind to others, doing useful work and letting folks alone is a good enough religion for anybody.

History shows that woman devotes 50 per cent of her time trying to make herself 5 per cent more beautiful.

Hex Heck says: "What we need is fewer lawyers, but a better quality."

Society

terest to many local people. The Demarests have just closed a series of meetings in Toronto, Ont.

Mrs. Russell Catlin is enjoying a motor trip through California.

Mr. and Mrs. William McCall had as their guests to dinner on Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burton and children: Tom, Vivian, Pandy and Edward.

"Down in Maine," played to a capacity house twice in succession at the Salem Heights Community hall Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

SNAPPY THINKING NO. 295

Cross Word Puzzle

Cross word puzzle grid with letters and numbers

- ACROSS 1 Examples 13 Lubricated 14 Tap with fingers 16 New England state (ab.) 18 Terminus 19 Decay 20 Week day (ab.) 21 Girl's name 23 Since 25 Weight measure 26 Opening 27 River in Egypt 29 Part of the arm 31 Clip 32 Pertaining to sun 34 Deer 35 Applied to a ship in a storm 36 Great. (ab.) 37 Also 38 Use 39 Yip (Span.) 41 Dig up 42 Suffix denoting plural 43 Period of life 44 Fish 47 Athletic association (ab.) 48 Point of compass 50 Egg of insect 52 Distributed 54 Positive 55 Miner 57 Against 58 Hostelry 59 To weaken 60 Prefix meaning new 62 Beside 63 Officer of the day (ab.) 64 Bag 65 Ostrich-like bird 67 South-Norwalk (ab.) 68 Couples 70 Zelle 72 Clergymen

A. N. Fulkerson and P. F. Stols, as the Cummings brothers, were splendid, contrasting the man of money with the man who stayed on the old farm.

Neil Wentworth (Edward Burnside) as the youthful inventor, and Susie (Mrs. K. Bartlett) his sweetheart, furnished the heart interest in a most surprising manner.

Mrs. L. Farrington supported the character of "Keziah," who wishes wedlock in a manner that rocked the audience with glee.

And last, to give him due meed of praise, "Jimmy," the fresh air boy (Rodney Hardman) was a

Head's Cleared In Colds or Catarrh

The way to clear the head quickly is with Ely's Cream Balm. Apply it in the nostrils and breathe it. The fumes are antiseptic.

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FOR RENT - AND 5 ROOM - HEATED APARTMENTS - FOR RENT - APARTMENTS

FOR RENT - 2 THREE ROOM - constant surprise

The play was well received and is to be repeated about the county by request of various organizations.

Miss Hazel Hinds was hostess to a number of friends at a Valentine party last evening.

Those present were the Misses Ruby Hinds, Gladys Morton, Helen Lockwood, Ruth Drew, Clara Smith, Laura Pemberton, Mabel Curry, Helen Curry, Martha Leavenworth, Margaret Leavenworth, Elaine Chapin, Alice Falk, Norma Terrell and the hostess.

The Sweet Briar club was delightfully entertained this mid-week at the home of Mrs. M. G. Petteys.

A Valentine social was held at the Sweet's school Friday afternoon. After the valentines were exchanged among the children, an old fashioned spelling match was held.

The "Mother-Teacher" club will hold its first meeting Friday, March 6th.

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