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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears.—Proverbs 26:17.

"Brass Tacks"

Candidate Charles G. Dawes vigorously declares that he is going to make a campaign of "brass tacks not bombast" yet his use of the term "brass tacks" as well as his speech are more or less bombast, for he declares the main issue is "progressive conservatism" against "masked radicalism," that Davis and Bryan do not figure, but that LaFollette stands for the overthrow of the constitution and the triumph of the Reds—which is not only bombast but buncombe.

Neither LaFollette nor his platform can be called radical, except perhaps in contrast with Dawes and his platform. In fact LaFollette is anything but radical in the accepted sense. William Z. Foster, communistic nominee, states that the LaFollette platform is "the most reactionary document of the year"—which is the way it is viewed by the Reds.

It is true that the Socialists are to support LaFollette, that organized labor, the Farm-Labor and other discontented elements will rally to his standard, but outside advocacy of public ownership for water power and railroads, the LaFollette program is individualistic, and even the neutral and impartial administration of transportation and power are not inconsistent with individualism.

LaFollette is a firm believer in laws and law enforcement as a cure for all evils. If anything is wrong, he would pass a regulatory law to remedy it. This of course necessitates more officials to enforce it and stimulates the growth of bureaucracy. Much of our present paternalism can be traced to the Wisconsin idea, fathered by LaFollette.

Paternalism is viewed by Socialists as preparedness for Socialism, for when regulation breaks down, the Socialists believe the remedy is state ownership. The Communist goes further and would abolish all private property—both of which ideas are indignantly repudiated by LaFollette.

LaFollette threatens to split the republican vote in republican states. That is the cause of the brass tacks endeavor to paint him as a destructive Red, to make him a bogey man threatening the overthrow of the country and rally the voters to save it by electing that peerless statesman, Calvin Coolidge, who cannot manage a congress controlled by his own party.

While we do not agree with the LaFollette program, he is at least, entitled to a square deal for he is anything but the futurist or cubist statesman Mr. Dawes depicts.

That Office Building

We are informed by the Portland Oregonian that Salem has revived the proposal for the erection of a state office building in the rear of the supreme court building, to house the rapidly increasing number of state employees, and save rent paying for scattered offices about the country.

There are two elements of surprise in this. The people of Salem are surprised because they are not originating any such proposal, as it is a matter that concerns the state and would not be in good taste. The people of Oregon are surprised that the army of state employees is swelling so rapidly under a tax-cutting and reform governor.

If the rapid growth of the bureaucracy continues, nothing less than a modern sky scraper will be needed to house the various departments now scattered all over Portland and Salem in privately owned structures. Some \$1492 a month is being paid for 17 different offices in 17 different places in Portland and \$175 a month for two offices in Salem, a total of \$1,667 a month.

In addition, every conceivable corner in the capital building is utilized, the senate chamber, the hall of representatives, and the various corridors being filled with desks and partitions. The supreme court building is similarly crowded, with the state library and printing office cramped for space and curtailed in expansion.

Of course the sensible thing to do would be to erect a sky scraper and concentrate all departments there, as it would be both a public convenience and a money saver. A still better solution would be to cut out about half the superfluous boards and reduce the number of employees 50 percent, as Brother Charlie did in Nebraska—but it is apparently too much to hope for under an administration whose main contribution to economy has been the creation of new offices.

When it is remembered that a decade or two ago, not even the basement of the state house was utilized and the top floor only partially occupied, and the state employees numbered hundreds where they number thousands now, we can understand why taxation has so magically increased.

OREGON CITY TO CELEBRATE ROAD OPENING FRIDAY

Oregon City, Ore., Aug. 21.—The dedication of the new Pacific highway link here and the accompanying celebration when Queen Ruby will be placed on the throne to rule over the merry kingdom of Valhalla will take place Friday.

DAVIS IN CONFERENCE WITH CLEM SHAVER

New York, Aug. 21.—Before departing for Sea Girt, N. J., where he plans to fire the broadest attack against President Coolidge's position as the nominee of the republican party, John W. Davis will confer here today with Clem L. Shaver, his campaign manager, and other party leaders on general campaign plans.

TWO VESSELS CAUGHT IN ICE ABANDONED

Aboard U. S. S. Boxer, in the Arctic Ocean, 70 Nome, Alaska, Aug. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—The gasoline schooner Arctic, caught in the ice, is a wreck and the motorship Lady Linderley has been abandoned by her crew who are on the ice.

DAILY CARTOON FOR CAPITAL JOURNAL READERS



"WE WEREN'T ALL ARRESTED!"

The Half-Time Wife :-: By Violet Dare

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INDISCREET CONFIDENCES

Suzanne met Duncan Hale the next morning as she was walking uptown.

"Why so down hearted?" he asked. "You look as if your last friend had died."

"That's just the way I feel," she answered. She was delighted to see him; Geoffrey had seen to it that his bride met all his friends but to Suzanne most of them still seemed very much like strangers, and there were none in whom she felt she could confide. To meet

plained Suzanne bitterly. "I don't see why she doesn't blame herself. I suppose she's told all over town about that party, and that I told her it was no worse than one of those that I went to recently."

"Is that what you did tell her?" asked Hale, much amused.

"Well, sort of. It came to this in the end. The Haynes are good friends of my husband's, and Mrs. Haynes will tell him all this when he returns, and he'll be sure to tell me and Dick, too, I suppose. Duncan, I don't know what to do. I've tried so hard to be the sort of wife Geoffrey wanted me to, yet I seem always to be making mistakes. I fall down on the job dreadfully."

"You shouldn't have married him in the first place," replied Hale promptly. "He's too old for you, but that wouldn't matter quite so much if he weren't so prominent and so successful. He wants you to live up to a position that an older woman would find difficult, and you're such a youngster. Suzanne, he expects too much of you. He wants you to be an accomplished hostess and a diplomat and a mother to those two nephews of his, who are nearly as old as you are, and a housekeeper."

"No, not that," interrupted Suzanne, who had regained her poise once more, and already regretted telling him as much as she had.

"We have a good housekeeper and Geoffrey doesn't want me to interfere with her, sometimes. I wish he did," she sighed, softly. "I'd like managing a house, and planning the meals and all that. Only not such a big house as ours—a little one, where I could rearrange the furniture and make the curtains for some of the rooms myself. If I wanted to, I'm not a wife on a grand scale, Duncan. I wasn't meant for a man like Geoffrey."

"You were meant for a man like me, Suzanne," he murmured, bending forward and laying one hand on her arm. She shook it off and leaned back in her chair so that he was not so close to her, but he went on without noticing that movement. "Oh, Suzanne, this is all wrong. Why don't you chuck the whole thing? You know that I love you; you can't ever doubt that. You're all the world to me. Atwood will let you go, I'm sure, he must see that you—"

"Whatever he sees, he's not going to see me fall down on the job I've undertaken," she answered sharply. "Duncan, you mustn't talk this way to me any more. This is my faith today; I shouldn't have come in here with you, shouldn't

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Why don't you chuck the whole thing?" asked Hale.

Duncan, the only person in town whom she had known before her marriage, was a delight.

"Things are going all wrong. I'm worried," she continued as he walked along beside her. "Duncan, I wish you were a brother or cousin or something like that of mine. I need one."

"All right—I'll play the part," he answered readily. "But aren't you cold? Come in here with me and have luncheon, won't you? I had breakfast and I'm starved."

Suzanne hesitated about confiding in him. It seemed not quite fair to Geoffrey. But as she seated herself at the table, Mrs. Haynes entered the restaurant. Suzanne bowed, but Mrs. Haynes' acknowledgement of the bow was so slight as to be almost non-existent.

"Oh dear!" sighed Suzanne. "I was afraid I'd have an enemy of that woman, and she went on to tell Duncan Hale of the party of the evening before, or how she had been chaperoning Dick's crowd, and Mrs. Haynes had appeared in search of her son and been shocked at the fact that some of the boys and girls were drinking."

"She makes fun of me because I don't like that sort of thing, and then turns and criticizes me because her own children do it," continued Suzanne.

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have talked as I have. But it won't happen again. Geoffrey has been awfully good to me; I care a lot about him, and I know that as time goes on I'll care more. Lots of marriages are just questions of adjustment, and that's all this is. I've got to learn to adjust myself to Geoffrey's way of doing things. Women who were no smarter than I am have done things that were much harder."

But later, as she walked home alone, she did not feel quite so sure of her own ability. She'd have to do such a lot of explaining when Geoffrey got back to town! Tomorrow—Suzanne Mrs. Vale.

PORTLAND NOT FOR CLEAR LAKE

Portland, Or., Aug. 21.—City Commissioner John M. Mann today indicated that he would report against the suggestion of Captain George S. Edmonstone, consulting engineer of the Pure Water Development league, an organization urging the development of the proposed Clear Lake water project, that the Portland city council join the movement in favor of the project.

Mr. Mann said "with adequate storage facilities which could be provided at much less cost than joining the Clear Lake system, the Bull Run river can be made to supply sufficient water for a city of 2,000,000 people, and it therefore would be poor business for Portland to spend millions of dollars joining the new project."

NEAR BEER BLINDNESS BRINGS SUIT FOR \$25,900

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 21.—Blindness caused by near beer is made the basis of a damage suit on file in the superior court here today. The plaintiff, William E. Foster, asks judgment of \$25,900 against the brewers and bottlers who sold him a barrel of near beer which exploded and put out his right eye.

DESERTS MANSION TO COOK IN BUNGALOW

Chicago, Aug. 21.—Mrs. Helen McClinton Thorne, wife of the wealthy Gordon C. Thorne, whose father once was head of Montgomery Ward & Co., has forsaken luxurious apartments, wealth would provide and has won her husband to her wish—a bungalow in California. She and her mother leave today, she announced, for

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Los Angeles. "I had to sit around all dressed up when I was dying to go out in the kitchen," Mrs. Thorne was quoted as saying of her residence with her husband's mother in a great apartment on Sheridan Road, although she expressed the greatest affection for the elder Mrs. Thorne.

COOLIDGE TO RAKE HAY TODAY

Plymouth, Vt., Aug. 21.—Kept indoors most of yesterday by one of the most severe rains of the summer, President Coolidge was prepared today to meet some exercise in the hayfield.

WEST DARES BANK TO BRING SUIT IF REPORT NOT TRUE

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libel. We would then be forced to go on the witness stand under oath and prove the truthfulness of the statements made in the report. "I have the utmost faith in the honesty and integrity of both Mr. Cookingham and Mr. Albert, the examiner for the clearing house association. Neither had intimate knowledge of this transaction and I am satisfied neither would have given it their approval had they known the facts surrounding it. Both of these gentlemen will learn more about the deal from our report than they ever knew before and, while their tongues may defend the transaction, at least they will condemn and deplore it, because it was not in keeping with the traditions of the institution. It was not in keeping with good business. It was not in keeping with sound morals. On the other hand, it was most unwise; it was foolish; it was idiotic; it was shameful and it was criminal."

"I fully realize the seriousness of these charges and the making of such a report would be a daily trial to do if the committee was without the facts to support the statements made therein. It was an ulcer that had to be removed no matter how painful the operation. The committee is prepared to defend its report at any time and before any tribunal. The full story is yet to be told.

Neither Mr. Cookingham nor Mr. Albert should assume the burden of defending this stock deal. They should leave it to Mr. Isaac Hunt and Mr. S. L. Eddy, whose ideas of banking are more in keeping with the spirit of the transaction."

REDS IN CHAMBER RIOT WHEN HERIOT REPORTS

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ference and asserted France would gain by it "for it would need a deal of optimism, to believe that France, in the future could gain the majority of votes which enabled her to enter the Ruhr."

The reparation problem in which France was the most interested party had now been taken from the political into the economic field, the premier said, "and we have given a very large role to American citizens in our organization, which was done designedly."

"We can only rejoice," Mr. Herriot continued, "to have associated with us the great American republic which has witnessed our sufferings and which has all the authority necessary to supervise the execution of the program

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which was due in a large part to its initiative." France's new freedom of action, Mr. Herriot said, had been defended to the utmost in London, but the situation had become grave. Then Prime Minister Macdonald of Great Britain, in two letters, had reminded the French and Belgians of the declaration they had made when they entered the Ruhr that they had done so merely to enforce payment by the Germans.

Risk of Rupture

And the German delegates at London, through the British prime minister, had made it plain that the reclamation would not accept the proposed plan unless the Ruhr were evacuated. Nevertheless, Mr. Herriot went on, he had come before the cabinet in Paris "decided to limit to a maximum of one year the military occupation of the Ruhr."

"To go beyond this was to risk again a rupture of the conference," the premier added, "and he became convinced that if France remained in the Ruhr except for a definite stay she would stay there absolutely alone."

The advantages he had obtained at the London conference, the premier insisted, do not strike the imagination, but they are substantial advantages.

A violent display by the communists forced Paul Painleve, president of the chamber to discontinue the sitting after the premier had finished his statement. M. Marty's language had been so unreserved that M. Painleve had at various times warned him but when he finally produced the communists amnesty poster and waved it from the rostrum M. Painleve put on his hat, signifying the session was at an end.

Germany Legislates

Berlin, Aug. 21.—(By Associated Press.)—The German government has begun the legislative program required to carry out the

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Belgium Ratifies

Brussels, Aug. 21.—(By Associated Press.)—A decree was issued today in closing the parliamentary session following the cabinet's complete approval of the statements on the outcome of the London reparation conference as made by Premier Theunis and the foreign minister, Hymans.

These statements brought out that the financial pledges obtained in exchange for the evacuation of the Ruhr represent 16 billions of gold marks in railroad and industrial bonds, while a guarantee is afforded because Germany cannot violate her new engagements without ruining her credit in America as well as in Europe.

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