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### BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits; who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction.—Psalm 103:2-4.

### What Substitute?

The first hops in the Pacific northwest were grown in 1864 when one bale was raised in Washington as an experiment. Its success led to wider cultivation especially in the Puyallup valley and in the Willamette valley in Oregon. The industry had already been established in California, which, having a thirsty population, supplied a home market. It was necessary, however, to find an export market for the northwest product, which eventually materialized in Europe.

The production steadily increased and in 1881 California produced 8,500 bales, Washington 6,000 bales and Oregon 2,000 bales—with average of \$50 or better a bale. By 1890 the Washington crop amounted to 40,000 bales, and the Willamette valley output reached 15,000 bales. The hops in Washington were harvested by Indians, while in Oregon most of the hop-picking was done by Chinese.

Hop growing had by this time become one of our most important industries and continued to develop until the world war stopped exports and prohibition destroyed the domestic market. In the meantime as the Oregon production increased, the Washington production diminished. By 1913 Oregon was producing about half of the hops grown in the United States.

Prohibition destroyed the domestic market for hops, and since 1917 there is demand for but a fraction of the output then sold, and these are consumed in cereal beverages. This was to some extent offset by the brisk foreign demand existing during the period of rehabilitating the European hop-fields. Increased foreign production and embargoes are daily further limiting the export market.

The Oregon hop-grower then faces a discouraging outlook. Already prohibition has cut his production down to less than one-third of what it was—and the bulk of the present crop is being sold at less than cost of production. Prohibition has cut his domestic market nine-tenths. He still produces twice as many hops as are used in the United States and almost as many as his best foreign market, England, imports, for she is now producing more hops than in the pre-war period.

It is apparent that the chief sufferer from prohibition is the farmer whose hop, grape, berry, fruit, and grain markets have been curtailed, without in material degree lessening intoxication or preventing crime. It is also evident that the hop industry faces almost complete destruction, unless the Volstead act is modified to permit the making of light beer—which is really not an intoxicating beverage. Yet any effort to preserve to the farmer this valuable industry through reasonable modification of the dry law brings about a torrent of abuse and vilification under the inspiration of paid dry propagandists commercializing fanaticism.

A serious problem that the community faces is what are we to grow in place of hops that annually brought in millions of outside money into the valley? Having complacently, and even enthusiastically assisted in the annihilation of our biggest industry, one that meant more to the farmer and the country than any several other industries, what are we going to substitute and what are we doing about it?

### Develop Our Aerial Navy

The swift trip across the Atlantic of the ZR-3 and the equally successful flight across the continent of the big navy dirigible, the Shenandoah, and the around globe flight of our airplanes, demonstrates that the age of the air has arrived and that in a comparatively short while the dirigible will be utilized commercially both to cross sea and continent as well as the plane.

It is now universally admitted that the next war will be fought in the air—and this being the case, why waste taxpayers' money in coast defense fortifications and in warships obsolete before they are completed? Why build a huge battleship when over 50 Zeppelins and double the number of war planes can be built with the money?

A fleet of Zeppelins or dirigibles could leave Japan or any of the European countries, obliterate any American fort or fleet of battleships by dropping explosives or asphyxiate an entire city with poison gas, and then return to their base uninjured—all at slight risk of life or money.

The news that the Germans, who are the master builders of aircraft are building a fleet of giant war planes for Japan in Denmark, ought to convince congress of the necessity of developing our aerial service to its fullest capacity—not as a means of aggression, but of defense. An immense aerial navy is better protection to the country than all the defense days on record, for mobilization merely concentrates men for slaughter from the air in the next war.

### SOUTHWORTH TO REPRESENT "U"

Ward Southworth, a member of the junior class at Willamette university, was last evening adjudged the winner in the extemporaneous contest held at Waller hall, Willamette university, and as a result will represent Willamette in the Pacific coast college extemporaneous speaking contest which is to be held at Stanford university on Armistice day. Given their subject a half hour before the time of their scheduled appearance on the stage, six young men took part. They were Paul Buckley, Dave McClintock, Percy Hammond, LeRoy Walker, Dan Taylor and Southworth. By coincidence, Southworth will speak against Roosevelt, Littler, former Salem resident and student of Salem high school and Willamette, who will represent Leland Stanford university. Littler and Southworth made up the high school debate team that won the state championship in 1920. Two years ago both were members of the team that represented Willamette on the eastern tour.

### DAWES SPEAKS IN PENNSYLVANIA

Dawes Special. Its Route to Philadelphia, Oct. 21—Heading a general eastward movement of presidential and vice-presidential candidates, Charles G. Dawes, traveled today to Philadelphia, where tonight he will open his first and only speaking tour east of the Alleghenies. The republican vice-presidential candidate will begin his seven day speech making swing through the five eastern states of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey and New York with a discussion of the budget. He will speak on the basis of his experience as the first director of the federal budget bureau. The budget, however, will not be his main theme, for he will stress in the east as he has on his middle western campaign tour, the republican assault on the La Follette independent candidacy not only as having raised the dominant issue of the campaign in the agricultural middle west, but also in the east and other sections of the country. Mrs. Dawes is accompanying her husband on his eastern tour.

### KIRBY'S DAILY CARTOON FOR CAPITAL JOURNAL READERS



### The flower of the family

Marta's disturbed night. "Marta thought someone was trying to get in the house, mother," Norma replied when her mother asked how the girls happened to let her in that late hour. "You see the child's room is over the library and hearing you she was a little frightened and came to my room. I was almost asleep and I do not think I would have heard you, but the moment I was conscious of what she was saying, I knew immediately it was you and that you had forgotten your key."

see if you can get someone here. You're looking a little pale, child. Now that her father was safely on his bed, Marta had begun to feel a little bolder, and she rang the bell without further remembrance. it was answered immediately by the house man. "You go to bed, now, child. Bacon will make me comfortable and call a doctor to fix me up."

### BRINGING UP FATHER



### BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG



### KRAZY KAT



### MUTT AND JEFF

