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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.—John 8:51.

Showing Their Colors

Why do many of our city newspapers, and we regret to see the custom aped by small town papers also, deem it necessary to mar appearance and increase the difficulties of perusal by inserting sheets of as many colors as Joseph's famous coat? Do not the scare-heads scream loud enough to attract attention? It is necessary to make confusion worse confounded in this age of jazz?

Colored paper was used for block-typed dodgers and stud-horse posters to take the place of the town-crier in the days before the development of newspaper advertising, presumably because the colors appealed to childish curiosity and led to opening and investigating the fly-by-night notice. For the same reason it is still utilized in the hick towns where the moss-back merchants use posters instead of papers, clinging to the ways of a by-gone day. But for the newspapers, pages of varied colors are a comparative innovation.

How the custom originated, we do not know, but it has had a surprising development as a feature of flash journalism. The first color used was pink, for a sports section, presumably after the English sporting paper "The-Pink-Up" or our own delectable "Police Gazette," the color pink having become associated with sports because of the scarlet coats, called pinks, worn by fox-hunters, hence by extension, fox-hunters and finally sportsmen. So a pink paper meant a sporting paper.

Perhaps red or pink is a correct color to denote professional sport, for red appears at the lower end of the visible spectrum and is therefore emblematic of lower intelligence. Theosophists give red to the baser passions, like anger, and hold the less developed spiritually and intellectually, the more primitive, the redder and less luminous the astral body.

If pink may be said to be emblematic of sports, blue is equally symbolic as the color of devils, yellow as the emblem of the cowardly and contemptible, and green of the half-baked, so perhaps all these colors and their blends are suitable hues for modern newspapers catering to moron majorities.

Westernizing the Espee

Retirement of Julius Kruttschnitt as chairman of the executive committee and of the board of directors of the Southern Pacific Company on May 31 after 48 years continuous service, means transfer of the executive and operating head to the Pacific coast from New York. Supervision of operations, heretofore exercised by Mr. Kruttschnitt will be under the direction of the president, William Sproule at San Francisco. Only the financial headquarters will remain in New York.

The change will be beneficial both for the company and the region it serves, for a western railroad cannot be managed as successfully from a Wall street office 3000 miles away as from an office with the necessary authority, located in the heart of the system. Necessarily long-distance management gets out of touch with the public it caters to, for the viewpoint is different and often divergent.

Mr. Sproule is a western product, first entering the employ of the Southern Pacific in 1882 as a freight clerk at San Francisco, and with the exception of five years in New York, has spent his life on the coast, being company president since 1911. Under his regime, progressive policies have been followed that have gained public confidence and made the railroad a cooperative factor in the development of the territory it serves.

Since Mr. Kruttschnitt became chief executive, following the dissolution of the Harriman merger with the Union Pacific in 1913 the Southern Pacific lines have grown from 10,000 miles and \$143,000,000 gross annual earnings to 155,550 miles and \$390,000,000 earnings. An even greater growth is probable in the coming decade, with a western man in sympathy with the west and its development directing affairs.

Congested School Areas to be Shown On Chart of Salem

That the Salem school board has been hearing the echoes of criticisms over the disuse of the Washington school building became evident at a board meeting last night. It has become a well known fact in Salem that many people of the city do not believe reports to the effect that the congested districts of the city are elsewhere than in the Washington vicinity and that there are not sufficient children available near the Washington to justify opening the building. Many Salemites have been open in their skepticism of the report.

At last night's board meeting action was taken which will result in a map of the city being prepared, showing the exact location of every school child in the city. The board's idea is to make this map available to all doubters, showing them just where the congested parts of Salem are, and members of the board obviously expect that the map will show a dearth of school children within walking distance of the Washington school.

Doctors Utter and Downs, representing the parent-teacher's association of South Salem, appeared before the board and entered a plea for a new grade school building to be built in South Salem, replacing the Lincoln school.

Details acted upon by the board including authorizing a fence to be built at the west end of the McKinley school grounds, referring bids on wood for use coming year to the supplies committee with power to act, and authorizing increases in the salaries of secretaries to the city superintendent, the high school principal and the Par-

rish junior high school principal. Secretaries' salaries were raised as follows:
Superintendent's secretary, \$90 to \$115; high school principal's secretary, \$70 to \$85; junior high school principal's secretary, \$65 to \$75. The changes will go into effect next school year.
Edgar Tibbitts, treasurer of the high school student body, submitted a financial report. According to the report the student body treasury is now \$2780.25 ahead, but the report showed that practically all of the amount would be used. Five hundred dollars was given to the board for the purpose of improving the athletic field east of the Parrish junior high school. The money was accepted and will be added to by the board. Work is expected to begin soon on improving the field. Last year's senior class gave a sum slightly under \$200 for the express purpose of having it used on the athletic field, asking that an arch of some kind be built with the money. The arch will be built wherever the entrance is located.

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TODAY'S CROSS WORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

- Swelling out of shape
- Chum
- Postscript (ab.)
- Commerce (ab.)
- Duple note
- Example (ab.)
- Large bird
- Escalier
- Large lizard
- Before Christ (ab.)
- Sword
- A vessel for holding liquids
- Make a mistake
- Gold
- Solution used in making soap
- Chinese herb

VERTICAL

- Above
- Lacquer
- Girl's name
- North (ab.)
- Large bird
- Famous American poet
- Dictionary (L. or Gr.)
- River in France
- Less (prefix)
- Jewels
- Frolic
- Fish
- Grain
- British India (ab.)
- 14th letter in alphabet

SOLUTION OF YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

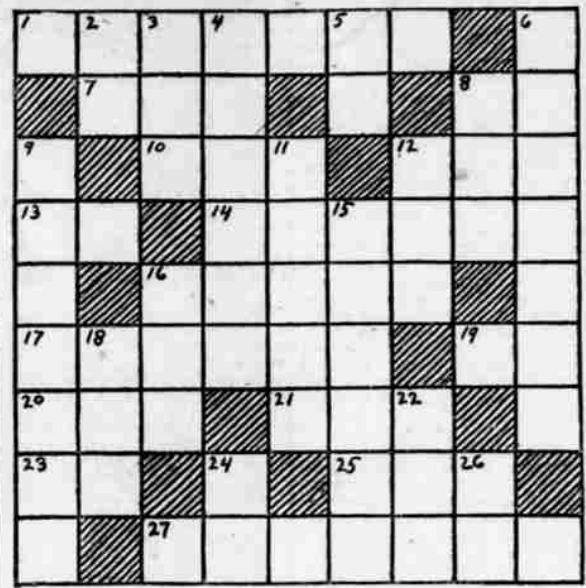
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HOW TO SOLVE THE CROSS WORD PUZZLE

The way to solve the Cross Word Puzzle is to fill in the white squares of the diagram with the words which agree with the accompanying definitions. The definitions are numbered to correspond with the numbers on the diagram.

Any word defined in the text under "HORIZONTAL" will begin at its number, shown on the diagram, and will extend all the way across to the first black space to the right of that number. That is, the word must begin in the square that contains its identifying number, and extend as far as the white squares continue uninterrupted.

Any word defined under "VERTICAL" will also begin in the white space that contains its number, but will extend downward as far as the white squares remain uninterrupted.



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Men, Mothers and Maids

A Romantic Serial of Modern Life
By IDAH McGLONE GIBSON

THE AWFUL TRUTH

"Lille your mother is a living flame. She must be fed with fuel for her brain and heart every minute."

"For the last two years I have been able to bring it to her."

"If you and I find that when I reach home, I can no longer do so, I am sure what she will do."

"Lille's heart almost stopped beating for she did not know what her mother would do when she found out the awful truth."

As far as she herself was concerned, Harold Kennedy had shown himself a cad. What would her mother do when she found it out? All at once it came to her that morning when she read that direful letter from Robert McLean which spelled for her the end of the world.

Would all the world turn back to her mother when she thought that Harold did not love her? Would all the earth seem a molten ball, burning up her very soul? Was it possible that after a woman was as old as her mother that love might hold even a greater place in her life than in one as young as herself?

She began to be a little worried over the carrying out of her plan. The loss of her mother's money had never entered it. To lose one's money as well as one's love would be an added agony with which she had not reckoned.

"Harold," she pleaded, "won't you try to influence mother to take back that part of the oil field she has given me."

"No, dear, I do not think I can do that."

"Why not?"

"Because the time has come when your mother will have to shoulder some responsibility. All

the thrill of irresponsibility is now over. I have found lately that she is going from one thing to another only in constant longing to find something new. She will have to work to be happy. Surely you can see that, Lille, can you not?"

"No, Harold, I confess I cannot see it. My mother had enough hard work and responsibility when I was a little girl to last her not only through her mortal life but through all eternity. You say she will not want to be dependent upon me and I have asked you to try to make her independent again. This you positively refuse to do because you wish her to become what you are pleased to call 'responsible.' You wish to cut her beautiful butterfly wings, that have now become as indispensable to her. You want to make her a grub again. Don't you know that a butterfly can never again go back to being a grub?"

"If you will not help me to keep her as she is, a joyous, happy, beautiful butterfly, I shall try to do it myself."

"You don't seem to know your mother, Lille, but that is not strange. You have been so long away from her. You never saw her in this guise. I know, underneath all her butterfly inclinations, there is a longing to do something more than just to live for herself from day to day."

"If I know her, and I think I do, when she finds out the real state of her affairs, she will not let either of us do anything for her. She will work out her own salvation."

"Lille, your mother is a very wonderful woman."

"You need not tell me that, Harold. It is because she is so

wonderful, it is because she has always been so wonderful that I want her now to have her reward."

"Well," said Harold Kennedy with a sigh, as he turned to walk away, "all we will have to do is to wait and see."

Lille felt she could stand it no longer. Here was this man, whom she had distrusted from the first, calmly telling her that he expected to desert her mother if when he arrived in Hollywood he found that she had lost the most of her money. It was counseling her own daughter to do the same.

Lille could not account for it in any other way than that, knowing her mother had not the means to further the schemes which he had intended to put into operation when he arrived in Hollywood, he was trying to influence her daughter to keep the money her mother had given her, hoping that he could make Lille herself care enough for him to turn over her share of the money.

She was well aware that Harold was afraid if she returned the gift deed to her mother, Mrs. Vail would think that as this was her only income property she could not mortgage it to further his schemes.

"It is a very clever idea," was Lille's conclusion, "but it won't work." However, she demitted from her mind the whole thing because night was falling, and the cause night was falling, and she hoped again to talk to Rob.

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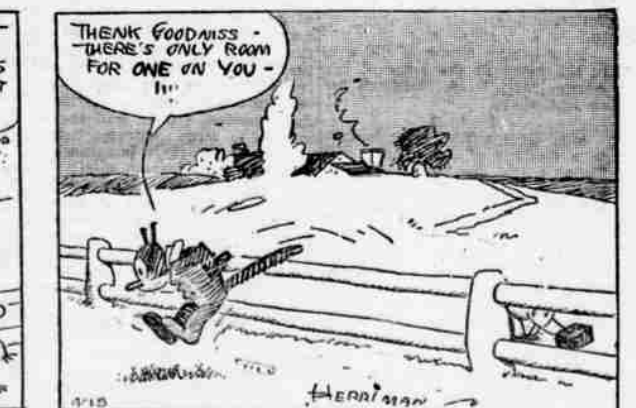
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MUTT AND JEFF

At That, The Little Umpire Was Probably Right

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