

# Capital Journal

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## BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

The son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity.—Matthew 13:41.

## Another Reactionary Victory

Election of Field Marshal von Hindenburg as president of Germany at the first popular election held since the creation of the republic in the crisis following the collapse of the monarchy and flight of the kaiser, indicates the strength of the junkers, as well as the personal popularity of the candidate, who is venerated as the hero of the war by his countrymen. Whether the election presages the return of the Hohenzollerns, to whom Hindenburg has been loyally devoted, remains to be seen.

An unrepentant and unregenerate Germany still secretly bent on military revenge to reestablish her place in the sun, could not be expected to do otherwise, and there is little to indicate that the republic has any hold on the affections of the people at all comparable with that of the erstwhile monarchy.

Hindenburg's career has been purely a military one and he is not likely at his age, 77, to change the ideals and opinions of a life time. He fought in the war with Austria in 1866, and in the Franco-Prussian conflict of 1870 and his victories over the Russian in the world war made him idol of the German people. Throughout his career he has been an implicit believer in the feudal doctrine of the divine right of kings and a venerator of monarchy, and his unwilling candidacy was forced by the royalists.

Germany has now joined the ranks of great nations whose policies are dictated by reactionaries. Italy, Great Britain, the United States, Spain, and France have all installed reactionary governments, while Soviet Russia, posing as radical is really the most reactionary of all. Liberalism is at its lowest ebb—as it always is after a great war, and it will probably be years before it is returned to power.

## Refuse to Sign

County judges and commissioners of Oregon have organized to combat the proposed referendum of the auto bus and truck lines against the bill passed by the legislature placing a tax upon them, the proceeds of which would partially pay for the destruction of highways caused by their use as free rights-of-way for private profits. People are asked not to sign the referendum petitions which would delay operation of the law for two years and therefore permit two years more of pounding highways to pieces without cost to the pounders.

The people of Oregon have an investment of over \$50,000,000 at stake. Ninety percent of the damage to these highways is caused by four percent of the traffic—that of the heavy busses and trucks operating as common carriers for individual gain. If people sign the referendum petitions, the private car owners and general taxpayers will continue to pay the high cost of maintaining and repairing these highways.

Is there any reason why the bus and truck companies should be relieved of paying for the damage they do to our highways? Is there any reason why the private auto owner and taxpayer should be compelled to dig up from their own pockets money to repair the damage done by a traffic trust? Is there any reason why anyone should have the right to utilize and destroy without recompense, a public investment for private profit?

Refuse to sign the referendum petition when presented and thereby help put an end to an outrageous graft.

## POWER FIRM PURCHASES OFFICE SITE

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The outskirts of the business section at present, based on their observations of what has taken place in Salem, Portland and other cities similarly situated, they anticipate that the center of the retail business district will move northeast from its present center as time goes on, thus bringing their site nearer and nearer to the center of the retail district.

Figures Show Trend  
The company made a study of the location of its customers in Salem with relation to Center street and found the following percentages to prevail.

Dec. Dec. 1919 1924  
Located north of Center street ..... 38% 44%  
Located south of Center street ..... 62% 56%

This shows an increase of 6 per cent of the total number of customers living north of Center street in five years, which is a 15 per cent increase of the 33 per cent of the customers which were living north of Center street in 1919.

This indicates that the center of population of Salem is moving northward and that Center street is nearly the center line of population in a northerly and southerly direction at present, and soon will become the actual center.

The power company's proposed office site is one block from the Commercial street carline, practically on the Chomoketa street line and only two blocks from the State street line, which makes it convenient for those who travel on the street cars, and as an increasingly large number of the population travel by automobile in this day and age, business firms find it advisable to locate their establishments in many cases beyond the restricted parking limits so that their customers may find room to park their cars while transacting business with the firm.

This is the third purchase of a similar nature that has been made by prominent business firms on North Liberty street within recent months. The Capital Journal Publishing company purchased the lot just north of the old Elks club house on Liberty street a few months ago, including the site of

the old Christian Science church on Chomoketa street, and the U. G. Shipley company purchased a similar site just across the street. Announcement was made at the time of the purchases that both properties were bought as possible sites for future homes for the respective firms.

The purchase of this property by the power company demonstrates their confidence in the future of Salem and the desirability of Salem property.

The sale was negotiated and conducted through W. H. Grabenhorst & company and the purchase price of the property was \$16,000.

## 2 TEXANS AID IN SHEPHERD CASE

Houston, Texas, April 27.—Two Texans whose testimony is expected to be significant will probably be summoned as witnesses in the trial of William D. Shepherd in Chicago for the murder of William McCintock, according to John Shearbar, assistant state's attorney of Chicago, who spent yesterday questioning freights and neighbors of the McCintock and Shepherd families while they lived at Bayview, Texas.

These witnesses are Robert Cowart, a fire farmer at Kemah, and Richard H. Larrabee, former postmaster and storekeeper at Seabrook. Cowart told Shearbar that while he was watching the progress being made on the McCintock home, he heard Shepherd tell his brother, Preston Cowart, that "don't you worry, Will will get his cut of this." This state of Shepherd was corroborated by Jerome Matilla, one of the men working on the McCintock home.

## NAKED WOMAN FOUND DEAD

Chicago, April 27.—The unclothed body of a woman identified as Miss Marie McCormick, 43, was found in an apartment in the Myrtle Park district today. Thomas Davis, a hotel chef, who called the attention of the police to the death, was held for questioning. Empty bottles and disorder in the apartment, the police said, indicated death may have followed a moonshine

# TODAY'S CROSS WORD PUZZLE

## SOLUTION OF YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

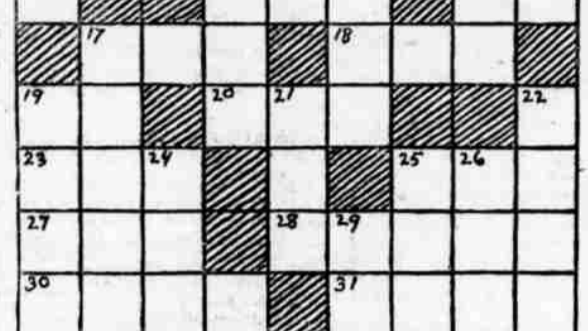
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## HOW TO SOLVE THE CROSS WORD PUZZLE

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 spaces remain uninterrupted.



## HORIZONTAL

- 1. Large Eastern country
- 2. Grain (pl.)
- 3. Openings in a ship's side
- 4. Before (prefix) (L.)
- 5. East North East (ab.)
- 6. A color
- 7. Tiny
- 8. Maryland (ab.)
- 9. Fruit bearing part of a cereal plant
- 10. To cut off the top of anything
- 11. Implement
- 12. Secret postal
- 13. Suffix (used to denote a native)
- 14. To receive
- 15. Noisy quarrel
- 16. Previous
- 17. Killed
- 18. Eagle

## VERTICAL

- 1. The tip
- 2. Relation
- 3. Wraith
- 4. Year
- 5. Quick to learn
- 6. Walk with heavy steps
- 7. Dispute
- 10. To institute legal proceedings against
- 11. Contorted
- 12. Tree
- 17. Praise extravagantly
- 19. Songs

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- 21. Snake
- 22. At this place
- 24. Female sheep
- 25. Form of address
- 26. Incalculable period of time
- 29. Royal Engineers (ab.)

# Men, Mothers and Maids

A Romantic Serial of Modern Life  
By IDAH McGLONE GIBSON

## ALL ENDS WELL

Lillimay Vail threw herself on her mother's breast. "Mother, I did not really know I was so horrid," she said. "I thought I was doing it all for you. I guess I was jealous of you as well as Harold. Oh, I don't mean I had any idea that I wanted Harold, for I knew that I would never love anyone but Rob, but the sight of your and Harold's happiness made me—almost insane."

she knows that in spite of every other woman in the world, including you, she has my sole devotion."

ter came from the house. "Lille, Lille, where are you?" called Harold. "Lissa told me to find you and bring you in to tea." As he came nearer Lille saw that she had a telegram in her hand. She reached for it and read: "I have reached Chicago. Only four days and then you. Do you remember that night in the Tuilleries gardens, where our shadows met and parted. In the future, Lille, our shadows will never part." It was from Rob.

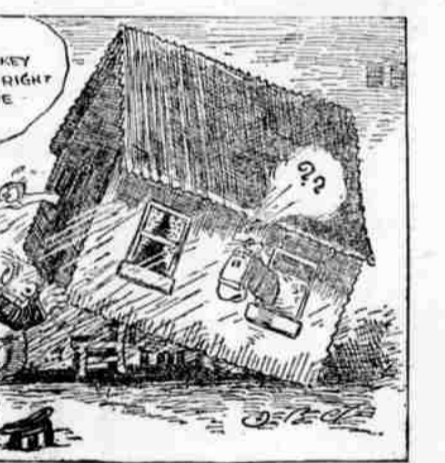
## BRINGING UP FATHER



## BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG

Those Portable Houses Have Their Advantages

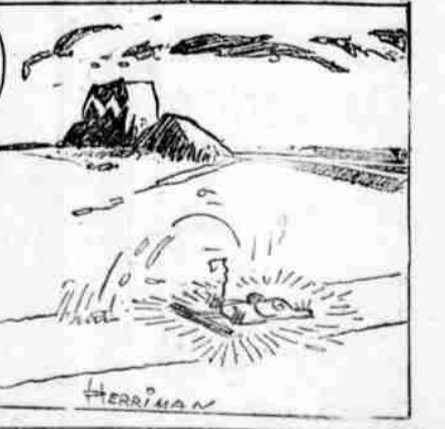
By Billy de Beck



## KRAZY KAT

A Hopeless Pupil

By Herriman



## MUTT AND JEFF

Jeff Gets Away With Some Rough Stuff in Africa

By Bud Fisher

