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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labor, it is the gift of God.—Ecclesiastes 3:13.

"All In the Record"

As expected, now that the United States supreme court has unanimously decided the Oregon compulsory school law unconstitutional, and there is no longer fear of losing an advertiser or a subscriber by expressing an opinion, the Portland Oregonian is saying "I told you so" and claiming that it editorially opposed the measure. It cites a series of editorials printed the week before the 1922 election as proof.

The school bill was the campaign issue both at the May 1922 primary election and at the general election in November. Upon it Charles Hall made his campaign and met defeat for republican nomination. By declaring for it, Walter Pierce won the democratic nomination and the governorship. Throughout this protracted eight months of feverish campaigning, in which the school bill and the Ku Klux Klan were the vital issues, neither the Oregonian nor the Journal ever mentioned either subject editorially. Both maintained a fearsome conspiracy of silence fearing boycott by the invisible empire.

The week before election the Oregonian printed daily a chapter of a long-winded academic and diplomatic side-stepping discussion of the school bill, which with praise given its sponsors, might have been taken as either for or against the measure, until the last of the series, the day before election, when it suggested the probable unconstitutionality of this "patriotically" inspired bill. So gentle, lady-like, and inoffensive was the suggestion, however, that habitual readers never knew the Oregonian had taken a stand.

Both the Oregonian and Journal made fine ethical journalistic examples of themselves in this school bill-Klan campaign by placing profit above principle and failing to fearlessly fight for the right because it was the right. The Oregonian had convictions, but it was too cowardly to express them, but there is nothing to indicate that the Journal even had convictions. By their silence they helped fan the fires of fanaticism that swept the state with warring factions.

A Merger Needed

The Grange has an opportunity to start an organized movement for the merger of the higher educational institutions of the state by placing them under a single board of regents which will conduct them as one institution instead of rival universities. A similar plan is already in effect in Kansas, Ohio and other states, with great saving to the taxpayers. The Grange should, however, make its own investigation and formulate its own program, for little can be expected from any committee of politicians, such as the governor would appoint, for both the university and college are in politics.

The Capital Journal, during the past fortnight has published a series of articles by one of its staff, showing some of the more glaring instances of duplicated courses and some of the extravagances as recorded by the catalogues, briefs and budgets of the two institutions. The series could be extended indefinitely, for the subject has scarcely been scratched, but sufficient has been published to show the need of consolidation.

As the institutions are conducted now they are out only in competition in many courses, but the various departments of each compete strenuously with each other to make a showing in attendance that will justify more instructors, more equipment, more money, with the result that both are in danger of being over-crowded and under financed.

The limit of taxation for higher education in Oregon has been reached and the two institutions will eventually be forced, by stern necessity, to adopt some program of union to continue existence.

M'DONALD DEATH CAUSED BY AUTO LEAVING GRADE

The funeral of H. M. McDonald, brother of Mrs. W. J. Busick of Salem, and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McDonald, who live on North 29th street, Salem, was held at Eugene, Tuesday. Mr. McDonald was well known in Salem, and had many friends here. He lived at Noll, near Eugene.

driving down on the Veneta side, and Mr. McDonald either lost control of his machine or some part of it gave way.

Mrs. McDonald suffered a deep gash in the jaw near the jugular vein, and was taken to the Eugene hospital. It is believed that she will recover, although her condition is said to be serious.

The car turned several times, as it rolled off the road and down the steep grade, completely crushing Mr. McDonald, who was at the wheel. The machine eventually stopped, with McDonald beneath it, in a mass of logs and fall ferns at the foot of the grade. Passing motorists came to the rescue.

The scene of the accident was exactly 25 miles from Eugene, in a westerly direction.

Mr. McDonald is survived by his widow, his Salem relatives, and a daughter and two sons. He was a member of the Baptist church and the I. O. O. F. lodge.

Relatives from Salem went to Eugene to attend the funeral.

Candidates Seeking Election To School Board More Active

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by among men actively engaged in the insurance business, and that school insurance should be put on the same basis. He further called attention to the fact that every man who is asking for part of the business is a taxpayer, and that the companies represented by them pay heavy taxes in the state.

Regarding the teaching situation at high school, over which there has been considerable discussion for the past few months, Tibbitts this morning took the stand that "if a coach is employed he ought to be at the service of all the students in school. At present the coach serves a comparatively few of the students only those on the athletic squads, he stated. He further declared himself in favor of paying the entire coach's salary out of district funds. "I believe it is not a proper policy to ask the students to pay any part of the athletic coach's salary," he said. He further indicated that he favored having the coach a full time mem-

ber of the faculty, "not a business man." At present Hollis Huntington, athletic coach, carries on an active business in a local clothing store, taking two study halls and coaching athletics in the afternoon. Tibbitts' stand is taken as opposed to the present policy of the school board, which approves of the method now used.

Near declines to commit himself either for or against the present athletic policy of the board. Statistics of the insurance business of the schools in Salem are said to be approximately as follows: Burkhart, \$10,000 worth of Laidlaw; Hepler, South, \$12,000; W. C. Dyer, \$50,000. Numerous other insurance men of the city have each anywhere from \$5000 to \$20,000. It is stated. The total reaches approximately \$500,000.

It is believed by many that there will be a re-adjustment of insurance regardless of who is elected, due to the amount of agitation, bringing the situation into the public limelight. Whether Neer or Tibbitts is elected, it is said, he will be only one member of the board, and the others will in all probability think it best to effect a re-distribution.

TODAY'S CROSS WORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Difficult
- 3 Board
- 7 Toward
- 8 Plural of I
- 9 The spawn of fishes
- 10 Self
- 12 Request
- 14 Repetition of words
- 17 Plunder
- 18 Impressed
- 22 Comfort
- 23 Skill
- 26 To put softly
- 28 Vase
- 29 Upon
- 31 Philippine Islands (ab.)
- 32 Object worshipped among savages
- 33 To ensure

SOLUTION OF YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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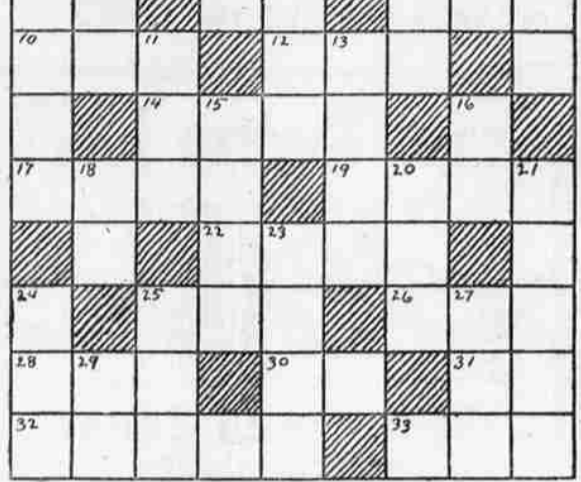
VERTICAL

- 1 Exorbitant (colloq.)
- 2 Domestic variety of wild boar
- 3 Used for fuel
- 4 Arkansas (ab.)
- 5 North (ab.)
- 6 To regulate the pitch of
- 11 Metal
- 13 Very large bodies of water
- 15 An assize
- 16 Objective of I
- 18 Royal Navy (ab.)
- 20 To marry
- 21 Something owed
- 23 Smallest imaginable portion of 25 insect matter
- 24 Project
- 27 Monkey
- 29 Receiving Office (ab.)

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 by 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 uninterruptedly.



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My Matrimonial Vacation

by Violet Dare

Bill Ewing was an ideal host. There was always something planned for the entertainment of the Jordans and me, yet we were always at liberty to do as we liked. We bathed in the surf, danced, played bridge and tennis and mah-jong, loafed through the beautiful sunny days.

When we had been there forty-eight hours we tried to leave; having invited ourselves to be guests it seemed all wrong to stay any longer. But Bill Ewing wouldn't let us go; he insisted that he loved having us there, and there could be no doubt that he meant it.

"But I thought that you didn't like women, Mr. Ewing," I said to him one morning, as he and I walked down to the boat landing. We were going sailing, a perfect pastime for such a wonderful day.

"Who told you I didn't like women?" he asked abruptly.

"Oh, I just heard it," I answered. I didn't intend to let him know that Nathalie had told me of his being disappointed in love, and hating all women as a result.

"Well, whoever told you was—was misinformed," he told me. "I'll admit that women don't interest me, as a rule, but—well, sometimes they do," and he glanced down at me significantly.

I had found out that he didn't flirt, so I took that glance for what it seemed to mean. I felt as if I had had an electric shock. No other man had ever attracted me as he did. I loved just being with him, hearing him talk, watching him play tennis.

I told myself that I was a perfect fool. Why should he care for me? Yet after that moment I felt sure that he did.

"I hope I'd have had one somewhere else," I cut in flippantly. I was a little bit afraid to let him go on. "I'd hate to be an old maid."

"You're not old enough for that. You'd never be one anyway, no matter how old and unmarried you were. But tell me—what about this husband of yours?"

I told him about Jim—our falling in love at first sight, and getting married without letting my mother know, and about how things had just into an awful tangle after that, and how finally get off to the Philippines without me, apparently caring much more about another woman than he did for me.

"So that's all—we're completely detached, and likely to remain that way, until one of us decides to get a divorce, and settle everything," I concluded.

"And then what? Another marriage? That seems to be the idea of 'this' today—marriage, divorce, remarriage, disgusting!"

He was so positive about it that I didn't even try to answer him. He'd been so awfully nice earlier in the day, and now suddenly he'd grown disagreeable.

I waited a little, and then suggested that we go back to the island. I didn't like leaving him cross with me, as he evidently was and I thought that probably the best thing to do was just to keep still, and get home as soon as possible, so that he could talk to some body else and forget his grouch at me.

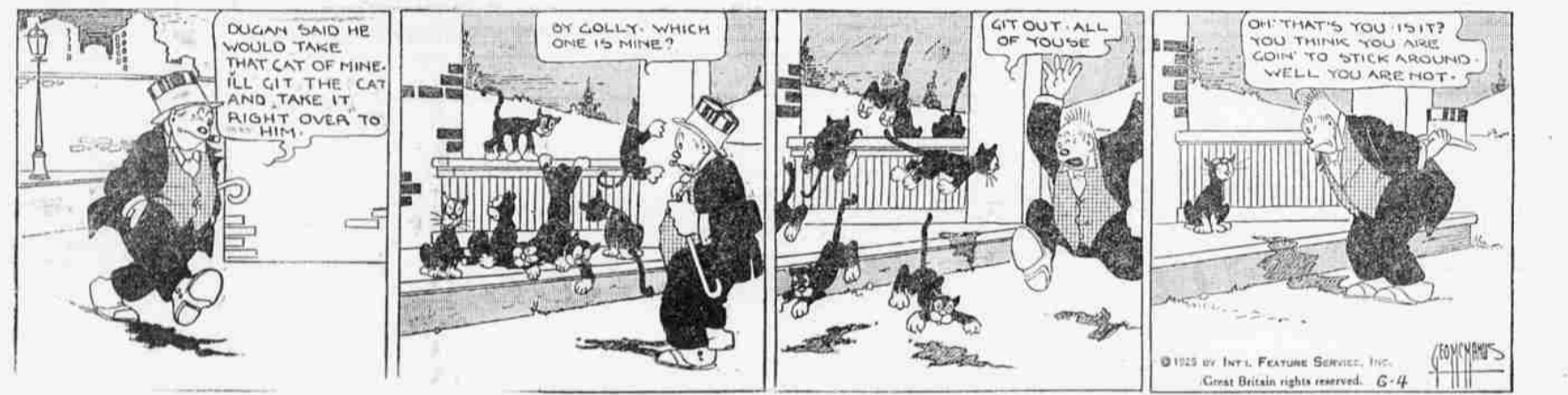
He took me back, and went to his study. He didn't dine with us—sent down word that he was working, and couldn't stop. He wrote some kind of scientific books Dick said.

Tomorrow—A Kingdom of Dreams.

JOURNAL WANT ADS PAY

By George McManus

BRINGING UP FATHER



BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG

An Elopement

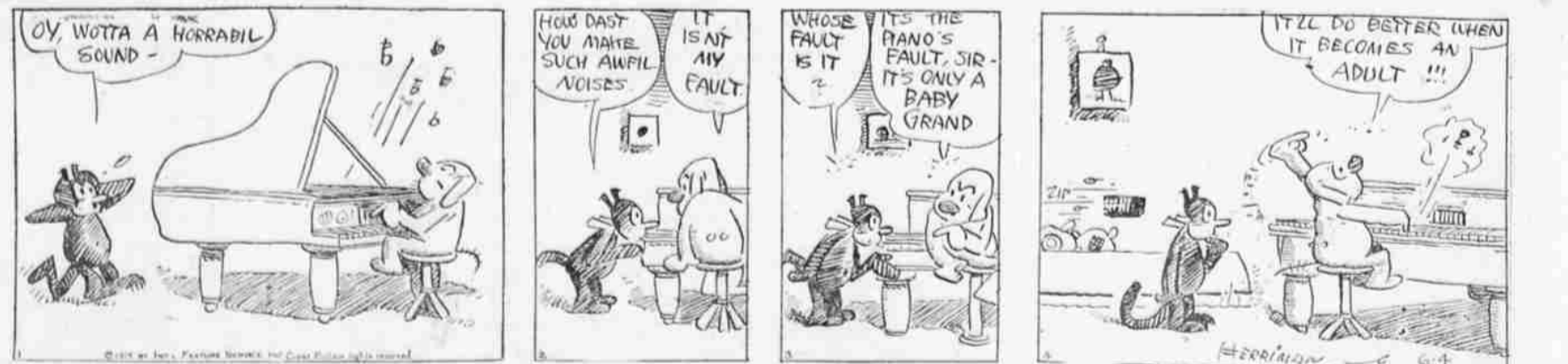
By Billy de Beck



KRAZY KAT

Only a Youth

By Herriman



MUTT AND JEFF

Ouch! What a Terrible Insult.

By Bud Fisher

