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BIBLE THOUGHT
—FOR TODAY—
 Bible thoughts memorized, will prove a
 precious heritage in after years.

SHALL BE MY PEOPLE—
 They shall be my people, and I
 will be their God: and I shall
 give them one heart, and one
 way, that may fear me forever,
 for the good of them, and of their
 children after them.—Jeremiah
 32: 38, 39.

"SINISTER INFLUENCES"
 E. D. Briggs, we understand, re-
 sents being led in with "sinister in-
 fluences." Well, morally, is it no
 great crime, in fact, it is not a crime
 at all. Webster defines sinister as
 being "on the left side." A girl's
 left cheek is sinister. A man's left
 arm is sinister, especially when it
 clandestinely slips around the waist
 of a pretty girl. Was it his right
 arm, it would be direct.

Politically, sinister means doing
 by indirection what cannot be done
 directly. Therefore, if a politician
 for example, who cannot be elected
 himself to an office, controls the
 man who is, his influence would be
 sinister. The particularly astute
 politician usually gains practical
 control of an administration in that
 way. We have heard them declare
 that they would rather be "the
 power behind the throne" than the
 king on the throne. There is some-
 thing to that.

Again, Mr. Briggs objects to be-
 ing catalogued with the backstep-
 pers. Backstepping, in common
 usage is nothing more than pushing
 back. Put a heavy breeching either
 on a horse or a maver, one you can
 control, and then stand off and yell,
 "Whoa, back up!" and they begin
 to backstep and back the wagon. If
 they resist, why, then just jerk the
 line a little and they do it. You do
 not need a breeching on a team that
 are good pullers when the load is
 needed to be drawn up a hill. When
 the wagon gets to the top a breech-
 ing comes in handy to keep it from
 going down too fast, but it is never
 advisable to hitch a team of back-
 steppers to the load until the sum-
 mit is reached. If you had a team
 that always wanted to back when the
 demand was to pull, you surely
 would call them balky and be will-
 ing to trade them for a second-hand
 1914 Ford. If the team was a good
 puller and the driver was bum, un-
 der such conditions, you would surely
 fire him.

Sinister is the heavy breeching
 that the politician puts on the hand-
 picked candidate and influence is
 the driver he puts up to hold the
 reins—sometimes they change the
 sinister from a breeching to a goad
 to whip him into policies which are
 to the politician's liking, but are not
 in the interest of good government,
 but they never change the influence.

Our observation of the sinister in-
 fluences which have dominated Ash-
 land in the past, leads to the con-
 clusion that the breeching has been
 used most, if not all the time, and
 never the goad to constructive, pro-
 gressive effort.

Of course, a lawyer is supposed
 and expected to take the side of his
 client in all litigation—that is legiti-
 mate to the profession—but he is
 not supposed to take a side of politi-
 cal issues solely because his clients
 do, and assume the part of personal
 opinion when he is but an advocate.
 The legitimate practice of law
 reaches only to legal consultation
 and practice at the bar. In the pur-
 suit of that he is an important arm
 of the court to be honored and re-
 spected as such, but, when he gets
 beyond that and dabbles in politics,
 he at once becomes, not an attorney,
 but a politician, capable of all the
 sinister influences that go with prac-
 tical political manipulation. Read-
 ers should draw the line of differ-
 ence clear on this point. Lawyers
 themselves too often do not do that.
 We have known lawyers on the floor
 of the legislature and in the halls
 of congress to advocate measures in
 the interest of their clients rather
 than that of the commonwealth.
 That is why we are not overly strong
 for lawyers in politics. We think
 that is the reason taxes are high,
 and the powers of government are
 so often abused through sinister in-
 fluences.

So, when we find a lawyer eter-
 nally standing behind certain indi-
 viduals in every political move they
 make, we at once sever him in such



Most women can bat above
 300 with a rolling pin.

Luxury and war are alike in
 this—one always makes an-
 other one necessary.

You can't have pleasant
 dreams on an empty stomach,
 nor on a full one either.

If you let Human Nature
 have her way, the chances are
 she will let you have yours.

A man's life consists a good
 deal in running into things
 that he has to back away from.

There is no substitute for
 moderation, and in all the
 world there is nothing else just
 as good.

HEZ HECK SAYS:
 "You hev to be naturally
 addicted to honesty before
 you can make any big
 money on it."

movement from the high office of
 attorney at law and view him as
 an ordinary political advocate, because
 politics is no part of law—law is a
 rule of action prescribed by a su-
 preme power; politics is the art of
 government, in its finer definition,
 but in practice it has fallen to a
 scramble for office and advantage
 through sinister manipulation.

We think Briggs is a good lawyer
 and would be pleased if he confined
 himself to the high pursuits of his
 profession, but when he steps down
 from that high pinnacle and enters
 the manipulation of practical poli-
 tics and hand-picks candidates for
 office, then we look upon him as an
 astute politician playing the game
 according to Hoyle, as political ad-
 vocate, in the interest of whichever
 of his friends chances to want be-
 hind the throne.

That is why we think he repre-
 sents a faction whose "sinister in-
 fluence" is against the forward
 movement of the town.

THE GREATEST CORPORATION
 What are taxes paid for, anyhow?
 What is a taxpayer? A taxpayer is
 a stockholder in a public corpora-
 tion, organized for service and not
 for profit. He pays taxes into that
 corporation to pay the legitimate ex-
 penses of its operation. When he
 attends a general election, he goes
 to elect a board of directors to man-
 age that corporation for him. In
 Ashland the largest corporation is
 the city of Ashland. It is greater
 than all the banks, all the stores, all
 the business of the municipality, be-
 cause it is composed of all of them
 and acts for all of them. Its pro-
 per function is more important than
 any or all of them, because the
 prosperity of them all depends
 largely upon the opportunity for
 private corporate and individual ad-
 vancement; by its administration is
 determined the prosperity of the
 town. Wrong administration holds
 the town back, shackles and dwarfs
 it. Proper, intelligent, progressive
 administration builds the town up,
 makes it attractive, supplies its pro-
 per needs for advancement and gives
 it vitality and life. The most im-
 portant duty a member of that cor-
 poration can perform is the election

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of a proper board of directors—one
 surrounded by the influences that
 spell intelligent, forward, sound ad-
 ministration.

His next most important duty as
 a stockholder in this corporation, is
 to keep posted on its finances, the
 handling of which determines how
 much taxes he will have to contrib-
 ute to its support. He should know
 whether it is being properly expen-
 ded in the interest of his corporation,
 whether it is being manipulated by
 its directors, whether proper invest-
 ment of any surplus is made, how
 much income is being gained from
 the operation of its industries, such
 as water systems, electric light
 plants, and the like, how much in-
 debtedness is against the corpora-
 tion and what its assets, how much
 is being expended for interest and
 reduction of its debts, how much is
 being expended for the upkeep and
 betterment of its streets, how much
 it costs to operate its water and
 light plants, how much is being ex-
 pended on them for betterment and
 upkeep. All of these are legitimate
 requirements of the stockholders.

Now, Mr. Stockholder, we want to
 ask you, in all candor, how much do
 you know about the finances of Ash-
 land? How much does the city owe?
 How much is the income from the
 light plant? How much is the in-
 come of the water plant? How much
 money is being expended in upkeep
 and betterment on these and on
 your streets? How much cash has
 the city in its several funds? What
 is being done with the accumulated
 sinking funds? What rate of inter-
 est are you paying on your indebted-
 ness? Have the accumulated sink-
 ing funds been invested in sound
 securities which bring in the same
 or greater interest return than you
 are paying on your outstanding in-
 debtedness, or is it lying idly in the
 banks drawing the minimum return?
 It is important that you know these
 things in order that you may gauge
 the business acumen of your direc-
 tors. Do you know these things?
 If not, why not?

We ask these questions; you, Mr.
 Stockholder, should be able to an-
 swer them. Can you? If not, why
 not? Do you know that the affairs of
 your corporation are being and have
 been in the past, honestly handled?
 Has it been economically handled?
 Has it been handled in an intelligent
 business manner? Do you know?
 Has the disposition of city funds in
 the past been dictated by sound busi-
 ness principles, or by bank favorit-
 ism? Do you know?

Well, you can rest assured that
 your taxes will be high and your
 returns low as long as you do not
 know. What is the remedy? Think
 it over.

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 (Indorsed)
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- For Members Park Board
 (Indorsed)
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- Adv-tf

**Oregon Head of
 Veteran's Bureau
 Here October 31**

W. T. McNulty, recently appoint-
 ed employment head of the United
 States veterans' bureau in Oregon,
 will arrive in Ashland October 31,
 for the purpose of placing rehabili-
 tated war veterans, trained under
 the direction of the government, in
 positions along clerical, industrial or
 trade lines, according to an an-
 nouncement received here today. Mr.
 McNulty is interviewing employers
 throughout the state, urging them
 to give first consideration to wound-
 ed war veterans, now expert office
 and industrial workers, when vacan-
 cies occur or new positions are
 created.

There are many unemployed war

veterans in this part of Oregon, who
 have completed their training courses
 and scores of others will finish
 their vocational work within the
 next month or two, according to Mr.
 McNulty. Many of these have strug-
 gled for two or three years to master
 a new occupation and surely deserve
 consideration, he stated. Appeal for
 work is being made, however, on the
 basis that capable men will be fur-
 nished, rather than for any sentiment-
 al reasons connected with war ex-
 periences of the unemployed veter-
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THE COMPANY

The history of The California Oregon Power Company
 shows a substantial growth in facilities and earnings result-
 ing from the large sums of money invested in its properties
 and from the development of the territory in which it
 operates.

Steady Growth in Customers Served

The territory now served by The California Oregon Power
 Company includes parts of Jackson, Josephine, Klamath
 and Douglas Counties in Oregon, and Siskiyou County and
 parts of Shasta and Trinity Counties in California. This is
 an area equal to the combined areas of the states of Massa-
 chusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

During the period between 1912 and 1921, the number of
 consumers has grown from 6,561 to 11,900, an increase of
 81.3%.

Increase in Facilities

The Company owns and operates seven hydro-electric
 plants in Southern Oregon and Northern California. It has
 never resorted to generation of electricity by steam power.
 In building these hydro-electric plants, a natural resource is
 being developed which will be productive forever.

In 1912, the generating capacity was 11,800 H. P. and at
 the end of 1922, it will amount to 52,580 H. P.

The Company's high tension lines at the end of 1922 will
 be over six hundred miles in length.

The aggregate length of the distribution lines will be over
 eight hundred and ten miles.

The investment needed for the construction of these fa-
 cilities has increased from \$4,189,325.76 in 1912 to \$9,567,-
 430.60 on June 30, 1922.

THE STOCK

Par value \$100 per share.

Dividends have been paid on The California Oregon
 Power Company Preferred Capital Stock since issuance
 (April 15, 1921) at the rate of \$7 per share per annum.
 Checks are mailed every three months at rate of \$1.75 per
 share.

Proceeds of all securities sold are devoted exclusively to
 additions to and betterments of Company's properties.

It is not assessable by the Company for any purpose
 whatsoever.

It is non-callable, and if purchased at the present price,
 yields a permanent return of 7.6% on the investment.

It is exempt from Federal Normal Individual Income
 Tax.

It takes precedence as to assets and dividends over com-
 mon stock amounting to \$4,441,100 par value. The equity
 back of the preferred stock now outstanding amounts to a
 total of \$6,296,605.50 which equals \$283.60 per share or over
 three times the present cost of \$92 per share.

Purchase may be made in any amount from one share up-
 ward.

The stock may be purchased for cash or on our special
 savings plan, namely, \$5.00 per share as first payment, and
 \$5.00 per share per month.

Interest is paid by the Company on all partial payments
 under the savings plan at the rate of 6% per annum. Inter-
 est checks are mailed to subscribers under the savings plan
 every three months.

The stock is listed on the San Francisco Stock and Bond
 Exchange.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Now Is the Time for Passage of School Bill
Vote 314 x Yes

Passage of the Compulsory Public School Attendance bill now—this year
 will insure that a minimum number of private schools and private school
 pupils will be affected. Of the 35 counties of Oregon 16 are at present with-
 out any private schools whatever. The combined aggregate of pupils in all
 the private schools in five other counties is fewer than 200. The total
 attendance at the private schools, of the grammar grades, of Oregon is about
 9841. The total attendance at the public schools, of the grammar grades,
 is about 131,689. Surely if the public schools are good enough for the 131,689,
 they are also good enough for the other 9841.

At present, while the private schools are few and small, is the time to
 make the change proposed by the public school bill.

COSTS. No tax will be levied for years to come, as the bill does not
 take effect until September, 1926, and no tax then if the amendment is in the
 courts for several years.

When all attend our free public schools the additional cost will be slight,
 for the overhead will be the same. Most of the children will find a place
 in existing classes and the added expense to the average taxpayer will be
 nominal. The great benefit to our nation will be worth many times the small
 cost.

Now is the time to pass this measure, insuring that in Oregon all of
 our children will be educated to a common patriotism, common ideals and a
 unified allegiance to our institutions.

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THE RECORD OF TEN YEARS' GROWTH

YEAR	Value Physical Properties	Gross Revenues	Operating Maintenance Expense	Net Earnings without Deducting Interest or Depreciation	Kilowatt Hours Generated
1912	\$4,189,325.76	\$307,040.29	\$137,663.49	\$169,376.80	21,492,374
1913	4,787,621.35	347,261.70	143,746.67	203,515.03	26,485,359
1914	5,054,312.08	385,331.23	163,209.21	222,122.02	32,245,366
1915	5,265,839.85	398,349.83	171,458.26	226,891.57	38,133,884
1916	5,985,095.29	426,106.64	213,679.91	212,426.73	41,936,855
1917	6,498,375.71	487,916.44	226,509.67	261,406.77	47,755,628
1918	7,311,310.73	502,269.05	245,150.37	257,118.68	46,216,299
1919	7,416,522.45	726,079.30	295,743.74	430,335.56	108,235,745
1920	7,692,884.51	948,277.07	398,041.48	550,235.59	145,404,975
1921	8,407,381.82	1,091,272.07	449,082.18	642,189.89	129,368,808
1922 (12 months ending June 30)	9,567,430.60	1,029,409.12	444,410.46	584,998.66	131,170,857

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