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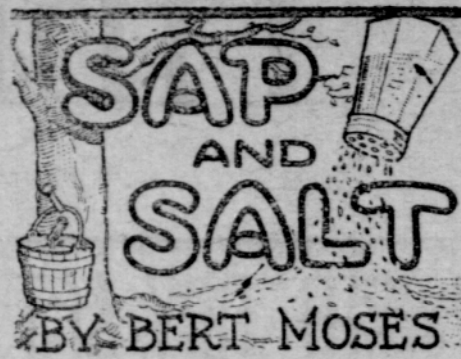
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**BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY**  
 Bible Thoughts memorized, will prove a priceless heritage in after years.  
 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22  
 GOD'S GOOD GIFTS:—The Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will he withhold from them that walketh uprightly. Psalm 84: 11.

**THE NEW MARRIAGE LAW**  
 There is only one logical method to check the spread of social and hereditary diseases, and that is the one that is asked in a bill proposed by Dr. Owen Adair, which will be submitted to the solons of the state

at the next session of the legislature. In brief, this bill will seek an amendment to the present marriage law and will be made to include a physical examination of the woman as well as the man before a county clerk is authorized to issue a marriage license. Women over 45 years of age will be exempt. In addition to the health test, both will be required to submit to a mental examination. If either or both of the applicants should fail to pass the two tests, a license shall not be issued unless one or both have been rendered sterile, and in no case shall any license be issued or marriage performed where the certificate of examination shows a mental capacity of not to exceed that of a child of 12 years of age.

Exponents of the proposed bill believe that the passage of such a measure will prove an absolute check upon an increase of insanity and social diseases, the ultimate result to be the decreasing of the large number of wards being cared for by the state in its various institutions. If any man or any woman, through their own fault or through inheritance, is in a position to pass on to posterity the blight which has settled upon his



It is better to be cheated than to cheat.  
 One of the best ways to eliminate troubles is through the sweat glands.  
 It's amazing how many jobs you can get when you already have a good one.  
 It is safer to trust a woman with large feet than a woman whose feet are small.  
 When a doctor tells a man his disease is incurable, it is easy to get him to join church.  
 Progress is more substantial when built upon reasonable economy than when built upon wild extravagance.  
**HEZ HECK SAYS:**  
 "Laziness in a man seems to hev no effect in reducin' the size o' his family."

or her life, and he or she has not sufficient control to prevent this, then the law should provide some means by which these disorders cannot be transmitted.

Those opposing the measure state that the law has no right to inflict sterility upon any individual member of the commonwealth. While this may prove a hardship upon the individual in question, it is for the good of the world in general that such a measure is proposed. When idiots, mentally deficient people, and those carrying a social disease, are so placed that they are not able to pass on to an innocent child the burden they have been forced to bear, the world cannot help but be a better place and will have a higher standard of living.

Under the present law, the man is required to present a health certificate to the county clerk before a marriage license is issued. In justice to humanity, and with all due respect to womanhood, it can be stated that is not sufficient, and that in nearly as many instances of a child born blind or afflicted with some hideous disease, the responsibility can be placed upon the mother as rightly as upon the father. Until a single standard for men and women is maintained in the strictest sense and the law prevents the intermarriage of those not fitted to propagate, half-witted and diseased babies will continue to be born into the world and the resultant misery increased instead of decreased.

**ADDITIONAL LOCALS.**

**Leaving for Weed—**  
 James L. Jarrew, who has been visiting with his family in the city for the past five weeks, returned to Weed, Calif., today to look after his business interests in that place. He reports that business is good in the California town, and that the saw-mills and box factories are now employing nearly 500 men.

**Bakery Goods—**  
 Graham bread, rolls, home made mince pie, cakes and cookies. Home Bakery and Restaurant, 69 North Main. 92-1f

**Here from Central Point—**  
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**Spend Holidays in Portland—**  
 G. A. Briscoe, superintendent of public schools, will spend the holidays in Portland, visiting with his son, Dr. Briscoe. While he is absent from Ashland he will attend the State Teachers association meeting, which will be held in Portland at that time.

Fruit cake and mince meat time is here. For citron, orange and lemon peel, raisins, currants, figs, spices, sugar, etc., Detrick's Groceteria sells for less. 48tf

Crater Lake pictures. Darling Studio. 89tf

**Will Be Home This Evening—**  
 Melvin Kaegi, who is attending the University of Oregon, is expected home tonight or Saturday, for the holiday recess. He will be accompanied by Kenneth Cooper, of The Dalles, who will stop overnight with him. Cooper is on his way to California to spend the holidays with his parents. The two boys are both members of Phi Sigma Pi fraternity.

Orres cleans clothes. Phone 64.  
 Do not fail to look over the doll sets at the Needlecraft Shop. 80tf

**Here from Ontario—**  
 Harry Kime and C. S. Baten, of Ontario, Or., spent the night in Ashland, on their way to California.

Crater Lake pictures, 50 cents up. Darling Studio. 90tf

**Holiday Travel Heavy—**  
 Holiday travel is heavy on all trains, according to railroad officials. Many people are traveling both north and south to spend the holidays with friends and relatives. The winter travel to California has just reached its peak, and with holiday fares effective this week, there is a great exodus to Oregon points. Many University of Oregon students, who had not planned on going home because of the great distance, have changed their minds since the lower rates were announced.

For sale at Needlecraft Shop, baby doll sets, garden sets, bloomer suits. 80tf

**Local Man Arrested—**  
 Among the several violators of the traffic laws to appear before Justice Glenn O. Taylor in Medford, was H. N. Taylor, who was picked up within the city limits by the night police for operating a motor vehicle with the cut-out open. He was fined \$10 upon pleading guilty.

**Leaves for Roseburg—**  
 Ellaleene Stennett left this morning on train No. 14 for Roseburg, where she will spend the holidays visiting with her sister, Mrs. S. N. Miller.

**MITCHELL PIANO STUDENT WILL MAKE MORE MUSIC**

WISHING ALL OUR FRIENDS  
**A Merry Christmas**  
 AND  
**A Happy New Year**  
**EAGLE MEAT MARKET**

**Detrick's Groceteria**  
**Good Things to Eat**  
 GOOD THINGS TO EAT GATHERED FROM THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE WORLD FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS FEAST

Bananas	Orange Peel	Lettuce
Oranges	Lemon Peel	Turnips
Lemons	Walnuts	Beets
Apples	Cocoanuts	Carrots
Pears	Almonds	Parsnips
Raisins	Brazils	Onions
Cluster Raisins	Peanuts	Cabbage
Currants	Pecans	Sweet Potatoes
Dates	Filberts	Irish Potatoes
Figs	Chestnuts	Squash
Citron	Celery	

**KIPPERED AND SMOKED SALMON JUST ARRIVED**

**WE SELL FOR LESS—QUALITY THE BEST**

**Electric Christmas Gifts**  
**USEFUL - - SENSIBLE**

<b>FOR HIM</b>	<b>FOR HER</b>
—Willard Storage Battery for His Car	—Ranges
—Spot Lights	—Washing Machines
—Flash Lights	—Vacuum Cleaners
—Windshield Cleaners	—Sewing Machines
—Set of Spark Plugs	—Percolator Sets
—Aluminum Plates for Running Board	—Grills, Toasters
—Stop Lights	—Waffle Irons
—Trouble Lamps	—Laundry Irons
—Horn, Mirror	—Heaters, Stand Lamps
	—Light Fixtures
	—Curling Irons

MANY OTHER PRESENTS TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION

SAVE THIS COUPON—IT IS WORTH MONEY

Name.....  
 St. No.....  
 We will allow a 5 per cent discount on each purchase if you will fill out and present this coupon. Not good after Dec. 20th, 1922.

**JORDAN ELECTRIC Co.**  
 201 EAST MAIN—PHONE 80  
 SEE OUR DISPLAY AT THE FAIR

Get Your  
**Christmas Furs**  
 at  
**Bartlett's Fur Store**  
 Largest Stock in Oregon  
 Outside of Portland  
**F. W. BARTLETT**  
 115 W. Main, Medford

**PAGE THEATER** The Big Xmas Day Event  
 Matinee and Night, Dec. 25

HENRY W. SAVAGE offers  
 AMERICA'S FAVORITE PRIMA DONNA COMEDIENNE

**MITZI**

IN THE MUSICAL ROMANCE  
**"Lady Billy"**  
 ORIGINAL SPLENDID SINGING CAST  
 300 TIMES AT THE LIBERTY, NEW YORK

PRICES—Matinee at 3 P. M.—Lower floor, \$2.20; Balcony, \$1.65, \$1.10 and 55c.  
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**Make Christmas the Sweetest Day of the Year**

Let Everybody Receive a Box of Delicious Candy  
 We Have Many Varieties to Choose From

Choice Cigars, Cigarettes and Tobaccos  
 A Full Line of Pipes

Choose something that will bring joy to those you wish to please

Pop Corn and Peanuts

**THE FOUNTAIN**  
 R. P. PORTER, Proprietor

**Go Home for --Yuletide Holidays**

Why not surprise the folks at home with a visit at Yuletide. It will make them happy and you, too. Plan now to take advantage of

**25% Reduction**  
 —in—  
**Round Trip Fares**

Between all stations where one-way fare is \$30.00 or less  
 Sale dates: December 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, January 1st. Final return limit, January 3rd.  
 Frequent and Convenient Service will make your journey a trip of pleasure.

For further particulars, ask agents, or write

JOHN M. SCOTT,  
 General Passenger Agent.

**Holiday Greetings**  
 from  
 The Quality Store  
 of  
 Portland, Oregon

**Meier & Frank Co.**  
 THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND, OREGON  
 FIFTH, SIXTH, HARRISON, ALDER STS.

WE WISH YOU ALL  
**Merry Christmas**  
 —and—  
**Happy New Year**

We wish to thank our patrons and friends for a Most Successful Year, and will do our utmost to merit your continued patronage.

**PLAZA MARKET**  
 61 NORTH MAIN STREET  
 H. A. STEARNS J. L. BARNTHOUSE

Merry Christmas Happy New Year

All Our Patrons Will Receive a Slice of Fruit Cake FREE—Saturday  
 Also a Sacred Art Calendar

**Lithia Bakery**

**Cutlery Sale**

Pocket Knives, \$2.50 values.....  
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 Pocket Knives, \$1.50 values.....

**97c**

Scissors, \$2.00 values—Sale Price..... \$1.19  
 Scissors, \$1.50 values—Sale Price..... .96  
 Scissors, \$1.25 values—Sale Price..... .83  
 Scissors, \$1.00 values—Sale Price..... .49

While They Last—Get Busy!

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