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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

IT SURELY WILL.—Be sure your sin will find you out. Numbers 32:23.

Coming Back

DOUGHBOYS, who remember the terrific devastation they saw in France, will be especially interested to learn that France is steadily getting the damages repaired.

It is important news to all of us, that France is more than half-way back to normal. Why important? Because our prosperity depends to considerable extent on Europe's come-back. And France is as much a key nation, as Germany, to the general European situation.

For instance, 741,883 buildings in France were destroyed or suffered serious damage. The French government reports that nearly 500,000 of these buildings had been rebuilt by September 1, the date of the last check-up. Later figures are not available, since it takes several months to round up the information.

And, of the 22,900 French factories destroyed in the war, 20,000 had been rebuilt September 1.

About 5,000,000 acres of French farming land were rendered unfit for cultivation by battles. Nearly 4,400,000 acres of these have been cleared of shells, leveled and again are bearing crops.

The war trenches totaled 436,230,000 cubic yards of earth excavated, and about 365,000,000 cubic yards have been filled in.

Barbed wire entanglements at the close of the war totaled 446, 108,000 square yards. Doughboys wondered how the French would ever manage to coil the wire. Well, 341,000,000 square yards of wire entanglements have been coiled and removed.

And over a million abandoned shells have been gathered up and destroyed or stored.

France loafing on the job? That's ridiculous. The French have been as active as ants, at repairing the damages of war.

Damages in the French devastated regions, according to French official estimates, totaled 102,000,000,000 francs. France has spent 44,000,000,000 francs repairing the damages, and on this account Germany has paid 4,000,000,000 francs. These are the French government's figures.

The devastation of France, as revealed by these statistics, is almost beyond human imagination's grasp.

If we'd had similar destruction in America, no doubt we'd be foaming at the mouth and generally acting emotionally in a way that other countries would find hard to understand. All this must be kept in mind, in judging the present French attitude.

The Price of Calcium Arsenate

IT IS said that calcium arsenate is the most satisfactory check to the advance of the boll weevil that has yet been employed. Unfortunately, however, upon the announcement of its efficacy, claim is made that it is scarce and expensive. A. A. Houseman & Co., who are said to be authorities in the matter, give in detail some interesting facts about calcium arsenate. They say that the total maximum American output of the commodity, under the best possible conditions and the highest prices for copper and lead, would be 60 tons a day or a total production of 18,000 tons per annum, figuring on 300 working days per year.

Houseman & Co. say further: "The demand for arsenate at a profitable price cannot permanently be established until the price of cotton is in its turn definitely fixed on a basis sufficiently high to warrant the year in and year out use of high priced arsenates. The production of arsenate is susceptible of being materially increased by the outlay of additional capital and such additional capital cannot readily be attracted until the permanency of the demand for and the permanency of the price of raw arsenate is more certain."

It is significant to note that the manufacturers of arsenate do not propose to go into the business on a large scale until the price of raw cotton is fixed at a figure that will guarantee them a good profit for their output. And yet in the past talk of fixing the price of cotton at a figure that would guarantee a profit to the farmer has been scouted as ridiculous and impossible, contrary to all economic laws. There is a ray of hope for the cotton farmers, however, since the co-operative farm marketing plan has been placed upon a firm basis. This contention that calcium arsenate will not be manufactured on an extensive scale unless there is a guarantee of a permanent profitable price should spur up the Co-operative Farm Marketing Association to the point of demanding that the price of cotton should be permanently fixed up so that they can be sure of a profit before they pitch their crop, even though they be put to the extra heavy expense of using calcium arsenate to destroy the boll weevil.

It possibly may be that the supply of calcium arsenate already is ample for boll weevil purposes and all other use to which it is put, and that this talk of scarcity is simply a bluff to boost the price. Such tactics often are used, regrettable as the fact is. If, though, a movement on the part of the calcium arsenate manufacturers should have the effect of stabilizing the price of cotton, benefit would ensue to the cotton farmers.

Why Do They Leave?

ONLY 13 of every 100 children entering the first grade of the public schools remain to complete the twelfth grade, or the last year of high school. Of 100 children entering the first grade 86 reach the fifth, 73 the sixth, 64 the seventh, 55 the eighth, 32 the first year of high school, 23 the second year, 17 the third year, and 14 the fourth year, with 13 remaining to graduate.

Employment In North Carolina

WE ARE glad to note that the Department of Labor at Washington announces that employment of labor in North Carolina is on the upgrade. There is no reason why it should not be, as business is improving and the railroads are moving freight promptly and with little hitch. The building industry is giving lots of men work, and the indications are that there will not be any let-up in operations along this line for some time to come.

We want to see the time come when the building of homes—not tenement houses—will furnish steady employment to a large number of workmen throughout the State, and we believe that time is coming in the near future.

America, true to her humanitarian policy, opposes the deportation of Greeks from Constantinople. That's just like America.

There has been rioting in Poland at the inaugural ceremonies of the President elect. Seems that those people never will learn when they are well off.

The rogues have started robbing the postoffices again. No doubt they were puzzled at Manchester the other night to decide whether they had robbed a Tanker or Confederate postoffice.

American Individualism

By Herbert Hoover

"American Individualism" is the title of a book of 72 pages written by Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, and just out of the presses of Doubleday, Page & Co. Here are some excerpts:

Our individualism differs from all others because it embraces these great ideals: that while we build our society upon the attainment of the individual, we shall safeguard to every individual an equality of opportunity to take that position in the community to which his intelligence, character, ability and ambition entitle him; that we keep the social solution free from frozen strata of classes; that we shall stimulate effort of each individual to achievement; that through an enlarging sense of responsibility and understanding we shall assist him to this attainment; while he in turn must stand up to the emery wheel of competition.

We have learned that impulse to production can only be maintained at a high pitch if there is a fair division of the product.

We in America have had too much experience in life to fool ourselves into pretending that all men are equal in ability, in character, in intelligence, in ambition.

That our system has avoided the establishment and domination of class has a significant proof in the present administration in Washington. Of the 12 men comprising the president, the vice-president and cabinet, nine have earned their own way in life with economic inheritance, and eight of them started with manual labor.

Progress of the nation is the sum of progress of its individuals. Acts and ideas that lead to progress are born out of the womb of the individual mind, not out of the mind of the crowd. The crowd only feels: it has no mind of its own with which it can plan.

There is developing in our people a new valuation of individuals and of groups and of nations. It is a rising vision of service.

Our American demand of equality of opportunity is a constant militant check upon capital becoming a thing to be feared.

Our government's greatest troubles and failures are in the economic field.

To curb the forces in business which would destroy equality of opportunity and yet to maintain the initiative and creative faculties of our people are the twin objects we must attain.

The World From Day To Day

Short Comments on the World's News From Day today. What This Country and Other Countries are Doing and Thinking About

LUXURY

What is your idea of the last word in luxury? Caligula, Roman emperor, had a favorite horse named Incitatus. He fed this horse glittered oats from an ivory manger in a marble stable, and allowed him to drink only the most delicious of wines. Incitatus had a palace, with servants, in which he "entertained" other horses. Caligula also appointed this favorite steed a consul or honorary chief magistrate.

Fine to read about. But this luxury was supported by human slavery. So is nearly all modern luxury.

NERO

The Golden House of Nero was more than a mile long. It contained artificial lakes, orchards and wondrous gardens. The palace of the emperor was floored with tiles of solid gold. Walls and ceilings were inlaid with gold, jewels, ivory. The roof of the banquet hall resembled the sky at night, the stars and moon moving mechanically with astronomical accuracy. Occasionally, from this artificial sky, came a rain of perfume drops.

No, we don't have such luxuries in modern civilization. But there are several rich men in America who could have a more costly palace if they wanted it. The people do not object to gigantic wealth as long as it is kept under cover instead of gaudily flaunted before their eyes.

'BARBAROUS'

Turkey bans the importation of alcoholic drinks. Present stocks must be consumed within 60 days, or be destroyed.

At Angora, the Turkish government makes a law, all Turks must submit to medical examination before marriage.

The deposed sultan's fabulous wealth will be confiscated—but only after carefully debated legislation.

The "barbarous Turk" seems to be getting civilized, whatever that is. No one has ever given a satisfactory and comprehensive definition of "civilization." Can you?

TABOO

Latest inventory shows over 36,000,000 gallons of whisky stored in distilleries and bonded warehouses. It will console wets to know that the stuff still exists somewhere, even if it's taboo.

What will be prohibited next? You never can tell. Maine begins enforcing a law prohibiting the pouring of ice in any kind of drink, even water, in hotels or public eating places. The ice cannot come in contact with the fluid to be drunk. This is sensible prohibition—where ice is apt to contain germs. Individualists will object, preferring to let people decide for themselves.

PRESENTS

An auction of reclaimed parcels from the Dead Letter branch of the postoffice is held in the East. It brings about \$7500. The parcels, when opened, are found to contain everything from toy mice to shotguns.

Meantime, people who mailed the parcels are wondering why they weren't delivered. The answer is: They were addressed improperly and could be neither delivered nor returned to the sender.

Address your Christmas parcels carefully. Be sure to write your return address in ink on the packages. Labels may come off.

A man 191 years old in Terre Haute, Ind., submits willingly to having a guardian appointed for him. He says he realizes he's so old that he's incompetent to handle his own affairs.

OBSERVATIONS ABOUT TOWN

Smithers says that drinking this stuff distilled in a box covered and lined with galvanized iron is too much like monkeying with a buzz saw for him.

You wake up in the morning with a dark brown taste. And life and all its pleasures seem a dreary waste. Your heart's dropped down to zero, and your stomach's all gone. And you feel like one left stranded and forlorn. You've been drunk, old boy, you've been drunk.

The fellow who has reached the conclusion that life is but a lottery usually is just too lazy to get out and hustle.

The guy who had a first mortgage, but was too stingy to have it recorded, lost it when the fellow with a second mortgage, recorded, got the stuff.

This is the time of year when the business men are beginning to study the profit and loss account.

There is no balm in Gilead for the trickster who gets tricked by a sharper trickster.

When the leaves of the forest trees begin to fall, the price of the trees themselves, cut into cord wood, begins to soar.

Letters From The People

RESULTS OF EXPERIMENT

Dear Editor: I thought it would be interesting to the business men of Fayetteville as well as Cumberland to know the results of calcium arsenate spray on the yield of cotton as demonstrated in the border counties of Anson, Scotland and Robeson this year.

Cotton can be grown at a profit by the dust spray method when properly done, but not by a half-hearted slip shod method.

To successfully grow cotton you must have the right kind of poison also the right kind of machine—and must be applied according to scientific methods worked out on hundreds of farms. I am now attending a meeting of agents and men that are to assist the farmers next year in taking the necessary steps to produce cotton. Below I am giving the spraying results and cost of the operation and net gain. Also names of fellow N. C. farmers who kept the records.

Mr. Z. V. Pale, Laurel Hill, Scotland County, dusted six times at a cost of \$7.00 per acre. This is for calcium arsenate and labor and machine. Sprayed cotton produced 1883 pounds seed cotton; unsprayed fields produced at rate of 1481 pounds seed cotton—gain of 402 pounds, value \$54.00. This was long staple figured at 30 cents. Loss \$7.00 leaves net gain for spraying \$47.00.

Mr. R. K. Craven, Clarkton, Bladen County, sprayed 6 times. Sprayed land produced 1900 pounds seed cotton; unsprayed produced 500—gain of 1400 pounds. At 20 cents for short staple gross gain, of \$1178. Cost of operation,

A Thought

Fear not thou; for I am with thee; Be not dismayed; for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of righteousness.—Isaiah 41:10.

No encrusted absurdity would have stood its ground in this world if the man had not silenced the objection of the child.—Mischel.

A lot of talk, about science prolonging human life. Its weak point is that it is based on rejuvenating the body, not much attention to restoring youth to the mind. One's futile without the other. The wise old man of 191 knows it.

TOM SIMS SAYS

When Harding said he preferred the neck of the turkey Harding may have meant the necks of the Turks.

What's in a name? In North Carolina, a town named New Bern did burn.

Harding also says this is the auto age. It is. Everyone says "You auto do this and auto do that."

A scuffle of coal is a good Christmas present, but very expensive.

Trouble with a man who is a wonder at talking is wonders never cease.

Girls read so many dress hints and then just hint at dressing.

Cuff links are suitable gifts for a man. Give him sets to send to the laundry with every shirt.

It is strange, but when a man sows his wild oats he raises Cain.

We didn't realize Christmas was as near, as it is, until we saw 60 many little boys at Sunday school.

"Anyone can lick our navy," says Sims. Perhaps they could get a test match between it and Dempsey.

Every now and then a fountain pen tries to live up to its name by spilling all over the paper.

Chinese bandits captured Tsingtao, but we will worry about Christmas, which is much nearer than Tsingtao.

Chicago University is trying to pick its most beautiful man and we hope they shoot the winner.

The well-known Boston singer arrested in New York was charged with theft, not with singing.

Every now and then stop kicking about the grocery bill and think about the food riots in Berlin.

Do you want a present for an enemy? Give him a cigar lighter.

You people who owe dental bills may be glad to learn a dental college in Montreal burned again.

Our idea of a radical is a man who thinks he deserves his neighbor's car because he can run it.

What will you give your husband? Let us suggest three dozen ash trays.

What will you give your wife? We suggest several spoons of silk thread to match your silk socks.

Reader asks if taking a kiss at a betting party is potty larceny. Yes.

Christmas story: "If you kids open those bundles I will spank you."

spray and labor, \$7.00. Net gain of \$34.74.

Mr. J. N. Gibson, Scotland County; Mr. W. N. McKenzie, Scotland County; Mr. Mel Gibson, Scotland County; Mr. J. C. Hunsucker, Scotland County, also had very favorable results. These results were obtained under very wet weather conditions.

Now as to machines, one of those recommended is now on display by the Haigh Hardware, "The Ideal." There are quite a few others. The one used by Mr. Christian called the Feeney is a good one. There are others. Soon I will have a list of all those manufacturers that make reputable machines.

It is necessary to place orders now if we expect to get spray material at a date early enough for next year's use. Then too, the price is getting higher.

I have also gathered while on a train in South Carolina their results and will publish this soon.

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