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BIBLE THOUGHT 'PAST REDEMPTION POINT' 'My spirit shall not always strive with man.'—Gen. 6:3.

On the banks of the Niagara river, where the rapids begin to swell and swirl most desperately preparatory to their final plunge, is a signboard which bears this startling inscription, 'Past Redemption Point!'

'Seek ye the Lord while He may be found; all ye upon Him while He is near.'—(Isa. 55:6).

MR. LEWIS EXPLODES A QUEER NOTION (BY BRUCE CATTON)

The critical gentlemen who tell us what books are worth reading seem to have been put on something resembling a spot by Sinclair Lewis, Nobel prize winner.

Mr. Lewis has just written a new novel, and in it he has reversed his field, to sing the praises of the American business man.

He presents two characters, a hotel man and a playwright, and makes every contrast between them favorable to the former. Babbitt is avenged. The hotel man is an idealistic, hard-working gentleman who gives himself to his job because he loves it and not because he wants to get rich.

The playwright is a loafer who is interested solely in the money and fame his writing will bring him.

By this contrast, Mr. Lewis says bluntly that the American business man often has much more of the "artistic spirit" than the artist himself.

munists. The best thing that could happen for the peace and security of the world would be a war between Germany and Russia or Japan and Russia.

The South Carolina Legislature, which meets each year, made a record last year for the length of its stay in Columbia and the record was not at all pleasing to the people of the State.

The State Department of Education of Alabama announces that the public schools in 29 of the State's 67 counties will have to be closed on or about February 1st.

According to the warden of New York's prison, the gangsters running it maintained order better than he could.

United States senators, a scientist reveals, have brains that average two ounces heavier than those of representatives.

U. S. Weather Bureau warns us that white lightning is more hazardous than the brilliant red flashes—especially when the white stuff comes in a bottle.

NEWSPAPERS' OPINION

DIAGNOSES DIFFER Judges Michael Schenck and Thomas J. Shaw opening court at Asheville and at Lincolnton both had suggestions to make which, they felt, were calculated to have a retarding effect upon violations of the law and general cussedness.

Judge Shaw's observation took a different task. "If newspapers," he said, "would discontinue the publication of crime news, I believe it would do more than any effort of the government to curb crime."

What is common to these separate utterances is the readiness with which both distinguished (that adjective ought to insure us against contempt proceedings) jurists recommend extra special procedure to curb lawlessness in general and in particular.

As for Judge Shaw's suggestion, made, it is explained, not as an attack upon that group the stock in trade of which is happenings, a Charlotte statistic again suffices to return to the doorstep of the courts the baby which they would work off on the newspapers.

Does His Honor consider that an agreement by the newspapers to refrain from publishing crime news would have anywhere near so salutary an effect as a few first-class executions directed by the courts?—Charlotte News.

STALIN TALKS WAR

The chief of the Communists of the world, Stalin of Russia, was evidently feeling his oats a few days ago.

NOW, IF IT COULD ONLY BE EDUCATED!



THE SPOT-LIGHT By WICKES WAMBOLDT

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES RULES OF ORDER

Shortly before the bank of the United States failed, a heavy depositor in that bank who had heard disquieting rumors called up a close friend of his, a lawyer, who was identified with the bank, and said:

"Say, Max, I've got fifty-five thousand dollars on deposit in the Bank of the United States. Should I draw it out?"

Max hemmed and hawed and talked all around the subject for awhile; then friendship got the upper hand and he blurted out: "Blankety blank it, yes."

Thus tipped off, the depositor drew out his fifty-five thousand dollars a day before the Bank of the United States cracked up.

THE INNOCENT BYSTANDER --- (Who Should Be Shot)

When an aspiring columnist takes a vacation for even a week end he should always carry along the materials of his trade or else possess a good memory, for he invariably sees or hears something worth recording and passing along.

Even now the place is hard to reach. Years ago some hardy pioneer moved into that country, hauled rock, cleared land, hewed logs, built fences and called the place home.

BEHIND THE SCENES IN WASHINGTON

BY RODNEY DUTCHER NEA Service Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON — The cocktail party, by-product of prohibition, flourishes despite repeal.

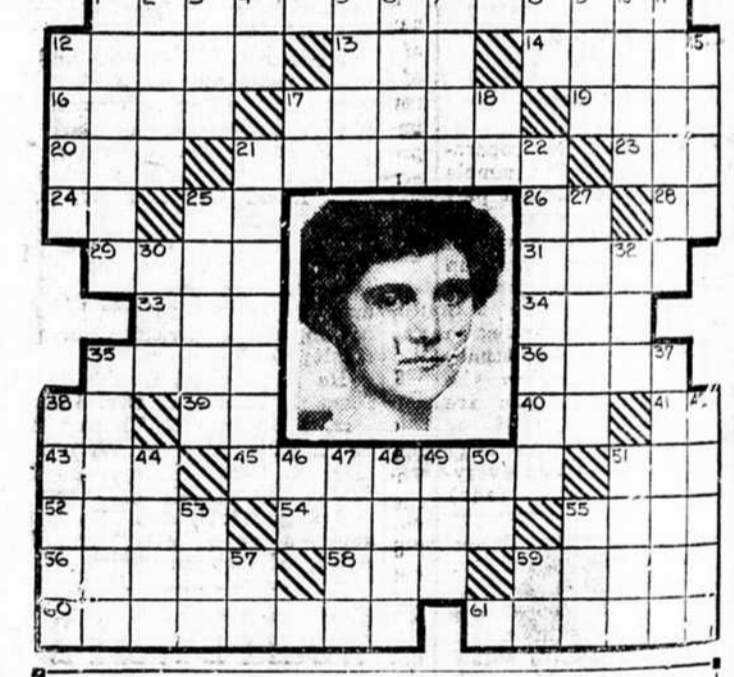
Foreign diplomats still are throwing the most popular shindigs, however. Senator Jose Manuel Lara, third secretary of the Cuban embassy, took over the Meridian Mansions ballroom to serve martinis and Scotch the other afternoon and his party broke all recent gate-crashing records.

After the Senate hearings on the gold bill one remembers Owen D. Young, still handsome, but paler and more tired than at many previous appearances.

Former Queen

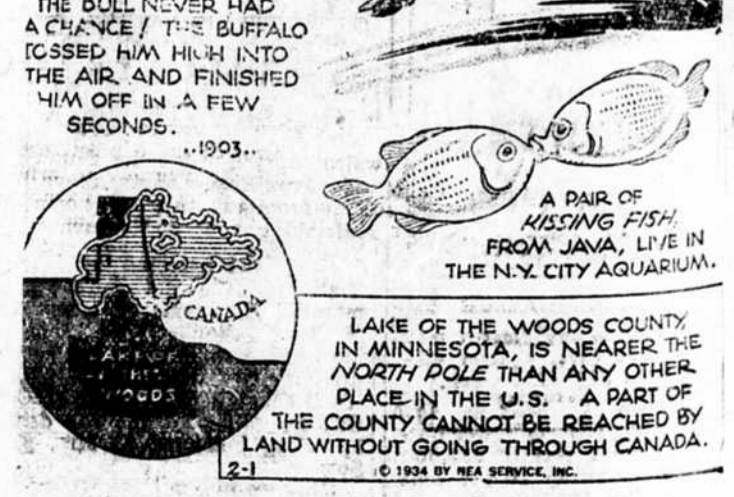
HORIZONTAL 1 Who is the royal lady in the picture? 12 Musical drama. 13 Farewell. 14 To accumulate. 16 Domesticated. 17 Agitates. 19 Any long tube. 20 Dwyedwood tree. 21 Jellyfish. 23 Kindled. 24 Oil (suffix). 25 Chaos. 26 You and me. 28 Sun god. 29 God of love. 31 River in Egypt. 33 Hops kiln. 34 Driving command. 35 Sheaf. 36 To affirm. 38 Before Christ. 39 Tone B. 40 Second note. 41 Above. 43 Greek letter. 45 Passage under an arch. 47 Since.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE 17 South Carolina. 18 Spain (color). 21 She was formerly queen in --. 22 And ex-queen in --. 25 Organs of smell. 27 Strainer. 30 Gyres min. 32 Sheltered place. 35 Having right leaves to a sheet. 37 Wristed. 38 Domet. 42 Corneal on poles. 44 Ardilly. 46 Beam (abbr.). 47 Profound insensibility. 48 Venerable. 50 Rice. 51 Grandparents cloth. 52 Sash. 57 Natural pore. 59 Chopping too.



THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

A SOUTH DAKOTA BUFFALO AND A SPANISH BULL WERE PITTED AGAINST EACH OTHER IN AN ARENA AT JUAREZ, MEXICO, TO SETTLE A DISPUTE OVER THEIR FIGHTING ABILITY.



LAKE OF THE WOODS COUNTY IN MINNESOTA, IS NEARER THE NORTH POLE THAN ANY OTHER PLACE IN THE U.S. A PART OF THE COUNTY CANNOT BE REACHED BY LAND WITHOUT GOING THROUGH CANADA.