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## This, That, & The Other

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It amused me last week at our class meeting when Grace Gill said something about having eaten "haslet" and the young woman to whom she was talking asked what she meant. Grace replied, "Oh, you grew up in the country, too. Don't try to be too stylish to know what haslet is."

There were a good many present who did not know that the heart, liver and lungs of an animal, especially a butchered one, are called by the name Grace used; but some did know. And not one had ever heard them called "pluck," which was the term for that group of organs where I grew up. Many a time I've heard some one say "When I have pluck for dinner, I don't want much else but coffee."

As frequently happens I have again failed to make myself clear in stating what I believe. So here goes for another trial:

Among my deepest convictions is that a wife ought to be her husband's partner, though perhaps a silent partner—which she seldom is. I hold that a woman who marries without knowing how to do her share is cheating as much as a man would be if he married without a job or position to provide funds for the household. The woman may, of course, learn after marriage how to work; but that is much harder on all concerned.

By the above I do not mean that it is the duty of every woman to stay in the kitchen and cook or even stay at home all the time. In fact, if family finances need special consideration, it may be much better for her to work outside the home and pay for the cooking and scrubbing that might otherwise be hers. The point is that she should be willing to work, unless it is entirely unnecessary. I wouldn't know much about such cases.

Understand, please, that I am not in the least trying to lay down rules, except the primary and fundamental one that being a woman does not bestow the right to loaf. Each couple must make decisions which are peculiarly their own.

Of course the coming of babies changes many situations. Still, I'd not be the one to say that motherhood qualifies one as nurse or dietitian. It may be that paying a capable worker to care for a child is better than trusting to mother love to teach what should be done. That's another instance when each case must be decided on its own merits.

Years ago Dorothy Canfield wrote "The Homemaker," a book in which by a special train of circumstances the father became the one who stayed in the home and looked after the children. By nature he was much better fitted for that task than was the wife and mother, who went out and provided a comfortable living. They had to endure sympathy and criticism, but it worked out well, though leaving the reader with a feeling of admiration for the father who never let his wife know he had recovered his health sufficiently to go back to his place as breadwinner.

## The Bible at the Inaugural

From Christian Science Monitor

On January 20 Franklin Roosevelt will be inaugurated for his third consecutive term as President of the United States. He will no doubt take the sacred oath of office with his hand resting on the tattered, old family Bible which he used at his other two inaugurations. It is 268 years old. No one knows which verses he will select as befitting the occasion. On March 4, 1933, he chose the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians, which begins, "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal."

Ever since the days of U. S. Grant, it has been the custom of each incoming President to choose the Bible verses he considers appropriate. A study of these verses offers some insight into the mental responses of a President to his times.

Rutherford B. Hayes in 1877 felt keenly the bitter criticism of his political opponents. He chose Psalms 118:11-13, which begin:

They compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: but in the name of the Lord I will destroy them.

James A. Garfield had been a teacher and preacher, and knew well his Bible. He selected Proverbs 21:1 as his guiding verse:

The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord, as the rivers of water. He turneth it whithersoever He will.

After the assassination of Garfield, Chester A. Arthur assumed office with the first three verses of the thirty-first Psalm to comfort and strengthen him:

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in Thy righteousness.

Bow down Thine ear to me, deliver me speedily: be Thou my strong rock, for a house of defence to save me.

For Thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for Thy name's sake lead me, and guide me

Grover Cleveland chose Psalm 112:4-10, the most significant verse, perhaps, being

He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord.

At his second inauguration, Mr. Cleveland again chose the Psalms, using verses 12 to 16 from the 91st, including these words:

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honor him.

Benjamin Harrison selected his favorite Psalm, the 121st, beginning

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

McKinley's selection was from the prayer of Solomon, II Chronicles 1:10:

Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people: for who can judge this Thy people, that is so great?

### CLUB MEETING NEXT WEEK

The Woman's Club will hold the January meeting next Tuesday afternoon, January 21, at 3:30. The Rev. Carl Lewis will speak on International Relations. All members are urged to be present.

Mrs. Coggin, district president, and Mrs. Sandiford, publicity chairman, will be present.

He saw that she was so much happier outside—and that she was more successful than he had been in the business world.

We have not yet reached the place where we are willing to let a man keep house and his wife go out to bring in the funds, nor am I at all sure it would be wise to go very far in that direction; but it gives one something to study over.

At his second inauguration he turned to Proverbs 16:20-21:

He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he.

The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.

Theodore Roosevelt was a man of action and it is significant that he chose James 1:33-23:

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass.

William Howard Taft had always the judicial mind and chose his verse from the third chapter of the Book of First Kings:

Give therefore Thy servant an understanding heart to judge Thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this Thy so great a people?

Woodrow Wilson loved the Psalms and chose verses from them at both his inaugurations. At the first one he used a verse from Psalm 119:

I will speak of Thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.

At his second inauguration, the United States was overshadowed with the dark clouds of the Great War in Europe as now. Wilson selected that great Psalm, the 46th, beginning:

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.

Warren G. Harding selected Micah 6:8:

He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

Everyone knows the simple story of Calvin Coolidge being sworn in at his father's home in the tiny village of Plymouth, Vermont. Visitors to the old-fashioned little parlor can see still the family Bible which was used.

Upon his inauguration in Washington in 1925 Mr. Coolidge selected I John 1:15:

This then is the message which we have heard of him and declare unto you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all.

Herbert Hoover, the Quaker President, chose the 18th verse of the 29th chapter of Proverbs:

Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

It will be interesting to note what Bible verse Franklin Roosevelt will choose on the historic occasion of the first third-term inauguration in American history. In a world where many countries are ruled by men who have discarded the greatest Book ever written it is a matter for profound gratitude that the Presidents of the United States turn to the Bible for guidance and comfort.

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## INFLUENZA

Twenty-two years ago this was a new joke:

"You seem to be sick."

"I am sick. I left my window open and in-flew-en-za."

Whether flu comes from open windows, whether it is epidemic, endemic, or what not, the fact is that right now it is threatening to sweep the state again. Already schools have been closed in many counties, partly because so many pupils were ill from influenza and partly to prevent the spread of the disease.

It should be remembered that one of the chief dangers of flu is its weakening effect and its habit

of leaving the body a prey to other ills, especially pulmonary troubles.

### JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

The Junior Woman's Club will hold its regular January meeting Tuesday, the 21st, at 7:30 P. M. All members are urged to be present as officers for 1941-42 will be elected at this time.

At this time also club members will be called on to contribute to the infantile paralysis drive. This year the campaign will be conducted actively by the school children in our county.

The donation from the Junior Club will be turned over to the school, and, while being consid-

## CHURCH

### BAPTIST CHURCH

The services to be held in our church Sunday, January 19, are as follows:

9:45—Sunday school.

11:00—Morning worship. Sermon topic: "The Gift of the Holy Spirit."

7:00—Young people meet.

7:30—Evening service. Message "Life's Contrasts."

G. J. Griffin.

### W. M. S.

The Ida Fisher Woman's Society of Christian Service met with Mrs. Pearl Massey, Mrs. W. D. Finch, assistant hostess. Mrs. Jethro Stell presided over the program, since Mrs. G. S. Barbee, president, was unable to be there at the beginning.

Mrs. R. F. Boone, leader, discussed in her beautiful spiritual way, "Caring for the Sick through the Woman's Missionary Society of Christian Service." Since the Methodist churches have merged, the realization of the hospital work done is a very broad field.

Mrs. Barbee took charge of the business session, Mrs. M. J. Ser-ton announced that she is having her Bible study at the parsonage Friday night at eight o'clock. She urges every member to be present.

The next meeting will be on Monday following the second Sunday with Mrs. C. E. Flowers, Mrs. Allen assistant hostess. Mrs. Jethro Stell will direct the program.

The hostess served Russian tea with cookies and cake to the twenty present. Everyone drew a new Pollyanna for 1941.

The Southside Circle of the Baptist W. M. S. will meet on next Monday afternoon with Mrs. W. N. Pitts as hostess. The program will be directed by Mrs. Theo. Davis. At this meeting the schedule cards for the year will be given out and all members are asked to be present.

### METHODIST CHURCH

"The Man Who Tied the Hands of Jesus," is the pastor's subject for Sunday evening at the 7:30 worship hour. Christ promised to remain with us always. It is entirely possible for any person to tie His hands by refusing to let Him have His way. Somebody will tie His hands Sunday when the time comes for prayer and worship in His church. It is our privilege to release Christ by accepting His will.

Services for Sunday, January 19:

Church school, 10:00.

Young People, 6:45.

Church service, 7:30.

### HOPKINS CHAPEL W. M. S.

The meeting of the Hopkins Chapel Missionary Society was postponed last Saturday because of a funeral at the church, but will be held on Saturday of this week with Mrs. Henry Averett hostess. It is very important for all members to be present as officers for the year are to be elected. Let each one make a special effort to attend.

ered a club activity, it will be counted part of the funds the school children raise.