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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY
Bible thoughts summarized will prove a precious heritage in after years.

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.—1 John 2:15.



Dear Folks:
Said Benny Snow, "It beats the Dutch the way some people wed. They close their eyes to everything and then they plunge ahead. A girl who's short will wed a man who's six foot two or three. A pretty one will take a man as homey as can be."

There's Mary Strong, she used to say her partner must be rich, and yet her husband earns his pay a digging in a ditch. There's Anna Dodge, the village belle, a girl of beauty rare, she had a suitor every day and threw them in despair the day she married Henry Blythe. His face was old and lined. Remember how they used to say she must have lost her mind?

Take handsome Bill with heaps of cash, you've seen his homey wife? Bill is mighty proud of her and will be all his life. And so it goes right down the line, it never seems to fail, yet strange to say they're satisfied, you never hear them wail.

Cy Higgins stroked his stubby chin and said to Benny Snow, "When folks set out a hunting mates, it's queer the way they go. But Benny boy, it's not their eyes with which they look around. They know they're getting close when their pulses start to pound. It's cash and size and prettiness which count in other things. But when it comes to marrying, it's just a heart that sings. Cordially yours—T. V. R.

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Governor McLean entered the Governor's mansion in Raleigh full of confidence that he will be able to conduct his office as the people wish it to be conducted. The feeling that he is a public servant is shown throughout his inaugural address and he several times mentions the fact that he was chosen to serve the people.

Governor McLean's address has been well received in all quarters of the State. He shows clearly that he wishes North Carolina to continue her great step of progress, but at the same time he warns that in our State debt "we rank near the top—only two States, New York and Massachusetts, having larger debts than ours." In other words he wants North Carolina to go forward but he wants the movement to be based on sound principles.

That agriculture will receive much attention from the Governor is indicated by his statement that the outstanding needs in North Carolina are agricultural improvement and rural betterment.

Some of the striking utterances in the address showing the great sincerity of the Governor and his deep study of conditions in the State, are:
We do not view this overwhelming manifestation of the popular will as a mere personal tribute, but rather as a triumph of that great body of which we are the chosen representatives.

"An administration characterized by efficiency, economy and rational progress. In the rate of progress made in public education in the past twenty-five years, North Carolina has outstripped every State in the country, yet we are forced to admit that education is the most pressing need of our commonwealth.

We need to stress more and more the work of our elementary and high schools. The outstanding needs in North Carolina: Agricultural improvements and rural betterment.

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WHO OWNS THE RAILROADS?

Edward A. Whitman in Scribner's Magazine. "There is a persistent rumor, frequently fostered by railway executives, that stockholders own the railroads. Nothing could be further from the truth. There are multitudes of owners of railroad securities, but that they own the railroads is a complete misconception of the facts. Ownership implies the right to manage and dispose of property at will, or at least subject to limited restrictions; but what control do the stockholders have over the roads it is alleged that they own?"

"In the first place, no man, or body of men, can build a railroad, or even an extension of an existing road, without an adjudication by a public body that 'public convenience and necessity require' such construction. When the road is built it cannot be sold, mortgaged, or leased without the consent of such body; neither can it, or any part of it, be discontinued or abandoned, even temporarily, without such consent. Moreover, in the operation of the railroad, the public dictate the rates that may be charged, the wages to be paid, the hours the employees shall work, and the number of employees who shall operate trains. The public direct the establishment of new stations and spur tracks, control the changes of grade, overhead or depressed crossings, and may direct the distribution and supply of cars and locomotives and various details of car and locomotive design. Even new securities, the consolidation with, and acquisition of, other railroads, all are subject to public control in a greater or less degree, and, finally, no one may be a director or officer of more than one railroad without the consent of the public."

"This enumeration is not inclusive of all the elements of public control, being but a part of what the Supreme Court has called 'this vast body of acknowledged powers,' but it is sufficient to indicate that if the stockholders have any ownership in the physical properties of a railroad it is of the shadow and not the substance. These powers, now exercised by the federal government, were earlier the prerogatives of the several states."

"It is frequently said that these limitations are burdensome restrictions imposed upon the owners of the railroads, but in fact they are the very attributes of ownership, and that ownership is in the public. There is, of course, a distinction between beneficial ownership and a bare title. The railroad corporation holds the title to the railroad property, but its beneficiaries are not the stockholders but the public."

Continued Prose of Stone Nomination. Washington, Jan. 15.—Further inquiry into the nomination of Attorney General Stone to be an associate justice of the Supreme Court was decided upon today at the Senate judiciary committee.

Some committee members desire to examine Clyde Dawson, a former Colorado lawyer, who was consulted by James A. Owenby, in litigation involving J. Pierpont Morgan. Mr. Stone was counsel for the Morgan executors. Dawson is to be questioned Saturday.

It's a Poor Rule

Captain—"If anything moves you shoot!" Private Jackson—"Yes, Sah! An' if anything shoots, Ah moves!"

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DINNER STORIES

"Daddy, what did you do in the World War?" "I polished the desks that were mangled by spurs."

Mother—Oh, Anton; what are you doing to the baby? Anton—Only getting him used to whiskers to kiss Uncle Dick when he comes.

Mr. Asker—What happened to that fellow Jones? Only a short time ago he had a wonderful head of hair but when I saw him the other day his head was as bare as a billiard ball.

Mr. Teller—Why, didn't you hear? He got hold of a bottle of "deplatory" which his wife used to remove superfluous hair, and doused his head with it, thinking it was hair rum.

Stranger—Does anybody named Mattossian live here? House Owner—No. We have nobody living here, and in any case his name wouldn't be Mattossian.

City Cousin—Why do you paint the inside of your chicken coop? Farmer—To keep the hens from picking the grain out of the wood.

Prof.—What did Archimedes discover when he was taking his bath? Bright Boy—Dirt. First Dog—"How'd you lose your tail? Too much waggin'!" Second Dog—"No—too much automobile."

Little Brother—Willie Smith's an atheist, Sis. Big Sister—Good gracious, what makes you think so? Little Brother—He doesn't believe there's a Santa Claus.

Lady—My husband is a deceitful wretch. Last night he pretended to believe me when he knew I was lying to him. Serenader, to partner who had just been hit by an old shoe, thrown from a window—It ain't a bad shoe, Jim perhaps if you was to sing the next verse to 'em they might give you the other one.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Friday, January 16, 1925. Today is the fifth anniversary of constitutional prohibition in the United States. Twenty-five years ago today Dawson City, in the Klondyke, was almost wiped out by fire.

Major General Charles P. Sumner today succeeds Maj. Gen. Robert Lee Bullard in command of the Second Corps Area, with headquarters at Governor's Island. Questions of much public interest are to be discussed by the American Engineering Council at its annual meeting which opens in Washington today for a two-day session.

Presentation of a \$25,000 award to Dr. David Starr Jordan, president emeritus of Stanford University, as winner of a peace plan contest held by the World Federation of Education Associations, is to be made in Los Angeles today.

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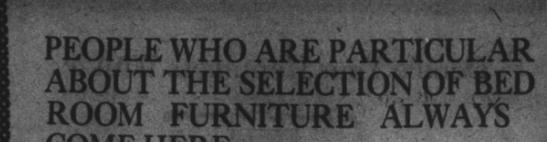
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