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BIBLE THOUGHT

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold. The rich and poor meet together: the Lord is the maker of them all."—Prov. 22:1-2.

**ICKES "BUSTED" THE NEWSPAPERS . . .
HE MUST NOT QUIT THE NEW DEAL**

Following an old custom, Secretary Ickes has offered his resignation to President Roosevelt.

IT MUST NOT BE ACCEPTED!

Ickes is the first national figure to expose racketeering newspapers of this country, and as in the recent election, practically every newspaper in the nation fought Roosevelt—and Ickes—AND LOST. The pepperpot of the administration must not be lost to the New Deal in this hour of triumph over a crooked press.

And we refer to the press as "crooked" because that is exactly what they proved themselves to be by their absurd lies and news distortion of the campaign.

The Scripps-Howard outfit, particularly, should dismantle every lighthouse that guards their filthy portals, and be honest enough to admit to the world that their slogan, "Give the people light and they will find their own way" is but a smoke screen behind which they have betrayed every ideal of Edward Scripps, who founded that great chain on the solid rock of justice for those who were unable to obtain it for themselves.

Ickes recognized the danger in this newspaper hypocrisy, and did not hesitate to tell the people of it. He is energetic, a New Dealer, and a great friend of our Smoky Mountains National Park. Second only to our own Cordell Hull, he is the most valued member of the cabinet, and we picture the President even considering his resignation.

Ickes stuck out his chin to expose the newspapers; the newspapers opposed the President; the newspapers lost; President won in spite of the newspapers—AND WE MUST NOT LOSE OCKES!

**A. F. L. Condemns
Racketeering By
Labor Unions**

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 27.—The American Federation of Labor adopted yesterday a resolution condemning racketeering in labor unions and authorized its executive council to act should unions evade their "responsibilities."

There was nothing in the resolution, adopted without a protesting vote, to indicate what action the council could take. With convention approval, the council yesterday stripped itself of the power to suspend a single union, but said it should be given power instead to suspend two or more unions engaged in a "dual movement."

A. F. of L.'s national and international unions were advised by the

resolution to adopt necessary legislation for adequate disciplinary action against any of their officers or members "who may have been found guilty of betraying the trust reposed in them."

Adoption of the resolution came after President William Green challenged any one to point out an instance of gangsterism in the A. F. of L.

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THEN IT STARTED

The question of ownership is not always easy to solve with consequent good will.

"Say 'our,'" stormed Mrs. McSnorter. "I'm tired of hearing you talk about 'my house,' and 'my car,' and 'my daughter.' It gets my goat."

The next morning, McSnorter arose in his usual rough frame of mind and spent some minutes rummaging about the room. Finally his wife turned over in bed and yelled at him, "What are you looking for?"

"Our pants," answered McSnorter sourly.

DESTINATION UNKNOWN

A Yorkshire man had died and the widow was making arrangements for the funeral. She visited the barber and asked how much he would charge to shave the deceased.

"Half-a-crown," said the barber. "That's a lot for a shave," said the widow. "And it's not even as if he were going anywhere in particular."

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A WORKER'S THANKSGIVING

By Dr. Charles Stezle

I am thankful for my job. It may not be a very important job, but it is mine. It may not be a big place, but for years I have been moulded in a special way to fill my niche in the world's work. Yes, I am thankful for my job. May I be kept true to the task which lies before me—so that I may be getting ready for the bigger and better job with which I may be kept true to the task which lies before me—so that I may be getting ready for the bigger and better job with which I may be entrusted.

I am thankful for my fellow man. He may not always agree with me. I'd feel sorry for him if he did, because I, myself, do not believe some of the things that I was dead sure of a dozen years ago. May he never lose faith in himself, because if he does, he may lose faith in me, and that might hurt him more than it would hurt me.

I am thankful for my church. It is the most powerful institution in the world. It isn't perfect because it is made up of ordinary mortals like myself. Many times, during dark ages, it has been the only light of hope discernable on the stormy horizon. I am thankful for my church because it is made up of those who are banded together for the purpose of trying to bring more cheer and gladness to thousands of burdened hearts.

I am thankful for my home. It isn't a rich home. It wouldn't satisfy some folks, but it contains jewels which cannot be purchased in the markets of the world. When I enter its secret chambers and shut out the world with its care, I am a lord. Its motto is service, its reward is love. There is no other spot in all the world which fills its place, and heaven can be only a larger home, with a Father who is all-wise and patient and tender.

I am thankful for my country. I believe in it because it is made up of my fellow men—and myself. I can't go back on either of us, and be true to my creed. If it isn't perfect, it may be partly because I am not the kind of a man that I should be.

I am thankful for today. It is all that I possess. The past is of value only as it can make life fuller and freer. There is no assurance of tomorrow. I must make good today.

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SAD?

"What was the big noise I heard in your kitchen yesterday?"
"I'm not sure, but I think my wife's cake fell in the oven."

GOT THE PRICE?

"You look sweet enough to eat."
He whispered soft and low.
"I am," said she quite hungrily.
"Where do you want to go?"

ALL SET

A bright little girl, aged 4, and her brother, aged 6, were spending the night with their aunt. When bedtime came, the aunt asked how they said their prayers. The little girl answered:

"Sometimes I say them on muddy's knees and sometimes to the side of the bed."
"And how about you, little boy?"
"Oh, I don't need to pray. I sleep with daddy."



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POOR FISH

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"How do you do it, Neville?" they shouted across the water. "There doesn't seem to be any fish on our side."

"The fish are there all right," replied Mr. Chamberlain, "but they daren't open their mouths."

LOGICAL

Why is a ship always referred to as "she"?

Rear Admiral Chester W. Nimitz gave an answer to the Society of Sponsors of the United States Navy. "Because it costs so much to keep

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**Labor Press
Vital Need**

The freedom of the press, guaranteed to us by the Constitution, must depend after all upon the support which the readers of the press give to it. We need scarcely more than mention the fact that the usual daily newspaper, to say nothing of the magazines, do not feel called upon to espouse the cause of organized labor. Such fair plan as is given this cause by these publications is based upon the unassailable strength of the position of the labor movement.

But we wish to emphasize the fact, that if there were no great section of the national publications known as the Labor Press, which gives its first and last loyalty to the workers of the nation, and especially to those who are members of the organizations of labor, the other sections of the nation's publicity organs would probably pay much more scant attention to the rights of labor.

Circulation is the life of any publication. Given readers, any publication is in a position of power, in proportion to its friends who show their loyalty to their own cause by their subscriptions to their own press, and by their activity in helping to enlarge its circulation.

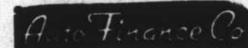
The rights of labor will always depend to a great extent, upon the freedom of the labor press. A labor paper which circulates freely in its own community is an index of the power of labor in that locality. It is a very definite part of the organization itself, and its functions are so vital that neglect of the labor press is sure to reflect upon the qualities of the labor movement itself.

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Before Mr. Britton became President of his International Union he served four years as Vice President. Previous to that he had been a State Factory Inspector of Illinois, where he became well versed in all the new appliances of his trade.

Mr. Britton joined his organization on January 9, 1897. After the death of General Secretary Chas. R. Atherton the offices of the President and Secretary-Treasurer were combined. Owing to the aggressive manner in which Mr. Britton handled the affairs of the Union he was elected to fill these three important positions in his International Union.

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