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BIBLE THOUGHT

Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee.—Psalm 84:5.

No man has come to true greatness who has not felt in some degree that his life belongs to the race, and that what God gives him, He gives him for mankind.—Phillips Brooks.

One Hundred Years of Baseball

ONE day in the summer of 1839—just one hundred years ago—Abner Doubleday looked around the little town of Cooperstown, N. Y., until he found a vacant lot to suit his purpose and marked out the first "baseball diamond;" and on that lot was played the first game of baseball.

This centennial year of the great American game finds many thousands of diamonds in use in every hamlet, town and city throughout the nation and the game has been taken up enthusiastically in practically every country on the globe.

Baseball is the one game which appeals to men and women of all ages and in all conditions of life, and is one of the few sports which provides as much enjoyment for the spectators as for the players. Millionaires and farm boys, preachers, doctors, lawyers and merchants, stamp on their hats, tear their shirts and howl at the umpire. The players come from colleges and sand lots, from offices, banks, workshops and stores, and they put all their energy into the game.

When the season opens arrests for drunkenness begin to decline and peace officers find their duties less burdensome, for thousands of young men who otherwise might be spending their time on wild Sunday parties are out on the ball fields and have neither time nor thought for liquor and joy riding.

A town where the citizens flock to the ball park and whoop it up for the home team is usually a sober town and a mighty good place in which to live.

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If you attend a professional game this season look for the small cloth badges seen on the uniforms of players and umpires at the shoulder. These are the badges worn in honor of baseball's centennial and of the man who gave the game to America, and who later helped to turn the tide of a great war.

Swat the Fly!

IF you have ever looked at the legs of a fly under a high-powered magnifying glass you will have noticed that it is covered with thousands of tiny hairs. When the fly is in action, it will shake and dust these hairs off very often.

In this way, nature has provided that the fly keep her legs reasonably clean from the dust and dirt which she collects in her search for food. But in her scheme of things, nature has not had much consideration for man. The fly has no interest in manners or in being house-broken. She dusts herself on your cake or on your head with equal efficiency. The baby's milk or your sugar bowl seem to be her favorite places.

The fly is more like a cat in this respect. You have noticed that a cat will start washing herself after her stomach is well-filled. While the fly is cleaning herself she is spreading disease and filth. One moment she may be feeding on a pile of garbage and the next minute she may fly through an open door or window and land on your face, or your baby's bottle.

That is why we should all fight the fly. Keep your garbage pails well covered and put screens on all doors and windows. Let us not put the fly on relief in the land by handing out food to him.

There are some large cities, like New Orleans, that are almost entirely rid of flies, through strict sanitary regulations and years of voluntary discipline practised by citizens of every walk of life.

While this may not be possible in a rural community where there is livestock, still the prevalence of flies can be greatly reduced by the careful attention of everyone to the cleanliness of their own premises. A few weeks ago every householder in Franklin received a letter from the town office asking co-operation in the matter of garbage collecting in the interest of a cleaner town. For the good health and safety of our own citizens and summer visitors, let us add to the attractions of Franklin by making it flyless.

Keep your fly swatter handy and swat the fly!

As the World Turns

A brief survey of current events in state, nation and abroad—the facts boiled down to a few pithy lines.

N. C. WORLD'S FAIR EXHIBIT DEDICATED BY GOV. HOEY

Four Thousand Tar Heels from all over the state whooped up the World's Fair last Monday and helped Governor Clyde R. Hoey to dedicate (and initiate) the North Carolina exhibit. New York Fair officials and newspapermen reported that North Carolina Day was "the best state day yet."

WELCOME TO BRAZIL'S ARMY CHIEF

The United States welcomed General Aurelio Goes Monteiro, Brazil's army chief of staff, on Tuesday with the booming guns, armored cars, and roaring planes that twice before in recent weeks had been put on display for distinguished guests.

PRESIDENT URGES NEUTRALITY BILL

President Roosevelt on Wednesday endorsed the Bloom neutrality bill as an influence for peace and urged congress to revise the present neutrality law at this session so that the administration could formulate a definite policy to follow in case of war.

The bill embodies recommendations of Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

PRESIDENT'S TRIP POSTPONED

President Roosevelt has announced that owing to brighter prospects for early adjournment of Congress his trip to Alaska would be postponed until this session is over.

HOUSE VOTES TAX CHANGES

The new tax bill abolishing the undistributed profits levy and modifying other taxes in an effort to encourage business revival was passed by the House on Monday by a vote of 358 to 1, and sent to the Senate in record time.

ANDREWS ASSAILS ANTI-WAGE LOBBY

Wage-Hour Administrator Elmer F. Andrews has charged that powerful lobbyists are seeking to undermine the wage-hour act and "deprive the workers of social gains they have won during the last few years."

BALANCED DIET NEEDED

Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer, in an address to the Southern Food and Drug Convention in Raleigh Monday night, pointed to the need of a "balanced diet" for the health, temperance and moral soundness of the people of the south, where a long growing season gives greatest opportunity to raise food that makes for a healthful diet.

SQUALUS SUB CASE REVIEWED

Lieut. Oliver F. Naquin, commander of the Squalus submarine which sank May 23, paying tribute to the 26 men who were lost, recommended at the naval court of inquiry that interlocking devices be installed to prevent flooding of ballast tanks of submarines until main engine induction valves had been closed.

CLIPPER CROSSES SAFELY

The huge Atlantic Clipper, with her first load of 18 passengers, many of them aviation editors and writers, landed on Monday at Marseille, France, via the Azores and Portugal, making a quick crossing from Port Washington, N. Y.

NYA TO EXPAND

On June 24 the NYA will begin an expanded program in this state based on work experience as an independent set-up within the Federal Security Agency, and separated from WPA. This will advance the status of NYA from a purely work relief agency for young people, broadening and making more efficient a program based on work experience.

FEDERAL JUDGE SENTENCED

Federal Judge Martin T. Manton of New York Tuesday received a sentence of two years and a fine of \$10,000 for accepting bribes to influence his decisions. This is the first time in the 150 years' history of the judiciary that a judge has been sentenced for such an offense.

JAPS BUILD 1000-VOLT DEATH LINE AROUND FOREIGN SECTOR

British and French areas at Tientsin were surrounded by 1000-volt high tension wires in an effort to increase the blockade around the foreign sectors. Many reports, which authorities could not check, state the Chinese runners trying to get through the blockade with food were shot or bayoneted by Japanese guards. Britain is delaying moves against Japan until the women and children can be taken out to coastal resorts. British troops moved in seven truck loads of food under heavy guard.

BRITISH RULERS TO ARRIVE IN SOUTHAMPTON THURSDAY

Englishmen were preparing to welcome their King and Queen Thursday at Southampton while the royal yacht, Empress of Britain, sped homeward at a steady 20-knot clip. King George and Queen Elizabeth rested and enjoyed colored moving pictures of their North American tour.

Communications

SEES BRIGHTER FUTURE AWAITING THIS COUNTRY

(Reprinted from Washington Star)
The nations of Europe struggle for wealth—America has wealth. The nations abroad strive for land—America has land. The nations on the continent conserve with all their energy foodstuffs, raw materials and natural resources—America fears too much of the good things, seeks to avert over-production and under-consumption. Europe is heading toward conflagration and oblivion—America is heading toward a new destiny as the focal point of modern and future civilizations.

The United States in age is an infant. We were officially born in the year 1787.

We must have been a sorry-looking sight prior to the constitutional convention. Thirteen loosely federated colonies stretching along the Eastern Seaboard. Crude and provincial to the landed aristocracy on the continent, we probably didn't improve much, in their view, even after we set up the new Government. The target for jeers and mocking, the early settlers and pioneers must have had to swallow their pride and look to the West for consolation and comfort.

The purchase of Louisiana in 1803, the annexation of Florida in 1819, of Texas in 1845, of the Ore-

gon Territory in 1846, the acquisition of the Southwest in 1848 and the Gadsden Purchase in 1853 brought to America an empire of agricultural and industrial wealth undreamed of in previous world history.

Today larger in territory than 26 European nations, the United States predominates in industrial production. We produce 34 per cent of the world's coal; 53 per cent of its corn; 50 per cent of its cotton; 16 per cent of its wheat; 62 per cent of its oil; 35 per cent of its electric power; 32 per cent of its copper; 29 per cent of its iron; 34 per cent of the world's mileage in railroads; 43 per cent of its timber, and possess only 6 per cent of the world's total population.

This we do and this we are in the world today. Nation No. 1 in a world of neighbors, but shirking miserably an obligation to ourselves and posterity. In this great land of ours, abundant in minerals and virgin soil we have failed to work out a system of production and distribution by which all this good can reach the people. Ten million men and women idle; 40,000,000 men, women and children underfed, ill-clothed and housed and not receiving adequate medical care. And a lot of this in America, our native land, land of promise and plenty.

We must work and plan, plan progressively a balanced economy if we are to accept our rightful destiny. We are the melting pot, the cosmopolitan empire through which the world's hopes and prayers move. We possess the inherent genius of every race, every creed. We are the leader in arts and sciences for we are a combination of all. If ever Utopia could emerge from a people, it should spring forth here. It can happen here and I am firmly convinced in the years to come its long-awaited manifestation will become realized. "Let us not pray for a light burden, but for a strong back."

BENJAMIN R. STICKNEY, Jr.

Macon Theatre

Matinees 3:30 P. M.
Night Show 7:30 and 9:30
SHOWING FROM 1:30 TO
11 P. M. SATURDAYS

PROGRAM FOR WEEK

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

It's thrilling! it's funny!
it's romantic!

"THE KID FROM TEXAS"

DENNIS O'KEEFE
FLORENCE RICE

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

Double Feature Program

Stirring story of a great doctor

JACK HOLT IN
"THE STRANGE CASE OF DR. MEADE"

With: BVERLY ROBERTS
NOAH BERRY, JR.
JOHN QUALEN

And
BUCK JONES IN
"CALIFORNIA FRONTIER"

With: CARMEN BAILEY
MILBURN STONE
Buck won his love by fist and gun smoke

MONDAY, JUNE 26

CLAUDETTE COLBERT And
JAMES STEWART In
"IT'S A WONDERFUL WORLD"

With GUY KIBBEE, NAT
PENDLETON, FRANCIS
DRAKE, EDGAR KENNEDY

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

BETTE RAVIS
GEORGE BRENT In
"DARK VICTORY"
GERALDINE FITZGERALD
RONALD REGAN
HUMPHREY BOGART

WED.-THURS., JUNE 28-29
"WUTHERING HEIGHTS"

Co-Starring: MERLE OBERTON
LAURENCE OLIVER
DAVID NIVEN
With: FLORA ROBSON
DONALD CRISP
GERALDINE FITZGERALD

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