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BIBLE THOUGHT

And therefore will the Lord wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the Lord is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait for him.—Isaiah 30:18.

IT'S SMART

The slogan, "It's smart to be a Safe Driver", is used in the National Highway Safety advertisement found in this week's issue of The Herald. Brought out in the advertisement also is the true statement, "it is not safe to be a smart driver." Who of us have not seen them? Sooner or later, if they, the smart drivers, do not heed the warning, distress will come their way.

It is the hope of the sponsoring firms for this week's advertisement that something will be done toward special training for new drivers; also that those already driving will remember that they are an example—either for good or bad—for someone else, and that they may have a definite part in helping save lives from highway accidents.

Sponsoring firms this week are: Buchanan Auto & Electric Co., Mead Corporation, Reece-Hampton Motor Co., Jack and Howard Allison, Hall and Norton Tire Co., and Builders Supply and Lumber Co.

AIR POWER FOR PEACE

Friday, August 1, being Air Force Day should focus the attention of all peace loving people here in America on the importance of a strong air force.

The experiences of World War II and the growing smallness of the world brought about by the continued improvements in aviation underscore the vital necessity of maintaining strong air forces. Today, without question, our air power is in a position to serve as an effective guardian of the peace.

The basic theme of Air Force Day—"Air Power Is Peace Power"—thus holds meaning for all of us.

Our air power, supporting the policies of peace-loving nations, is insurance against war. The Air Forces, with the air units of the National Guard and the organized reserves, will provide our air power.

In our common search for world security, we must support adequate air forces and two important elements which contribute to air strength—a virile aviation industry and an expanding program of research and development.

TAKE IT EASY, MR. PEDESTRIAN

Every two minutes an American pedestrian is injured by an automobile. Thirty-three times a day someone is run over and killed.

It is human nature to wish to set the blame when tragedy occurs. Rarely, however, can an accident be adequately described in terms of only one casual factor. In most instances it is the result of two or more contributing conditions or circumstances—violations or unsafe acts of drivers or pedestrians; or roadway, vehicular, driver or pedestrian defects.

However, certain facts cannot be denied. And those facts place a strong indictment squarely on the shoulders of the man or woman on foot. The record shows that two out of every three pedestrians killed in motor vehicle accidents were either violating a traffic law or committing an unsafe act. Crossing streets between intersections was a most flagrant violation, accounting for one half of the deaths of the violation pedestrians. Coming from behind parked cars was the next most serious hazard.

Other violations of traffic regulations or the common sense rules of safety in

Inside Washington

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON — The persistent and undoubtedly sincere denials of General Eisenhower that he has any 1948 political ambitions do not remove from the minds of political prophets the fact that he may be a potential factor in the presidential race.

Washington observers do not doubt that the Army chief of staff—who becomes head of vast Columbia university next year—means just what he says.

"Ike's" last "no politics" reiteration was made to a special Pentagon news conference when he told reporters that he has no "personal" ambitions politically.

However, no less a person than Alf M. Landon, the 1938 GOP standard bearer, has predicted that if world conditions become more troublesome a year hence, Ike would be a likely dark horse in the presidential steeplechase, whether he wills it or not.

They point out that first, last and always Eisenhower is a soldier. Therefore, they emphasize, he could not resist a draft, particularly if he feels the country needs him. If the Republicans called, they say, this son of the GOP state of Kansas would shed his vestments as Columbia president and do his duty as he sees it.

Another factor is woven about the Columbia precedent. Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, Columbia's aged and blind president emeritus, was a vast power in the Republican party in his active days.

GUNS TO PLOWSHARES — The weapons made to destroy Germany are going to be used to rebuild the economy of that devastated country.

High-ranking Army Air Force officers say that by reclaiming surplus bombs and airplanes the United States can furnish supplies and materials vitally needed in the reconstruction of Germany.

There are about 80,000 tons of surplus bombs of all types and thousands of aircraft now in Germany ready to be salvaged.

The Army salvage experts say that fertilizer, an extremely short item in Germany, can be made from the nitrogen in heavy demolition bombs and used to increase food production.

Gasoline, oil, soap and other petroleum products can be made from the thousands of tons of fire bombs left at American depots when the war ended.

Scrap metal from the surplus U. S. planes would aid substantially to rebuild German economy. Some of this scrap, however, may be returned to the United States if American industry finds such action profitable.

SWING TO THE LEFT—Washington political observers believe that President Truman, who a year ago seemed ready to head well right-of-center in his social and economic politics, will be found in the left aisle henceforth.

The political pundits point out that in his message to Congress vetoing the tax reduction bill and the labor regulation measure, and in reluctantly approving the rent control bill, Mr. Truman has given ample evidence of this.

Moreover, the chief executive is expected to abandon the "get-along-with-Congress" plan he announced after the GOP landslide last November.

All of this adds up, of course, to an appeal for great masses of votes in 1948—votes from organized labor, from tenants who will be squeezed by rent increases, and from persons in the low-income brackets for whom the president charged, the GOP tax slash plan was grossly unfair.

which men, women and children lost their lives included such foolish acts as crossing intersections against the signal, crossing intersections diagonally, walking in the roadway, playing in the roadway. Two per cent of pedestrian deaths were caused by persons LYING in the roadway!

All of these violations could have been avoided. And if they had, thousands of lives—12,200 last year, to be exact—could have been saved. Pedestrians continue to combine the twin evils of carelessness and deliberately taking a chance to concoct an evil brew of death and painful injury. It is nothing less than justice that the victim of pedestrian violation is nearly always the man or woman who commits the unsafe act.

"QUESTION PERIOD"



The Everyday Counsellor

By REV. HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.

Many war marriages are going to pieces. They married in haste and now are repenting in leisure. A correspondent faces us with one of these in the following letters: "Is it a worse sin for a young couple to go on living together than to separate, when they are both miserable and unhappy? These young people married during the war. She was too young for marriage and now has no love for her husband. But she continues to make a home for him through pity. He's devoted to her, but they are continually quarreling and disagreeing. What is your advice for this problem?"

In my Ten Commandments for a Happy Marriage the first is, "Thou shalt not marry in haste, or thou mayest repent in leisure." Many young couples are repenting now. But it need not require a separation.

The young girl in this marriage evidently, like many of her age, had little comprehension of what was involved in marriage. But if the truth is admitted, few young couples do. If all separated who suddenly woke up to the realization that marriage was not what they expected, the divorce rate would be far higher than it is.

Every marriage, whether solemnized by minister, priest, rabbi or some civil official exacted from

the participating parties certain solemn promises. These cannot be tossed out lightly, without serious damage to the conscience and moral sensibilities of both husband and wife. When a man or woman commence to break promises, they undermine their personal honesty and integrity.

But it takes more than promises to hold a marriage together. Such a one cannot be happy, as in the case described in this letter. There must be love and understanding. These can be cultivated. They do not drop down miraculously out of the sky.

The correspondent who raises this question implies that it is a sin for them to continue to live together as they are, and that it would be a sin for them to separate. This is right. A marriage is broken by quarreling, disagreement and selfishness long before it is broken in the divorce court. It is also a sin to break one's solemn word. These two promised to live together, "For better or for worse... till death us do part." They ought to make an honest effort to make the marriage succeed. Separation and divorce do not cure marriage ills. They only move them to another place.

This young couple should take inventory of traits, likes, habits which they have in common, seek the advice of a minister, priest, rabbi or marriage counselor. Let them be sure that they have honestly gotten down on their knees and prayed about it until each can say, "Not my will but thine be done."

Calendar of Events

MONDAY, AUGUST 4—The Carrie Rhodes circle of the Methodist church will have its annual picnic at the home of Mrs. Alberta Monteith at 7 p. m. Mrs. Raymon Stovall, chairman.

MONDAY, AUGUST 4—The Gay Nell Murray circle of the Baptist church will meet with Mrs. George Painter at 8 p. m. Mrs. Howard Bell will have the program. Mrs. Jesse Buchanan, president.

MONDAY, AUGUST 4 — The Woodmen of the World will meet in the W.O.W. hall at 7:30 p. m. Jeff Hedden, Council commander.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5—The Rotary club will have its dinner meeting at 7 p. m. in Allison building. Dr. D. D. Hooper, president.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6—The Halcyon club will have its annual picnic at 6 p. m. in Monteith park with entertainment later in the club house. Husbands and friends will be guests. Mrs. Claude Campbell, president.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6 — The Chamber of Commerce will have a dinner meeting in Allison building at 7 p. m. Harry J. Krusz will be guest speaker. This will take the place of the regular meeting scheduled for Friday, August 1. Felix Picklesimer, president.

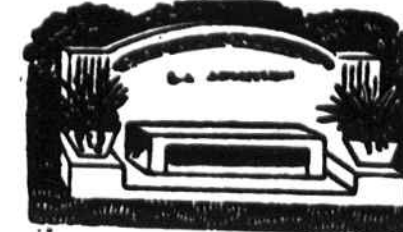
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6—The Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist church will meet with Mrs. E. P. Stillwell at 3 p. m. Mrs. Crawford Smith, president.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7 — The Dillsboro Masonic lodge will meet in the Masonic hall, Dillsboro, at 7:00 p. m. Ed Bumgarner, W. M.

To Present Program of Hymns At John's Creek

Carl Story and his Rambling Mountaineers will present a program of hymns at the Johns Creek school house at 8 p. m., Wednesday, August 13. After the program refreshments will be sold. Everyone is invited to attend.

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