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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT

A SPIRIT FOR OUR DAY: Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice; and be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.—Ephesians 4:31-32.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

It seems such a little while since we wished our friends a happy and prosperous new year as 1935 was ushered in. And here will soon be dawning another year. Only a few more days and 1935 will be gone. What has taken place during the year is now history.

As we reflect on what the old year brought, of pleasure and pain, of joy and sorrow, of sunshine and shadow, we realize that the new year that is coming, like all the years that have passed, will bring its quota of suffering, will take its inevitable toll. That is life.

And so as the New Year comes in and we wish you happiness and prosperity, we also hope that those of us who must pass through the shadows of this year may do so with faith and courage; that those of us who meet with disappointment may meet it bravely, so that as the years roll on we shall be prepared, even if disaster overtakes us, to still carry on.

In the words of the poet:
"Not enjoyment and not sorrow is our destined end or way, but to act that each tomorrow finds us better than today."

AAA Will Protect Contract Signers

A plan to base its 1936 adjustment payments on a rate considerably higher than five cents a pound, according to J. F. Criswell, of State College.

The new cotton contracts stipulate that the minimum payments will be five cents a pound on the average production of the land withdrawn from cotton cultivation.

The exact amount of the adjustment payments next year will be determined by the price of cotton an amount of money available, Criswell said, but it is safe to say the payments will be well above the minimum.

The AAA plans to protect the contract signers in case the price goes down next year, Criswell said, and for this reason provision is being made to increase the adjustment payments.

If the Bankhead act is not continued next year, he explained, growers not under contract may expand their production enough to cut the price down to a low level, possibly six or seven cents a pound.

Growers with contracts will receive adjustment payments in addition to the income from the sale of their cotton, and will be able to get a fair return for their crop, Criswell pointed out.

Those without contracts will get only the amount for which they can sell their cotton on the market.

If the Bankhead act is discontinued, he went on, contract signers will be allowed to sell all the cotton they can raise on their allotted acreage.

A grower may adjust his 1936 acreage by 30 to 45 per cent of his base acreage, and receive adjustment payments accordingly.

Timely Questions On Farm Answered

Question: How can I get rid of yellow color in eggs from my poultry flock?

Answer: Shell color is inherited and the best way to eliminate the color is not to set any eggs showing tinted shells. When breeding for future egg producers head your flock with males from a source where this trouble does not exist. If the eggs with colored shells show to a large extent it might be well to do no breeding from the present flock. Keep the present flock for egg production only and get some new breeding stock from another flock that does not produce colored eggs.

Question: How can land be inoculated for growing lespedeza?

Answer: There are various commercial cultures, but a better method is to mix the seed with molasses and mix them with soil from a lespedeza crop such as

vetch, Austrian winter peas, or crimson clover. Inoculated soil can also be drilled in at the rate of 200 or more pounds to the acre with the seed. The latter method is best, especially on sandy soils.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our beloved father and husband, Seymour Chappell, who departed this life four months ago today, December 10, 1935.

A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.

How we miss you, beloved one,
No one but God in Heaven can tell;
We miss your smiling face,
And your precious voice as well.

And now that our circle is broken;
And parting fills us with pain;
We hold a glorious token,
The bright hopes of meeting again.

Softly at night the stars are gleaming,
Upon the lonely grave;
Where sleeping without dreaming,
Lies the one we loved but could not save.

In our hearts your memory lingers,
Loving, kind and true;
There is not a day, dear one,
That we don't think of you.

They say time heals a broken heart,
But, oh, it seems untrue;
For these four months our hearts
Have ached,
Dear one, just for you.

Gone, but not forgotten!
His loving Wife and Children.

Ballhack P. T. A. Presents Program

The P. T. A. meeting of Ballhack was held Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. A large number were present.

The meeting was opened by singing a song, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." The program included a Christmas story, "The Little Christ Child," by Dorothy Dail; reading, "How Bess's Prayer Was Answered," Mrs. Percy Rodgeron; song, "Silent Night," by a group of girls; play, "Dear Uncle Sam," by six children; reading, "The Master Is Coming," by Mrs. W. H. Matthews.

The meeting was turned over to the social committee and delicious fruit and candy were served.

MRS. LOUIS NACHMAN ATTENDS LUNCHEON GIVEN IN NORFOLK

Mrs. Louis Nachman, of Hertford, who is special agent of the Reliance Life Insurance Company, attended the luncheon given by the officials of the Company at the Monticello Hotel in Norfolk, Va., on Thursday.

The occasion represented a prize won by the Tidewater Department of the Company in a nation-wide contest conducted this fall.

Woman in India Claims to Be 160 Years of Age

Bombay.—The title of the world's oldest woman is claimed by an Indian woman living in the remote village of Bir Ramchandrapur, Orissa, North-East India. She is one hundred and sixty years old, she says. Although somewhat bent, the old lady is still very active.

English Traffic Worst Peril to Pedestrians

London.—Pedestrians are by far the most frequent victims in road accidents in England.

This fact is revealed in the chief constable's official report just issued. Other surprising disclosures are that only 4 per cent of those killed are drivers of vehicles and that in 83 per cent of fatalities the speed of the vehicles is under 20 miles an hour.

The report covers the results of inquiries into 1,500 fatal cases. Of that total, vehicles killed pedestrians in 842, and 408 deaths were due to collisions.

There were 918 accidents on straight roads or open bends with a good sight line.

While the percentage of pedestrians killed was 55.9, and bicycle riders 20 per cent, the percentage of drivers was only 4.3.

Of the pedestrians killed, 30.2 per cent were under fifteen, and 49.9 per cent were fifty-five and over.

The people who cause the accidents, according to the chief constable, are: Pedestrians, 49.1 per cent; drivers, 25.1 per cent, and pedal cyclists, 15.9 per cent.

Young Giant Is Student in Bulgarian High School

Vratsa, Bulgaria.—The prodigy of the town is a fifteen-year-old high school boy, Assen Ghergheliev, who is over six feet tall and weighs 250 pounds.

His strength is extraordinary. Lifting weights of 450 pounds is an easy thing for the boy. And it is by doing heavy lifting for various firms that he earns his way through school, as he is an orphan. The boy is not only strong physically but is also a good scholar.

His ordinary food consists of vegetables and fruit. He consumes three loaves of bread daily.

His friends are urging him to train for wrestling or boxing. However, he will stick to his studies, as his ambition is to obtain a college and university education.

Light, Shining Under Water, Saves 7 From Living Death



TRAPPED by darkness in miles of unexplored caverns under the Shawangunk Mountains at Sam's Point, Orange County, New York, seven young adventurers owe their escape to a flashlight that refused to "go out," even when it was plunged to the bottom of an eight-foot pool of water.

The party came accidentally on the subterranean caves in the course of a tramp in the mountains. One of the young men stumbled through windfalls into a shallow pit which seemed to lead off into a tunnel.

Edward Eiskamp, of New York City, who had a flashlight, crawled into the tunnel to solve the mystery, followed by his companions. They worked their way through the tunnel, and came out into a rock vault. From this vault, other tunnels led down under the mountains.

The route they took led alternately through shafts and chambers. For several hours, with intervals of rest, the party continued on, working down from one vault to another. At length they came into a chamber half full of water. A narrow rock rim provided the only standing room.

Eiskamp, moving over to make

room on the narrow ledge, lost his grip on the flashlight. It went into the pool with a loud splash. In an instant the seven young men were in total darkness.

They were trapped, with little prospect of escape. Their few matches were useless. No one knew the group had intended to explore the mountains, much less the caves. Help was out of question.

But as their sight became adjusted to the sudden blackness, they discerned a faint glow in the water. The flashlight, at the bottom of the pool, was still working. One of the party carried a coil of stiff, new rope. A noose was made in the end, a weight attached and after some maneuvering, the light was brought to the surface.

"Believe me, that trip out was a real race against time," said Eiskamp, who is an electrician by trade. "We expected our light to go out any minute, although I knew it had fresh batteries in it. At that, if just one of those batteries had gone stale on some dealer's shelf, all seven of us would now be down there in the earth for keeps."

The caves, some fourteen miles from the nearest village, have never before been explored. They are believed to form an extensive labyrinth under the mountains.

PARTY GETS FILMS OF WILD BIRD LIFE

Make the Trip With Sound Trucks to Get Records.

Ithaca, N. Y.—Two motor trucks, bearing specially devised motion picture cameras and sound apparatus, were used in a 15,000-mile exploration of wild bird haunts in the United States, made by the Cornell-American museum and recently completed. The expedition, which obtained valuable bird records, was sponsored by Albert R. Brand, associate in ornithology at Cornell, and left Ithaca last February under the direction of Arthur A. Allen.

The story of the unusual quest is told in the Cornell Alumni News which characterizes the results as "undoubtedly the most complete collection of pictures and sound records of birds ever made."

Such uncommon species as the Ivory-billed woodpecker, the limpkin, sandhill crane, wild turkey, bald eagle, golden eagle, prairie falcon, trumpeter swan and lesser prairie chicken were included. Many of the recordings will be transferred to phonograph records to be available to school children and nature students, the negative to be permanently preserved at the university.

Meet Difficulties.

Besides Doctor Allen, Mr. Brand and Dr. George M. Sutton, the party included Paul P. Kellogg, instructor in ornithology, who with Mr. Brand and Prof. True McLean, electrical engineer, designed and assembled the sound apparatus; and James T. Banner.

In their long trek they experienced many incidents both perplexing and amusing. Efforts to catch the voice of the water ouzel, for example, were discouraging, because it lives only in dashing mountain torrents. By observing carefully the habits of one bird, Mr. Kellogg was able to put his microphone in such a position that the bird's bill in singing was less than two inches from the diaphragm, and a good record was made, above the sound of the stream.

Similarly, in recording the dance of the lesser prairie chicken the microphone was so placed that the patter of the bird's feet could be distinctly heard above all other sounds. In Louisiana the sound truck became hopelessly bogged in the "gumbo mud" and it was necessary to transfer all the delicate equipment to a farm wagon and with four mules haul it seven miles through the swamp to the haunts of the Ivory-billed woodpecker and there set up the laboratory in a tent. Here almost perfect recordings of the voice of this nearly extinct species were obtained.

Eagle Yattles Microphone.

In Florida a Carolina wren insisted upon building a nest in the sound truck while efforts were being made to record its voice. In Colorado a young golden eagle wanted to swallow the microphone, which had been hung over a 700-foot canyon wall down to the ledge on which the eagle's nest was built. Fortunately, the microphone had previously been padded in

case it should strike the rocks.

Considerable difficulty was experienced in recording the voice of the nearly extinct trumpeter swan, a few of which still persist in northwestern Wyoming and eastern Montana. After several days of study, however, a blind containing the motion picture camera and microphone was placed to catch the activities of the parent swans and their young and record the calls of this vanishing bird, which attains a wing-spread of nearly ten feet and a weight of 35 pounds. The patter of the swan's large feet when rising from the water, Professor Allen says, could be heard for half a mile, and its resonant call for two miles. Records were made with the birds within 20 feet of the microphone.

Right of Owner to Raze House Is Taken to Court

Paris.—Has a proprietor the right to tear his own house down?

That question is to be decided by the Seine Civic tribunal as the converse of a suit against a young architect because the man for whom he built a house tore it down eight days after it was finished.

The architect's plea is that he has a moral right in his creation which permits him to protest against its destruction, and that he has suffered actual damage because his reputation will be affected by the natural conclusion drawn that if his work was destroyed it must have contained serious faults.

The proprietor's case is simply that after the house was built he was offered a larger sum for the property without encumbrance. Therefore he razed the house.

Italian Wheat Yields 123 Bushels to Acre

Rome.—A world's soft wheat record of 123 bushels to the acre is claimed for a new seed produced by Senator Nazareno Strampelli, Italian authority on cereals. The seed was experimented with in the last sowing in Italy, and, it is officially reported, established the record yield. The new wheat also is said to ripen faster than any known variety.

Fence Traps Farmer

Deñanca, Ohio.—Relatives searching for seventy-five-year-old Joseph Keller found him hanging helplessly by his foot from a wire fence, a prisoner in a thicket on his own farm for 48 hours.

Plague of Russian Rats Menaces Public Health

Bucharest.—Bucharest is in search of a Pied Piper to put an end to the rat plague which is gravely threatening the public health of the city. Flocks of rats have crossed the river Danube from Russia and have now invaded Rumania, including the capital. The Ministry of public health has taken measures to destroy the pests, but the results have been all. At night pedestrians walking on Jalen Victorial, Bucharest's main thoroughfare, and the street on which is situated the Royal palace, experience the unpleasant sensation of tripping over rats which cross their way in dark narrow streams.

RICH GOLD STRIKES STIR ALASKAN RUSH

Planes Found Necessary to Penetrate Wilds.

Cordova, Alaska.—Reports of rich free gold discoveries in what is known as the Bremner and Nabesna districts, lying northeast of Cordova, were confirmed by an investigator who made a trip into the region 80 miles from the Copper River & Northwestern railroad.

Expressing belief that the Bremner district produced more real gold discoveries last summer than any section of Alaska, he cited the Chick Nelson discovery on Forgotten creek as one of the best looking hard rock properties he had ever seen.

Contain Rich Ore.

Five veins running eight to fifty inches in width contain free gold ore running up to \$8 a pound. The second rich find was made by John Letendry on Golconda creek. The ore is comparable in richness with that of Nelson's find.

In the Nelson discovery pinnings with an eight-inch frypan were taken, of the gouge alongside the vein and gave \$1 to the pan.

In the Nabesna mine a core drill sent in at the 250-foot level on a vein explored to a depth of 650 feet cut eight feet of ore which gave samples of \$12,000 to the ton, but which showed an average sampling \$300 to \$800 per ton.

Rely on Airplane.

The report has had the effect of creating a mild stampede, although the district is difficult to reach, it being necessary for stampedees to travel by dogteam in winter and lay up until the thaw in spring, relying upon airplane travel to emerge in summer when streams are swollen. As yet no trails have been blazed into the region.

In anticipation of being compelled to rely upon airplane transportation, until a road is built into the new bonanza district, two large hangars are being constructed in Cordova. Four planes have been based at the airport and others are expected to be added.

Ramie Industry Due to Be Big Florida Boost

Miami, Fla.—Successful development of processes for recovery of ramie fiber from its stalk, expected to add thousands of dollars to the wealth of Florida, has been announced here.

Charles R. Pierce, Miami lawyer, said two American mills reported experiments with spinning and weaving of yarns from fiber prepared by the new method were satisfactory. Although used since prehistoric

times, ramie has not been produced on a commercial basis because methods of extracting the fiber have been crude and costly. Long recognized as one of the strongest of all vegetable fibers, ramie has been used by the Chinese for centuries.

Pierce and his associates experimented for six and a half years to develop an economical process of recovering the fiber. Yarn spun from ramie has been successfully knitted by machinery, in addition to being woven, Pierce said.

"Ramie will not replace cotton, wool, silk or linen," he said. "It has a place all its own. It can be dyed with any dye that can be used for cotton or linen. Unlike other textiles, it does not shrink."

U. S. Prohibits Camera Shots in Mail Rooms

Washington.—Elaborate preparations of gangsters for a supposed post office robbery have led to a ban on photographs of post office workrooms, the Post Office department has announced. Five men recently requested officials of a second-class post office where large sums of money are handled for permission to photograph the workroom. The men said they were permitted to photograph four out of five offices they visited.

Later the five were arrested by police and identified as members of a well-known gang. Post office authorities, in issuing the warning, said that "no doubt they intended to burglarize the post office when conditions were such that they were sure they could obtain a large sum of money."

They Roost Together

Wilson, S. C.—A cat and a large red rooster have become inseparable buddies on the farm of Lucian Barnes. During the day they roam the farm, side by side. At night the rooster stays on the ground to be beside its pal.

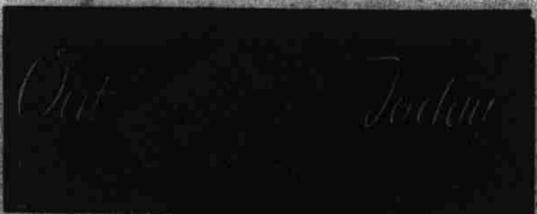
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