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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Rejoice in labor, this is the gift of God.—Eccl. 3:13

You know the joy of labor—

None else shall lack a service

Who only seek His will

And He doth teach His children—

—ANNE SHIPTON

Births and Deaths Equal in Cisco During January, Statistics Show

Vital statistics for January, according to reports to Dr. W. P. Lee, city health physician, shows births and deaths equal, including three deaths outside the city limits. There were twelve births and nine deaths within the corporate limits of Cisco.

Births in Cisco: Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Myrick, Jan. 26, a boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Mar. sler, Jan. 6, a girl. Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Holder, Jan. 8, a boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hollander, Jan. 12, a girl. Born to Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Smith, Jan. 3, a boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Theford, Jan. 25, a boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. McCaslin, Dec. 13, 1936, a boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Anderson, Jan. 24, a boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. F.

Today's Crossword Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes 'Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle' and a list of words like Press, Tube, Grape, Kind of antelope, Breeze, Quarry, Dwell, Protuberance, Small cap used in mining, Diamonds, Calcium, Alkaline solution, Strain, Frost of the foot, Fried over and sew together, Connected person, Daydream, Benders, Suitable, Machine for spreading hay, German river, Pheasant, Pen, Lamb's pen name, Phosphate, Canal, For fear that, Age, Finish.

Low Fire Loss

THE property owner who fails to see his own interests in the protection of the property of others against fire losses can profitably regard the additional credit of five per cent of the insurance key rate which has just been awarded this community because of its low record of losses. This credit will mean a saving of hundreds of dollars to fire insurance policy holders here. It was gained because of the cooperative effort of the community, as represented by its fire department and other agencies devoted to property protection, to reduce the number and extent of fires. Thus the effort to prevent one's neighbor from suffering by reason of fire, returns actual cash savings to one. The benefit does not stop there, either. It extends its influence to the renter, the purchaser of goods in the price of which insurance charges must be absorbed, and indirectly to everybody who lives in the town.

AS Fire Marshall Gustafson pointed out, fully eighty-five per cent of fires are caused by carelessness. If the people of Cisco will realize that, and will take the necessary precautions, the town can be made practically free of fires. Constant vigilance is the price of this freedom.

ANOTHER influence which a low fire record will have, is in the direction of attracting new business. Business men are not inclined to invest in areas where heavy fire losses point to community careless and constant menace. A low fire loss record is an argument that has weight.

The Presidents Vs. Supreme Court

Lincoln Bests Justice Taney in Three Rounds

By MORGAN M. BEATTY

WASHINGTON—Abraham Lincoln got all the breaks in his struggles with the supreme court, and he used them to score three complete victories.

The groundwork for Lincoln's belligerence, ironically enough, was laid by the supreme court itself in the ill-starred Dred Scott decision four years before the Civil war.

The ruling was written by the same Roger B. Taney that Jackson had elevated to the highest tribunal 26 years before. Taney was close to his 80th year and the possessor of sound mental and physical health when his decision was written that left Dred Scott in servitude and, in effect, validated slavery north of the "36-30" on the ground that the Missouri compromise was unconstitutional.

Senatorial Candidate Lincoln caught the issue early out in Illinois and used it to the hilt against Douglas in their famous debates. The lanky Illinois lawyer denounced the bold decision as a declaration to abide by the decision.

Lincoln Speaks Out: "We think the court's decision, when fully settled, should control not only the particular cases decided but the general policy of the country," he argued. "But we think the Dred Scott decision is erroneous."

The towering Taney, austere, now somewhat stooped, but firm, silently held his ground, and it is small wonder that the war was only a few months old before he ran into trouble with the equally determined Lincoln.

The first skirmish came when the military forces arrested John Merryman and imprisoned him in Fort McHenry, near Baltimore, on charges of raising rebel forces.

The prisoner asked for a writ of habeas corpus and got it from Taney, who was sitting at circuit court judge. By authority of Lincoln, the army declined to produce the prisoner. Promptly Taney held the Fort McHenry command in contempt. This decision likewise was ignored.

TANEY STRIKES BACK: The chief justice then proceeded to write an opinion pointing out that the civil courts were still clothed with full authority. He sent a copy to the president.

Shortly after he took this decisive step, the 84-year-old justice remarked on leaving home for court one day: "It is likely I will be imprisoned at Fort McHenry myself before nightfall, but I am going to court to do my duty."

Lincoln merely obtained an opinion from his attorney general that the president, as commander-in-chief of the army, was acting for the public safety. Taney's orders were ignored. Meanwhile, the harassed president was absorbed in the war, and allowed three vacancies to accumulate in the high tribunal by 1862.

Lincoln Wins: Whatever the reason, Lincoln suddenly turned his attention to the empty seats, and sent the senate three nominations which were approved in rapid order.

Before the court were the famous "prize cases," involving the right of the union to blockade southern ports. When the decision came down, Lincoln's three new justices swung the tide, and the union won. The margin was 5-4.

The third and last encounter between the Lincoln administration and the tenacious Taney was a minor difference over the deduction by the treasury of 3 per cent of the justices' salaries—part of a government-wide war economy measure.

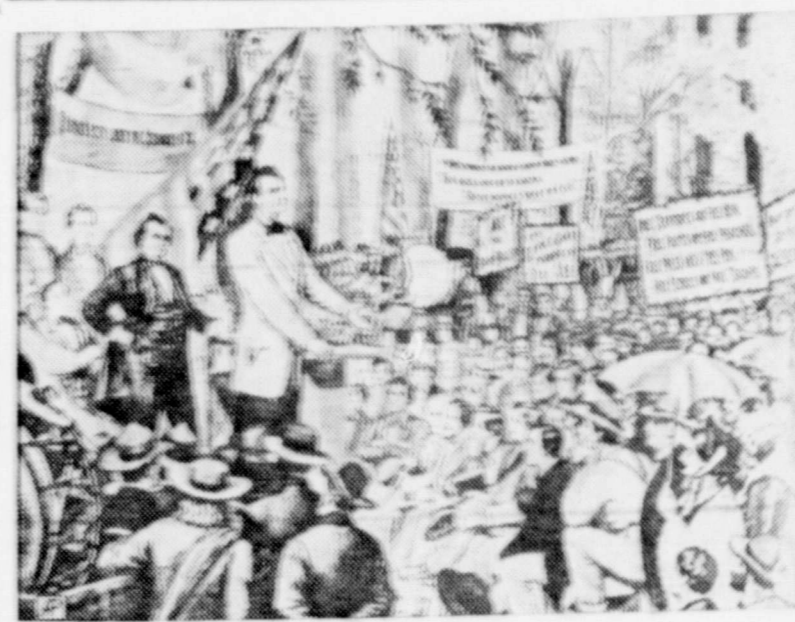
Taney protested in vain. "I see no hope," he wrote despairingly to a friend. "that the supreme court will ever again be restored to the authority and rank which the constitution intended to confer upon it."

Score Stands Even: The fact remained that Lincoln gained his immediate ends—and the supreme court was discredited temporarily in the public eye. Years were to elapse before the greatness of Taney as a chief justice would be recognized.

The score of the contests between the supreme court and the presidents then stood at two-all, and one draw. Washington and Jefferson had lost; Jackson and Lincoln had won.

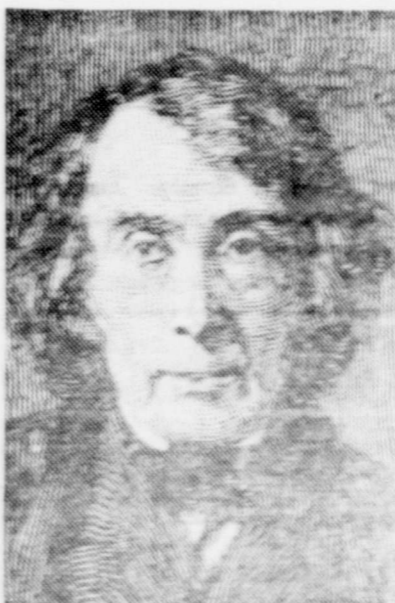
Historians may argue at length about the draw, but the fact remains that both sides could claim a victory. The contenders were President Martin Van Buren, Jackson's political heir to the White House, and a much younger Roger B. Taney.

Van Buren charged the court was invading executive authority when it awarded damages to postal contractors whose contracts had



HE CARRIED THE FIGHT TO THE COUNTRY

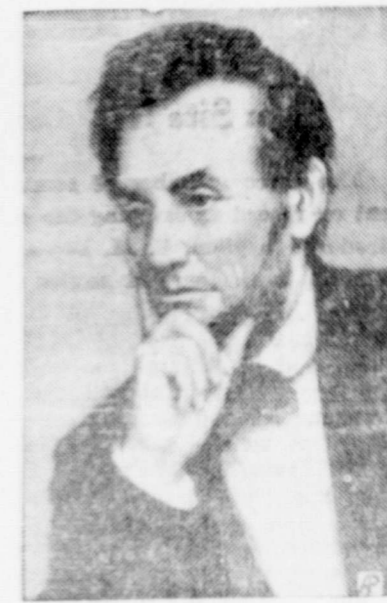
Lincoln, in his historic debates with Stephen A. Douglas as a candidate for the senate, expressed his reverence for the supreme court but challenged Taney's legal logic. "We think," he said bluntly, "the Dred Scott decision is erroneous." Taney held his ground, and a few months after the Civil War started locked horns with Lincoln again.



HE STARTED IT

Chief Justice Roger B. Taney brought the slavery issue to a head when, in his Dred Scott decision, he held a slave remained a slave even when taken into free territory.

been revoked by Jackson. But his pride was salvaged when the justices found occasion not long afterward to assert the president's authority was inviolate in his perjury.



AND HE WON

Public opinion in a majority of the states eventually supported Lincoln in his opposition to slavery, but it took a bloody war to impress that view upon the south.

Next: Latter-day battles between the executive and the judiciary.



SAFETY—OR THIS?

DEATH, in the guise of heavily loaded motor trucks, rides the highways of Texas every day and every night. The toll of human death and injury of these vehicles is appalling. In the five-year period, 1932 to 1936, inclusive, trucks in Texas have participated in 8,416 highway accidents in which 2,195 persons were killed and 11,962 injured. In 1936 alone, their record stood 2,208 accidents with 3,323 persons injured and 576 killed. These actual records of people killed, as shown by Texas newspapers, compared with the number of deaths resulting from all motor vehicle accidents, as given by the Bureau of Vital Statistics in Austin, show that the average Texas truck participates in twice as many fatal accidents as the average passenger car.

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Deaths in Cisco: Mrs. Elizabeth Mary Foley, died Jan. 2, aged 94 years. Julia M. Johnson, died Jan. 3, aged 80 years.

Deaths in Precinct 4: The following were the January deaths in precinct 4: A. B. Alvey, died Jan. 2. Mrs. Mary Lucina Hoover, died Jan. 25.

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lower water dams, rodent control, strip-cropping, linter and contour farming, reforestation, reforestation, crop rotation, planting of soil-holding crops, retirement from cultivation of highly erosive areas, and other measures.

Soil Conservation Board

A state soil conservation board of nine members would be selected, five of which would come from as many districts whose boundaries are fixed in the bill to bring equal representation. Members would not be paid more than \$10 for each working day, with travel expenses. Custody of all funds and securities of the board would be entrusted to state treasurer. A \$10,000 appropriation is asked for, for the next biennium, \$50,000 appropriation.

County soil conservation districts would be formed co-extensive with the boundaries of any county, which may be formed into a conservation district by vote of its qualified citizens. The county judge and commissioners would become the governing body. A district board would assist landowners in carrying out soil conservation measures, to be financed, so far as the state is concerned, by the diversion to each district, for a period of 10 years beginning 1937, of funds accruing from 10 cents of the state ad valorem tax rate.

The bill provides no debt or obligation shall ever be created by any soil conservation district that cannot be reasonably retired within a period of 10 years out of funds granted under provisions of the act itself.

License Law---

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1) associations, and our various service clubs. The problem is a serious one and obviously cannot be solved this month or this year, but if we want to bad enough we can accomplish great things in preventing wholesale slaughter on our highways.

"In the next five years we should be able to reduce our automobile accident rate by at least 40 per cent. The problem is yours and its ultimate solution depends entirely on you."

It is against the law to hunt deer with dogs in Erath county, Texas—although there are no wild deer there. The best absinthe contains 70 to 80 per cent alcohol.

ESCAPE IF YOU CAN

BY FREDERICK JACKSON

SYNOPSIS: Count Vronski, who has been blackmailing Anne Phelps with love letters, is shot to death in the studio. Bigelow, the cameraman from Paris, finds Anne Karsanokoff, the glamorous dancer, staring at the corpse. They are in a party, then Bigelow and Dr. Austrelitz, the physician, move it to Vronski's home. Police arrest Thorne Dryden, a wealthy chap who hated Vronski. When Dryden's wife, Lorna, vanishes, Anne and Bigelow determine to find her and set out on a tour of the night spots.

Chapter 25
Checking Up at Madge's
They arrived at Madge's place about 11 and got a ringside table for two, that had been reserved for somebody else. But miracles happened for Anne. And she had scarcely got seated when Madge Forrester joined them.

She was a haggard looking woman, very heavily made up, and she spoke in a listless drawl as though the effort were almost too much for her strength. She could never have been a beauty, but she was amusing and she had undeniable charm.

"Darling," she said, dragging a chair from the next table and joining them. "I hoped you'd come down, young man. I know your seat belonged to somebody else, but that's his trouble. He's not my friend. Don't notice him, he'll go away. You might introduce me to your friend before he's rude to me."

"Mr. Bigelow—Mrs. Forrester," said Anne, laughing. "And he's your ride to ladies."

"Oh! Disappointing. I like 'em sometimes. Remind me to give you my bruises. But not now. What do you make of all this business—Vronski getting himself all shot to pieces and taking to cover? Not covers, mind, cover." And apparently she all started at my place.

"I wanted to come over and see you that night but I was drinking with a couple of drunks that might have got out of hand if I left them and they didn't pass for hours. Tell me about it!"

"I don't know any more than I've seen in the papers," said she.

"Honestly! If that bohunk bumps me once more I'll turn round and give him a look. I'm sticking out on the dance floor but a lady has to stick somewhere. Do you think Dryden really did it? I can't imagine myself. In this town you can get somebody really important tipped out for the price of a bottle of wine. And some people don't like wine. So why pack a rod?"

"Will you tell me that in words of syllable? I met a fellow once who had a printed list complete with prices. Union rates. He didn't care who he killed but Russians were the cheapest. And talking about Russians, that was Russian who was on your party that night, wasn't she? What war is she start?"

"She's Karsanokoff, the dancer." "Yes! She must be something if she got all those jewels dancing over in a corner with Woody Taylor, now, wearing those pearls that you can put one in soup. Don't go away—I'll be back."

Chet Quotes the Baroness
She rose with an exaggerated air and moved off to join some people who were beckoning to her from another table. A waiter

swooped down on the chair in which she had been sitting and bore it after her.

"Does she always go on like that?" asked Bigelow curiously.

"More or less. She's really a professional entertainer in a way, you see. She's earned a living



At Madge's place they got a ringside table for two.

this way since the crash—for herself and her husband and four dogs.

"Doesn't her husband do anything?" asked Bigelow.

"Drinks," said Anne laconically. "Shall we dance? I want to see who else is here and one can get a better view from the dance floor. It's plain that Madge doesn't know anything about Lorna."

The dance floor was crowded as usual, but they pushed in and managed to remain on the outside edge. Some little way toward the center, Woody Taylor was dancing with Karsanokoff, holding her

in the collegiate manner Mirabelle Barney was also dancing with an amiable looking very fat young man.

"That's Tommy Tuttle. He writes society news and always knows everything before anybody else. God knows how he does it. We'll have a word with him," said Anne.

Halfway around the dance floor, they discovered Chet Harrison, also at a ringside table, but it was set for four. He was with a short, slight young man rather sullen looking.

"That's Nickie MacKann, the jockey," said Anne. "There seem to be two vacant chairs. Probably Mirabelle is with them. Let's stop."

They stopped and were warmly welcomed by Chet who introduced Bigelow to MacKann. Then he turned to Anne, grinning.

"Wasn't the baroness something?" he cried. "I mean at the Colony. I don't know why it is, but whenever the girls feel like making a scene, they wait until they have a date with me. Nothing will satisfy her but your head in the basket, my precious."

"What has she got against me?" asked Anne. "I've always been particularly nice to her."

"She swears you rubbed out her boy friend," grinned Chet.

"What?" cried Bigelow angrily to give Anne time to cover. Chet and MacKann glanced at him, which was what Bigelow had intended. Chet nodded understandingly.

"I know. I felt like that, too. The woman is certainly screwy."

"She must be," breathed Anne. "She Loved the Man"

"She admits she has no grounds for her suspicions," went on Chet, "but she says her intuition is never at fault. She says because you are rich, people are shielding you, but the truth will come out—I am to mark her words! She says in this country the only crime is to be poor. She says the rich can do as they please. She says the moment she stepped into the studio that night, she knew something was wrong. She felt it in the air. Oh, I had a merry little session with her at the Colony after you left. And even Dryden's arrest hasn't shaken her

conviction. She says now that Dryden is shielding you and that that's why Lorna has disappeared. She's found it out and she has left him."

Anne sat gazing at him speechlessly.

"But if she goes about saying these things, she can be prosecuted," cried Bigelow.

"She'd probably like that," said MacKann.

"You don't suppose anyone will believe her?" protested Chet. It's obvious enough—she was in love with the man and jealous of our Anne. That's all. Weren't we all together there when Vronski telephoned? It was about a quarter to four then and the police say he was killed about that time. And Anne was still there when the party broke up which was long after that. No, the woman is just suffering from frustration."

"Just the same, I don't like it," murmured Anne. "A lot of people who don't know me as well as you do might hear her talk and think there's something in it."

"It might not be a bad idea to have your lawyer get in touch with her and warn her," admitted Chet.

"I will," said Anne, determinedly.

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Madge drops a helpful hint about Poppy, tomorrow.

Several small oaks and sycamores, enough to give the appearance of a young hedge, grow in the mortar between bricks atop a building in Reidsville, Ga.

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Record Deer Is Bagged by Hunter
STERLING, Colo., Feb. 17. (AP)—J. C. Copey, Sterling hunter, has been informed the deer he killed during the 1936 season in Colorado has a spread of antlers greater than any on record.

The information came to him in a letter from an organization known as "Records of North American Big Game," of New York.

Copey's deer, killed near Pannonia, Colo., had antlers which measured 31 inches. Hunters estimated it weighed 325 pounds when killed.

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