

Pictures of World Events for News Readers

In This Department Our Readers in Fulton County and Elsewhere May Journey Around the World With the Camera on the Trail of History Making Happenings.

Love of the World and Love of the Father
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TEXT—Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof, but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever.—1 John 2:15-17.

By the word "world" the inspired writer no doubt means everything that is opposed to God, everything within the sphere of our existence considered as in the kingdom of sin. We are not to love these things, for to love is to surrender oneself, and the creature who surrenders himself to the world is ruined by it.

If any man loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him; in other words, we cannot love God and love the world at the same time. Of course, there is a proper regard for the world which we may have; a regard for the beauty and perfection of God's works, for the achievements of science or the acquisition of wealth, or personal influence, but it is where the regard for these things trenches upon our love for the Author and Giver of them that its wrongfulness and enmity appear.

Suppose you were to receive two letters from different friends, each saying that he would visit you at the same day and hour. And suppose they were so ungenerous to each other that it would be embarrassing and injudicious to permit them to meet, what would you do? To one or the other you must excuse yourself. Which shall it be? Other matters aside, it will be the one you love least.

So there comes a time in the life of each of us when we hear the Father of our spirits knocking at our door and asking to come in and be our guest. The god of this world is already in the enjoyment of our hospitality, but now we must decide whom we shall choose.

The Word tells us that we are not to love the world because all that is in the world is not of the Father. And now it is explained just what is meant. Three things are named: "the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life." "Lust" in this case refers to any passion or propensity of the heart for forbidden things, or even for proper things when indulged in overmuch.

The "lust of the flesh" pertains to the gratification of the grosser bodily appetites; the "lust of the eyes," the covetous desire for the things of others, and the "pride of life" points to arrogance and boasting.

Nor are these three great principles of worldly-mindedness named at random, for at least twice before do they appear together in the Bible, first in the temptation of Eve in the garden of Eden and second in the temptation of Christ in the wilderness. Read carefully the third chapter of Genesis and the fourth of Matthew for the evidence of this.

But not only are these things incompatible with the love of the Father, but they are further argued against on the ground of their fleetness, for "the world passeth away and the lust thereof."

A mysterious curse wastes down and wears out all man's workmanship, and it is the same even with the physical creation. Seas and shores are continually changing places, and mountains and rivers are drying up. Many ages pass before the eye in the course of a half-hour's reading of history, and the duration of an Alexander or a Caesar is but the affair of a few moments.

Not only does the world pass away, but the lust thereof. We sicken of the world in time. The evil days come, and the years draw nigh when we say: "I have no pleasure in them." Daniel Webster, in the sunset hours of his distinguished life, said to his biographer: "I care no more about politics than a jackdaw that sits on top of St. Paul's," and then he quoted Cowper's lines:

He sees that this great round-about,
The world, with all its motley rout,
Church, army, physic, law,
Its customs, and its business,
Are no concerns at all of his,
And says, What says he?—"Gaw!"

"Oh, who wishes to seize and hold that as an object of his supreme desire which is doomed to death and perpetual defeat? Is there not a more excellent way? Is there nothing we can love and lean upon when these things of earth are vanishing like a spectre from our sight? Yes, answers the apostle: "He that doeth the will of God abideth forever."

These were almost the last words of D. L. Moody, the great evangelist and the great educator of Christian youth. They are inscribed upon his tombstone. They are suspended in a golden frame over the mantel in the room made sacred by his presence in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Hundreds of young and old pass through that room every year and gaze upon those words, and gain new inspiration and new direction for their lives for them. God grant it to some of you.

Grace for Prosperity.
The man who has an empty cup may pray and should pray that it may be filled; but he that has a full cup ought to pray that he might hold it firmly. It needs prayer in prosperity that we may have grace to use it, as truly as it needs prayer in poverty that we may have grace to bear it.—Cumming.

One's Duty.
Our country's welfare is our first concern, and who promotes that best, best proves his duty.—Harvard.

SALVATION ARMY WORKERS READY TO LEAVE FOR FRANCE



A group of Salvation Army workers photographed at the New York headquarters ready to leave for service with the American army in France. They will aid the soldiers in many ways, from holding religious services to writing love letters to the girls back home. The women members of the party will repair the clothes of the boys when not otherwise engaged.

GERMANS APPARENTLY PROPOSE TO REMAIN ON OESEL ISLAND



This photograph of the Germans on Oesel Island, near the mouth of the gulf of Finland, is the first to arrive in America and indicates, by the shelters the soldiers are building, that they intend to stay there through the winter at least. At the right of the illustration is a German soldier signaling to a transport in the harbor.

GERMAN BOMBING PARTY BEING DRIVEN BACK BY THE FRENCH



This photograph, taken by a German officer who deserted and fled to Holland, shows a German bombing party being driven back by French mitrailleuse fire and trying to gain the shelter of the shell crater in the foreground. Five of the seven have been shot down.

ALLIED RE-ENFORCEMENTS BEING HURRIED TO ITALY



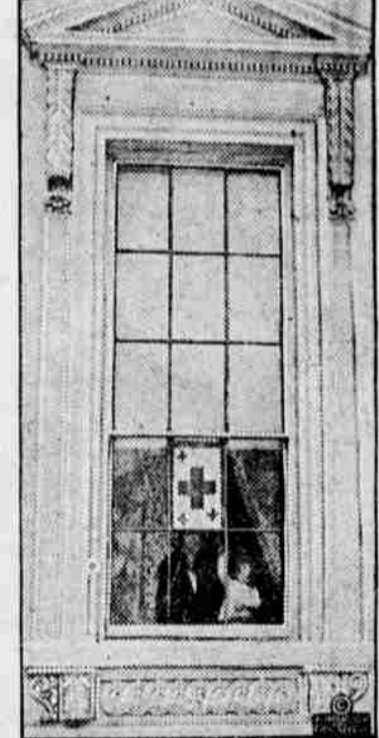
The allies rushed re-enforcements to Italy to help stop the Austro-German advance when it was at its height, and these re-enforcements have been a great aid to the Italians. The photograph shows one of the first batches of French autos as they arrived in Milan. These autos are used as transport trucks.

GERMAN AIRPLANE ABLAZE IN MIDAIR



This wonderful picture of a Boche plane blazing in midair as it hurtled downward is one of the most remarkable photographs made in the war. The German battleplane was flying above the lines "somewhere in France," when a French airplane got directly overhead. He dropped a bomb, hitting the Boche machine squarely in the middle. It fell a flaming mass as this photograph was made.

WHITE HOUSE SERVICE FLAG



Little Ellen Wilson McAdoo, daughter of Secretary and Mrs. McAdoo and granddaughter of President Wilson, hanging a Red Cross service flag in a window of the White House. The flag indicates that three members of the executive's household have joined the Red Cross.

TAILOR OF THE TRENCHES



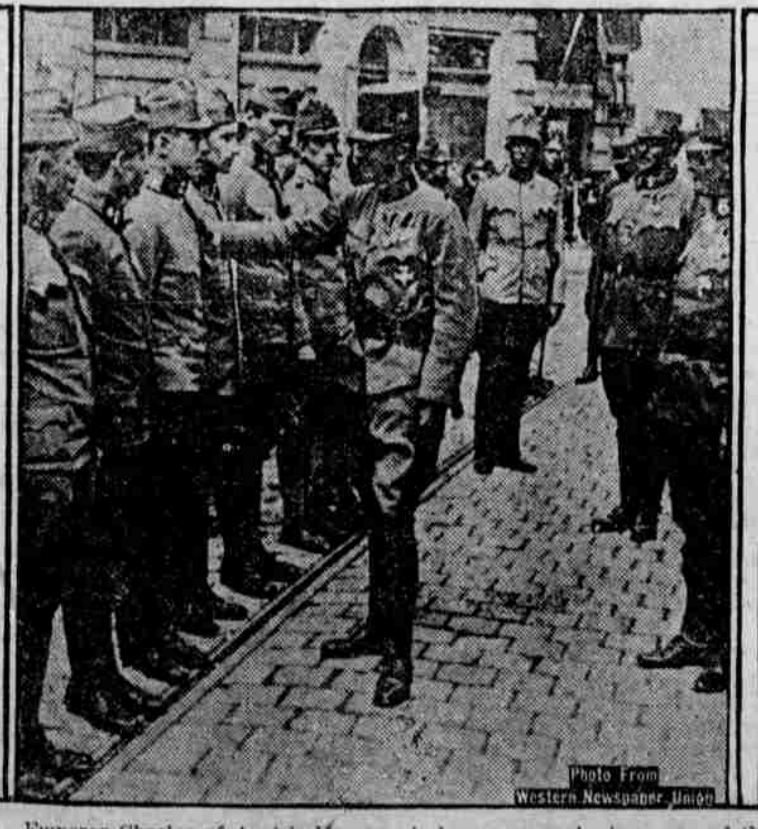
A tailor of the trenches on the west front receiving a customer whose coat needs mending. His shop is built of salvaged iron, boards and bricks and his sign is an old sewing machine found in the ruins of a house.

ONE OF THE TRAGEDIES OF HALIFAX



Two British sailors digging for the bodies of the members of their families in the Halifax ruins, which are covered with snow and ice. The seamen found the charred remains of their relatives and carried them away. It was just one of the thousands of pathetic cases caused by the great explosion. One of the sailors had a wife and two children, and the other a wife and three children. The entire families were wiped out.

EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA REVIEWING TROOPS



Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary is here seen reviewing some of the troops that took part in the drive into Italy and praising the officers for their work. This is the first photograph of the emperor to reach America in many months.

Hard on the Guide.
One of the guides in Glacier National Park, says Outing, is, or was, named Mike Shannon. He was born with the usual Irish sense of humor, but there are some tourist vagaries that are beyond the range of even his generous comprehension.

Once upon a time he guided a nature-loving lady of more than generous physical proportions. Mounting her horse and dismounting was a task that taxed all her powers and incidentally most of Mike's as well.

At a particularly bad place in the trail a majestic pine towered from the steep slope. As they rounded the turn the lady tourist called to Mike:

"Mr. Guide, help me down!"

With some difficulty the feat was accomplished. She panted up to the foot of the tree. There she stood gazing upward for a moment, and then in a loud, clear voice called out:

"Oh tree, I salute thee!"

Then she went back to the horse.

"Mr. Guide, help me up!"

They accomplished the mounting with a hundred per cent increase in effort, and moved forward.

"What did you say, Mike?" another guide inquired when Mike told the story later.

"Me?" said Mike. "Nothing; but I just thought I'd hate to be the fellow to guide her through the California redwoods."—Youth's Companion.

Furlough Means Mule?
The reading class was in session and the word "furlough" occurred. Miss Jones, the teacher, asked if any little girl or boy knew the meaning of the word.

"Furlough means a mule," said the child.

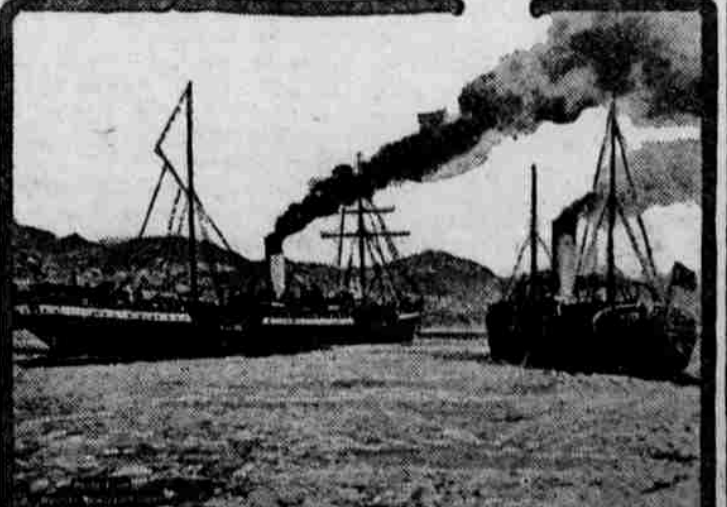
"Oh, no, it doesn't," said the teacher.

"Yes, ma'am," insisted the little girl. "I have the book at home that says so."

Miss Jones told the child to bring the book to school. The next morning the child came armed with a book and showed a picture of a soldier riding a mule, under which was the caption: "Going home on his furlough."

Courtesy a Shock.
In the hurry and bustle of metropolitan life people don't seem to have any time to be polite and when any courtesy is shown it usually takes one's breath away. "The other day," said a New York visitor, "I was leaving one of the big buildings on lower Broadway, and a young man stepped in front of me just before I reached the swinging doors. I expected, of course, he would let the door fly back at me, and instinctively braced myself to meet it. I was so flabbergasted with surprise when he stopped and held the door open for me to pass, that I came near forgetting to thank him. I did clean forget to ask him where he came from and how long he had been here."

VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA'S EASTERN PORT



Scene in the harbor of Vladivostok, the Russian port on the Japan sea where vast quantities of stores sent by the allies are piled up.