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times. But somehow we don't seem able to keep him satisfied.

"Do you want to marry John?" inquired the mother.

"I can't decide," replied daughter dear. "He's an artist, you know, and doesn't believe there is a hell."

"Marry him dear," said mother, "and between us we'll convince him that he is wrong."

Teacher (sternly)—Elmer, who was it that threw that paper-wad while my back was turned? Do you know?

Elmer (the one who did it)—Yes, I know, I know who it was. But I don't like to tell.

Teacher—That is very honorable of you, Elmer. Come to my desk when school is over and I will give you this nice red apple.

Sheridan Items

There was considerable wind with a heavy rain here Saturday night. Damage to crops is estimated at several thousand dollars. All creeks of this section were swollen and out of banks.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb, of Brunkle, Louisiana, are visiting friends and relatives in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Belle Kincheol are the fond parents of a fine son, born Wednesday morning.

Mrs. C. A. Lundquist and daughter, Evelyn Grace, spent the week-end with friends and relatives in Coulter.

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COMMERCIAL TENSION

It must appear the reports of Japanese trade to the west, an alarm which the rest of the commercial world at the hands of the Japanese are making in pushing their goods in competition with Western nations. The alarm is caused not only by what already has been won but also what is likely to be won in the immediate future. There is hardly a market place in the world where Japanese goods are not on sale, or a port where the flag of the rising sun is not flapping in the breeze.

A recent Foreign Policy Bulletin, for example, calls attention to Japanese penetration into Siam, its export trade having risen from less than 5,000,000 yen in 1927 to more than 20,000,000 in 1934. This is largely at the expense of Great Britain. But Japan is also cultivating a commercial center in Bangkok.

It is even suggested that Japan may conquer the building of a comparatively simple canal for sea-going ships across the Kra Isthmus. This would divert trade from the Malacca Strait and materially reduce the importance of Singapore as a commercial center and military base.

A Japanese might say that its foresight, energy and unity of purpose are deserving of the reward it is winning. If other nations are to survive, they are successfully applying their might to the future. Just at present Japan is on the upward road toward trade supremacy and is now speculating on the future of the world.

Uncle Sam is still mulling over last trade but does nothing about it.—Dallas News.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

This Is Dynamic.

The Magazine of Wall Street: Under the guise of more bank reform, the administration has drafted and will attempt to pass through Congress a bill which will convert the Federal Reserve System into a central bank, dominated by the Treasury. This will mean a banking system controlled by and subject to the fiscal aims of the new deal.

The proposed mechanism is a convenient substitute for the printing press. To be sure, it will be equipped with brakes, as well as an accelerator—but in the absence of any semblance of a private credit boom it is obvious that acceleration is the real motive. It is to be doubted that the brakes mean power. If they are successfully applied before a ruinous inflation is produced it will be the first time in history that this difficult trick has been performed by a spending and borrowing government. The device is so handy a device for unlimited issuance of bonds and money.

It is true that our banking system is a faulty ledger-book. It is faulty through revision of it has never been politically possible, and apparently is not politically possible today. It is true that the Federal Reserve System has been a disaster, partly because of the abnormal demands made upon it in a chaotic war and post-war period, and partly because the monetary automatic balance wheels of gold and commercial paper have ceased to be effective. We have too much gold and too little commercial paper.

But if we can not set up a thoroughly sound and elastic banking system—such as Great Britain has for example—then we have no right to expect to go along with what we have to do to embark upon the dangerous adventure in political control of credit and currency now proposed.

For twenty years, under the leadership of the Federal Reserve, the Roosevelt administration's watchword in jamming hastily improvised legislation of almost any conceivable consequences through Congress. Surely, the time has come to pause and take thought. Our continuing emergency is not so acute that all will be lost if the American people are given time to ponder what may easily prove the most momentous of the Roosevelt experiments.

Franklin's at JOE LUNA'S.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

We are living in an age of achievement—age in which many of us have earned to prize the quietness of the night.

On last Thursday afternoon, the ladies of the Catholic Altar Society entertained with a surprise party in honor of one of their most beloved members, Mrs. M. J. Thompson.

The ladies of the society, and other members of the society, were present at the home of Mrs. Thompson, who was the hostess.

When they walked in on her, she was sitting placidly at her machine, sewing. They were surprised to find her so calm and composed, and not having any train service. Railroad officials were here Monday looking over the flooded sections of the city.

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