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But Zulamith with sturdy heart one evening had begun To build a bridge of light to span the space from star to sun; And Salami in loving faith from her lone home afar, She, too, began to build a bridge of light from sun to star.

They toiled and built a thousand years in love's all-conquering might:

And so the Milky Way was made-that starry bridge of light, Which stretches out to distances no mortal eye can trace And spans the awful gulf between the shores of boundless space.

But all the angels stood aghast at their presumptuous guilt: 'O God, behold what Salami and Zulamith have built! On the Almighty's face they saw a smile and not a frown: "What love hath built in either world that will not I pull down.'

And Salami and Zulamith, when their long toil was done, Straight rushed into each other's arms and melted into one And thus was born the brightest star in heaven's arch that dwelt.

Great Sirius, the mighty sun, beneath Orion's belt.

Thus all who on the earth of ours have loved so true and glad, But have been torn apart by death and sin and sorrow sad, May meet again and be as one in everlasting bliss;

For love and faith can bridge the space between that world and this.

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unceremoniously halted while a spokesman of this Invisible Empire has in the name of his organization expressed his approval of the church, its pastor and congregation and substantiated that sentiment with a small donation to the church. In all instances, so far as we are aware, have this cheap proffer of the organization to buy itself into the good graces of the church in question been accepted with thanks. In no instance, to our knowledge, has any minister felt the impropriety of such intrusion of a house of worship sufficient to deal with the intruders according to the code of principles expressed by Rev. Urmy.

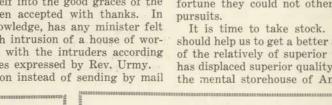
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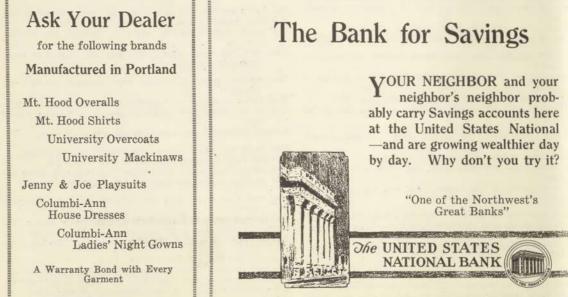
or messenger a check or money order to the churches or pastors held worthy, always selects the time of church service to make their donation in such conspicious manner, displaying to the world that they have as little respect for the sanctity of the church as they have for the principle of Christian worship, is something upon which the public has a right to pass judgment. There can be but one reason: that of attracting attention.

But should an individual, even numasked and with less ostentatiousness, no matter how prominent, choose similarly to display both his generosity and approval of a pastor and his church during the hour of worship, his intrusion would most likely be frowned upon by the recipients and the public alike and he would be held up to scorn as a man seeking cheap publicity, a man whose sense of propriety and regards for the deity could hardly be regarded in the light of anything but a mockery. Just why this organization can flauntingly violate accepted principles, that would not be tolerated on the part of an individual, is something that furnishes food for thought.

There is something about this movement in this direction as well as in every other way that smack of politics, something enlarged upon and used to further some cause or other with the gullible elements who are too busy to do their own thinking and perfectly willing to take for granted the inflated "facts and figures" presented by some hysterical individuals busy hunting for some vehicle or other that may serve the purpose of carrying them to a measure of fame and fortune they could not otherwise gain in ordinary pursuits.

It is time to take stock. An accurate inventory should help us to get a better and more defined opinion of the relatively of superior values. Inferior quality has displaced superior quality to a menacing degree in the mental storehouse of America.





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