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Has the Day of Judgement Arrived?

IS THE world really going to hell? Two recent happenings, one not in the state of Oregon, the other in the state, require comment. The first is the rather astonishingly bitter battle, or undignified fracas, at present being waged over the anti-evolution teaching law of Tennessee. The second is a letter appearing in the Oregonian on May 18 in which a "Taxpayer" charges the University of Oregon with exerting an irreligious influence on the students in attendance there. At first thought these two incidents may not appear to have much in common, other than the peculiar type of narrow mindedness as displayed by the utterances of Mr. Bryan and Mr. Taxpayer.

However, each is indicative of the same movement and each is indicative of a certain attitude of mind on the part of an apparently growing number of the population. Persons of this class have somehow come to feel the responsibility of being "their brother's keeper" and they are deadly serious about carrying out this self-appointed mission. They are so deadly in earnest about it because they really believe that if they don't the world "will go to hell," "the eternal damnation bows-down," or "what-not."

Mr. Bryan said in a speech delivered in Brooklyn on last Monday defending the now-famous Tennessee law forbidding the teaching of evolution in the public schools, "We must win if the world is to be saved." Mr. Taxpayer in his letter in the Oregonian quotes a man as saying that "he believed the University was responsible for many of its students going to hell."

There is a remarkable similarity in the fundamental thought, or mental slant, in those two sentences. Each shows a sublime confidence, a self-righteous smugness, on the part of those individuals in their own godliness and in their self-ordained authority to instruct others as to what is right and what is wrong. They fancy they already hear the keys of St. Peter jingling in their sanctimonious pockets, and now they must show others the Light.

"If you believe as I do you are right, if you don't believe as I do you are wrong," is the tenor of their pious chant. That there may still be some open questions in the field of ethics, religion, and moral conduct apparently is inconceivable to this type of mind. Mr. Taxpayer writes, "We expect our state institutions of learning to prepare their graduates to right the wrongs of mankind, to prevent civilization from rushing headlong over the brink of destruction, to find a correct solution to the mooted problems of peace and war, the industrial issue between capital and labor, the growing menace of crime."

Fearsome phraseology, true, but carrying far more of an unintelligent emotional appeal by instilling uncerberal fear than demonstrating a careful, thoughtful and judicial analysis of conditions. He speaks of finding correct solutions to various problems, once again giving insight into the style of thought which is blind to various shades of gray but cannot see other than black and white.

It is such as he who dream of Utopia, where all is smooth, smug, atrophic "perfection," and where the thrills of combating resistance and the exotic stimulation of vigorous living are blandly denied entrance and condemned as evil.

"Many of its students have gone to hell!" Who shall say? Surely not Mr. Bryan and Mr. Taxpayer—any more than that those whom they declare as lost should judge others, Mr. Bryan and Mr. Taxpayer included, as themselves having gone to hell.

Would it not seem more consistent, even judicious, if these

persons who so vigorously condemn their brothers would allow God to care for his children, resting secure that He, in His wisdom, omnipotence and power, is amply fitted to care for the glory of His works without the officious, puny assistance of these heavenlier-than-thou calamity howlers?

Fears for His incompetence are unnecessary. For life, after all, is not half bad, civilization has not yet "rushed over the brink of destruction" and the Universe had been spinning merrily a long, long time before the first feeble squalls of Mr. Bryan and others disturbingly announced their arrival on our relatively minute and insignificant portion of His vast plan.

Campus Bulletin

Notices will be printed in this column for two issues only. Copy must be in this office by 5:30 on the day before it is to be published, or must be limited to 20 words.

Delegates from Women's Houses—Meet today with W. A. A. committee to frame new program of women's sports. Room 121, Woman's building.

Beta Alpha Psi—Meeting today at noon at College Side Inn.

Women's Order of the "O"—Meeting tonight at 7:00 sharp. Room 121, Woman's Bldg.

UNIVERSITY BATTALION PARADE SET FOR TODAY

Colonel Leader to Witness Drill of R. O. T. C.

The first event on the program for Junior Week-end is scheduled for 5:15 o'clock this afternoon, when the battalion parade of the University R. O. T. C. unit will be held on the drill grounds south of the barracks.

A large number of students and townspeople have witnessed the weekly parades of the unit, and have noted the steady improvement in the drill during the last month. The parade today will be in the nature of a demonstration of the work which has been done by the military department during the year, and, with the incorporation of several new features, promises to be the best that has yet been given.

Colonel John Leader, who was in charge of military affairs on the University campus during the World War, will witness the parade, as the guest of Lieutenant Colonel W. S. Sinclair, commander of the local R. O. T. C. unit. Although now a resident of Victoria, B. C., Colonel Leader has followed with interest the work and development of the military unit on the campus, since his departure, following the war.

"Whether or not the ceremonies will be in the nature of a parade or a military review has not as yet been decided, but in all probability a parade will be held, as this is the more impressive ceremony," said Captain F. L. Culin, executive officer of the R. O. T. C. department.

Efforts have been made to secure a cameraman of the Oregon Journal's "Webfoot Weekly" news-reel, to take moving pictures of this and other events during Junior Week-end, but no definite arrangements have been completed.

PLEDGING ANNOUNCEMENT
 Kappa Delta Phi announces the pledging of Charles Johnson, of Eugene.

At the Theatres

HEILIG—Today, Friday and Saturday, "So This is Marriage," starring filmdom's newest idol, Eleanor Boardman. "So This is London" road show, comes Monday, and "Janice Meredith," epic of the American Revolution, is an early event.

THE McDONALD—Last day: the comedy sensation "Charley's Aunt," with Syd Chaplin—a roar from start to finish. Prologue, "Mill Race and Moonlight" with Mildred Baldwin and Blair Alderman. McDonald news weekly and short subjects.

Coming: Zane Grey's "Rider of the Purple Sage," Norma Talmage "The Lady," Raymond Griffith, "The Night Club," The picture marvel, "The Last Laugh," Corinne Griffith, "Declasse."

THE REX—Last day: Rudolph Valentino in "Monsieur Beaucaire," the famous star in his greatest role, as the gallant hero of Booth Tarkington's glorious romance, with Bebe Daniels as his Lady Fair, Lois Wilson as the Queen and Doris Kenyon, Lowell Sherman and a great cast of Paramount players; Century comedy, "Clear The Way;" Kinogram News Events; LeRoy DeVaney, in atmospheric accompaniment on the mighty Wurlitzer.

COMING EVENTS

Thursday, May 21
11:00 a. m.—Assembly, Installation of officers, Woman's building.

5:00 a. m.—R. O. T. C. parade, R. O. T. C. field.

Friday, May 22
9:00 a. m.—Painting of the "O".

9:15 a. m.—Tug of war, and burning of green caps on Kincaid field.

11:30 to 1:30—Campus luncheon.

8:00 p. m.—Canoe fete.

Saturday, May 23
9:00 p. m.—Junior Prom, Armory.

REPORTING CLASS TO ISSUE EDITION OF EUGENE GUARD

The reporting class of the school of journalism will put out the Saturday edition of the Eugene Guard as a class assignment, without any assistance from their instructors or the Guard staff. This was done in the case of the Register last month. They will do all the reporting, editorial, make-up—everything except the mechanical work and the advertising. The paper will be turned over Saturday to Ed Miller and Glenn Burch, city editors; M. J. Carr, assistant city editor; J. B. Shaw, news editor; Therman Evans, assistant news editor; and a staff of 35 reporters.

POETRY TO BE FEATURE OF DANCE DRAMA PROGRAMS

A feature of the programs for the Dance Drama next Wednesday night will be the vers libre by Walter Evans Kidd, the University's foremost poet. The story of the two dramas to be presented that night will be found on the programs in verse form.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN SOCIOLOGY RESIGNS

Professor J. W. Albig, a graduate assistant in the school of sociology, has handed in his resignation. This has been the first year on the Oregon campus for Mr. Albig.

VALENTINO SCORES AGAIN!

Last Times Today

in
 'Monsieur Beaucaire'
 with Bebe Daniels
 Lois Wilson

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Wednesday, May 27

AT 8:15 at the

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TICKETS AT LARAWAY'S—CO-OP Admission 25c, 50, 75c

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PLEDGING ANNOUNCEMENT
 Delta Tau Delta announces the pledging of Sante D. Caniparoli of St. Helens, Oregon.

PLEDGING ANNOUNCEMENT
 Delta Delta Delta announces the pledging of Ellen McClellan, from Gillespie, Colorado.

MILTON AND ASHLAND TO DEBATE IN FINALS

Referendum to Be Argued By Winning Schools

The state championship debate in the Oregon high school debating league will be held on the campus on Tuesday evening, May 26. Teams representing the McLoughlin Union high school of Milton and the Ashland high school will debate the question, "Resolved, that the referendum is a desirable feature of representative government." The team from Milton will uphold the affirmative side of the question, and the Ashland debaters will take the negative.

The team which represents the

Ashland high school, composed of Barnard Joy and Marion Leach, and coached by Rosa Dodge Galey, has defeated Klamath Falls, Eugene, and Tillamook in the inter-district preliminaries, and thus has the championship of Western Oregon. The McLoughlin Union high school team, consisting of Roy Herndon and Chester Babcock and coached by Principal B. H. Conkle, is the holder of the Eastern Oregon championship, having defeated The Dalles and Ontario.

The presiding officer of the debate will be Arthur M. Cannon, superintendent of schools at Hood River and president of the Oregon

high school debating league. A special feature of the program will be the presentation of the DeCou cup to the winning team by Professor E. E. DeCou, who founded the debating league in 1907. Announcement of the place where the debate will be held and of the judges for the contest will be made later.

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