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## CHURCHES WILL DEVOTE EASTER TO OBSERVANCE

### Appropriate Programs to Be Held in All Houses of Worship in the City Tomorrow.

Every church in La Grande will tomorrow observe the Easter day with appropriate services. Sermons will be devoted to the occasion and special Easter music will be furnished in many of the houses of worship.

Services in the various churches tomorrow follow:

#### Catholic Church

Mass services will be held at 8 and 10:30 o'clock in the morning at the Catholic church. These two services are held annually on Easter Sunday.

#### Church of God

A special Easter program will be held at the Church of God at 8 o'clock in the evening. The program follows:

Opening song, prayer, scripture reading by Bible classes. Address: "The Meaning of Easter," by the Rev. Mr. Knight. Address of welcome, by Clifford Pratt. Recitation: "Easter," Boneta and Bobbie Briggs. Song: "Building," by boys. Recitation: "Hearts," Emily Barry. Recitation: "Something to Make You Glad," Marie Wolf. Song by Helen Packer; recitation by Jimmie Salting; recitation by Meril Wallace; song "Working Together," girls; young people's choruses. Reading by Edith O'Neil; song: "Hail Easter Morning," sung by Florence Johnson in Spanish. Recitation by Mrs. Reniker; dialog, "Easter Choice," by girls; recitation by Sammie Reniker. Address: "Our Sunday School," by C. C. Pratt.

#### South Methodist Church

The regular Sunday school session at the South Methodist church will begin at 9:45 o'clock and the 40th anniversary program for the Sunday school, consisting of appropriate services, E. A. Sayre will tell the children the Easter story.

Dinner will be served in the basement of the church at 10 o'clock and at 3 p. m. the Easter sermon will be delivered. There will be no services at night. The pastor urges all members to attend.

#### Island City Church

A six o'clock breakfast will start off Easter services at the Island City Community church. Sunday school will convene at 10 o'clock and the regular morning worship will be held from 11 o'clock on.

#### Epworth League

The Epworth League will meet at 7 and at 8 o'clock in the evening a program will be held.

#### Imbler Methodist

The Easter program at the Imbler Methodist church will be given at 7:30 p. m. by the Sunday school. Mrs. H. E. church, will speak. Miss Mabel Aubin, the pastor of the Imbler church, is slowly recovering after a long and serious illness. She is at the home of Miss Blackland.

#### Episopal Church

Holy eucharist will be held at 6:30 and 8 a. m. at the Episcopal church Sunday, and at 9:45 a. m. children's eucharist and presentation of lenten boxes will take place. At 11 o'clock will be choral celebration of the holy communion and the pastor will deliver the sermon "Christ Who Is Our Life." Special Easter music will be given, including the anthem "Behold the Risen King" by Rimanesco.

#### Wayfarers Guild

Wayfarers Guild will meet at 6 p. m. and the evening service will begin at 7:30 o'clock. The anthem "Christ Is Risen" by Brackett will be sung. Soloists are Mrs. H. N. Ashby and G. S. Birnie. A mystery play "The Resurrection" will be presented by the Wayfarers Guild in four scenes: The Centurions' Soliloquy, The Sealed Sepulchre, The Open Sepulchre and The Upper Room. Special costumes and electrical effects will be furnished by Mrs. E. B. Currey and Melvin Maycox. Characters in the play are: Herod, Verie Ramon; centurion, Irene Spencer; soldiers, W. Arriev, J. Jones, J. Holmer; Nicodemus, Virginia Warnick; Joseph, Lillian Waller; St. John, Helma Rasmussen; St. Peter, Helen Bruy; Cleopas, Irene Spencer; the Three Marys, Virginia Wurl, Thelma Bray, Margie Barnes; the angel, Frances Waller; and others.

#### First M. E. Church

Church school begins at 9:45 a. m. and at 10 o'clock ex-Governor Walter M. Pierce will review Dr. Brown's book "This Believing World." All members of the adult classes will meet in the church auditorium for this review. The morning service will open at 11 o'clock with an organ prelude "Easter Joy" by Husner. The anthem "Hosanna" by Jules Guiller will be sung by Mrs. Ray Fuller and the choir under the direction of Mrs. Sherwood Williams. The sermon by the pastor will be "The Emerging Christ." A post-

#### Lutheran Church

Special Easter services at the Zion English Lutheran church are to begin Sunday with the worship period of the Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. The pastor, the Rev. Leif H. Aves, will give a talk to the school on "How John Outran Peter."

At the morning worship, beginning at 11 o'clock, baptism and Lord's supper will be administered and new members received. The choir will render the anthem, "Awake, For Golden Glories Break" and "The Resurrection." The pastor will deliver the Easter sermon on the theme "The Glorious Message of Easter."

#### Baptist Church

Sunday school will convene at 9:45 and a full and prompt attendance is desired. The morning service will be held at 11 o'clock and the Easter program will be concentrated in this. The program of the worship will be presented by the Sunday school and will be in the nature of an Easter-missionary program with a migrant feature. In connection with the presentation an Easter missionary offering will be received. Those who have self-denial boxes will bring them at this time.

The pastor, the Rev. George Albert Pollard, is to have a short address during the program. There will be no evening services in this church. The congregation will participate in the morning sunrise service.

#### Nazarene Church

Sunday school convenes at 9:45 at the Church of the Nazarene and an Easter program will be given at that hour. Each class will render not less than two or more than four numbers, with no one else knowing what the class is to give. Following this program, at 11 o'clock a message on the meaning of Easter will be given by the pastor. The subject for the evening will be on the words of Paul in 11 Tim. 4:7: "I have Fought a Good Fight."

Fred Kelly will be the leader for the N. Y. P. S. at 6:45 o'clock.

#### Presbyterian Church

Dr. W. R. Davis, head of the English department of Whitman college, at Walla Walla, will occupy the pulpit at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

The music for the morning service will include the following numbers: organ prelude, "Cujus Animam" from Stabat Mater, by Rossini. The quartet will sing "The Resurrection Morn" by Paul Rodney, and "To Deum" by Dudley Buck. Postlude "War March of The Priests" from Athalia, by Mendelssohn.

#### Salvation Army

Easter services will be held in the Salvation Army hall both Saturday night and Sunday. Special music and singing will be a feature. Eavoy Barker is to speak on "The Garden Beautiful." Sunday school will be held at 2:30 p. m. Keen interest is being shown in the contest now on between the red and blue sides. Classes are divided for all ages.

#### Christian Science

"Doctrine of Moments" will be the subject for the morning worship hour at the First Church of Christ, Scientist Sunday. Sunday school will convene at 9:45 a. m. Testimonial meetings are held Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock. "Atonement" will be the subject for the morning worship hour at the First Church of Christ, Scientist Sunday. Sunday school will convene at 9:45 a. m. Testimonial meetings are held Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock.

#### Christian Church

Two Easter services will be held at the Central Church of Christ Sunday, during the morning and evening worship hours. In the morning, at 11 o'clock, the Easter music is scheduled and the sermon will be "Two Ancient Tombs." The invitation to accept Christ will be given at the close of the Bible school hour and also at the close of the church worship.

#### Famous Eye Clinic

MUNICH—The most renowned eye-clinic in Munich is conducted by the Duchess Karl Theodor of Bavaria, who recently celebrated her 70th birthday. Despite her age, the Duchess is active in the clinic, which she conducts according to the plans of her late husband, the famous ophthalmologist. Besides this medical aid, the Duchess is patroness to numerous artists and is a supporter of the students' aid movement. She organized the relief kitchens for middle class families made destitute after the war, during which she served as a Red Cross nurse in the German army.

## Easter, Great Spring Festival, Reminds All of Gifts of God

By Bishop W. P. Remington  
Christmas and Easter, the two great festivals of the Christian church, are remembered by thousands of people in this country who rarely if ever go to church at any other time. Christmas speaks to us of the giving of God's life to humanity through the coming of His Son. Easter assures us that the life so given grows and continues and finds perfection in immortality. Our modern age has grown so accustomed to taking things for granted, that we are in danger of losing the significance of some of our great days and the customs and ceremonies which surround them. Thus, the Fourth of July comes to mean little but fireworks and a big noise. Memorial day a parade of the Civil War veterans, and Armistice day another one of the World War veterans. Christmas we associate with presents, a turkey, and a house all decorated with beautiful greens. Easter, the great spring festival, reminds us of the glory of the returning spring with its flowers and birds and all of the joy of nature renewing itself. Coupled with all these Christian and national festivals and holidays is the ever present motive of commerce, as we capitalize the celebration in behalf of a greater sale of goods. If the churches failed to teach Christmas and Easter, the merchant would still keep them alive. Let us not blame the merchant, but also let us not permit him to side-track the message which our Christian and national holidays and festivals have for every one. If we forget the real meaning of Christmas and Easter, the feast will be hollow and tawdry, and in the end, what was intended by God will be spoiled by man's carelessness and selfishness.

Just what does Easter convey to you? Suppose it had never happened, think for one moment as to what your life would mean if Jesus never rose from the dead, but His mortal life ended in failure on a cross. Despite the futility of all things, would come to you, of all men you would be most miserable, death would remain the victor, and your noblest dreams and aspirations would vanish into thin dust. Easter is more than the assurance of life from the dead to give us evidence of the indestructibility of the spiritual in man. Through Him we achieve eternity. Come to Him, worship Him, find your life in Him, and you will know the hope of immortality and the joy and fullness of living now.

My dear friends in Eastern Oregon, I wish you a happy Easter. May life be renewed for you and in you. Let no pain nor sorrow nor failure nor disappointment rob you of the ultimate victory of life over death. Let not the eager pursuit of wealth or pleasure take from you the hope of eternity, by satisfying you with things, so that you forget your Divine origin and destiny.

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To rise upon some other shore  
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### BEFORE THE MIST

THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING CO. PROGRAMS

7:30-8:00, radio; 8:00-8:30, classical hour.  
KFI—7, music; 9, instrumental quartet; 10, vaudeville program.  
KOA—6:30, children's hour; 7, instrumental program; 7:15, "The Holy City" by Gail.  
KJH—6:30 to 8, dinner concert; 8 to 9:30, studio program.  
KPO—6:30 to 7:30, orchestra; 9 to 10, studio program; 10, vaudeville.  
KGW—7:30, utility; 9, Venetian hour; 10 to midnight, dance music.  
KTAB—8 to 10, program of classical music in two parts.  
KOMO—6 to 8 and 9 to 12:30, musical programs.  
KHQ—6:30 to 7, concert orchestra; 9 to 10, organ concert.  
KYA—7:15, John B. Barry; 8, studio program; 10 to 11, dance music.

#### PERFECT RADIO VOICE

CHICAGO—Only one out of every 112 has it! Two years of research have convinced Nate Caldwell, chief announcer of WHBM, that a speaking voice which registers well through the microphone is a rarity among women. The perfect voice, he believes, has been found in Natalie Giddings, who has just made her debut on WHBM.

#### WIFE LIKES TO SPEND

ALFANTA—Found—a wife who admits she likes to spend her husband's money. Mrs. Johnny Farrell, wife of the first winner of many golf tournaments, says her husband is easier to live with when he wins and at such times gives her more leeway in spending for new clothes and new automobiles.

#### SPORTSMAN AND DID NOT WHIPPER

When her husband recently played unacceptably against John Golden for first prize money, \$4,000, in the southern open tournament.

## LA GRANDE WILL HOLD GANGLOFF PARK SERVICES

### Annual Easter Sunrise Program to Begin at 5 O'clock Tomorrow Morning.

Easter, commemorating to Christians the Resurrection of the Savior of mankind, and almost universally observed on a day and time of joy and feasting, is the oldest of all the festivals in the Christian calendar.

Easter signifies the dawn of spring when the drear winter is at an end and buds with God-given life. It is the real awakening of the year.

Out of the centuries the great festival has come, annually giving new life not only to the flowers and trees but to man and his faith in fellowman and God.

#### Sunrise Service Here

The spirit of the day will hover over an assemblage of the faithful on the edge of the beautiful Grande Ronde valley tomorrow—and with the coming of the first rays of the sun, music will pour forth from the groups seated on the grassy slopes of the valley stretching out to the east and north. La Grande will hold her annual sunrise service.

At 5 o'clock, if the day be fair, the services will begin. If rain prevents the holding of the program at Gangloff park, it will be conducted at the First Methodist Episcopal church.

The municipal siren will sound at 4:15 o'clock, signaling to awaken those who wish to attend the service.

The service will be open to all Christians, regardless of denomination, and is to be under the auspices of the La Grande Ministerial association.

G. S. Birnie will lead in solemnly singing and J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of the La Grande schools, is to deliver the address.

Miss Gertrude Wagner will deliver the scripture lesson. The Rev. Leif H. Aves will offer prayer, and the Rev. J. A. Hall will pronounce the benediction.

The custom of the sunrise service is, as far as is known here, practiced in only two cities in this state, at The Dalles and La Grande. If the weather is fair, several hundred are expected to attend.

## Festival Date Is Different In Some Countries

Early differences arose as to the precise day on which the Easter festival should be observed. In the Jewish calendar the Passover occurs on a fixed day of the month. The Christians assigned Easter to Sunday, as the first day of the week and the day, according to Scripture, of the Resurrection.

Astronomical problems of a complex character were largely responsible for these differences, which continued until the year 325 A. D. when the Council of Nicea decreed that everywhere in Christendom Easter should be observed on the same day. It was not until the adoption of the Gregorian calendar, however, that this decree, which fixed Easter as falling on the first Sunday after the full moon following the vernal equinox, secured anything like general acceptance.

Even now, though the Gregorian calendar has within the past two years been adopted in the Near East, there are some oriental congregations in which Easter is observed sometimes before, and sometimes after, the date on which the festival is celebrated in the Western churches.

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The La Grande Ministerial association will meet on Monday at 10 a. m. at the First Baptist church.

The St. Peter's Aid society presented the Episcopal church with a beautiful set of sanctuary kneeling mats and cushions which will be used for the first time on Easter day.

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Following the regular Easter service during the morning, the evening service will begin at 7:30 o'clock with Harry S. Hamilton, district superintendent, presiding.

An organ prelude "Victory March" by Mullard; played by Mrs. A. E. Kinman, the singing of Hymn 2 and a scripture reading will precede prayer by Mr. Hamilton.

The anthem "Victory" by Wilson, the offertory "Reveries" by Gilks, and the anthem "Praise Ye The Father" by Gounod will lead up to the "mortgage burning program."

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Dr. H. S. Brown, chairman of the official board; Mrs. Williams, president of the Ladies Aid; the pastor, and Mr. Hamilton will participate in the ceremony.

Following benediction the postlude "Festival March" by Teilmann will be played by Mrs. Kinman, organist, and then an informal remembrance hour is to be observed.

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#### Urged to Attend Services

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#### New Responsibilities

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