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OUT OUR WAY



UPHOLDING THE DIGNITY OF OFFICE

Sermonette

Edited by Harriet R. MacDonald

Going to Church in Summer I am the vine, ye are the branches. John 15-5.

However trying to the soul which cannot persuade its accompanying body to search for a church of the denomination dearest to it, the union service in summer is no longer in the category of timid experiments. Methodist utters his "Amen" in the somewhat detached atmosphere of the Presbyterian church edifice; the Presbyterian and the Baptist need not divide on either side of the baptismal font. For the summer, all things that separate are ignored, and the "supplicants" look down from his high or low pulpits upon a body of simple believers, who can unite in any prayer that expresses the thirst of the soul for the living God.

The "trend" does not parade the streets, wave banners, and proclaim slogans calculated to startle the man on the curb. It penetrates peacefully, smiles with understanding, suggests: "Can we not agree upon something and then proceed from that?" Such a "trend," we must believe, began on the shores of the Lake of Gennesaret; on the slopes of Hermon; beside the Sea of Galilee. There, the greatly privileged listeners to the precepts of Him, whose life and teaching have evangelized the world, heard little of the things that separate. "Ye in Me and I in Him" and in His spirit, people go to church in summer and are helped.

groups at 6:30 p. m. Three groups embracing different ages meet at this hour.

The evening service will begin at 7:30 p. m. as is the custom during fall and winter. The orchestra will play a concert prelude. The pastor has announced that he will preach on the steps "into the kingdom of Heaven." Last Sunday the evening sermon dealt with the subject, "Hearing." This week we will use the subject, "Faith." A special effort is being made to attract a large attendance to the evening services.

Zion English Lutheran Church (M. avenue near Fourth)

"The Real Test" will be the theme of the sermon by the pastor at 11:00 o'clock Sunday morning. Any who wish to worship with us will be cordially welcomed at this service.

The Sunday school meets at 9:45 in the annex. There will be a story, "How Fatima Heard About the Magical Spectacles," which the children will enjoy. The different classes are studying the Christian life course, graded Sunday school material based upon the Bible. All children and young people are welcome.

The topic for Luther League Sunday evening is "Church Extension," a study of the American missions of the United Lutheran church. The meeting is at 7:30 o'clock, and all young people are invited to attend.

The Lutheran congregation is looking forward to the coming of the southern conference of the Pacific Synod, Sept. 12 and 13. Ministers from Southern Washington and Oregon will meet here for those two days. Dr. M. J. Bieber, acting-president of the Pacific Lutheran seminary, Seattle, will preach in the Lutheran church on the Sunday preceding conference, Sept. 11.

Baptist church (Spring and Sixth)

At the Baptist Church Sunday morning the pastor's subject will be "Labor." Mrs. Merville Moore will sing "O Rest in the Lord," by Mendelssohn. The Lord's Supper will follow the sermon. The subject of the evening sermon will be "The Christian's Advantage." Hours of services are: Bible school, 9:45; morning worship, 11:00; evening worship, 8:00; Thursday evening prayer meeting, 8:00; Tuesday morning prayer meeting, 10:00. A cordial invitation to all of these services is extended to those not interested elsewhere.

Central Church of Christ (Pennsylvania avenue)

Asserting that there is no possibility of human happiness except as it is found in the following of Christ's teaching, Rev. Paul De F. Mortimore, pastor of the Church of Christ, has announced he will speak for a number of Sunday mornings upon Christ's "Sermon on the Mount." In this sermon, Christ set forth elaborately the fundamentals of Christian living. Mr. Mortimore believes that the way of life set forth is practical and should be applied to our lives today. His sermon at the 11 o'clock worship service will deal with this theme. "The Nazarene who care to participate. An anthem by the choir will be a feature of the service.

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Churches Resume Fall Activities

Fall Programs Are Launched As August Ends

Evening Services, Discontinued During Summer in Some Churches, are Being Resumed.

A resuming of fall activities in the La Grande churches coincides with the arrival of September, and many of the organizations which curtailed their activities during the summer, also will return to full schedules for the fall-winter-spring period.

Announcements for Sunday programs follow:

St. Peter's Church (Episcopal) (Fourth and O streets)

The church school of St. Peter's church will open on Sunday at 9:45. Registration in all classes from kindergarten through high school will be accepted. The courses are well planned and in charge of competent teachers.

The young people will meet for their first meeting of the fall at 6:30 Sunday evening at the church where the general outline of the year's work will be presented. After this meeting the group will adjourn to Royal Hall where refreshments will be served and a general get together will be held.

The other services at St. Peter's will consist of Holy communion at 8:00 o'clock and Holy communion and sermon at 11:00 o'clock.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend these services.

Presbyterian Church (Washington and Sixth)

Sunday program opens with the Bible school session at 9:45, with an invitation to those of all ages who would study with the classes.

Morning service at 11:00 o'clock. Miss Edris Maguire at the organ will play the "Prelude" by Wagner, and the "Gloria" by Mendelssohn.

By Netvin. There will be special vocal numbers. J. George Walk, minister, will bring the sermon message on "God's Scheme of Salvation—A Great Harbour of Refuge."

Christian Endeavorers meet at 6:30 p. m. for their regular Sunday evening program.

Church of the Nazarene

The Cavaliers of Nazarene Nazarene college, of Nampa, Ida., will present an education program in conjunction with Rev. Irs L. True, bur-sar of the college, at the 11 o'clock morning service at the Nazarene church Sunday. Everyone is cordially invited and no admission charge will be made.

The program will consist of an address, musical numbers, gospel hymns and negro spirituals.

Frank Cain will serve as organist. Sunday school will be held at 9:45 and the Young People's organization will meet at 6:45 p. m.

In the evening the pastor, Rev. Daniel L. Swartz, will give an evangelistic sermon. Prayer service will be held Wednesday night.

Church of God (Spruce street at X avenue)

Rev. George E. Scott will speak during the morning service at the Church of God Sunday, which begins at 11 o'clock following Sunday school at 10 a. m. In the Sunday school, this marks the second week of the membership contest.

Rev. Carlos A. Plummer, pastor, will fill the pulpit of the Church of God in Baker Sunday morning and evening.

First Church of Christ, Scientist (First and Washington)

Sunday school, for all children up to the age of 20 years, begins at 9:45 and the Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. at the First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Wednesday evening testimony meetings are held at 8 p. m.

"Man" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, September 4.

The Golden Text will be, "Now, O Lord, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand." (Isa. 64:8).

Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon will be the following from the Bible: "I have made the earth, and created man upon it. I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his ways" (Isa. 45:12, 13).

The lesson-sermon also will include the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Man is not matter; he is not made up of brain, blood, bones, and other material elements. Man is idea, the image of Love; he is not physique. He deals with that which has not a single quality undervived from Deity; that which possesses no life, intelligence, nor creative power of his own, but reflects spiritually all that belongs to his Maker." (p. 75).

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Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than themselves. —Philippians 2:5, 3.

ABOUT THE WEATHER

Yesterday we wrote a weather story about La Grande and its dry summer, calling attention to the fact that the summer has been drier than usual although the total rainfall during the first eight months of this year was nearly three inches above normal, and also asserting that this summer has been unusually brief and cool. Perhaps you read the story on the front page of last night's paper.

Well, just a short time after completing that article we received an item over the Associated Press wire in which Edward L. Wells, government meteorologist in Portland, declared that people who complain that "it doesn't seem that we've had any summer at all" will be surprised to learn that Mr. Wells does not agree with them.

This gentleman says that Portland, and the rest of the state, too, as a matter of fact, had a warmer, drier summer than usual; that the mean temperature for the past three months in Portland was 1.3 degrees above normal and that rainfall was only about 40 per cent of normal; that June was the driest Portland has ever had, and that August was both warmer and drier than usual.

We felt rebuffed after reading his statement. In fact, we felt almost as if someone had come along and called us a this-and-that or something of the sort. Not that we hold any animosity toward Mr. Wells; for we realize that any good weather man bases his opinions on actual figures. We bear him no ill will; nor do we demand an apology.

But we insist, and we are prepared to prove it, too, that this summer was shorter than usual and cooler than usual—at least according to the methods by which the average man figures it.

Most of us will agree that our summer did not start until after June 6, when the minimum was 40 above. And practically all with whom we have spoken are of the opinion that the 1932 summer came to a close last Saturday, when the weather turned cold and rainy. Since then the air has felt more like fall than summer.

We agree with Mr. Wells that it was drier than usual, and that the mean temperature for the state was warmer than usual; figures do not lie! But we notice that he did not say much about the length of our summer (and by "our summer" we mean Eastern Oregon's) nor did he dwell at length upon the subject of heat waves.

Usually our summer lasts until after Labor day. And usually during the summer we have at least two, and sometimes three or more heat waves during which the thermometer soars to 98 and 100 or even 104 or 107. And these heat waves usually last three or four days at least.

This summer we have had no such heat waves, and upon this premise we base our presumption that this summer was not as warm as usual, regardless of the mean temperatures—take the adjective any way you wish. The mercury did not even reach the 100 mark! And how could an Eastern Oregon summer be warmer than usual unless the temperature broke into three figures at least once?

After all this, we surmise that Mr. Wells, esteemed meteorologist that he is, undoubtedly will snicker up his sleeve; but so will we— for we've proven it now—to our own satisfaction at least, that the past summer was not as warm as usual.

ATHLETES AND ATHLETICS

Those who are inclined to deplore the modern tendency to unduly glorify a successful athlete and to overemphasize athletes need not deceive themselves that such has not always been the custom.

Americans make much ado over professional baseball and collegiate and scholastic football. Millions have been expended on stadiums and there has been widespread dissatisfaction over the fact that football coaches earn more in three months than professors earn in nine. There is another popular superstition to the effect that college and high school athletics, league baseball, golf and horse racing are being taken too seriously, at the expense of academic studies, home and business.

Sports have reached a high stage of development in the United States and in some foreign countries, yet none seem to have even approximated the athletics and sports of ancient Rome and Greece.

The Colosseum and similar arenas and amphitheaters of Rome and Greece have left their ruins to remind the modern world how ancient civilizations lavished their wealth on their athletics and athletes. The Olympionikae, as the victors of the Olympiads then were known, were showered with every conceivable honor and opportunity for living in luxury ever after.

Tourney, Rain or Shine OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—The committee charge was determined to hold a tournament, rain or shine. Plans for a women's invitation golf event here included an alternative bridge tourney, in case of bad weather.

Policeman Raises Parakeets GLENDALE, Cal. (AP)—Detective

Sergeant W. E. Warwick has a hobby which keeps him busy in spare hours. He owns and cares for nearly 500 parakeets.

Investment in Dams Heavy SACRAMENTO, Cal. (AP)—California's investment in dams for irrigation and control is estimated at \$149,042,410 by Col. W. E. Garrison, director of public works.

Labor has every reason to be interested in education. It is interested in the university, the college and the normal schools, for each plays an important influence on the welfare of the common people. It stands staunchly against the speculative scheme now proposed, and its actions should go far in helping to defeat the Zorn-McPherson measure. —Klamath Falls Herald.