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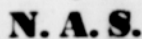
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NONSENSE - Sense And Some



By Dewey

Today is Christmas, the birthday of the Jesus of Nazareth, who came to put on this earth a rule for human conduct which is the only right way. How far away the human race has digressed in these almost twenty centuries.

Man has forgotten the ten commandments; he has forgotten the basic laws of conduct, and since the crucifixion of Christ, has gone a long way toward perdition, if such there be. Only through the spirit of Christmas will this race of ours ever hope for peace.

It has thrilled me, these past several weeks to note the spirit of Christmas coming to the front—selfishnesses were forgotten, the people seemed anxious to stop to talk a moment, to inquire "how the family was" and become better acquainted. That, friend, is the only way to live, and it is the way of life that appeals to me.

I have seen women going into the stores, there to purchase for their loved ones, such gifts as they could find and afford. After all, what means the price anyway. I have seen men go into stores, and say: "I must get something for my wife and children—what would you suggest?" These men, whose hands were roughened by days of toil and perhaps soiled, dug deep into the pocketbook for some of that Christmas cheer to the family. That thrilled me, for I also stood in line.

Christmas spirit should include, I believe, a feeling toward everyone as if he were a relative, say a brother. It is all right to disagree with him, it is also permissible to belong to another lodge or church, but feel toward him as a brother. His heart beats same as yours; he loves his family as you do yours; in fact, he like you in every way, perhaps, except he

may part his hair on the right side, and he may not have quite as much.

Frankly, it seems that my most intimate friends are the ones I disagree with most. One pal I have in mind, back in college days, who would shed his shirt for me in zero weather, agrees with me on about one thing—that the college we went to was best. If one is fair in his disagreement, all is well but to carry it on to hatred is wrong.

It is the inclination of youth—and it was in mine also—to be selfish. Selfishness, perhaps, is the most unholy of all human attributes. It robs man of everything—causes him to steal for satisfaction of this craving, or to be a cheat with those near to him who place trust. While I may be selfish still, I have conquered it almost completely.

Today is Christmas. We, as individuals, are celebrating it in many ways, but all with the same view—to show the spirit of Christ. Let's try to carry it on throughout the coming year.

Local News Items

The James Robinson family left the latter part of the week for Seattle where they will spend the holidays. Following their return, they plan to remodel their cafe, which will be closed until late in January.

Two big dances at the Grange hall this week. On Christmas evening music will be furnished by the Grange's own orchestra. On Saturday night, Pinson's orchestra will play.

Mrs. Roy Lytle received a long distance Christmas telephone call Saturday afternoon from her son, Clyde W. Lytle, then at Boston, Mass.

The Pilot was was told Saturday that Storset's Cleaners and Dyers had rented the other half of the first floor of the Young building. This was necessary to accommodate the increased business of the firm since moving to its new home.

Chevron Station will be closed today because one of the proprietors, V. A. Mendenhall, Jr. will wed Mary Zenier.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Gurrettaz, accompanied by his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Reisenauer, of Genessee, Idaho, who have been visiting here the past month, left Sunday morning for Santa Monica, Calif., to visit other relatives. They will be gone until after New Years.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Edwards and children, accompanied by Herb Mason and son, Quentin, left late Monday for Petaluma, and Bacaville, Calif., to visit relatives over the holidays.

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