HOUSER BUYS SHIP-BUILDING PLANT

Portland Grain Shipper Takes Over McEachern Yard on Youngs Bay, Astoria.

5 VESSELS ARE BUILDING

Tender of Full Facilities of Plant Has Been Made to Government, but No Contracts Have Been Yet Entered Into.

Confirmation of Max H. Houser's purchase of the stock of the McEachern Ship Company, which means the full control of the plant, located on Young's Bay, Astoria, was made by him personally on his return last night from an extended Eastern tour, that included important shipbuilding and grain control conferences at Washington.

There had been executed June 5 an agreement to purchase the shipyard A. O. Anderson & Co., owners of the property, subject to a complete inventory, but that is no longer regarded as having any material bearing on the transaction. The inventory is progressing and was to have been finished June 20, but an extension to June 25 has been made and by that time Mr. Houser is to take charge.

"Tender of the full facilities of the plant has been made to the Government and it will remain in effect until General Goethals decides on his plans in detail," said Mr. Houser. "I did not close any contracts for Government ships, but it seems certain all building facilities will be called on to do their part in the war."

Vessels Now on Ways.

Originally there were eight auxiliary schooners rovided for at the McEachern property. A. O. Anderson & Co. had contracted for most of them when the yard was conducted by the McEachern interests and late last year took over the yard. In the sale to Mr. Houser it is provided that he complete the fourth, fifth and sixth vessels for A. O. Andersen & Co., while he becomes the owner of the seventh and eighth carriers.

The fourth vessel, known as the Magrudada, was sold to Brazilians and is being completed, while the fifth, the May, was disposed of last week to the Robert Dollar Company for $300,000 and is to be delivered in August. The sixth will be in the water before long, which will close the Andersen contracts, and by then it is fully expected a start will have been made on ships for the United States.

It was admitted by Mr. Houser that consideration was being given plans to increase facilities if necessary to assist the Government, but he added that no proposals were being accorded attention at this time looking to future commercial work, he feeling that only the war emergency vessels were important now.

Mr. Houser a Central Figure.

The entrance of Mr. Houser into the shipbuilding sphere, following other valuable investments made in Portland realty, besides his extensive grain business, makes him one of the central figures in the commercial growth of the state. He has been a staunch advocate of Oregon-built vessels and Oregon-controlled tonnage as a means of advancing the interests of the Columbia River district and providing connections which the communities have depended upon others for in the past. His friends regard his investment at Astoria as a step in that direction, but he insists that any such development must wait on the termination of the Government's shipbuilding campaign.

With the frontage now controlled on Young's Bay, it is estimated at least two more building berths can be built, yet that is not the limit of what can be provided in the immediate neighborhood. Shops and all departments there are said to compare with those of any plant in the country and to be superior to some, and it is certain its permanency is assured so long as there is a call from Federal or private interests for Oregon ships. In taking over the corporation Mr. Houser preserves the organization, so construction is to go ahead without pause.

"Grain Hoarders Will Suffer."

"Washington is a decidedly busy city now, there being a rush and go on every side, but war preparations are rapidly being adjusted to their individual channels, and it impresses one with its seriousness," said Mr. Houser in speaking of his trip. "As to the grain programme, there is legislation yet to be enacted so that absolute regulation is possible. I do not mean by that there will be drastic lines drawn, but it is certain speculation will be under the ban and persons who hoard grain with a view to reaping benefits will certainly suffer.

"To move the crop as the Government's requirements dictate, also providing for home necessities, will be the aim and no great difficulties are looked for once the system is established."

Several weeks ago Mr. Houser was named by Secretary Houston, of the Department of Agriculture, as a member of a commission to delve into the grain situation. Before, and since the United States declared a state of war existed with Germany, he has exported vast quantities of wheat to Europe.

CAMPAIGN OPENS AT BAKER

Grant and Part of Malheur to Be Included in Work.

BAKER, Or., June 16.—(Special.)—Baker's business pulse halted today while the opening guns of the Red Cross campaign to raise $250,000 in this and Grant and part of Malheur counties were fired. Acting upon the proclamation of Mayor C. L. Palmer, all places of business closed between 1 and 2 o'clock. All traffic was stopped on Main street between Auburn avenue and Center street and the Baker concert band started the campaign by parading in the enclosed space and giving concerts before the three speakers automobiles which were arranged a block and a half apart.

After the concerts addresses were given by two speakers at each stand, telling of the history and work of the Red Cross and urging everyone to prepare for the soliciting committees when they start out next week. Addresses were made by C. H. McColloch, C. T. Godwin, Judge William Smith, O. B. Mount, F. A. Harmon and Rev. C. H. Hilton. Leland Finch read President Wilson's message regarding the Red Cross. Leading ministers spoke tonight in all the theaters and other speakers will do so tomorrow night.

Every house in the country will be visited by committees. Luncheons will held every day at the Geiser Grand Hotel, at which reports will be made. Circuit Judge Anderson, John L. Rand and W. H. Strayer started today for Pine and Eagle valleys to preside at meetings. Grant County is also aroused and committees have started from Prairie City, Canyon City, John Day, Monmouth, Long Creek and other points to raise $5500. All have been organized by Rev. O. F. Jones, chairman of the Red Cross chapter of this district. It is expected that this district will raise more than its requested contribution.

CLARKE TO RAISE $12,000

Committees to Meet Tomorrow to Plan Drive in County.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 16.—(Special.)—The work of raising $12,000 for the American Red Cross in Clarke County will be undertaken Tuesday by committees in every community of the county. On Monday evening at 6 o'clock the Vancouver team which will solicit contributions will meet at dinner at the St. Elmo Hotel and the plan of campaign will be outlined. N. B. Coffman, of Chehalis, who is chairman for Southwestern Washington, which is to raise $53,000, will be present and address this meeting.

W. B. DuBois, acting with a local executive committee, which includes W. E. Carter, James J. Padden Clement Scott and Donald McMaster, has appointed the workers who are to have charge of the campaign here. Each committee will have a given set of people or a given district to canvass. Of the $12,000 in the county, Vancouver will raise $6000 as its allotment.

INCOME TAX IS HUGE

CORPORATIONS PAY $170,037,040 OF $330,565,628 TOTAL.

Figures Are Subject to Revision and More Returns Are Expected Within 10 Days' Grace.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Individuals and corporations throughout the country have paid an income tax during the fiscal year now closing of $330,565,628.

Of this total, $170,037,040 was paid by corporations and $160,528,588 by individuals. The total yield exceeds the estimates of officials at the time of reframing the income tax schedules last September. The total is subject to revision and with other returns expected during the ten days' grace allowed by law may reach $335,000,000.

The total tabulated today, although exceeding the estimate made upon the passage of the amendment, does not exceed recent estimates of the Treasury Department which were made the basis of calculation in drafting the income tax section of the war revenue bill now before Congress. A return, under present taxes, of from $325,000,000 to $450,000,000 was anticipated this year in making the necessary computations for what the proposed war tax would yield.

Returns by revenue districts as announced by the Secretary include:

California, $9,651,565; Colorado, $3,016,610; Montana, $1,737,377; Nebraska, $1,435,442; New Mexico, $1,193,638; North and South Dakota (one revenue district), $480,677; Oklahoma, $6,320,737; Texas, $4,674,301. Hawaii's returns are given as $1,272,917, of which corporations contributed $909,558 and individuals $363,359.

BOMBS DROPPED IN KENT

English Bring Down Zeppelin on Sunday Morning Raid.

LONDON, June 17.—German airships made a raid on the east and Southeast coast of England early this morning (Sunday).

One Zeppelin was brought down in flames, according to an official announcement, after one of the raiders had dropped bombs in Kent.

FAIR WEEK IS FORECAST

Normal Temperature Also Predicted for Pacific States.

WASHINGTON, June 16. — Weather predictions for the week, beginning Sunday, issued by the weather bureau, today are:

Pacific states—Generally fair; normal temperature.

DR. SOMMERS IN LEAD

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many candidates for School Director at an election in Portland.

There were 16 names on the ballot, but one of the 16 candidates—B. F. Mulkey—withdrew several days ago, leaving 15 actively in the race. Mr. Mulkey's withdrawal came too late, however, to have his name taken from the ballot.

The 15 candidates actively in the race, of whom five were women, were as follows:

J. V. Beach and O. M. Plummer, of the present Board, who were candidates for re-election; Dr. E. A. Sommer, Mrs. Ferdinand E. Reed, W. L. Rickman, Mrs. Ina Coleman, Mrs. Maria L. T. Hidden, Mrs. George M. Nolan, Mrs. Emilie E. Beyer, U. DeWitt Maxson, Dr. Edmund Myers, D. R. Norton, Clarence D. Porter, Oren L. Richards and W. B. Streeter.

Vote Is Not Heavy.

Although the last Legislature removed the property qualification for voters at school elections and all citizens of the district were entitled to vote at yesterday's election, the vote was a very light one.

Estimates last night before the count was complete were that it would not exceed 12,000.

There were 62 school precincts, all but four of them situated in schoolhouses.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank Elliott, of Corvallis, is at the Nortonia.

I. M. Oas and wife, of Tacoma, are at the Nortonia.

Mrs. J. R. McKinney, of Woodburn, is at the Washington.

C. R. Kelly and wife, of Pillar Rock, Wash., are at the Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Brun, of Grand Dalles, Wash., are stopping at the Nortonia.

James McNamee, a prominent hotel man of La Grande, is registered at the Nortonia.

From Sidney, Ia., are Eva L. Spraттern and Anna Weatherhead, registered at the Washington.

E. C. Brownslee and wife, with Mr. and Mrs. Cady, are registered at the Washington from Hood River.

LOAN SURPLUS TO REVERT

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press in 36 languages gave daily proof of the undoubted loyalty of peoples of foreign birth.

"I shall be most grateful to the press if this acknowledgment is given wide publicity."

Reports to the Treasury at the time of closing today from all reserve banks stated that the work of tabulating returns was progressing at all banks and in several cases it was stated tabulations probably could not be finished until Monday.

MARINES RECRUIT 85 OF REQUIRED 150

Spokane Is Only Town in Portland District to Supply Full Quota Asked.

PORTLAND SIGNS ONLY 22

Record of 137 Men for Month Passes That of Seattle Division—Detachment of 24 Recruits Sent to Mare Island.

Marine Recruiting week, June 10 to 16, netted the Portland district 85 men. The various towns of the district contributed as follows: City of Portland, 22; Spokane, 28; Great Falls, 17; Butte, 7; Missoula, 2; Eugene, 7, and Medford, 2. It was estimated in advance that the week would net the Marines 150 men, but of all the towns in the district Spokane alone filled its quota.

While Portland did not do its share in contributing, nevertheless all former local recruiting records were broken. So far this month, the Portland district, under Captain L. P. Pinkston, has raised 137 men. The Seattle district has only raised 101.

Kenneth Hollister, who left last night for Mare Island with the latest detachment of Marine recruits, ably assisted Captain Pinkston in the campaign.

Lectures Given Over State.

Hollister, a former employe of Sherman, Clay & Company, has for the past week lectured all over the city in the interests of the marines, entirely at his own expense and trouble. An instance of the lad's good work is the fact that E. R. Kelley heard him lecture at the Baker Theater Friday during the performance of "Flora Bella" and was so moved that he enlisted Saturday afternoon and left for San Francisco Saturday night.

Hollister will be remembered as the young man who, with a companion, hiked across the United States from Portland to Boston last May and gave lectures on the way to pay for a course of music that he desired to pursue in the latter city. He was still studying music in Boston when America entered the war and journeyed back clear across the continent that Portland might have the credit for his enlistment.

Detachment of 24 Leaves.

The last detachment of the week, numbering 24 vigorous specimens of Young America, left the Union Station at 8 P. M. yesterday for the Marine training station at Mare Island, in San Francisco Bay. Those in the party were E. F. Bailey, M. Wambold, R. N. Walpole, L. R. Fawkes, A. P. Tauscher, R. Peterson, C. H. Wagner, F. K. Hollister, J. B. Farrell, D. B. Payne, R. D. Carey, R. Loranger, L. M. Parker, R. L. Cox, B. B. Schlaefer, R. A. Stevens, J. C. Bell, E. R. Kelley and J. D. Ashworth.

The recruits were in charge of E F. Bailey, a lawyer of Albany, Or. He will be remembered as the famous "Ed" Bailey of Oregon's football teams, who was five times chosen for the all-stars. Bailey was only admitted to the Marines under waivers obtained by Captain Pinkston, as he is two and one-half inches over-height and 55 pounds over-weight.

Other athletes in the party are Carl Wagner, of Lincoln High, brother of Harry Wagner, of Commerce; Roy Peterson and A. P. Tauscher, who holds the amateur championship of the United States in heavy weight lifting.

APPOINTEES NUMBER 21

GOVERNOR LISTER ANNOUNCES MEMBERS OF BOARDS.

Personnel of State Council of Defense Comprised of Prominent Citizens of Washington.

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 16.—Governor Lister today appointed the following members of the State Bank Guaranty Board, under the law passed by the recent Legislature:

R. L. Rutter, president of the Spokane & Eastern Trust Company, Spokane; John P. Duke, of the State Bank of Palouse, and John E. Chilberg, vice-president of the Scandinavian-American Bank, Seattle.

The Governor appointed the following members of the State Council of Defense, who will serve without pay and pay their own expenses in attending meetings:

Food supply and conservation, Charles Hebbard, Spokane; labor, E. P. Marsh, Everett; farm labor, A. L. Rogers, Waterville; shipbuilding, C. J. Lord, Olympia; transportation, George Donald, North Yakima; lumber, Everett G. Griggs, Tacoma; home defense, W. A. Peters, Seattle; manufacturing, J. T. Hffernan, Seattle; fisheries, W. A. Lowman, Anacortes; women's work, Mrs. J. S. McKee, Hoquiam; publicity, J. G. Kelley, Walla Walla; aviation, W. E. Boeing, Seattle; sanitation and medicine, Dr. E. C. Wheeler, Tacoma; law and finance, E. S. McCord, Seattle; coordination of societies and educational institutions, Dr. Henry Suzzallo, Seattle.

The first meeting will be held at Olympia, June 25.

Governor Lister appointed the following members of the State Board of Mining Inspectors, created by the new mining code:

D. R. Swem, a mining engineer, Tacoma; B. H. Johnston, a mine operator, Centralia; Peter Boose, a working miner, Black Diamond.

PRISONER IS AT LEWISTON

Sheriff Reaches Home With Man Who Jumped From Train.

LEWISTON, Idaho, June 16.—(Special.)—Wright Kirby, alias W. C. Doyle and W. C. Kennedy, a deserter from the United States Navy and wanted in Lewiston and various points in Washington, Oregon, Montana, Nevada and Idaho for passing worthless drafts, has been returned to this city from Reno, Nev., by Fred L. Ulen, a special deputy Sheriff.

While en route to Lewiston Kirby escaped from his guard at Oregon City, Or., by leaping from a moving train and was at liberty 24 hours. A posse was formed, accompanied by prison bloodhounds, and the prisoner was located by the Sheriff of Clackamas County.

RAINIER TO RAISE $1000

Logging Camps Will Be Visited for Red Cross Fund.

RAINIER, Or., June 16.—(Special.)—With Rainier as the headquarters for the lower end of Columbia County, all arrangements have been made for the big Red Cross drive next week. Fred Trow has been appointed campaign manager for this district and he has announced the following committees: Clatskanie, Mayger and Quincy will be canvassed by Captain Milton Smith, T. E. Hughes and Fred Trow; Prescott, Goble and Deer Island will be taken care of by Dr. J. F. Ditto, C. A. Nutt and N. N. Blumenaadt.

J. W. McMilan, Z. Driskell and M. Ricen are on the financial committee. C. H. Stockwell, of Clatskanie, and Louis Flurrer, of Mayger, are out-of-town members of the executive committee.

The committees will visit each of the different logging camps and mills in the district and make addresses to the men employed there. Mr. Trow expresses himself as confident that this district will be able to raise its quota of $1000.

LEBANON FETE CLOSES

ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL ALREADY BRINGS RESULTS.

Representative of Portland Commission House Buys Fruit and Will Have Future Shipments.

LEBANON, Or., June 16.—(Special.)—The ninth annual Strawberry Festival and Rose Show closed tonight with a big free street dance, in which the whole countryside took part.

Awards for the best commercially packed berries were: First, George Bartlein; second, Amon Fitzgerald; third, Dewey Clem.

Prizes were given for the best exhibition of roses as follows:

Caroline Testout—Mrs. N. M. Newport, Mrs. A. M. Reeves, Mrs. A. C. Lewis, Frau Karl Druschki—Mrs. Bert Millsap, Mrs. A. C. Lewis, Mrs. J. R. Stoops. La France—Mrs. A. M. Reeves, Mrs. N. M. Newport, Mrs. J. R. Stoops. Cream Cochet—Mrs. A. W. Blackburn. Marechal Niel—Mrs. A. C. Lewis. For best collection of three varieties—Mrs. A. M. Reeves, Mrs. A. C. Lewis, Mrs. G. W. Cruson. Best collection of red roses—Mrs. N. M. Newport, Mrs. A. C. Lewis, Mrs. J. E. Ramsey. Best collection of yellow roses—Mrs. E. E. Taylor, Mrs. E. E. Taylot, Mrs. O. H. Randle. Best collection of pink roses—Mrs. J. M. Burtenshaw, Mrs. A. M. Reeves. Best collection of cream roses—Mrs. Bert Millsap, Mrs. G. W. Cruson. Best new varieties any color—Mrs. E. E. Taylor, Mrs. A. I. Crandall, Mrs. A. M. Reeves.

Beneficial results of the strawberry exhibit has already appeared. A representative of a Portland commission house was here yesterday to examine the berries grown, and was so well pleased that he took 40 crates of those on exhibition, and they are today on sale to consumers in Portland. He also made arrangements to get shipments of berries regularly for the Portland market.

WARMTH HELPS WHEAT

CUTWORM IN BIG BEND DISTRICT MAY BE EXTERMINATED.

Continuation of Weather Will Obviate Necessity of Re-seeding Big Acreage, Is Opinion.

SPOKANE, Wash., June 16.—(Special.)—"This is just the kind of weather this country needs and it is going to work wonders on the wheat," today declared R. J. Stephens, of the Stephens-Smith Grain Company.

"It is going to save the farmers a lot of money right now and make them a lot more on their crops.

"A few more warm days like we have had will stop the cutworms working in the Big Bend wheat fields and repair the damage they have done, and for the Palouse farmer it will obviate the necessity for re-seeding a large acreage of the Winter wheat.

"Cutworms do their greatest damage in cold, backward weather like we have had up to a few days ago, and much of the Winter wheat in the Palouse was in such shape that many of the farmers were preparing to reseed it. This weather will bring the most of the Winter wheat on in good shape.

"With seasonable weather from now on, prospects for a big wheat crop in the Spokane territory will be excellent, perhaps never better."

All grain seeding in the Palouse country, which in some parts of that district was held back nearly a month is now completed, it is stated, but many of the farmers are still putting in field peas and other Winter feed crops.

WOMAN NOT CANDIDATE

Mrs. Alexander Thompson Does Not Seek to Be Mayor of The Dalles.

THE DALLES, Or., June 16.—(Special.)—Mrs. Alexander Thompson has returned to The Dalles after an absence of more than two weeks. While away she learned of a newspaper account sent out from The Dalles reporting that her friends, during her absence, had planned to write in her name as candidate for Mayor at the city election Monday. Mrs. Thompson's best friends in The Dalles assure her that they heard nothing of such a plan previous to publication in newspapers.

Mrs. Thompson's friends assert that she would be a strong candidate if she desired the office and cared to seek it, but they are resentful of the incorrect report, which probably originated with enterprising news gatherers or some jesting citizen who imposed upon the credulity of the reporter. W. A. Hunter, the only nominee for Mayor, has lived in The Dalles for many years, is a successful farmer, now retired, and probably will be elected by the usual vote.

SEWER INTAKE IS LOCATED

South Portland Man Asks Damages From City for Injury.

Falling into the intake of the Thomas-Creek sewer, in South Portland, was a rather hard jolt for F. G. Reidel, of 914 First street, but it was a fortunate accident for the city's sewer, because it finally located the long-lost intake.

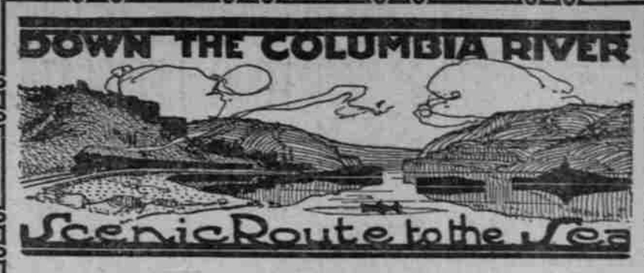
Searches have been made for the place in times past. Mr. Reidel, in going through the brush, stepped into it, and claims he was quite badly injured. He has asked damages from the city.

TODAY FAIR AND COOLER

Temperature Varies Even 20 Degrees on Saturday.

Portland yesterday experienced a slightly cooler day than the week has yet offered, the temperature varying an even 20 degrees. The lowest the mercury registered was 58 and the highest 78.

Forecaster Drake promises weather today even cooler. The official forecast is: Fair and cooler, with westerly winds.



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BERRY PICKERS FOUND

FEDERAL AGENCY SENDS 1500 TO HOOD RIVER.

Picking Will Be at Height by Middle of Week—Indians Join Pickers' Colonies.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 16.—(Special.)—If the agency can bring an additional 250 or 300 berrypickers here by next Wednesday, the free employment office of the Portland branch of the United States Bureau of Immigration will have saved the day for the strawberry-growers of the Hood River Valley. Despite the panic that existed here 10 days ago over an anticipated shortage of harvest hands, the employment bureau has furnished growers with approximately 1500 pickers and packers, most of whom were brought up by boat from Portland.

The action of the O.-W. R. & N. Co. in giving a special rate of fare and a third to berry hands has aroused expressions of gratification from shipping agencies.

Berry harvest will be at its height by the middle of next week, for the fruit of the vast tracts around Parkdale and in the Dee Flat district will begin ripening at that time.

Visits of local growers' representatives to the Warm Springs Indian reservation resulted in the arrival here yesterday of about 100 redskins who will remain for the rest of the picking season.

THREE SLACKERS JAILED

Two of Arrests Made at Gaston and One at Tualatin.

HILLSBORO, Or., June 16.—The first arrests under the war census act were made by Sheriff Applegate yesterday, when Henry Snyder, Donald Morris and Walter Riclick were locked up on a charge of having failed to register. Snyder and Morris were arrested at Gaston and Riclick at Tualatin.

Snyder is 26 years old and declares he is an I. W. W. He admits that he did not register and says he does not believe in war. A deputy United States Marshal took him to Portland the same night. The cases of Morris and Riclick will be investigated. The former says he does not know whether he is 20 or 21 years old and the latter says he did not know of the registration. He is a Pole and apparently illiterate.

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FOURTH AT ALDER

THE DEVILS BELIEVE AND TREMBLE

FAITH NOT MERE BELIEF

By DR. JAMES E. TALMAGE,
Of the Council of the Twelve, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Salt Lake City, Utah.

We believe, that through the atonement of Christ all mankind may be saved, by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the gospel.

We believe that the first principles and ordinances of the gospel are: (1) Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; (2) repentance; (3) baptism by immersion for the remission of sins; (4) laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost (Articles of Faith 3 and 4).

Faith in God is the first, the fundamental, the basal principle of the gospel, as, indeed, faith, in the more general usage of the term, is the impelling cause to activity even in ordinary affairs. Faith and belief are not infrequently confused, and the words are too commonly regarded as synonymous. An approach to identity of meaning appears in early English, in consequence of which fact belief is sometimes given the more definite signification of faith in our versions of the holy scriptures. Belief may be nothing more than a mental assent to any proposition, principle or alleged fact; whereas faith implies such confidence and conviction as shall inspire to action. Belief is by comparison passive, a mere agreement or tacit acceptance only; faith is active and positive and is accompanied by works. Faith is vivified, vitalized, living belief.

Even the devils believe that Jesus is the Christ, and so fully that they tremble at the prospect of the fate foreshadowed by that belief (See James ii:19). Their belief may amount even to certain knowledge, but they remain devils nevertheless. Consider the man possessed by a demon in the country of the Gadarenes. When he beheld Jesus afar off he ran to the Master and worshiped him, while the evil spirit by whom the man was controlled acknowledged the Lord, calling him "Jesus, Son of the Most High God" (Mark v; for analogous instances see Mark i:23-27 and iii:8-11).

Strikingly similar in form, yet vitally different in spirit and effect, was this testimony of the demons as compared with Peter's confession of his Lord. To the Savior's question, "Whom say ye that I am?" Peter replied in practically the same words voiced by the unclean spirits: **"Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God"** (Matt. xvi:15-16).

Peter's faith had already been tested and had demonstrated its vital power. Through faith the apostle had forsaken much that had been dear and had followed his Lord in persecution and suffering. His knowledge of God as the Eternal Father and of Jesus Christ as the Redeemer may have been no greater than that of the demons, but while to them that knowledge was an added cause of condemnation, to him it was the power of righteous service and of eventual salvation.

In a theological sense faith includes a moving, vital, inspiring confidence in God, and the acceptance of his will as our law and of his words as our guide in life. Faith in God is a principle of power, for by its exercise spiritual forces are made operative. By this power phenomena that appear to be supernatural, such as we call miracles, are wrought. Even the Lord Jesus was influenced and in a measure controlled by the lack of faith or the possession thereof by those who sought blessings at his hands. We are told that at a certain time and place Jesus **"could there do no mighty work"** because of the people's unbelief, which was so dense that he marveled at it (Mark vi:5-6). Repeatedly did the Lord rebuke and admonish with such reproofs as "O ye of little faith," "Where is your faith" and "how is it that ye have no faith?" In glorious contrast rang out his words of benediction to those whose faith had made it possible for him to heal and to save: "Thy faith hath made thee whole" and "According to your faith be it unto you."

Read the record of the youthful demoniac whose agonized father brought his son to the Master, pleading pitiably, **"If thou canst do anything,** have compassion on us and help us." To this qualified intercession Jesus replied: **"If thou canst believe,"** and added, **"All things are possible to him that believeth"** (Read Mark ix:14-29). The faith requisite to the healing was not that of the Healer alone, but primarily faith on the part of the suppliant.

If through faith divine interposition may be secured to the accomplishment of what we call material or physical miracles, and of this the scriptures contain copious testimony (read Hebrews, chapter 11), is it consistent to doubt that faith is the appointed agency for invoking and securing spiritual blessings, even to the attainment of salvation in the eternal worlds?

As shown in earlier articles, redemption from the power of death is assured to all through the victory achieved by Jesus Christ; but salvation is an individual gift, provided for all who shall establish claim thereto through **obedience to the laws and ordinances of the gospel.** Faith in God the Eternal Father and in his Son, Jesus Christ, as the Redeemer and Savior of the race, and in the Holy Ghost is essential to the securing of individual salvation. Paul forcefully declares: **"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him"** (Heb. xi:6).

The scriptures abound in assurances of salvation to those who exercise faith in God. The Savior's teachings are conclusive: "HE THAT BELIEVETH AND IS BAPTIZED SHALL BE SAVED; BUT HE THAT BELIEVETH NOT SHALL BE DAMNED" (Mark xvi:16). And again: "HE THAT BELIEVETH ON THE SON HATH EVERLASTING LIFE; AND HE THAT BELIEVETH NOT THE SON SHALL NOT SEE LIFE; BUT THE WRATH OF GOD ABIDETH ON HIM" (John iii:36).

But who will venture to affirm that passive belief as distinguished from active faith is here implied? Can a man be said to believe in Jesus Christ in any effective and genuine sense unless that man shall strive to do the things that Christ commands? To any such inconsistent assumption the Apostle John replies: **"And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected; hereby know we that we are in him"** (I John ii:3-5).

In a revelation through Joseph Smith in 1829 the Lord Jesus Christ gave this instruction and blessed promise: **"Ask the Father in my name, in faith believing that you shall receive, and you shall have the Holy Ghost, which manifesteth all things which are expedient unto the children of men"** (Doctrine and Covenants xviii:18).

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