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The regular meeting of the Ladies
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each month at 2:30 p. m., at the
Garnegie Library lecture room.

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

These columns are dedicated to the people for the discussion of public questions or the diffusion of general information. Articles must be limited to 300 words and name of writer must accompany articles. Sectarian, Partisan or Personal Criticism is prohibited. Opinions expressed here are the expressions of the writers only, and not of the Tidings.

The Anderson Ditch.
Talent, Ore., June 14, 1913.
Editor Tidings: I have just read W. Taverner's letter in regard to the Anderson ditch, and as I have had in mind addressing the people of Ashland through your columns on the subject of the Ashland ditch I will now do so.
Ashland's one dire need is a producing farming country surrounding it, and the one dire need of the country surrounding Ashland to make it a great producer is water. On the 9th of this month I crossed Ashland creek at the ice plant crossing and in my judgment there was more than 2,000 inches of water flowing to

waste down the creek. Water ample to irrigate for the first and second crop all the alfalfa between Ashland and Medford wastes that if applied to the land under the Anderson ditch as now constructed would increase tenfold the present production. Let the city council put in a cement pipe at the cost of a few cents per foot through the city limits and then construct a scenic drive on the ditch right of way, making a double use of it, and then sell the water at about \$1 per acre per season, the city reserving the right to cut off the water whenever needed by the city. Do this and you will find it your best paying investment.
WELBORN BEESON.

self-gratification. They considered that they had won in the battle of life, and would now enjoy the fruits of their diligence. The Lord through the Prophet upbraided them, declaring He was not pleased with such a course. He told them that woes would result.
The mission of Amos was to call attention to the fact that aggressive selfishness had accumulated great riches, that the wealthy were living in luxury, and that these conditions fostered pride and moral laxity amongst the wealthy; while the poor were being filled with avarice, losing respect for God, religion, truth and mercy. Society was on the edge of a volcano, and God declared that an eruption was at hand.
Present Day Conditions Correspond.
Our lesson is not inappropriate to our times. Notwithstanding the progress made, notwithstanding the philanthropic sentiments of many, inside and outside Christian denominations, nevertheless there is danger. First of all, let us consider the danger of the rich. The wealth of today reaches to a certain extent to the very humblest, and scatters blessings. But the bulk of the world's wealth is in the hands of the few. The inordinately rich are in great danger of injuring themselves. Some cannot devise means by which to consume even their incomes. Luxuries of every kind are tasted in hope of finding happiness. Not succeeding, they still pursue it. Wealth brings increased opportunity for sin in its various forms, including debauching.
The influence upon the poor is notable. The latter, seeking pleasure, imagine erroneously that the rich and indolent are finding it, while they themselves seek in vain. Thus the poor, surrounded by the wonderful blessings of our day, are often miserable, because their minds are discontented. They desire happiness, and believe that they can obtain it only through wealth. The result is that their hearts are filling with anger, malice, and jealousy of the rich.
Both rich and poor need to learn the great lesson that pleasure lies, not in self-indulgence, but in self-sacrifice—in service of others. God's Message to both classes is, "Seek righteousness, seek meekness."—Zephaniah 2:3.

Take Plenty of Time to Eat.
There is a saying that "rapid eating is slow suicide." If you have formed the habit of eating too rapidly you are most likely suffering from indigestion or constipation, which will result eventually in serious illness unless corrected. Digestion begins in the mouth. Food should be thoroughly masticated and insalivated. Then when you have a fullness of the stomach or feel dull and stupid after eating, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets. Many severe causes of stomach trouble and constipation have been cured by the use of these tablets. They are easy to take and most agreeable in effect. Sold by all dealers.
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From time to time the Tidings has received communications from readers. It is a helpful thing to exchange opinions on current subjects. Especially is this true of those subjects that affect the material well-being of the community (either of the city of Ashland or the county of Jackson), and this column is dedicated mainly to that end. However, there

are many persons in this community who produce good literary articles. Every reader who feels inclined to write on any subject, except those prohibited, is invited to contribute to this column, always being sure to keep your article within as nearly as practicable the 300-word limit. This we request so as to have room to use articles from more than one contributor at a time.



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WOES, ANCIENT AND MODERN.
Amos 6:1-8—June 22.
"Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live."
—Amos 5:4.

IT is safe to say that everybody is seeking good, and not evil. Everybody is seeking pleasure, and not misery—happiness, and not woe. The difficulty is that our judgments are more or less perverted. Some have greater wisdom than others; but there is none perfect, "none righteous, no, not one." All come short of the glorious standard which God has set.
The difficulty is that we were all born in sin, and are all missshapen. Not only our bodies are imperfect, but our brains are unbalanced—some one way, some another. Consequently young men and maidens, looking forth from childhood upon the problems of life, have various conceptions of happiness, and make various resolutions and endeavors respecting the filling of their cup with blessings—long life, riches, honor, etc.
The teachers of our schools have a most wonderful opportunity for influencing the course of humanity. We rejoice that they are striving nobly for the fulfillment of gracious, benevolent ideals, and are using their opportunities for blessing their pupils. Yet evidently many of them have but a slight appreciation of their privileges. Some, of course, like the remainder of the world, are selfish, and think of their work from the business standpoint—so much work, so much pay.
The first and chief responsibility for children rests upon their parents, the majority of whom, no doubt, to some extent recognize that responsibility in God's sight and man's. But they labor under the difficulties of their own ignorance. They know not the proper course to take for themselves. Their lives have been a succession of blunders, and they presume that their children must blunder similarly. Not seeing the principles underlying life's experiences, they are unable to guide their children intelligently. Here teachers find their opportunity. But how little any one seems able to accomplish, and how discouraged philanthropists become!

On the whole, however, a broad view of the past fifty years shows progress in many directions. Our cities are cleaner—both physically and morally—at least so far as outward appearances are concerned. No longer does vice flaunt itself in the face of society. The battle against intemperance and the social evil is making progress in that it has made former conditions impossible. In some states the progress has been more than in others.

New Issues Now—New Temptations.
Our lesson tells of a time in the history of Israel when many of the nation's wisest and most brilliant people had settled down to ease and luxury—

Both were ancient. "What kind of a bird was the dodo?" asked the callow youth of the breezy bud.
"I don't know," she answered. "That bird is extinct, but ask Miss Screeleef over there. Maybe she's seen one."—Exchange.

SUNDAY IN THE CHURCHES

Notes of Services of Various Religious Bodies.

First Baptist Church—Rev. W. N. D. MacCullough, pastor. Morning worship at 11 o'clock; evening service at 8; Bible school at 7:45; H. Y. P. U. at 7. Music by the largest choir in the city.

Brethren Church, corner Fifth and East Main streets.—Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; preaching service at 11 a. m.; C. E. at 7 p. m.; evening service at 8; prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45; Young People's Bible study every Tuesday evening at 7:45 at home of pastor, Frank Lindblad, pastor, 549 Fairview street.

Church of the Brethren, corner Iowa street and Mountain avenue.—Sunday school at 10 a. m.; church services Sunday at 11 a. m.; Christian Workers and preaching services—Sunday evening at 7:30. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. We cordially invite all. Elder S. E. Decker, pastor.

Christian Church, corner B and Second streets, Nelson L. Browning, pastor. Residence, 55 Pine; telephone, 128. Bible school at 10 a. m.; G. W. Milam, superintendent. Communion and preaching at 11 a. m. Junior Endeavor at 4 p. m. Training for Service at 6:15 p. m. Young People's meeting at 7 p. m. Evening service at 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7:45 p. m. Pastor's afternoon at home, Tuesday.

First Church of Christ Scientist—Sabbath school, 9:45 a. m.; regular morning service at 11 o'clock Sunday; Wednesday testimonial experience meeting at 8 o'clock in the evening. All services are held in G. A. R. Hall. Reading room is open every day in the week between 2 and 4 p. m. except Sunday. All are cordially invited and literature may be read free of charge, or purchased, if preferred. F. C. Homes, first reader.

First Congregational Church, corner Boulevard and East Main. W. A. Schwimley, pastor. Manse, 469 Boulevard.—Sunday services: Sunday school 9:45 a. m.; C. G. Porter, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m., Junior Christian Endeavor, 3:30 p. m.; Mrs. W. A. Schwimley, superintendent. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.; V. V. Mills, president. Preaching service, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening, 7:30. Men's League the second Monday evening of each month; C. H. Willison, president. Ladies' Aid meets second and fourth Wednesdays of each month; Mrs. E. A. Morthland, president. Woman's Missionary Union meets the first Wednesday of each month; Mrs. W. A. Schwimley, president.

First Free Methodist Church—Corner East Main and Seventh street. Sunday-school, 9:30; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 in the evening. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30.

All are cordially invited. M. F. Childs, pastor in charge.

Methodist church.—Sunday school, 9:15 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m.; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:15 p. m.; preaching, 7:30 p. m. Rev. L. C. Poor, pastor.

Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene cor. Fourth and C street.—John T. Little, pastor.—Sunday services: Sunday school 9:45 a. m., Thornton Wiley, superintendent. Preaching services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Presbyterian church, corner North Main and Helman streets. H. T. Chisholm, pastor.—Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; Men's Bible class at 12 m.; Junior C. E. at 3 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Rosary Church (Catholic), corner Sixth and C streets.—Sunday services: Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, 8 a. m. and 10:30 a. m. Christian Doctrine for Children, 2 p. m. Sodality of Mary, 7 p. m. Benediction and Sermon, 7:30 p. m. Weekday services: Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, 7:30 a. m. Friday, Holy Hour and Sermon, 7:30 p. m. Interviews by appointment. Phone 106. Rev. J. F. Moisan, pastor.

Seventh Day Adventist, cor. Fourth and C streets.—Services every Saturday: Sabbath school, 9:45 a. m. Preaching services, 11 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. T. G. Bunch, pastor.

Temple of Truth (Spiritualist), 479 Boulevard.—New Thought class, Sunday, 7 p. m. Regular Lyceum, Sunday, 8 p. m. Theosophy class, Friday evening, 8 p. m.

The W. C. T. U. hold its regular meetings the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the Methodist church at 2:30 p. m., unless otherwise notified. Visitors invited.

Fire Alarm System.
We print below the city fire alarm signals. Readers of the Tidings are urged to cut out this slip and paste it in the telephone directory or in some other conspicuous place. A reprint of the signals will appear from time to time in this paper:

- CITY FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.**
- Fire Chief, phone 74.
 - Chief of Police, phone 160.
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 - Cor. Main and Wimer streets.
 - 2-8 Bells
 - City Hall.
 - 3-5 Bells.
 - Cor. Granite and Nutley streets.
 - 4-6 Bells
 - Cor. Main and Gresham streets.
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