

RELIGION HAS NO SUBSTITUTE

Dr. John Roach Straton
Draws Strong Picture of
Mistaken Alliances.

PLEASURE CANNOT
DISPLACE MORALITY

Attempt to Replace Spiritual Life
With World's Frivolities or With
Science and Philosophy Leads Only
to Crushing Disappointment.

Dr. John Roach Straton preached yesterday morning and evening at the White Temple. At the evening service he took for his text the twentieth verse of the twenty-eighth chapter of Isaiah, "For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it."

In discussing the historical setting of the text, Dr. Straton showed that Israel was threatened at the time by a great Assyrian invasion from the north. "The country had lost its strength by wandering away from God and falling into the idol worship practiced by the heathen nations around it."

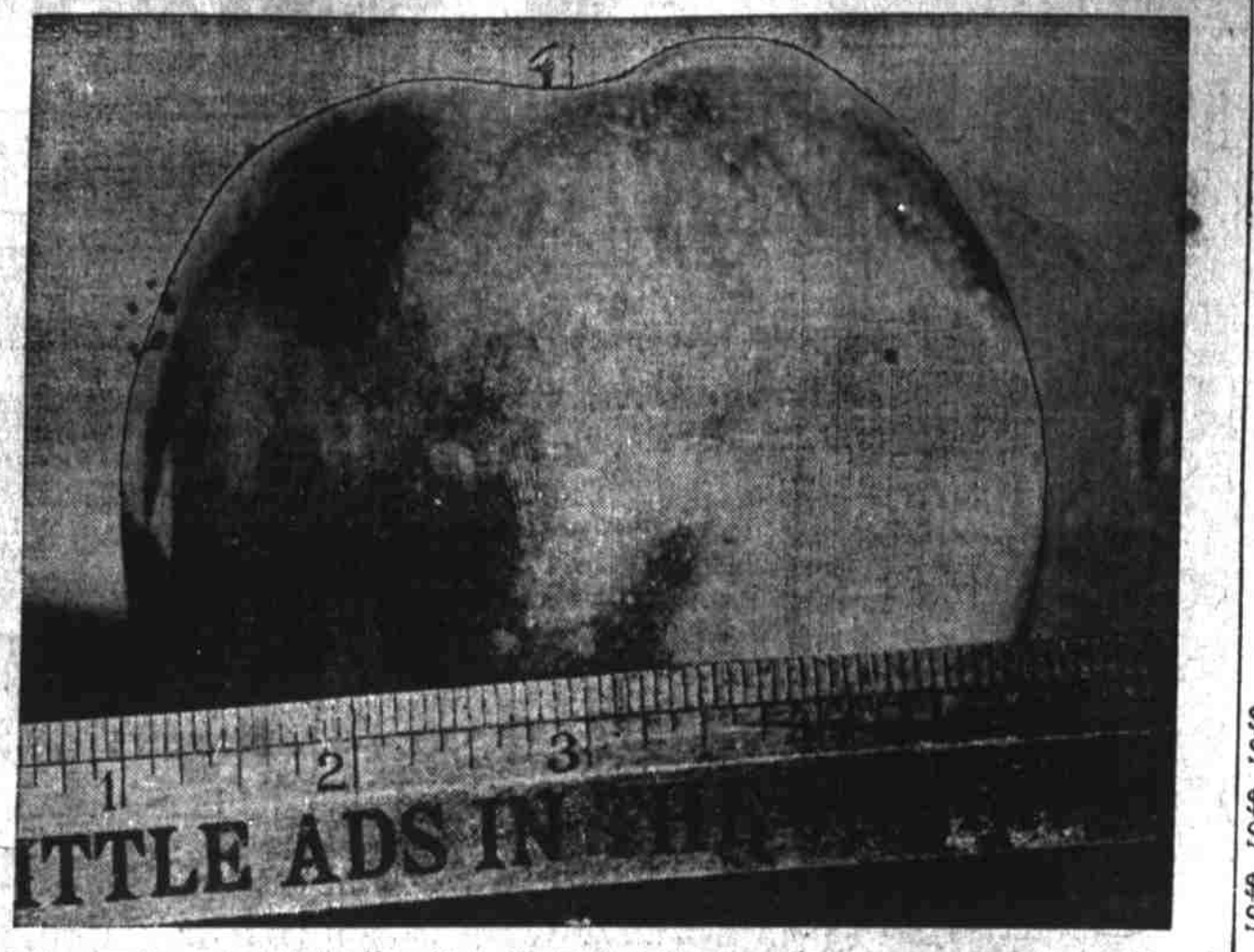
"In their weakness and desperation they finally resorted to the idea of an alliance with Egypt on the south, hoping through such an alliance to gain the strength necessary to meet the Assyrian invasion. But the ringing words of the old prophet sounded out telling them that such an alliance between God's chosen people and a heathen nation would work for them only vexation and ruin."

"There are some in every age," continued Dr. Straton, "who endeavor to replace their spiritual life with the pleasures of the world and the sciences of the age. They endeavor to replace their spiritual life with the pleasures of the world and the sciences of the age. They endeavor to replace their spiritual life with the pleasures of the world and the sciences of the age."

"Pleasure is a good thing, but when we become immersed in it, it separates us from the spiritual life which is the very breath and life of the soul. Another man makes an alliance with morality, but we need something more than our weak resolution and our feeble moral might. Thank God that we have the sufficiency of Jesus Christ."

"Man is made to be a religious being and until he gets into his life the joys, comforts and peace of religion he can never attain his highest possible happiness, usefulness and joy."

Douglas Apple Big Enough for Horse's Breakfast



An apple measuring nearly 12 inches in circumference, one of 35 similar specimens grown on a tree by M. W. Myers, of Douglas county, has been brought to the Portland Chamber of Commerce and will be preserved by the Quotidian Miller. The apple belongs to the variety known as the Twenty-Ounce Pippin. Its weight is 21 ounces. It is not an unusual specimen of this variety. The Umpqua valley, where these apples are common, is proving to be one of the best fruit growing sections of the state.

WHEAT STORIES HAVE THE CALL

Charter Open to Those Who Can Tell of Record-Breaking Crops.

AFFAIR IS STARTED AT IMPERIAL HOTEL

Judge Ellis and "Jim" Kyle Describe Some Wonderful Yields Running Close to Seventy Bushels to the Acre.

ATTRACTS LARGE AUDIENCE

Father O'Hara's Discourse Given Before Many Protestants.

"The Papal Syllabus," that important edict recently issued from Rome dealing with the attitude of the Catholic church toward scientific progress, was the subject preached upon by Father Edwin O'Hara at the 11 o'clock mass at the Catholic cathedral yesterday morning. Careful research and knowledge of the subject stood out in the sermon. In view of the fact that the subject had been announced the night before, filled yesterday with many not of the Catholic faith. Father O'Hara said in part:

"It will be said that the church binds Catholics to believe that the Bible is a veritable text book of science, notwithstanding the obvious fact that any of the scientific conceptions of the Bible are antiquated. Such a criticism I can only characterize as unmitigated buncome. The church has never committed herself to such a wooden theory of inspiration. The inspired writer is not writing of the physical world, but of religious and moral instruction and makes use of the crude scientific conceptions of his time as a vehicle of his thought. He is teaching religion, not science. He is teaching the truth, the science, and the Catholic church declares that the teaching is true. The inspired writer may classify cetaceans and crustaceans among the fishes, and among birds to the great scandal of the naturalist."

OBJECTS TO RAGTIME

Rev. House Says Modern Life Is Too Much Opposed to Symphony.

An exhortation to avoid rag-time in favor of the symphony was the burden of the Rev. E. L. House's sermon at the First Congregational church last night. He declared that modern life is too apt to consist of the "ta-ra-ra boom-de-aye" airs, the product and vocation of the moral buffoon.

"When God said that special was a very lively song he paid him a high compliment," said Rev. Mr. House. "Every man's life is some kind of a song and the song he sings gives him his rating before the world. It is true that a man must go through a struggle to sing a lively song and minor strains are a part of life's oratorio. But the darkness must give way to light, dawn to day, and the minor to the major in the Master's life."

He said that when thousands of men have no more serious purpose in life than to dash for a race track or a ball game, and when women make a pet of a scanty gown the highest object of their existence immortal souls live as though life were a Punch and Judy show.

MR. E. G. REED NOW WITH THE REED-FRENCH PIANO COMPANY

Mr. Bert Reed, for more than seven years associated with the Allen-Gilbert Piano company, this city, has been appointed by the executive board of the Reed-French company their western secretary. The Reed-French Piano company within one short year has demonstrated a first-class piano can be sold for a comparatively small amount. Until recently retailers asked \$400 and over for a good piano; Reed-French company sell the same grade piano for \$250 and make no bones about special discounts. Their fall style Reed-French is a marvel of beauty and they ask \$250 for it—\$10 down and \$6 a month.

EXAMINATION OF TEACHERS IN UNION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) La Grande, Or., Aug. 19.—In the annual county teachers' examination the following teachers passed:

First grade—E. W. Allen, Claude S. Rice, Constance R. Shaw, Belle Sills, John F. Frost, Mrs. Essie Green, Della Denning, Gertrude Stever, Mable Minnick, Willis Wright, Lela Gillen, Etta Maworth, Effie Billings, Mrs. M. J. Lee.

Second grade—Ida Heath, Ida Hunter, Elizabeth Woodruff, Nina L. Wolf, Edith A. Berk, Helen McHugh.

Third grade—Mollie Snyder, Anna L. Brack, Rowena Wilson, Pearl Woods, Ira Kringle, Doris Denning, Margaret Moore.

Tuesday, the 20th, will be the last day to receive discount on east side gas bills.

Preferred Stock Canned Goods, Allen & Lewis' Best Brand.

SEMI-ANNUAL SALE

Clearance of Men's and Boys' Clothing

Men's Three-Piece Suits	Men's Outing Trousers
\$25.00 Three-Piece Suits.....	\$2.50 Outing Trousers.....
\$20.00 Three-Piece Suits.....	\$3.50 Outing Trousers.....
\$15.00 Three-Piece Suits.....	\$5.00 Outing Trousers.....
\$15.00	\$1.75
\$13.50	\$2.25
\$10.00	\$3.35

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