

LEAVES SICK BED TO DELIVER A SERMON

Mrs. B. Fay Mills, Alleged to Have Given Wonderful Demonstration of New Philosophy Preached by Her Husband in Portland.

(Herald News by Longest Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, Dec. 7.—The announcement that Mrs. Benjamin Fay Mills will deliver an address tomorrow morning at Blanchard hall on "Spiritual Sickness and Spiritual Health" has created a sensation among the many friends and acquaintances who two days ago were waiting anxiously for even encouraging news from the bed of sickness on which Mrs. Mills had lain for two weeks in a critical condition.

The new philosophy which Mr. and Mrs. Mills are promulgating holds that the spirit may completely dominate the flesh. What Mrs. Mills herself is to demonstrate there is great curiosity to know.

Her collapse from a long strain of work and a naturally frail constitution physically seemed to be complete. Dr. Percival Gerson and a nurse were in constant attendance during the past two weeks.

A teaspoonful of predigested milk was the only nourishment the patient had been able to retain for a whole week, when health came back as if by miracle yesterday morning.

Thursday night the nurse, who has attended Mrs. Mills, was apprehensive about her. Mrs. Mills tried to lift her head from the pillow, but was unable to do so. She said she would rest comfortably and was left alone for the night.

Yesterday morning when the nurse entered her room she found her patient up and dressed. She had been sitting on the balcony enjoying the sunrise and was walking about the room apparently in possession of her full strength.

Will Deliver Sermon.

The next startling development was her announcement that she would occupy the pulpit Sunday at Blanchard hall, which she has filled during Mr. Mills' absence on a trip to Portland and Seattle.

The members of the family at first demurred, but finally gave way before

the evidences of health and strength in the glow of color that had returned and the vigor of mind and body that was manifest in every action.

Mr. Mills, who is now in Oakland, had been informed daily of Mrs. Mills' condition, but their great trust in the philosophy which admits of no room for physical sickness, nor really considers separation of time and space, kept them both untroubled that he should have been absent. It is in fact their theory that the sympathy and interest of an absolutely fearless and trustful soul might be the greatest factor in a cure of this kind.

Mrs. Mills' friends, who have not gone so far in this philosophy, said it was only natural that a physical collapse should follow the severe strain of work which she has undergone. A large part of the burdens of The Fellowship, an organization with scores of activities, fell upon her in Mr. Mills' absence. She preached on Sundays, taught classes during the week, wrote for the magazine and officiated at weddings and funerals.

Nights without rest were often spent in sick rooms with the bereaved.

Spirit Lost Control.

Mrs. Mills suggests that her spirit simply lost its control for a brief time. "Excellent nursing and the fine care of children," said Mrs. Mills, "made it easier for me to regain the control I had lost. But I now see some things more clearly than I have ever seen them before. So long as the spirit is strong the flesh will serve it until such time as the divine plan has been proved that they shall separate."

We should not emphasize such an incident as this as at all wonderful," said Charles H. Mills, assistant minister of The Fellowship, "because it is just what our members expect. But it is truly remarkable nevertheless. My mother was more serious sick than I have ever seen any member of our family. For days we had been hoping that she would be able to take a little nourishment. And then, suddenly, she appeared among us and said she was well. And that is remarkable compared to the experience we have had with sickness."

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Music Will Also Be Feature of This Afternoon's Program.

The many who were disappointed in not hearing the address, "The Trinity of Burden-Bearing," which Dr. Brougher was to have given a few weeks ago, will have an opportunity of hearing it this afternoon at the Y. W. C. A.

At 4 o'clock the "drop-in" Bible class will, under Miss Holbrook's leadership, discuss "How God Leads Us." At the same time Miss Pearl Chandler, who has just taken the position of membership secretary, will read a Christmas story in the story room.

At 4:30 will commence the musical program, which will be furnished by Miss Helen Barstow, Miss Sabine Dent and Leo Martin. All young women are invited. Y. W. C. A. rooms, Sixth and Oak streets.

CURES WINTER COUGH.

J. E. Gover, 101 N. Main street, Ottawa, Kansas, writes: "Every fall it has been my wife's trouble to catch a severe cold, and therefore to cough all winter long. Last fall I got her a bottle of Horehound Syrup. She used it and has been able to sleep soundly all night long. Whenever the cough troubles her, two or three doses stop the cough, and she is able to go to bed and well." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by all druggists.

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WOMEN LOAFERS FOUND IN ALL PORTLAND HOTELS

Landlords Call Them "Parlor Pretties"—They Warm the Chairs, Talk, Gossip, and Do Everything Like Men—Sometimes Swipe An Umbrella.

Women are the latest to take advantage of the nice, cozy, comfortable quarters of the hotels of Portland as a loafing-place. Of course, the women don't really call it loafing. But that's what it is, just the same. They sit around in the parlors for hours, talk and gossip and discuss the topics of the day, just as the ordinary men loafers do in the lobbies. In the corridors and sometimes inside where they can put their feet on the brass railings.

Men loafers in hotel lobbies have been in existence ever since the first hotel was built. In fact, it is tradition that the first loafer hung about the place waiting for the first hotel to open. When he rushed in, grabbed a chair provided for the guests, and he has been there ever since. These men are commonly called "chair-warmers."

Meaning of Parlor Pretties.

Such a name as this, however, could hardly be applied with dignity to the women loafers, so the hotel people call them "parlor pretties." Of course, the women don't know this, but if they ever heard themselves referred to as "pretties" they would think it was meant as a compliment.

These "parlor pretties" are not included among the hotel guests. A woman staying at a hotel has the privilege of the parlor and the reception rooms, but here of late in some of the places where a woman guest wished to receive a friend in the parlor she found all of the chairs and sofas, and even the piano stool, occupied by "pretties."

Many of these women loafers, or "parlor pretties," as they should be called, so that no one will become offended, live in the city or reside in the suburbs or country and come to the city to spend the day.

Some of the female loafers use the hotel parlors to meet other women. Others go there to play the piano and

get in their daily practice. And in addition the stores are quite handy, you know, and one can look out the window and see all that is going on in the great world. Some people are satisfied as long as they are gazing out a window. And still others go there just to loaf. They get tired of home or the four walls of their rooms, and they hike to their private parlor, where they imagine they are welcomed as the flowers that bloom in the spring.

Landlords Have Inning.

But you should hear the landlords' side of the story. The more particular women naturally pick out the more particular hotels to while away the happy hours of each day. There is nothing too fine for them. The more parlors a hotel has the merrier. Then she can flit from one room to the other and keep track of all that is going on in her own little world—the hotel parlor.

And then at the next best hotel is the next best woman, and so on. Some time one who is not the best shows up at a hotel which is the best, and then the "prettiest" hold an indignation meeting. The next best has no right there, her standing is not just right, they say, and she is ostracized.

Some of these women are not honest. Really, you might not believe it, but that's what they say. If you don't believe this, just you ask. But really, on the square, that's what they say.

A woman lost an umbrella in the parlor the other day. She had noticed two young women hanging around the chair where her property stood. And when she missed the umbrella she also took cognizance of the fact that the two young women were also missing. But this woman was wise—she knew their favorite haunts. She followed, and found the pair in another parlor in another hotel, and the lost umbrella was recovered.

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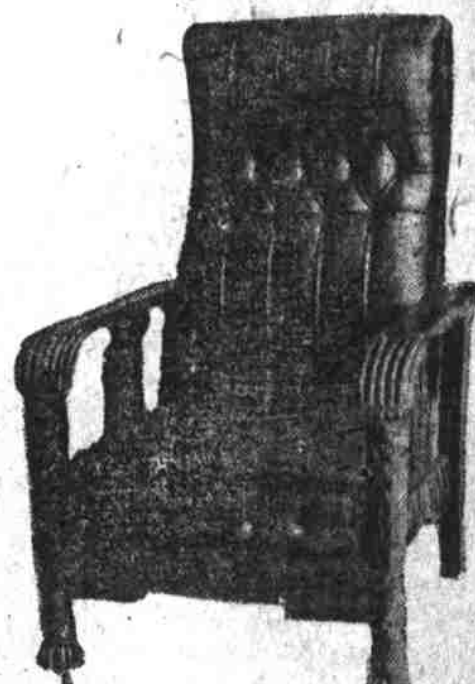
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TAFT NEEDED BY ROOSEVELT

Secretary Is Sorry He Cannot See Kaiser but Says President Wants Him.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Cuxhaven, Dec. 7.—Secretary Taft, the picture of physical vigor, sailed at noon today upon the President Grant for New York, via Boulogne and Plymouth. He expressed keen regret at being unable to meet the Kaiser, but said that his mother's condition, and the great volume of work awaiting him in Washington made immediate return imperative.

The president thinks my presence is needed, especially in connection with questions relating to the Panama canal, the army defenses and other matters under my jurisdiction," said he before embarking. "The popular reception in Japan was less demonstrative than our former visit, but we had the president's daughter with us then. It seemed to me that the people, as well as the authorities, displayed an exceedingly friendly spirit. Whatever friction has arisen over the question of immigration seems to have passed away or to be passing away. And I do not think there will be any misunderstanding of our sending the fleet to the Pacific. That really had its genesis in the Oregon trip. You know, and probably would have been undertaken if Japan never had existed."

Manila, I met a flood of rumors that the Philippines were to be neutralized. In the main they came from outside the archipelago and they were, of course, groundless. The little party traveled incognito from the Russian frontier, two policemen and a delegation of baggage-men were the only persons besides Americans to meet Mr. Taft in the German capital.

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