

GREAT LIGHT MADE SAUL OF TARSUS FIRST METHODIST

Dr. Young at Taylor Street Church Recounts Incidents of Conversion of Great Apostle and Draws Lesson.

"Vision-transformation" was the subject of the sermon preached yesterday morning in the Taylor street Methodist Episcopal church by the pastor, Rev. Benjamin F. Young, D. D. Dr. Young took as his text, Acts 9:1-19: "Whereupon, O King Agrippa I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."

He spoke in part as follows: "During the fierce persecution which swept down upon the infant church at Jerusalem, Stephen, a leader and teacher, was destroyed. Looking upon his death and questioning thereof was a young man of about 30 or 35 years named Saul. He was born in Tarsus of Cilicia, a city of many commercial advantages and of some intellectual fame. He was a Hebrew of a very strict sort. He was proud of his ancestry and of his nation. He came in contact with Grecian culture and was familiar with the literature and philosophy of the Greeks.

"Eminent Jewish leaders were his instructors. He developed into a man of promise. He possessed courage and daring and became actuated with a passion to destroy the institution which was then making progress in Syria—the infant church. It was this which brought him in touch with Stephen and which possibly caused the stirrings of his conscience to culminate in the drama at the Damascus gate.

"To him there had been given letters of authority to officials in Damascus in the interest of the common effort then being made to destroy the new faith. With a great enthusiasm burning in his soul he set out for the oldest city in the world determined to prosecute his mission. When near the gate of the city at midday a light shined about him which was above the brightness of the sun and he fell to the earth overwhelmed by the strange experience which had come to him. He says he heard a voice saying in the Hebrew tongue, 'Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?' It is hard for thee to kick against the goad. Immediately after the manifestation which came to him he said, 'Lord what wilt thou have me to do?'

"From the scene of the vision he was led into Damascus by his associates. He who had expected to bind others had himself become a prisoner. For three days he was blind and helpless. During these hours of helplessness strange thoughts must have brooded in his mind. When light came he had entered into another world. The impressions of the hour on that Damascus way were to abide with him during a long and useful lifetime and were to become the basis of a personal conviction for human uplift such as the world had not seen.

"This young man Saul who had become Paul was to be one of the benefactors of the race. Paul and Philippi, Paul and western civilization are inseparably connected. The doctrine of Paul gave a mighty impetus to the best things in European life. The message of this Hebrew has quickened the heart of every reformer and been an inspiration to many a great reform.

"Prisoner for the Faith. Years have passed since the experience of the Damascus way came to him and Paul stands in the palace of the ruler in Caesarea. He has been for months a prisoner because of his faith and the bigotry of those opposed to him. He will soon be on his way to Rome with the end of his journey in sight. He has been called to give an account of his faith and of his cause in the palace before King Agrippa.

"The address he gives is found in the memorable twenty-sixth chapter of Acts. It is said by some to be the finest chapter in the New Testament. With stateliness he moves to a climax in the heavenly vision. That is primary in his transformation and it is fundamental in all his doctrine and it has had the first place in all his work. The Epistle to the Romans is built about the thesis which is drawn out of this experience which came to him on the way to northern Syria.

"First of the Methodists. 'Again and again in his letters to the churches and to the leaders of the churches does he refer to it. I think there was a Methodist before the Methodists. There has come into his life a crisis and in that crisis he has wrought a transformation or a revolution in his nature and he had gone out with a larger vision of life because he had received a vision of Jesus Christ. 'It is a fact which cannot be controverted that Jesus Christ coming into man's thought or into the crisis of man's life gives an inspiration for loftiest service and a breadth to human vision.

"The man who denies the Christ influence in human society, or the agnosticism, the skeptic must reckon first with this problem of the Christ vision. As given in the career of Paul it is one of the outstanding evidences of Christianity. But what about the Christ influence in history? What about the Christ of art? What about the influence of Jesus in literature? Above all what about the Christ of human experience?

"Twice Born Men. A London reporter has recently written a book in which he labels the results of an investigation of religious phenomena in the slums of London. His name is Harold Begbie and his book is called, 'Twice Born Men,' a footnote to Professor James' book on 'Varieties of Religious Experience.' The book is written to show that again and again in human life even in its lowest depths there comes a time when men open heart and life to the vision of Jesus Christ and that such an opening of life works for marvelous transformations in human character. 'No man can read the story of O. B. D. or Old Born Drunk, in its horror

ROAD COMES TO TERMS WITH CITY

Northern Pacific Terminal Co. Turns Over \$12,105 and Deed in Lot Deal.

The Northern Pacific Terminal company now has absolute possession of the "fire department" lot at Third and Gilman streets. This lot was sought with all diligence by the company, and the deed and a check for \$12,105 were turned over Saturday to City Auditor Barber. He gave up the deed to an adjoining lot in exchange. Thus the terminal company is now happy. The lot in question was absolutely necessary for a site upon which to locate the west approach to the new O. & N. bridge. It was originally given to the city for a fire engine site, but none has been built. When the new bridge was under consideration the terminal company began figuring how to get back the lot. The first the public knew of this deal was shortly after an ordinance was rushed through the council and signed by Mayor Simon, providing for the sale of the lot at the same price to be paid for another lot nearby. The lot was sold at auction. The company wanted it so badly that Attorney Cyrus A. Dolph, representing the company, bought it for \$12,105. The city was sewed up in such a manner that this amount was to be paid back to the company for the second lot. Attorney Dolph wanted Auditor Barber to trade deeds. He refused, insisting that the records in his office show a sale and purchase. The city attorney said he was right. Last Saturday Attorney Dolph turned in the deed and check. He received the deed and will receive a deed for the much desired lot. This closed that deal.

and its pitifulness, in its awakening and in its revolutionary conduct after, without coming to the conclusion that the mightiest factor after all in social regeneration is personal religion—the vision of Jesus Christ to men. That which was in the awakening and transforming of the life of the great apostle to the Gentiles is yet in human life arousing the conscience, quickening the thought of men and lifting individuals and peoples in contact with the God who is over all."

EPWORTH CHURCH SERVICES

R. C. Lee Preaches on "Grace, Creed or Ritual?"

The subject of Sunday night's sermon at the Epworth M. E. church was "Grace, Creed or Ritual?" suggested by the oration of Dr. Yorke and the convention of the Hibernians in the city. R. C. Lee, who is speaking at the above church during the illness of the pastor, said in part:

"The normal man is a religious animal. All men are endowed with a moral nature that demands satisfaction to its longings. No matter where we go, men everywhere are reaching out their hands after God, if haply they might find him.

"In the satisfying of this longing of mankind men have entered into competition with the Almighty. God's plan is through the redemption of his law. Man's plan is through beautiful ritualistic ceremonies that appeal to the senses.

"Man's cry for salvation, for peace in the midst of turmoil, is answered by Christ's, 'Come unto me.' The answer received from a large portion of his church on earth is high priced singers to charm the ear, splendid ritualistic ornamentation to rest the eye, whilst the slow monotone chant of the surpliced choir still the restless nerves. The leaded windows, allegories of beautiful lives and noble deeds, bring to his troubled and perplexed mind a sedative to quiet his thinking, and for a time he gets the same result the poppy flower brings to its devotee.

"Not in subscribing to creed or articles of church doctrine, not in the baptism of water, can man find rest to the weary, aching heart that troubles him. By beauty, by ritualism, the wearing of costly vestments, the building of magnificent altars, church processions, chanting of vested choirs, or the inhaling of the aroma of the incense, can man's thoughts be led from the sin of his heart to him who alone hath power to pardon and forgive.

"Jesus came to minister to the needs of men, not clothed about with purple robes, nor guarded by armed bands of soldiery. Not to organize civil power among the nations, but establish a spiritual government for men everywhere. Not to build up for himself the power of delectation and enthroning kings, or outwitting for the governments of the world policies to be carried out for his personal glory and gain. But to bring peace to men, amid the unrest and sorrow of their working, everyday life. He who sits at the Vatican has usurped the powers and functions and glory of the Christ. In his splendor men forget his master and his Lord. He would do well to abdicate the throne, disband his guards, put away his priceless vestments, tear down the splendid altars, forever forbid spiritual good as a reward for money paid, and make plain the way of salvation to men who are hungry and thirsting after the way of life. It is by grace of God men are saved.

"Many Candidates in Franklin. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pasco, Wash., July 25.—The crop of candidates for Franklin county offices is increasing daily. The announcements of candidacy thus far are principally among the Republicans. For school superintendent, George W. Zent and J. K. Busch are in the field. Mr. Zent is a brother of ex-Judge Zent, and has been principal of the Pasco city schools for several years. John H. Hartung, at present deputy at Connelley, is trying for the office of sheriff, as is also Theodore DeZure, a contractor of this place. H. L. Chittenden, present incumbent, will try for another term as county auditor. For treasurer, L. D. Conrad and Fred W. Nelson, both employees of the Northern Pacific, will likely be candidates, while George E. Bos is contemplating making the race for county commissioner to succeed Mr. Byers.

"Umatilla Athletes Organize. Umatilla, Or., July 25.—The Umatilla Social and Athletic club has completed two houses near its club. The houses are situated at the junction of the Umatilla and Columbia rivers on a most ideal spot. A rowing club has also been organized in connection with the club.

BISHOP PREACHES IN SMALL CITIES

Arrives at Gold Beach Enthusiastic Over Country Through Which He Passed.

Gold Beach, Or., July 21.—The Right Reverend Charles Scadding, bishop of Oregon, accompanied by Mrs. Scadding and Reverend S. M. Dorrance, arrived here yesterday, having driven in from Grants Pass via Walden, Crescent City, Smith River, Harbor and Pistol River, at which places the bishop has held services and preached and visited members of the Episcopal church living on ranches near these stopping places. The bishop, always an optimist where Oregon is concerned, is more than ever enthusiastic over the opportunities for settlers in the dairy district of Coos and Curry counties. He advocates the division of the large ranches held by the few, into 40 or 60 acre holdings, and selling these smaller dairies to newcomers with eastern capital, who will add spirit and life to the country, and advance its civilization and financial standing. At present the holdings are too large and held by too few, and as one of the results, the property in many places is run down and in poor repair, and the land not yielding the returns of which it is capable. There will be very little difficulty in finding purchasers for these excellent dairies, so the bishop thinks, but the difficulty will be to get those who have owned so much property so long to dispose of portions of it to settlers for anything like a reasonable sum.

At the Lawrence ranch, on Pistol river, the bishop found quite a gathering of college graduates. Of the eight who sat down to dinner there were two Harvard men, one Yale, one Cornell, one lady from Wellesley. Mr. Brookings, president of the Washington university, St. Louis, and of the Brookings Box and Lumber company, was on a tour of inspection of his vast timber holdings in Curry county, and outlined his company's plan of reforestation—of cutting only a limited number of trees each year, and providing for a perpetual forest, a plan favored by the United States government. Bishop Scadding speaks in highest appreciation of the hospitality and courtesy his party has received through the country. His fondness for buttermilk has become so well known that dairymen greet the sage with pitchers of it when they know he is coming.

One creamery sent a demijohn with its compliments, but the bishop did not like the look of the vessel and declined, until the liquid poured out white and thick, and proved beyond doubt to be buttermilk, when he partook copiously himself and treated the other occupants of the stage, who had a good deal of fun out of the incident at the bishop's expense.

This morning an early celebration of the Holy Communion was held at the home of one of the residents, for the confirmed members of the Episcopal church, and tonight the bishop conducted service in the school house and preached to a large congregation on the text, "The Spirit Beareth Witness With Our Spirit, That We Are Children of God." It was a brief, practical, straight-from-the-shoulder talk, and showed that the speaker realizes the religious needs of the country, and in a sympathetic and practical way is trying to meet them.

WOULD BOND DISTRICT FOR PORT IMPROVEMENTS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Cottage Grove, Or., July 25.—Andrew Jackson, representing the Sluslaw port commission, has been in the Lorne valley the past few days endeavoring to secure signatures to petition to the commission authorizing it to bond the district in the further sum of \$115,000 for the improvement of the Sluslaw bar, but has met with little success in that neighborhood, inasmuch as that locality receives comparatively little benefit from the improvement. Originally the commission agreed to bond in an amount not exceeding \$100,000, but the government's proposition to appropriate \$215,000 provided the district would raise an equal amount, has brought out the petition. The people of the district who reside inland are opposed to further taxation at this time for the improvement, and are exerting themselves to defeat the proposed bond issue.

BRINGS HUSBAND'S BODY AROUND HORN

(United Press Leased Wire.) Philadelphia, July 25.—After bringing Mr. husband's body from Cape Horn, Mrs. James Lorenz is on route to California today with the body, which will find final resting place at San Francisco.

Lorenz died on his vessel 42 days ago off Cape Horn. Since then his wife has watched over the body and fought the mutinous whims of a mutinous and superstitious crew, who insisted that the captain's body should be thrown overboard lest the bark be filled with spirits caused by the presence of the lifeless body. On several occasions the sailors almost snatched the body away from the woman by force, and it was only her courage that prevented them from carrying out their plan. San Francisco was Captain Lorenz's home.

"Three Murderers to Die. Albany, N. Y., July 25.—Three murderers are scheduled to die in the electric chair in the New York state prison this week. They are Carl Loose, Giuseppe Gambro and William Gilbert. Loose shot and killed his daughter on November 24, 1908, and Gambro, his brother on February 5, 1909. Both deaths occurred in New York city. Gilbert, a negro, killed his sweetheart, in Olean last December.

"Jacksonville Wants Water System. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Jacksonville, Or., July 25.—A municipal election has been called for August 1, for the purpose of voting an issue of \$50,000 bonds, to provide for a gravity water system. The council vote was unanimous and to judge from the expressed sentiment of the people the vote at the polls will also be unanimous. The present water system has been long inadequate for the city, and every August the lawns dry up.

"New Sidewalks for Jacksonville. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Jacksonville, Or., July 25.—Over one mile of new cement walk will be laid in Jacksonville this summer. The city council last week passed an ordinance compelling property owners to put in the new walks on Oregon, California and Fifth streets. The surveys have been made and work has started on California street. The old walks of the town are of sandstone or crushed granite.

JEAN LAMARQUE WILL LOSE HEAD

Monster of Cruelty Risks Certain Death for Love and Is Captured.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Valence, France, July 25.—Jean Lamarque, the most notorious bandit in the history of modern France, the leader of a band which terrorized the department of the Drome, the man without mercy, sold his head for a kiss. He stood impassively as the magistrate sentenced him for the second time to death. He was willing to pay the penalty, he told the judges, for he had seen his Jeanne. The robbed judges were amazed that a man who seemed to have been without a heart was willing to die for a woman's love. The girl wept silently as she heard her lover doomed. Sentence of death by proxy had already been pronounced upon Lamarque. His three pals, David, Leonard and Bertruy, had already been beheaded, and Lamarque knew the danger he faced when he came back to France. He listened to the call of love, but it is to the "red widow" he must pay his final court.

The torturer, who burned away the feet and hands of his living victims to get their secret hoards of gold, who listened unmoved to their pleas for mercy, succumbed to the voice of love. When Jean was a youth, he told the judges who sentenced him, he had a "puppy love" affair with Jeanne Chabot, daughter of a neighbor. When he became a man they plighted their troth. Jean, to the girl, was perfection. She knew nothing of his devilish nature. He was good to her, but he poked the eyes out of living people so that they might not later be able to identify him, and he cut out their tongues to keep them from talking.

When the band was captured Jean escaped. He was, however, condemned to die by the guillotine, along with the others. It meant that when he was captured he would be beheaded without further trial. Everybody said he would get away for all time, but when the spring came, Jean heard the soft whistling of a plane. He returned to Jeanne and the police were waiting.

"Democrats Hold Convention. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pasco, Wash., July 25.—The Democratic convention was held at the courthouse Saturday with about 50 delegates, representing every precinct in the county but one, and delegates were named to the state convention as follows:



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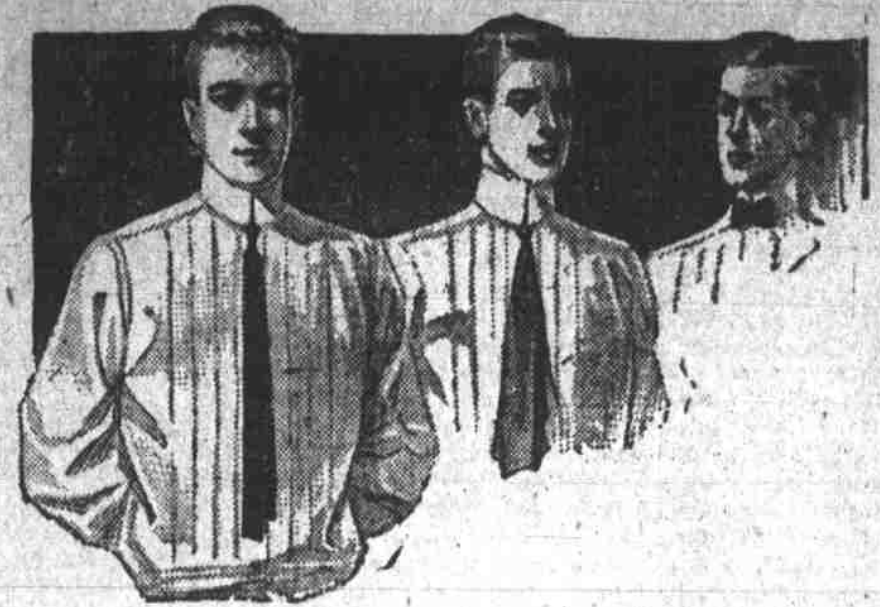
"Dances Couple Married. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Umatilla, Or., July 25.—Ebbie Anthony and Miss Bessie Cushing, both of The Dalles, Or., were united in marriage at the Catholic church at The Dalles by A. Brongheest, V. G., July 26. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Edith Cushing, and the groom by William Brookhouse. After a wedding supper the couple left on the Spokane flyer for their future home at Umatilla, where the groom is O. R. & N. ticket agent.

"Work on Umatilla Bridge. Umatilla, Or., July 25.—Material for the new steel bridge to be built over the Umatilla river at Umatilla, is on the ground, and as the river now is at a very low ebb work will start within a few days. The bridge will be a steel structure, having three concrete piers. This will help business men considerably, as it will be the means of bringing more trade to town which they were heretofore unable to reach here, many times the river being too high to ford.

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