

SAYS MODERN LIFE IS TOLERANT BUT LACKS CONVICTION

Dr. Luther Dyott, Urges a Stronger Individual Belief but Not a Relapse Into Ancient Religious Bigotry.

"Our business on earth is not to speculate about the future but to meet our opportunity in the present," said Dr. Luther R. Dyott, speaking on "The Progress of Truth Between Tolerance and Conviction," from the pulpit of the First Congregational church yesterday.

The whole book of Revelation is a study in subjective religion—subjective Christianity, if you please. Here gorgeous imagery, striking symbols and marvelous comparisons, which, otherwise, would bewilder and overwhelm, yield a key to the one central thought and theme, namely this: Subjective Christianity. Here truth flows like a river through the whole book. Truth is not small and static. It is divine; it is large; it is progressive. It rises at the throne of God, and flowing through the highlands of solitary intellectuality, where men try to think God's thoughts after Him, it gains depth and breadth and restless sweep as it moves on through the lives of heroic souls, doing the lowly duties in every day life.

The Nature of Truth. "We may compare truth to the river mentioned in our text. Like this river, it has connection with the throne of God. God's throne stands for power. His omnipotence is connected with His truth. The throne of God and the lamb—the lamb means the sacrificial element in the life of Christ. No one on earth ever sacrificed as much for truth as did Jesus Christ, who declared that the comprehensive purpose of His coming into the world was to bear witness to the truth. This is why the lamb—that is, Christ—is mentioned in connection with the river of truth. This river is 'bright as crystal.' Truth, as it comes from God, is clear, clean, bright. It is only as men, who attempt to interpret it, mix truth with something else, and confuse us, or substitute something else for it, that we fail to find it 'bright as crystal.' It proceeds, 'truth must move on.' The throne of God and the sacrifices of Jesus Christ guarantee the progress of the truth for which they stand. If other thrones, dominions and powers obstruct this progress, they must fall, but not the truth that would try to prevent.

One Cause of Intolerance. "The writer of our text tells where this river rises, he tells us about its clearness, he tells us about its flow, but he says nothing about its end. This is an intimation that finite minds should not become dogmatic in speaking of finalities in connection with truth. It is sufficient for us to know that truth is larger than any of our creeds, larger than all of our churches, larger than all religions, whatever that outcome may be, can be nothing less than that which is in keeping with the character of God. Our business on earth is not to speculate about the future, but to meet our opportunity in the present, and know something of the real progress of life as it is filled with truth and inspired of the same. The greatest progress of truth should be between tolerance and conviction, which are the two banks of this river. The human race has always been in danger of holding one-sided views through its thinkers. The whole human race as such does not do much thinking, and thinkers are all too often inclined to dwell on one side at the expense of the other. Thus we find an era of conviction, when men are loyal to what they believe in as a rule utterly lacking in the spirit of tolerance. Among the nations of antiquity religious liberty and tolerance were conspicuous only by their absence. In Egypt, in Assyria, in Babylon, in Persia, in Syria, the king determined so called religious matters and matters of state for the individual. In the Roman empire allegiance to the state religion was obligatory on the part of the individual. Down through the centuries little was known of religious liberty and tolerance, hence truth did not make the needed progress, and many things were done in the name of religion, which had not their origin and inspiration in truth. Even some of the followers of Jesus in the early days were possessed of a type of zeal which has not been indured by subsequent developments. "When the Puritan insisted upon conformity that, as he supposed, the state might be the religious unit, he was intolerant.

Era of Broader Mindfulness Here. "Afterwards came an era of tolerance, and even more, the recognition of the rights of the individual in matters of conscience and the worship of Almighty God and progress in this spirit we have even made laws to protect the individual or the worshippers in these matters; yet, nevertheless, our modern life is utterly lacking in the amount, the quality and depth of religious conviction needed by our times. There are too many persons in all the churches and outside the churches who merely believe things in a nominal way. Hence, while truth is making some progress it is not progressing as rapidly as it should. There are more persons in the world today who have profound respect for the religious beliefs of others than there ever have been. Now, if on the other hand, we can make our individual belief simple and strong and practical and then proceed to do the things that need to be done, the river of truth, sustained by the power of God, will proceed through the embankments we offer in even a charity, or brotherly kindness toward those who do not agree with us; and a genuine loyalty, born of conviction, for the things we believe, and ought to believe, enough to live them out in our lives."

COOS BAY FIRM TO BUILD NEW SCHOONER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Marshfield, Or., Jan. 30.—The Columbia River Transportation company is to have a new boat built on Coos bay. The contract for the work has been made with Kruse & Banks, shipbuilders of North Bend. The boat will be similar to the gasoline schooner Onkosh, owned by the same company. It will be larger than the Onkosh, and will be equipped with a 125 horsepower gasoline engine. The schooner boat, which is being built at North Bend for the government to be used in clearing the Coquille river of snags will be completed soon and put into service.

COOS BAY AGAIN ISOLATED. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Marshfield, Or., Jan. 30.—With telegraph, telephone and mail communication cut off Coos bay has for the second time this winter been isolated and unable to transact business with other points outside the county. The storm which affected the entire coast brought a heavy snowstorm and the wires were badly broken. The freshets which in bad condition as mountain roads are the high altitudes and the freshets which followed the melting delayed the mails. There has been a consequent interruption of business.

Robins at Chemawa. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Chemawa, Or., Jan. 30.—A large flock of robins appeared at the Chemawa Indian school yesterday and started to feed on the lawn of the school campus. Every year when cold weather has passed the little feathered redbreasts return to Chemawa and remain and build their nests in the tall firs that are

DECLARE CYANIDE KILLED COUPLE

Doctors Who Made Autopsy Scout Theory of Death From Gas.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Cumberland, Md., Jan. 30.—Grace Blosser and Charles Twigg, the affianced couple found dead on a sofa in the Blosser home here, died through either suicide or murder, according to statements made today by physicians who performed the autopsy. Death was caused by cyanide of potassium, they assert. The physicians denied that carbon monoxide, the gas from the stove in the parlor, could have caused the death of the couple. A test made on cats confined in the same room under similar conditions, proved that gas could not have killed the man and the girl. Not a clue as to the way in which the cyanide was administered has been found.



Victims in the great poison mystery of Cumberland, Md. Miss Grace Blosser, and her fiancé, Charles Edward Twigg. The betrothed couple were found dead side by side on a sofa in the parlor of the girl's home, from a dose of cyanide of potassium, which was taken in a liquid form.

There is one man in Portland who is chased by a \$5 bill. He thinks the money is hoodooed—so much so that he has tried five or six times to get rid of it. It has sent to every possible address and still it finds him. Assistant Postmaster W. E. Williamson has the bill locked up in his desk now, trying to break the spell. Several months ago the man, who gave to the postmaster the name of Holmes, received a letter from a Canadian postoffice, that contained a \$5 bill in Canadian currency. It was intended, he said, for another person bearing the same initials as himself. He returned it to the postoffice with a note explaining the mistake and saying he had received several letters addressed to the same person. The address was apparently corrected by the postal department here, the letter was remailed, and in the course of time came to the same Mr. Holmes, bringing to him the same \$5 note.

Letter Is Returned. Holmes sent it to the postoffice again with a request that if the one for whom it was meant could not be found, the letter be returned to the sender. So, after some delay, the envelope with its inclosure, was returned to Canada. Did it get there? Who knows? Certainly not Mr. Holmes. For in time the familiar old envelope, now criss-crossed with various addresses, with red rubber bands and with printed directions to return to the sender, and so worn by its thousands of miles of traveling back and forth that it hardly held together, was left at Mr. Holmes' door. When he answered the postman's whistle, the letter, which he took up, he cannot disclose.

Can't Find Owner. "Here, for heaven's sake, take this money and lock it up," he said, holding out the bill. "I never want to see it again." The postmaster took it but is unable to return it to the sender on the address given him by Holmes—he has searched the Canadian postal guide through and can't find Center Island. It probably is a suburb of one of the Canadian cities but of which one, he cannot discover. The letter was sent by a Mrs. F. Holmes and evidently was intended for a son in Portland. If the owner of the money cannot be found it will be sent to the dead letter office.

LINE TO REDMOND WITHIN 3 MONTHS

Oregon Trunk Officials Visit Central Oregon and Make Announcements.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Redmond, Or., Jan. 30.—W. C. Wilkes, assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Oregon Trunk Line, and R. H. Crozier, advertising agent of the same line, were in Redmond, looking over the ground here and viewing the proposed depot and freight warehouse site for the Oregon Trunk Line and Deschutes railroad, hearing applications for warehouse sites, getting acquainted with the Redmond people and gathering data for properly and thoroughly advertising this section of the state. In response to the query as to when the Redmond people might expect to see the cars running into this city, Mr. Wilkes stated the Oregon Trunk would reach Redmond the latter part of April or the first of May. He said the road would be completed to Madras, 35 miles north of here, by February 15, and ready for passenger and freight traffic from and to that point the first of March.

Mr. Wilkes also stated that the Oregon Trunk Line would supply more agricultural territory than all of the other Hill roads of the coast combined, and that it is the purpose of the Hill people to push the road forward to completion as fast as possible, so as to bring in a large number of land-seekers on the colonists' rates the different roads put into effect in the early spring. Mr. Crozier was getting data and information about this section of the state to begin another extensive advertising campaign of the resources of the irrigated section in the Redmond district and the central part of the state. Mr. Crozier said that hundreds of people in the east are only waiting for the building of the roads into this section before coming out here, and he predicted a large immigration to this section the coming summer.

BRIDGE CONTRACTS LET IN WALLOWA COUNTY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Wallowa, Or., Jan. 30.—While County Judge Olmstead and Commissioner L. Couch were in La Grande with the representatives of the Coast Bridge company, they let the contract for two riveted steel bridges to span Bear creek and the Wallowa river on the lower valley road just west of Wallowa. The bridges will be of steel, excepting the floor and stringers. The cost for the two structures will be about \$400. They will be built some time in April.

TOWN OF GARDINER SOON TO BE REBUILT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Marshfield, Or., Jan. 30.—Plans are being made to rebuild the burned district in the town of Gardiner. J. E. Schilling, who owned one of the hotels which was destroyed by fire once before the construction of a 60 room building, which he will hurry to completion in order to take care of the travelers who stop in the place over night while traveling on the stage route between Drain and Coos Bay.



HERE'S A CHANCE FOR RIGHT MAN TO GIVE \$5 BILL A GOOD HOME

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SALARY RISE HAS REVERSE ENGLISH

Postoffice Inspectors Get Boost in Pay but Per Diem Expense Sum Is Cut.

For instance, inspectors now getting \$1600 annually will, if the provision goes through, get \$1800 after this. But the inspectors have been allowed \$4 a day expenses on the basis of 300 working days a year. Out of this money they are expected to pay hotel bills and traveling expenses outside of transportation. The new bill cuts the per diem expense allowed each man to \$3. Therefore, instead of earning \$1200 a year expense money the inspector will earn \$900 and while his present combined salary and expense allowance is \$1800 he will only receive \$2700 with the increase in salary.

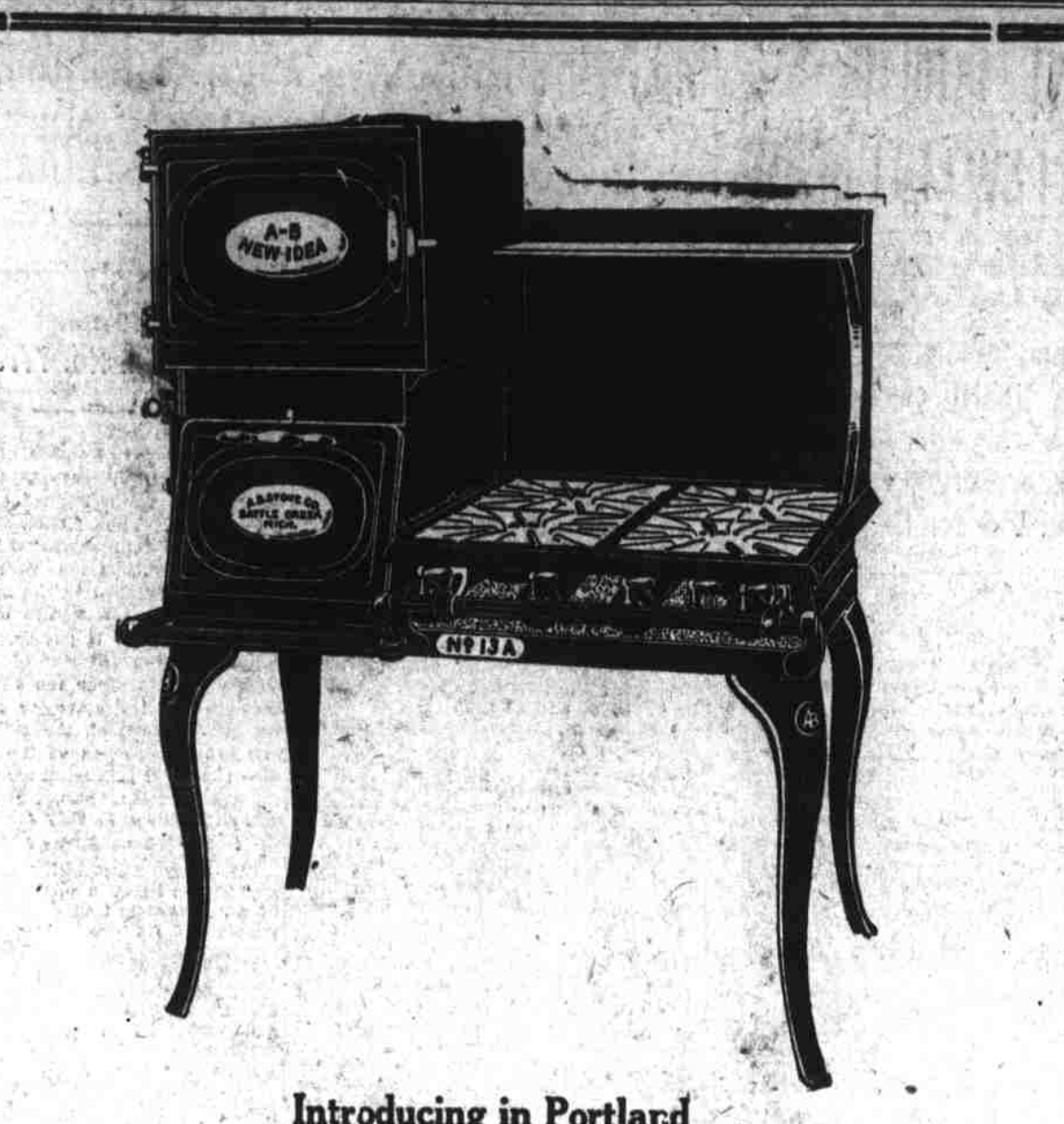
The bill contains one provision, however, that pleases local inspectors— which is that inspectors traveling in Alaska will be allowed extra expense money! Several Portland inspectors include Alaska in their territory and they have long complained about their inability to make ends meet on trips to that territory because of the excessive rates charged by Alaska hotels and the general high cost of living there.

GIN FOR THE KIDNEYS

Good pure gin is splendid for the kidneys, bladder and other urinary organs when properly prescribed. A leading physician gives the following as the best and most reliable prescription. Six ounces good pure gin, half ounce murax compound, half ounce fluid extract uva. Mix well and take one to two teaspoonfuls after each meal and at bedtime. All good druggists have these ingredients. This quickly cures backache, rheumatic pains and other well known symptoms. Don't let weak or sick kidneys go without treatment, as serious trouble may develop rapidly.

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