



### MIND CAN'T GRASP DEATH MYSTERY

No Language Can Explain the Great Beyond; Few Things That Are Known.

"To be absent from the body; to be at home with the Lord." This was the biblical quotation from which Dr. John H. Boyd, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, delivered a scholarly sermon yesterday morning on the same conception of heaven and the hereafter.

He said, in part: "When the anxieties of sickness have given place to the realities of death, and the pallid form no longer responds to the ministrations of affection, then those that live and love enter into a state of eager, yearning question—not of distrust in God, not an outcry of wondering whether there is life after death, but rather a question of wonder and outreaching that desires to follow the dead into the other abode, to know the new forms of joy and blessedness into which the loved one has entered. It is in this sense that the mind meets the sense of incapacity to think.

The life we knew was in the body but now the body lies in the darkness of the tomb and we are unable to conceive of the mode of life into which the dear one has entered; the mind is baffled, defeated. We have only a vague imagination of a place.

Mind Can't Grasp It. "John tells us of walls of Jasper, streets of gold and waving palm trees, but we know he did not mean this for his idea of the abode of the soul. We are given in the pages of the holy book nothing but shadows. Why? You ask, and I can only say it is because with our finite minds, are unable to conceive the infinite, and such is heaven. Our earthly minds are totally incapable, there is no language, no symbols, no means to receive that which is beyond death.

"The Christian missionary who went to Siam was characterized as a prevaricator of the truth when he told the natives that in his country water became so hard a man could walk on it. Henry H. Stanley, when he went to Africa, although he learned the language of the people there, could not tell them of the steamships, the buildings, the commerce and the art of England, because there was nothing in their world which he could make known to them these things—they had no capacity to grasp them.

"The silence of the Bible is because of the absolute incapacity of your minds to grasp the things beyond the grave. But there are a few things we do know about the future life. First, we know our loved ones have passed into a state of permanency, free from all change, a state where no hopes are frustrated, no plan is defeated and no task goes unfulfilled. In the other world soul meets soul in an association of affection and intimacy. They realize the movements of the love of the master and his redemptive sacrifices. When the soul leaves this earthly body the knowledge of this world drops from it like a cloak.

When Columbus stepped his foot upon the western hemisphere all preconceived knowledge regarding the form of the world, all the claims of the geographers, ceased to be. A new knowledge was given the world. So it will be with us when we step from earth to heaven, and if we have during our lives gathered nothing but the knowledge of the things of life, the little things of our home, the petty things of business and commerce, we will stand absolutely naked and empty-handed.

"The other world is one of inconceivable activity, not one of rest and repose as you may think. The goal will be the perfectness of the manhood of Jesus Christ, for you have it within you to become like the Son of God. You can attain unto the image of the Christ in a land beyond defeat and change, with love and affection, the slopes of possibility will surely lead us to a God-kinship."

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### Merits in Society

Las City. There is nothing unusual in this announcement, but when with the announcement comes the age of the fiancée and fiancé then it is a bit different. Miss Marie, at the time of the betrothal, had attained the age of 1 week, while the prospective groom had arrived at the mature age of 14 months. Back of this romance comes the story of two youthful fathers who have been "betrothed" since they were boys. They played and fought together and the love that was begun in early boyhood has grown and been cemented by the passing years. Mark Walker was the first to marry and to him and his wife was born a sturdy son, Macky Walker Jr. Later "Jim" Hanley and Miss Trass Robbins were wedded and to them has been born a dainty little daughter. When the news of the birth of the daughter to the home of Hanley was wired to the Walker family at Kansas City, there at once came to Mr. Walker the desire to have the friendship of years bound together by some tangible tie. He at once wrote to Mr. and Mrs. Hanley and in the name of his son formally asked for the hand in marriage of their daughter, for his son Macky. This met with the approval of Mr. and Mrs. Hanley, and now Miss Marie's future is settled as far as a prospective husband is concerned.

Short Notes. Miss Kathleen Furnish returned Saturday evening from Great Falls, Mont., where she has been spending six weeks as the guest of Mrs. Thomas Couch.

Miss Carolyn Gillespie of Seattle is spending a fortnight in Portland with Miss Elizabeth Stewart.

Mrs. L. Hexter is in Spokane, where she is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Galland.

Miss Eva Skernan is the guest of Mrs. Bruce Short of Seattle for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. William T. Clark had as her guest over the week end Horace M. Hall of Seattle.

Quiet Wedding. Father Thompson read the marriage service Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for Mrs. Emily Roth and Charles J. B. Malarkey in the Church of the Madeline, Irvington. Only relatives and a few close friends were present. The bride wore smart tailor made of blue with hat to match, and carried her prayer book. She came in on the arm of her brother-in-law, R. M. Dooly. There were no attendants. After the ceremony an informal wedding breakfast was served at the home of Mrs. Malarkey's sister, Mrs. R. M. Dooly. Mr. and Mrs. Malarkey left for a wedding journey of 10 days or two weeks on the sound and in British Columbia. After December 1, they will be at home to their friends at 617 East Twenty-fourth street north.

Will Give Talk on School Girls' Dress. The Parent and Teachers' circle of the Rose City Park district will meet at the Rose City Park school building at 10 o'clock tomorrow, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. J. C. Elliot King will give a talk on school girl dress. During the meeting of the circle provision will be made for taking care of the young children of the mothers present.

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Get Right Ideal of Life to Effect Cure, Says Rev. Dr. Trimble. Under the head of Current Events, Dr. Delmer H. Trimble, pastor of Centenary M. E. Church, last evening touched upon the recent plan of Lipman, Wolfe & Co. and Roberts Bros. for giving their employees shorter hours. He commended the act very highly and said he hoped the plan would not be far distant when such a plan would become general, or better still when all business houses would give their employees a week-end half holiday.

Flower Show Closes, Prize Winners Sold. The flower show closed yesterday afternoon in a blaze of glory, a burst of music, a good natured rivalry to possess some of the blue ribbon winners, thereby enriching the treasury of the Fruit and Flower mission and most beautiful of all the distribution of several wagon loads of the sweetest and fairest of the blossoms among the sick of the Portland hospitals—surely a most gracious and graceful act on the part of the florists. The attendance throughout the afternoon was large and those in charge were many times repaid for keeping the show open the extra day. The beautiful blossoms which had graced the show were sold throughout the Armory at popular prices and so great was the anxiety of the people to secure some of them that the sale was finally stopped in order that there might be plenty left to cheer the hearts and make glad the eyes of the inmates of the various hospitals.

CHICO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PULL PLOW. Chico, Cal., Nov. 18.—One hundred high school students made rope yokes for themselves Saturday afternoon and pulled like oxen in pulling a plow which turned over an acre of ground in back of the high school used exclusively by the class in husbandry. The high school exchequer was depleted. One of the leaders of the student body borrowed a plow and invited the students to pull it. Practically every student in the higher grades responded. The girls of the various classes assembled in a body and gave the several high school yells, encouraging the boys and urging them to stay with the job.

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### PASTOR DISCUSSES SIN OF JEALOUSY

Dr. Trimble is preaching a series of sermons on "The Sin of Society" and last evening he delivered the second in the series, the subject being "Jealousy," taking as his biblical basis, "And Saul eyed David from that day forward." He said in part: "David returned from the field of battle having slain his tens of thousands, but Saul had slain only his thousands and from that day Saul looked out through eyes of green. He had been king, he had stood head and shoulders above the people, but his diabolical day came, the dash left his life, his was a premature old age, for jealousy took possession of him. His was the ignominious collapse of a great nature. If great men go down before the green-eyed monster of jealousy then we may do well to be on our guard.

Jealousy Dismissed. "Jealousy is the feeling of pain when another is advanced and the feeling of exultation when another falls. Among the things which bring about jealousy may be mentioned pettiness, weakness, laziness, self-deception. Pettiness is one of the most awful, the most horrible of sins, it is of hell, but the trouble is that many are insensible to their condition. Weakness is a thing found among all classes. Alexander the Great could not bear a word of praise for any of his generals fearing that it would detract from his glory.

Over-ambition and lack of ability is a bad pair of legs on which to make the journey to the hand of a well-balanced, unembittered man given only by way of preface some unkind cut of jealousy. Too often do we pass by the successful efforts of others without the word of kindly praise and encouragement, and let me tell you the withholding of this praise is but a flash of the green eye.

How many of our wars have been brought about through jealousy! The one which is slaughtering its thousands now is simply the outcome of jealousy. It is national jealousy which maintains our armies and navies. Professional people, actors, singers, writers, preachers, doctors are among those in whom jealousy is most often found, because their highly sensitive natures seem unable to cope with criticism. By it they are debased to hell and by praise they are exalted to heaven.

Cure is Suggested. "Many a woman is jealous, because she claims she has a right to be and may be she has, but let her lay a trap for him and catch him one, just once, but don't make it chronic.

As a cure to this sin of jealousy I can only suggest to get the right ideal of life. We have a false system of ideals when we think of success as all going to be presidents or governors or senators or our girls that they are going to be Frances Willards or Florence Nightingales. The distinctive people are rare, always have been rare and always will be. It is in the ranks that genuine service and worth will be found. If you know Christ as your Redeemer, you are as rich as God can make you; your mouth will be filled with laughter and your tongue will hold only praise. Get into communion with Jesus Christ, the richest man who ever walked the earth."

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### "SEVEN SISTERS" IS MIRTH MAKER

Play Is New Comedy Given for First Time in Portland Theatre. Though the title sounds like the name of a well known hair tonic, "Seven Sisters" hasn't a thing to do with hair growth, unless it be a fact that anything which promotes laughter is a hair-boost developer. The play is a new comedy being presented for the first time in Portland by the Baker Players. It is the most mirthful offering that has been handed out by Manager Baker this season. The story is that of the efforts of a mother of seven daughters to provide husbands for her offspring. Only the four eldest are being married off, however, at the time the play opens. Four bubbling love stories gyrate around the family name of the seven—Gyrujovicia. Possibly that's one of the reasons why the girls are all so eager to marry. Alice Fleming in the part of Miel, the fourth eldest, is a 14-year-old edition of the word laugh. Miel, according to Hungarian custom, must not have any "fellows" till the three older sisters are safely embarked on the matrimonial sea. But Miel manages to have about eleven love affairs while her sisters are being raffled away by the anxious mother. Miss Fleming's antics as the irrepressible fourth sister are of such a character as to brand the capable actress a comedienne of the first water. Elizabeth Ross, Mary Edgett, Alice Patek, Nondas Wayne, Lucile Traglio and Beverly Traglio are the other six sisters who contribute to the ensemble of laughter. Robert Conness, in the character of a Hungarian lieutenant, is a droll abettor of the comedy generated by Miss Fleming. Helen Strickland is the mother and Baker Moore is in evidence as suitor of one of the sisters.

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### WORK OF Y. W. C. A. IS DEPICTED BY PAGEANT

The auditorium of the Y. W. C. A. was on Friday evening the scene of a pretty and interesting pageant given by the social department. It was a part of the Pageant of Nations, one of the entertainments planned by the national board. The entertainment is designed to show the work of the Y. W. C. A. in other countries and those dealt with Friday night were China and South America. The first pageant showed the association headquarters in a South American city. The French girl is first to arrive, then the English girl who is looking for her fiancé, who has failed to meet her at the boat and then comes the broody self-reliant American girl. Their problems are all worked out and they are sent away happy.

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