

GO TO CHURCH NOW? WHY NOT? TEDDY DID!

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to be supported by the participation of all those who enjoy the benefits it has created.

Believe in "Square Deal"

Thus, Professor E. S. Hammond, of Kimball School of Theology, believes folks should go to church:

"Because we believe in a 'square deal.' We ask the church to uphold business integrity, to socialize the industrial and economic life, to instruct our children, to make the community safe for our families, to instill and foster Americanism. The 'square deal' demands that we stand by the institution from which we ask so much."

Rev. J. R. Buck, of St. Joseph's church, takes the attitude that people should go to church to learn and study about the Christ whether they believe in Him or no. He says:

"If a person believes in Christ, then it is plainly his duty to practice his belief as he practices his belief in the sciences, etc. If he does not believe in Christ, then it is no less his duty to study every side of the subject, as he would study to dispel any kind of ignorance. I cannot agree with many who are satisfied with a sentiment which proceeds from the heart alone, but would advise the study of Christianity to extend to that which is reasonable and satisfies perfectly. In any case, attendance at church is absolutely necessary, not only on Easter but on every Sunday of the year."

Church Dispenses Salvation

The more purely spiritual attitude that considers the church as the best place to prepare for a future life is perhaps best expressed by Rev. I. G. Lee, of the Highland Friends, who expresses his conviction with this comment:

"This present world is not our final place of abode. We are here for a short time only; soon to enter upon a life that will never end, either in a place of supreme happiness, or in a place of wretchedness and misery. As accountable beings, the supreme act of this life should be to make preparation for the life to

come; and the church is God's appointed means of salvation and preparation for the future life."

Follow Teddy's Footsteps
That all should go to church because Roosevelt has set a worthy example is the idea of Rev. Charles H. Powell, of St. Paul's church, who says:

"The rector of the church in Oyster Bay testifies that it was Theodore Roosevelt's invariable custom to attend church every Sunday whenever he was at home. Guests in the Roosevelt home were invited to go to church with the family, and if they did not accept the ex-president excused himself from them while he attended church. Great leaders in civil, intellectual, and even commercial life, have had like habits—a rule that was good for them might be of some consequence to other would-be leaders of the world's life."

Living in a Speedy Age

Rev. Thomas S. Anderson, of the Presbyterian church in practically the only one of the pastors who expressed any opinion on this subject which connected up men's need of the church with these peculiarly stirring times. Perhaps other take for granted that the church has a stabilizing influence on a time of unrest but Mr. Anderson says:

"We are living in a very fast age. Business and social organizations are multiplying every year. Our lives are in great stress and strain. But the great clock of the universe keeps just the same time it did a million years ago. Better stop and think of God. Cultivate the knowledge of God and learn to worship and obey. The church is the institution to help you do this."

Let All Seek Highest Good

Rev. W. C. Kautner, of First Congregational church, finds in church attendance possibility of developing the higher life and of allying one's self with those influences which act for the best in all phases of social life. He says:

"The dignity, the duty, the destiny and the responsibility of man accent the wisdom of sharing in the worship of God in His sanctuary. Forget not the assembling of yourselves together." The church stands for the best in morals, in social life,

in citizenship. The culture of the spiritual nature is of prime importance and the helpfulness of the church service in that culture is beyond question. Every true man should be glad to ally himself with a service that seeks the highest good of the individual, the family and the whole community."

Church a Cooperative Concern

Co-operation as the expression of the church ideal and training in co-operation as one of its values to men is the message of Rev. Horace N. Aldrich of Leslie church, who says:

"We are living in a day of the greatest world-wide scope and influence of the church. The splendid team work constantly carried on in the church serves as a first class object lesson to any man. Co-operation won the war, and it will win the world for Jesus Christ."

Everyone Needs What Church Gives

"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy" was the message Moses brought from God Himself to the Children of Israel, and Rev. George Koehler, Lutheran pastor, still finds in this ancient command an adequate reason for church attendance. He interprets it in connection with modern life thus:

"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. On this day we must hear God's word, pray, praise and give thanks. A man that does not keep God's day and attend public worship neglects his soul. Our soul needs food and it needs it regularly. God has given us His word, through which He speaks to us. We need patience, courage, vision, strength. The hour of communion with God and the contemplation of heavenly things supplies these much needed qualities."

Three Reasons

The whole field is pretty well summarized from the point of view of the preacher, at least, in the words of Dr. E. E. Gilbert, superintendent of the Salem district of the Methodist church, whose reasons for going to church are three:

"Why go to church? There is every reason for going and none whatever for staying away."

"First, the church is the only institution through which Christianity functions in the community. The

public school is not conducted primarily for Christianizing the world; the bank does not transact business with the idea of teaching Christ's thoughts, and merchants and other business concerns may be under Christian influences, but their first business is not the business of the church. The church has no other object before it but to Christianize the community, the state and the world."

"Second; The church furnishes the moral leadership for the world. No advance movement for the betterment of the world has ever come that did not come through the church. The league of nations and the peace treaty and other kindred movements have made the world better, only when the principles of Christ have been brought into them; and the church has always been the leader in efforts to put the teachings of Jesus where they rightfully belong and where they can accomplish the greatest good."

"Third: The church exists to give the world a rational understanding of God. The universal desire to know God should compel attendance at church, if we would find our own best selves. We never can know ourselves until we know God, and if truth affects when away from the church, it will affect us much more when we are associated with kindred minds in the church."

Do Preachers Know Their Business?

The preachers ought to know why one should go to church, but do they? This is the question that The Statesman asks every man, woman and child in Salem. Why do you go to church? Do you get what you go for? What more would you like to have the churches stand for in Salem?

If you do not go why is that? What could be done that would furnish you a reason for going? The churches claim to have a message and a helping hand for everybody. If you think that they don't have or that they are not all that they ought to be probably you are some right and possibly they are some right."

At any rate The Statesman would like to know just what you think about this proposition of going to church. These preachers think they have given reasons why everybody in Salem should be in church this morning. Some where a screw is loose, though, because there are not enough churches in Salem to hold nearly all the people in Salem."

Tell It To The Statesman

If everybody should decide to go to church today a great many of them would not be able even to get inside a building and yet there will be few churches where you will not be able to find a comfortable seat today. Why is this?

Every empty seat is a sign that the church is making a miscalculation. If you are one of the folks that don't help keep 'em full The Statesman will be glad to hear and possibly publish your explanation of the church's miscalculation on you.

NURSE COURSES ATTRACT WOMEN

Every Day Is Busy at Headquarters, Work Spreads to Small Towns

Over 250 Salem women have responded to the Red Cross offer by enrolling in the home nursing classes under the Red Cross which are given under the supervision of Miss Marion Addams, recently of Boston. Classes have been formed for every week day morning except Wednesday, from 9 until 11 o'clock, every afternoon from 2 until 4 o'clock and every night from 7 until 9 o'clock. Each class is filled with the exception of the Thursday morning class which can accommodate a few more. As each class finishes its course of 25 lessons new classes will be organized so that every Salem woman who wishes to take the course may have an opportunity.

Henry W. Meyers, chairman of Willamette chapter of the Red Cross has arranged that classes be formed in every small town and community throughout the territory covered by Willamette chapter so that this may reach all the women who wish to take the course, and Miss Addams will go to each town, making her headquarters in Salem.

BIDS INVITED.

WOOD BIDS INVITED

The undersigned will receive sealed bids up to 5 o'clock p. m., Monday, April 19, 1920, for the purchase of 50 cords of large body fir wood or large second growth fir wood, to be cut from live timber. To be delivered at the City Hall not later than September 15, 1920.

Right reserved by the City to reject any or all bids in the interest of the City.

EARL RACE,

City Recorder.

WOOD BIDS INVITED.

Sealed bids for furnishing School District No. 24 with a supply of wood for 1920-21 are invited. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check in five per cent of the amount of each bid and addressed to the clerk of the board, 371 State street, Salem, Oregon, in a plain envelope marked "Wood Bids." Bids will be opened at the regular meeting which will be held April 13, 1920. Bids for the following schools are required:

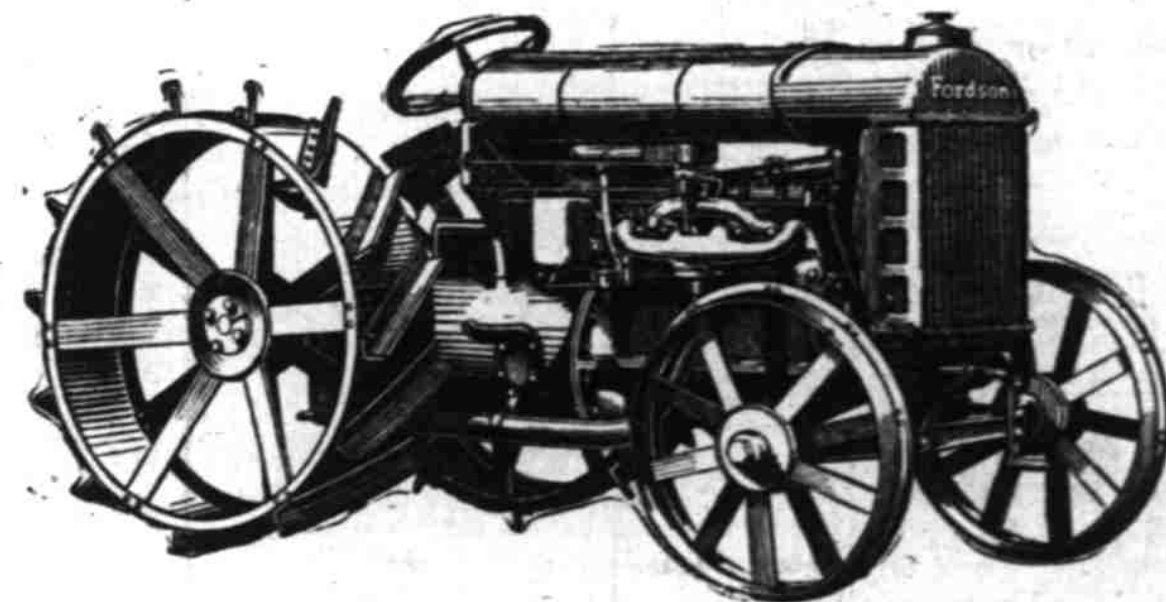
	Cords	Cords
	Fir	Slab 4 ft.
Englewood	20	40
Grant	35	40
Highland	30	30
Garfield	25	35
Lincoln	40	45
Park	25	35
Richmond	25	35
Washington	50	50
High	100	80
Cottage	20	..
Shop	10	..
McKinley	25	35

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W. H. BURGHARDT, JR.,

Clerk of Board.

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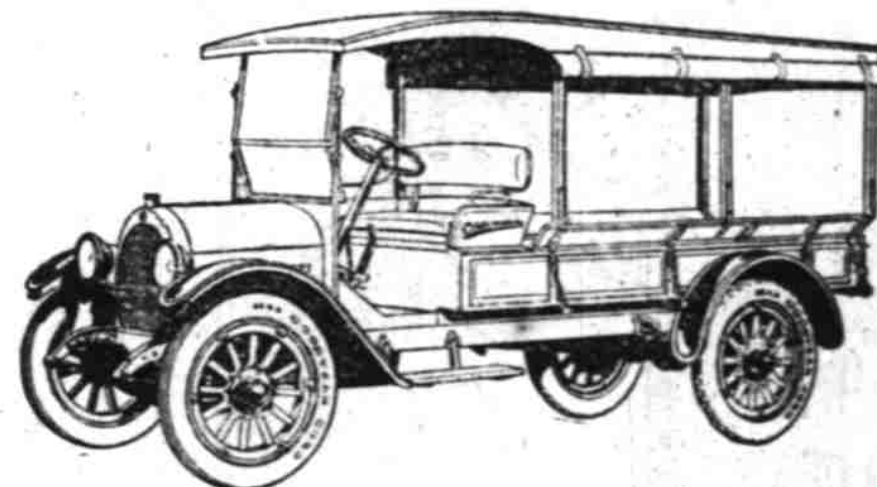
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