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GOD'S SPIRIT, THE PANACEA

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Many of those who give some thought to the welfare of mankind have a sure panacea for the ills from which men and society suffer. One has concluded that the competitive system of labor and commercial transactions is the cause of all of our troubles. Another thinks that if all the property in the world were equally distributed among all the people nearly all suffering would be at an end. Still another is sure that if education were universal the millennium would be near. Others think that some different thing would prove to be the panacea for our ills. All of these ideas are supericial and indicate a lack of full knowledge and the absence of wisdom on the part of those who entertain them.

The simple and plain truth is that mankind lack one thing which, if it could be supplied to them, would eliminate all of the troubles, sins, miseries, sufferings and unhappiness that afflict the earth. The one great thing lacking is the Spirit of God active, dominant in the hearts of men. Having that we have the good, the beautiful, the true; we have love, harmony, and strength; we walk in the light, we live on the heights, we have heaven with us here and the assurance of it hereafter. Disease or want or sin or weakness cannot be where God's spiritual life is active. The spirit of God in the heart is, then, the only panacea for the ills of men, physical, mental, moral and spiritual.

How are we to get this Spirit into our hearts? We can not mount to the skies, where some suppose God to be, to get it there, and we need not strive to bring God down to the earth to give us of His spirit here. The Scripture teaches that He is all about us, though we may not be conscious of His presence; just as the air is all about us, but we do not business of raising certified seed of biblical tradition and the hydroelectric wizardy. sense it unless if be active, moving.

It is very difficult to creat a vacuum because it is almost impossible to keep the air from rushing in to fill the va-cancy which you have produced. So with the life, the Spirit of God; it comes into our hearts, our lives, the moment we make a place for it. As we put sin and the world out, the for rains this week. The broccoli Holy Spirit comes in. Our task is therefore chiefly to tear the carnal life out of our hearts, not to get the Holy Spirit about it, and will hope for a scarinto them. He is only waiting until our hearts are made fit city of freezing weather from filled with the aspirations of the or His habitation.

If all who are striving to be religious could know that we can not invite the Spirit of God to come into our hearts with any hope that He will heed our request unless we strive \$300,000. This means that the with all our might, mind, soul and strength to put out of old-fashioned, religious themes our lives those things that are enmity to God, they would are popular. Some day a dramwork with a different spirit and in a different way from what most of the religious world have hitherto been working. We all know what our own weaknesses are, and if we have any besetting sins, we know what they are. If we have not this knowledge the Scriptures point out many of those things that are enmity to God. Among them are anger, envy, jeal-ousy, bitterness, selfishness, greed, injustice, dishonesty, immorality and intemperance. There are many others, but they can all be classified under one head; the natural appetites and propensities of man. These are the Satan of our flesh which holds us in bondage and from which we must be freed before Christ can arise in our lives. There is nothing surer than that we can not live in the sins of the fleshy life and at the same time have the Spirit of God. We can not be assionate, intemperate, lascivious, carnally minded men and

at the same time be His true children. We must either serve of all the gifts of the Creator is. liminary to making him a loan. \$5000 he is allowed an exemption God or mammon. Which shall it be? Each must answer for indeed, the best way of doing If reports are true he now has of only \$2,000. March 15, 1922, man? He's already been divorced

How are we to overcome these things and put them out small scale can do for Jerusalem of modern history. But see how of our lives? The New Testament answers this question for and Nazareth and Bethlehem and he got it! us. It tells us to "resist Satan and he will flee from us." It the surrounding country that also instructs us to "overcome evil with good." That is, if which the streams of the Columwe constantly resist the promptings of our sinful nature it bia river basin can do on a larger will soon lose its dominance over us; and the way to successfully resist this lower nature is to aspire to and fill our the Colorado river can do for the minds and hearts with the good, the pure, the holy, and to great southwest. For sentimen- Foss came to write his famous earnestly and constantly pray unto God for help in our ef. tal or false religious reasons, to lines on "The House by the Side fort to do this. As "faith without works is dead," so prayer deny the Canaanites the advan- of the Road"? without this effort to overcome ourselves is but so many idle tages we are so anxious to enjoy words. If God hears the prayers of those who are not making this effort; he certainly does not answer them.

How many people are sorrowful and miserable and make everyone around them unhappy, because they do not resist the promptings of their physical, passional, carnal nature! How much better and happier such would be, the world would be, if they would go seriously about putting out of their lives the weaknesses and sins of the flesh and thus let God's spirit come into their hearts! And according to the New Testa- the most famous stream on the ment record did not Jesus promise that if we take His voke face of the globe. And it is deupon us we shall find His yoke easy and His burden light? cidedly a live river even if it What is His yoke but the labor of overcoming our fleshy, closes its short and swift career animal natures?

"Spirit of God, descend upon my heart: Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move; Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art. And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

"Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh; Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear; To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh; Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

"Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love, One holy passion filling all my frame; The baptism of the heaven-descended dove, My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.",

is carried out generally, what is to become of the football games?

supplies in the United States, the English is, in the very nature Another evidence of the era of of things, bound to be progresinternational good feeling.

Farmers in the Salem section are going more strongly into the Land slumbered in the sanctity English and the magic wand of ising industry.

The weather man is looking this time on.

Edwin O. Excell, the hymn writer, left an estate of about atist will write a play with an man the hero and he will make a lot of money. "The Old Homestead," "Way Down East," "The Auctioneer," "The Grand Army Man" and others are examples. There are a lot of old things that are best.

FUTURE DATES

January 17, 18, 19, 20-State Penitentiary minstrel show.

January 19-21-Elks' Mardi Gras. February 10, Friday—Arbor Day, February 16 to 19 inclusive—State February 16 to 19 inclusi Christian Endeavor convention.

If the theory of disarmament SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER?

A country under the combined The mikado gets his plumbing administration of the Jews and

Palestine is proving no excep-

tion. For centuries the Holy

potatoes, to supply the California squalor of Turkish misrule-undemand. It is a paying and prom- til General Allenby's victorious army, like the prince in the fairy tale of the Sleeping Beauty, awakened the land from its centuries of lethargy and the Jews came back into their ancient heritage. But it is to modern Jewry, 20th century, not to the kingdoms of Israel and Judah under present destinies of the Holy and have been intrusted. And the modern builders have gone to work on the assumption that Palestine is a land, not for the lead, but for the living.

Therefore the harnessing of the River Jordan to supply light and heat and better transportation the present residents of the and of Canaan is an enterprise that must find favor with both God and man. Only those who are hide-bound by tradition or sic with sentimentality will behold anything irreverent or unbecoming in turning this River January 31 Tuesday.—Gay MacLaren, becoming in turning this River at Grand Theater, auspices Salem Arts of God to the service of crea-

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he Junior Statesman

The Biggest Little Paper in the World

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IN THE PIRATE'S CAVE

are the fellows who com-

Squee Mather. Chief of the Six. Preckle-faced. Extra large feet. Leader of the neighborhood. Won't wear a necktie on any day except Sunday. Likes licorice.

Al Stubb. Squee's assistant. Keeps records of Pirate Six meet-Small in stature. Likes Studies hard. Collects stamps. Good sport.

Sam Finney. All that a fat boy should be. Nose turns up like a sled runner. Mealtime and bedtime are his favorites. Herb Woods. Plays all kinds of

ball. Has a detective uncle. Does a little gum-shoeing himself oconally. Furnishes the shack in which the Pirates meet weekly. Ollie Clark, Rather frail, Toeheaded; jolly. Always has a package of chewing gum in his hip pocket.

Joe Taylor, "Hard Luck" is his middle name. Always in bad. But he is the envied Pirate; has a new suft with long pants-long ones.

Squee rose to his feet slowly. His head barely cleared the low roof of the cave-which, by the way-isn't a cave at all, but an old shack at the end of Herb Wood's backyard.

As Sques straightened up he carefully surveyed the faces of his five Pirate comrades perched on boxes before him. He surveyed what he could see of the faces, that is, for the old lantern Sam Finney had salvaged from his Kidd's must have when he praised dad's junk box wasn't burning

Maller Pirates." Squee paused to "a-hem." "Feller pirates. I take creat pleasure in addressing this Squee. "Is it a good one?" first meetin' of the Pirate Si

TRODUCED TO SIX PI- | Squee's. Squee always was good at remarking. "Why" of the Pirate Six

"I guess we all understand per

fec'ly why we organized oursel's into this here band. Not because we want to go out and do a lot of plunderin' and killin' like the pirates of old did, but because we want to get together and have some place where we can go to tell stories. Every one of us fellers has got some kind of a good adventure story up his sleeve. Trouble is we don't never have a uncle. chance to tell 'em. Maybe it's a ghost story. Or maybe it's a detective story. Or, maybe it's a story about travelin' some place. Where do we get a chance to tell it? No place. So that's why we organized this here Pirate Six.

"An' I guess you know maybe why we call oursel's pirates. Pirates sounds good. Sounds adventunesome." Squee paused at this word. It was a good one. He'd remember it. "And why do we call this here shack, where we're goin' to meet every week, the Cave? Well, did you ever hear of any pirates that didn't have a cave? No.

Well, this here is ours.' Squee took a deep breath before continuing. "An' every week on this same day we six will get together and tell stories. One fellow will have to tell a story each week. Who'll volunteer to spin the yarn for next week's meetin'?"

All was silence then-"I will, chiei." Herb stood up as he spoke.

Herb Offers Detective Story one of his men. "What's it

"Detective story, It's about..."
"Oon't tell it now," broke in first meetin' of the Pirate Six as chief of that organization." The five listeners looked their admiration at this opening remark of "All right. Put it down in your spring play. Every one said I

notebook then. Al, that Herb is should have had it, And she overgoing to tell the first story for dresses too. Just because she

each pirate had given his speech, the meeting broke up, and each of the six boys promised faithfully to be on hand the next week for the first real meeting. They'd all be there or be expelled from the band and maybe cast off on some

So, if you, too, will be on hand next week we'll see whether Herb Woods knows what he's talking about. His story ought to be good. Remember, he has a detective

ONE REEL YARNS

"There's no use calling my eyes

blue, or hazel, or gray or anything else," mourned They're green, That's all, Just plain, everday green. Like cats'

"I thought cats' eyes were yellow," said her roommate smilingly. They look that way at night, admitted Teresa, "but they're green, just the same. Wish I had

skyblue eyes, or big leafbrown eyes like Nelda Fister." "She's the one who has green eyes," said Teresa's roommate. Why, the idea." said Teresa 'she has-" Then she changed the subject, for Nelda and Marie

Holmes were passing down the

hall and they dropped in to chat "How nice your room looks," said Nelda. "But you really got the best room on the hall. You're mighty lucky. How did you happen to get it?"

"Madaline Fisher had it." explained Teresa, "and when she moved over to the other dormitory she asked if we couldn't have it." "Well, I don't know that I'd

has money is no excuse for spending so much. Of course I admit she has a nice complexion, but she's always making so much fuss over what she can't eat because it's bad for her complexion. She's almost as bad as Wilda Crawford. Lou'd think Wilda was a queen.' A bell rang. Visiting hour was

over, and Nelda and Marie hurried off. When they were gone Teresa and her roommate sat silent for a moment. Teresa broke the silence. green eyes," she said slowly. "I monster.

TODAY'S PUZZLE TARST. LOUSS. RACRY, SDPRO.

LETAS ters into the proper words, then arrange the words correctly, and their diagonals, reading from the

Answer to yesterday's: Elegant, taste, easy, yarn, name. Answer to to-day's: Start, steal. "Study.

Nite: "Have you ever seen a nosquite weep?"



scale for the Pacific northwest, or selves as opponents of the Golden Rule by refusing to do for the Jordan what we would have the Columbia and its tributaries or a drink," pointing toward a the Colorado do for us. Historically Jordan is probabis

in the waters of the Dead sea. Nor will that life be allowed in the future to run aimlessly to waste, as it has done through so many creeping centuries. Shall we gather at the river?

Yes, we shall gather many blesshoary traditions, will do no violence to the memory of John the life. Baptist or Joshua the Warrior. or even the Redeemer Himself.

We shall gather bright lights for people that have long in darkness sat. warm homes for many who have hitherto found winter nights cold and cheerless; we shall gather swifter and easier travel . than the swing back of camels or the jog trot of patient asses; we shall gather fresh milk and honey from fair fields drinking the waters that once were lost in desolate salt swamps, all these advantages we shall gather from the Jordan under the progressive rule of the Jews and the

Nor will a pint of Jordan water be any less potent for baptismal rites because it has first done its small share in turning a big

A HERO'S AMBITION

A survey has been taken of the ambitions of 2500 returned sol- Those who read the jingle from Brother Jereboam or Jehosophat, that the diers now at government hospitals Wonder if he's a street car tool or a awaiting vocational training.

The occupation most favored was that of plumber; after that, automobile mechanic; after that,

Five men wanted to be undertakers, 50 chose to be farmers and one wanted to be a hair dres-

kissed the cow; but the survey

As to the soul yearning of 400 to be plumbers, one may be convinced that this is merely a polite euphemism. It is another way of saying their hearts greed for wealth and luxury. One can't say on a government questionnaire that he wishes to be trained to be a millionaire. So one writes down "plumber"-just as a man-

her of expression. As to the five who wish to be be any undertakers and no one could die. So that's that

But, as to the returned doughboy who dreams with longing of being a hair dresser, one is likely to be staggered and amazed.

As these bolls are in hospitals

with wounds, it is to be assumed that they are war-hardened and from a charge into the guess they're better than the kind mouth of hell at Chateau Thierry that belong to the green-eyed to a job toying with a permanent gasping. To reflect that the eye that now wishes to be trained to saw off the bobbed tresses to the From the above groups of let- exact hair line of the lobe of the ear, was but yesterday the eye that watched for the flash of the upper left-hand corner to the low- enemy's guns preparatory to turner right, spell something we do in ing loose a creeping barrage, is bewildering to the imagination.

It must either be a misprint on the questionnaire or else it is souls, prods, carry. Diagonals spell some passionate Sir Galahad resolved to pursue a beautiful romande-a khaki Jacob planning to serve 14 years of waiting for Day: "No, but I've seen a moth his Rachel, who works in a beauty

Anyhow, one can't help worrying about it. Even though one is sure it is all right.

HAVING THE MAZUMA

Henry Ford is now reported to have a cash balance of \$130,000,-000 in the bank after paying the government \$76,000,000 in taxes. This is a pretty fair showing of the profits in a low-priced car. It is only a year ago that a committee of officious bankers were hald to be considering the taking over of Henry's affairs as pre-

Him homage. The Jordan on a more ready money than any man is the last day for filing these twice." file by that time.

"THE HOUSE BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD."

Do you know how Sam Walter

for ourselves on this coast-- along the road of a rough New through the agency of hydro- England country, when, hot and electric energy-is to brand our- weary, he came to the top of a

By it ran a beaten path, while a sign, "Stop and rest and have spring.

He followed the path and came to a spring above which hung a goard dipper.

He drank of the coolest and clearest water and was about to lay the dipper down when he noticed close by on a bench a basket of summer fruit with a sign, "HELP YOURSELF."

Impressed with such unusual marks of hospitality, the poet knocked at the door of the humings from tha ancient of streams | ble home and found there a very that will take nothing from its elderly man and woman living with very few of the comforts of

> "We have but little and cannot do much." they said, "so we have taken this way of helping our fel-

So, from the time of the first red cherry of spring until the last the hungry traveler, while the cool, refreshing waters were overflowing for his thirsty lips.

Little wonder that the poet envied those simple souls their unselfish and sincere thought for their fellow-men; little wonder that he was stirred to unburden a tribute to the beauty of this humble and sympathetic minis-

You don't have to be a preacher to make the world better and happier; like these simple souls, turbine in the gorge above the we can each of us, in our own way and sphere, do something to ease the road of our fellow-trav-

MORE JITMEY JINGLES

common faker.

For he doesn't know what he talks about, when he says to change the jitney route. For the jitney man does his very best. From the Fairground road he goes straight. For about a mile, which is meritery and which to me, acetus unserved ter-

This brings him near the River road,
Where he gets a lot of his jitney load.
Then tis eight blocks on down the street
Before he could a street car meet. This shows what kind of stuff. Is this 'unserved territory' bluff.
Then another foolish insinuation,
Is about the street car discontinuation.

If the jitney keeps depriving them of their pay At the rates of five whole bones per day, where the litney and street car come into town on the self-same

Although the new income tax law increases from \$2,000 to \$2,500 the exemption of a married person whose net income for 1921 aggregated \$2,000 and did not exceed \$5,000, every married person must file an income tax return it his net income was only \$2,000. If the net income of a married person last year was in excess of

returns. The law provides heavy penalties for those who fail to tation of paying such liberal ali-

"What made you marry that

"I know, but he has the repu-

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yellow apple of autumn, the basket of fruit was kept ready for the hungry traveler, while the Used Cars---

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