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### "SEEING HEAVEN"

Dr. Howard Case, a professor in Syracuse University, says that in a recent automobile accident in which he narrowly escaped death, while he was caught underneath the overturned motor car his spirit soared across the border and for a short time he "saw heaven."

He goes on to describe the golden city, mentions the songs he heard sung by the celestial choir and even gives in detail his conversation with a patriarchal man with white hair and flowing beard whom he presumed to be St. Peter.

For a few blessed moments, he says, he felt the joy, the peace, the wonderful soothing and balm and healing of heaven.

There are some of us who will think that Dr. Case was "seeing" and "hearing things."

Psychologists, of course, will aver that he was looking through brain impressions and "apperceptions."

However that may be, Dr. Case's experience of "seeing heaven," even assuming it to be true as he stated, can in a measure be duplicated by every man and every woman, every day in every week, and it can be done without getting pinned under an automobile and so running the risk of establishing a permanent residence.

It is within the power of every single one of us, by kind thoughts and generous acts, by good deeds and encouraging words, to bring into our own and other lives the calm, the joy, the balm and the healing of the abode of angels.

Heaven, anyway you look at it, is simply a place where serenity, reciprocity of love and happiness reign supreme.

It is a place where life's meannesses, its spites, its pettiness and its unworthiness are not permitted to enter and defile.

It is a place where malice, prejudice, envy and the rest of the ugly brood have been subjected to the crucible and have emerged reborn into friendliness, tolerance, trust and contentment.

And the way to get to "heaven," to enjoy the journey and come back and continue to "see heaven"—is to bring heaven to earth—by giving free play to the kindly impulses reawakened by the spirit of Christmas, by purging the mind and the heart of thoughts and urgings that are unworthy, by making our own little corner of the earth a place of peace and good will and a bit of "heaven" for somebody else.

And then it will surely be a place of peace and good will and heaven for ourselves.

The count at the Oregon state prison last night was 443. Three women and 440 men. Of these men, 85 served in the army or navy during the World war, and 20 more men are there who served in the Spanish-American conflict or have been soldiers or sailors for their country in land or sea forces. That is, 105 in all, out of 440. The reader may draw his own inference or make his own conclusions. But the fact that the great majority of men serving time in penal institutions are young men will furnish the main reason for the showing. Any one taking a look at the men in the Oregon penitentiary may observe

that they are mainly upstanding fellows physically; strong and capable of work. It is a great shame that they are not all employed, as they might be. If all who may be spared from the routine work of the institution were employed in the flax plant, equipped to weave twines, they could support the entire institution, and besides, give every man or woman there who worked a small wage. In doing this, they would save the taxpayers about \$400,000 each two years, besides conferring benefits it would take a book to relate. There are 11 men in the Oregon asylum for the insane who served in the World war, and one in the state tuberculosis hospital.

It is announced that Ambassador Crane "saw" the caliph at Constantinople. Wonder what it cost him?

It is estimated that the German floating debt totals 489,000,000,000 marks. If a thing like that can float Einstein is right in his theory of gravitation.

It is just possible that in the suggestion from England that the United States forgive the debt due from France that John Bull was saying one word for France and two for himself.

The Willamette university students made a lot of noise on Wednesday night. But no true Salemite begrudged them a wink of the lost sleep caused thereby. It was a great victory, and the students contributed their share to be victorious—and then some.

Salem is now one of the children of the great Rockefeller foundations—founded to give away money where it will do the most good, according to the conclusions of the directors chosen for the purpose of giving the money away. Salem will hear from these men at various times in the future. They do not neglect their children.

One thing about the million and a quarter campaign for Willamette university, that was celebrated and broadcasted and flashed to the world as a success late Wednesday night, the victory that was won by the hard workers in the campaign will mean more than any one claimed for it—more to Salem, to the school, and to the state and nation, and the world. Such things grow in benefits as the years unfold. Salem will be blessed in untold ways as the site of the great Willamette university that is to be.

Reverting to the selection of the site for the proposed children's home of the Yeomen, members of the order in Salem are able to show that the saving in the cost of fuel alone in the vicinity of this city, over any site offered in the east, would more than pay the difference in the cost of railroad fares for the children. And millions of feet of lumber would be required in putting up the various buildings that would be needed. Lumber that costs \$20 a thousand feet in Salem costs \$63 a thousand feet in

### SCOTCH RADICALS

What has happened to Scotland, once the bulwark of Anglo-Saxon conservatism? Who ever heard of a Scotch radical or was naive enough to imagine that Communism would find a fulcrum for its lever on the banks of the Clyde?

Alas for age-old convictions! Returns from the British elections show that the highlands are now the strongholds of Liberalism and that the lowlands have turned Red. And Bonnie Dundee, the home of hard-fighting and hard-drinking clansmen—Dundee has elected to parliament a prohibitionist and a pacifist.

Glasgow has sent a labor delegation to London, a delegation of extreme radicals, verging on Communism. In the whole of Scotland but eight Conservatives were elected. Nearly half the 74 members belong to the Labor party.

### FUTURE DATES

December 20, 21, 22 and 23—Marion county teachers' examinations. Friday, Dec. 22—Mothers' Class of First Methodist church meets with Mrs. Taft, 1565 South Liberty, at 3:30 o'clock. December 24 and 25, Sunday and Monday—Supreme directors of Yeomen to be in Salem. December 25, Monday—Christmas. December 31, Sunday—Elks "Midnight Politics." Grand theater. Monday, Jan. 1.—Y. M. C. A. "Open House" for everybody. New Year's day afternoon and evening. January 5, Friday—Elvin M. Oswaley, national commander of American Legion to be in Salem. January 8, Monday—Inauguration of Governor-elect Walter M. Pierce. January 9, Monday—Legislature meets.

much of Ireland as still remains a part of Great Britain—has turned dour and Conservative. Eleven of the 13 members of parliament elected from Ulster are adherents of Bonar Law.

Other times, other customs. The style of thought of peoples changes about as regularly and radically as that of their dress. We are far, indeed, from the Scotland of Burns and Scott. The old race has migrated to the United States and to the British dominions. When Scotland ceased to be an agricultural country and turned to industrialism a new race appeared, a cosmopolis of many races. And the great industrial communities are now dominated by the labor unions and send radicals to represent them in parliament.

Scotland's lords are still Conservatives; but the commoners are either Liberal or radical. Bonar Law is one of the few Conservatives sent to the house of commons from the Clyde. And it required all his personal popularity, together with a cleverly manipulated, three-cornered fight to enable him to win the suffrage of a working class constituency.

The Conservative party draws its strength from England. It is no more popular in Wales than in Scotland. But, although about three-fourths of the members of parliament are elected from England, it is a rare occurrence when an Englishman is selected for premier. Asquith was the only English premier in a generation.

In Glasgow, the hotbed of British radicalism, a movement has been launched having for its object a dominion form of government for Scotland, following the example of the Irish Free States. It is fomented by the radicals in the ranks of the Labor party; and the strength which they developed in the recent elections indicates that it may prove troublesome.

Conservative Scotsmen lament that the drift from agriculture to industry is ruining the morale of the country. But it is one of those economic movements that politics cannot control. The summer season is short in Scotland and the soil is not highly productive. Foodstuffs can be raised elsewhere and shipped to Scotland cheaper than they can be grown there. Scotland buys over half the prunes she consumes from Salem, Oregon. The change to industry was inevitable; and it seems equally inevitable that the industrial workers drawn from many countries should follow the false gods of radicalism.

Economic currents have the same effect on the politics of a country as ocean currents on climate; and a new economic current has started Scotland drifting toward radicalism.

### NO SUCH ANIMAL

Down in Texas a religious convention decided by a unanimous vote that men were not descended from monkeys. Here is a victory for William Jennings Bryan that will take the sting from all his previous reverses. When Texas decides that there is no such animal as evolution, that settles it. Texas is the largest state in the

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# The Junior Statesman

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### THE FUN BOX

#### Open the Lid and Laugh

Hard to Please An old colored man had gone to a picture show for the first time. When he came out he was asked: "Well, Uncle, did you enjoy the picture?" "Oh, yes," he said, "the picture was all right, but the piano made so much noise I couldn't hear a word they said."

A Sad Tale Mary had a Thomas cat. It warbled like a Caruso; A neighbor swung a baseball bat; Now Thomas doesn't do so.

A Millionaire As the subject for their weekly essays the teacher asked the pupils to write out what they would do if they had \$1,000,000. All heads bent to the desks, save one, and pens scratched busily. Henry calmly sat doing nothing. When the teacher collected the papers, he handed in a blank sheet.

Easy Money Mr. Bug: "Say, that old daddy tongueless has all the luck. He's getting \$15 a week now for renting his legs as bars on the county jail."

Fourteen to the Pound "There's the lightweight champion of our village," remarked the talkative native to the newcomer. "Pugilist, eh?" "Nope, the village butcher."

Certain Evidence Little Boy (to the lady scrubbing steps): "Say, Missus, is Johnnie home?" Lady: "Sure, can't you see his shirt hanging on the line?"

Some Building A bunch of workmen got to talking about high buildings. One Irishman said, "I got you all beat. Saturday about 6 o'clock I dropped my hammer and when I went to work Monday it hit me on the head."

She, too, loved Fred and George. "Oh," she sighed, as the wind rustled through her bare branches. "If I were only beautiful as he, then I could go along. How I should love to be a Christmas tree, especially for these dear boys."

The very next day the two boys came into the forest. They were poor boys, as you could see by their ragged clothes. They went right up to the evergreen and started to chop it down. "Isn't it a beauty?" cried George. "We'll take it into town and sell it. It ought to bring enough money to buy presents for all the kids."

"And mother, too," added Fred. "Poor mother, she feels so bad to think that we can't afford a tree this year. But she says it

"Are you crazy? Look at it!" The little bush blushed and hung her head for shame. She was glad the evergreen was still too dazed from his fall to hear them.

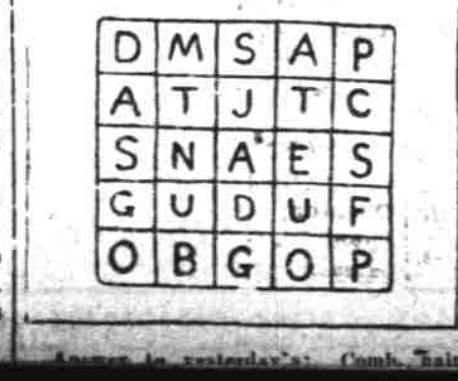
"Listen! It isn't so bad. We'll put it on the table with that scrawny side next to the wall. Then we'll wrap the branches all with cotton so it will look like it is covered with snow. And you know we have a lot of that sparkly stuff left from last year. We'll sprinkle that all over it. Then with our tinsel and popcorn and the kids' presents, I'll bet it will look keen."

"Say, you've said it!" Fred was already chopping away at the little bush. And we won't tell mother until we get it all fixed. Won't she be pleased to have a Christmas tree after all, and such a pretty one, too! And it will be pretty, by George."

George laughed at this old joke. "By Fred, too," he said. "You've got to help." The little bush laughed, too, but she felt sorry for the poor evergreen that had to be sold.

### PICTURE PUZZLE

Start with a letter in the middle column and follow squares diagonally to find a hidden month.



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