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March 12, 1927. Bless them which persecute you; bless and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

God and You

A LENTEN MEDITATION By the Rev. Charles Stetzel

God seeks interpreters and prophets. A religion that is growing needs interpreters. A religion that is completed needs only scribes. The world grows big and fast and life is crowded with new facts and forces.

THE SALEM SPIRIT AGAIN

In writing in this column yesterday of the Salem spirit that makes the people of this city willing to take a chance on helping new enterprises, mention was made of the experiences of the young college graduate who discovered aluminum, or the process of getting aluminum from clay, and who had such a hard and hopeless struggle in trying to break through the stone wall of conservatism in the big eastern cities, till he was directed to Andrew Mellon and his group of Pittsburgh friends who have made such vast fortunes by their willingness to look into manufacturing propositions, though they were new.

Noticing the article mentioned, a Salem friend of The Statesman yesterday brought to this office a copy of the Northfield, Minnesota, Independent of March 3, with the following editorial article, under the heading, "The Impossible Happened."

Caution is a virtue, but it is not always well to be too cocksure in regard to the impracticability of new ideas.

An editorial from a prominent Eastern newspaper, taken from the files of 61 years ago, serves to illustrate this point. "A man of about 46 years of age giving (the name of Joshua Coppersmith)," says the article, "has been arrested in New York for attempting to extract funds from ignorant and superstitious people by exhibiting a device which he says will convey the human voice any distance over metallic wires so that it will be heard by the listener at the other end."

Stories enough of that kind might be gathered from actual experiences in this country to fill the columns of several issues of a large newspaper— As, for instance, the attorney who had a partner, and when Henry Ford paid a fee for legal services to the firm in stock of the Ford Motor Co., then just being organized, the partner, thinking the stock was of no value, asked the attorney first named to take over the stock for a small consideration in their division of fees—

And the venturesome partner in the law firm lived to see the stock the firm got for the fee worth \$7,000,000; and actually got the money.

Or another case: George Westinghouse had run across the principle for the air brake on railroad trains. He went to the office of a pompous railroad president, and cooled his heels for an hour in the outer office waiting for that dignity to get through with some minor details of work—

And when the railroad president finally gave a grudging hearing to the then young inventor, he dismissed Mr. Westinghouse with the remark: "I have no time to waste on d—fools!"

If all railroad presidents had been like the one Mr. Westinghouse went to see that day, we might still be running railroad trains with hand brakes; and paying out billions for extra work, and sacrificing numberless lives through that clumsy method of handling trains.

Looks like Bob Paulus may conduct the King plant again this year, if he can find who owns it and is entitled to receive the rent. This is not official. Nor authorized. But Bob Paulus did a lot of good last year, in running that plant instead of leaving it idle. And our fruit interests will likely need the operation of the plant as sorely this year.

Salem needs to maintain—and to improve—its reputation as a city of welcome and hospitality. Whatever lacks there are—and there are several—should be made up as fast as possible. For one thing, we need a great auditorium.

The time of the full functioning of the organization for helping new and struggling manufacturing-plants in Salem ought to be hastened.

A major battle seems to be on between the Cantonese armies and the forces of the northern war lords. Very soon, when the Cantonese inch their way a little further north, and join up with the trained soldiers of Marshal Feng, the Chinese Christian general, they will make short work of disposing of the northern reactionaries. And then there will be a unified China, a United States of China, if the progressive forces can agree on the details.

THE BIGGEST CASH BUY

(Portland Journal.)

Said to be the largest cash transaction in downtown property in the history of Salem, was the purchase by Charles P. Bishop of \$1 by 116 feet at the corner of Court and High streets. The consideration was \$80,000 cash.

The transfer is example of the upward real estate movement that has been going on in Salem for a number of months. The Bishop purchase is by a conservative business man, a long-time resident of Salem, widely known Willamette valley merchant, and leading woolen manufacturer of the Northwest, with mills in Oregon, Washington and California.

The Bishop purchase exemplifies the confidence of a wide-awake and successful business man in the future of the capital city. Salem isn't waiting for people from other states to come in and build up Salem. Salem people are putting their money into Salem industries and Salem properties. They are flying with their own wings, and it is a good way to fly. That plan builds up the home town faster and surer than does waiting for outsiders to come in and do it.

Unlike Mr. Bishop, who conducts a store and operates woolen mills that convert Oregon raw material into Oregon finished products by use of Oregon labor and Oregon capital, and on top of that buys home-town property, many folks in many towns put their spare money into Brazilian bonds to develop Brazil and Canadian bonds to develop Canada or Italian bonds to develop Italy or buy oil stocks in Mexican companies and get us into trouble with Mexico. Their money goes to build up every place but the home town, while other people are clamoring for capital from afar to come in and establish industries in the home town.

The Bishop way is the best way, and the Bishop way is the Salem way. And the policy is fast making a splendid city of Salem.

We are marking time in the matter of city ownership of the water works—and losing profits and prestige, and hampering growth.

Bits For Breakfast

The old fight— Between Eugene and Salem is on again tonight—

Deciding the state basketball championship for this year. Let there be good sportsmanship, whichever team wins.

Tom Kay was back in his office yesterday; that is, in his office as state treasurer—for he has a good many offices. But he was pretty limp and well fagged out. He had been put through some pretty hard tests, by Portland doctors. They did everything to him that are in the rules—and they found that there is nothing the matter with him. Excepting that he has been working too hard. And they want him to take a rest. To let up—

But this is not easy, for Tom Kay has enough things to do to keep several men busy. His friends hope, however, that he will take better care of himself. Salem cannot afford to have Tom Kay out of the picture. Neither can the state of Oregon. He is needed, in the very scheme of things. Worse needed than ever. There are few men in Oregon or Salem more useful in more ways than Tom Kay. And that makes a lot of burdens for him to carry in his busy days.

The Bits for Breakfast man owes to Nell Pearmaine, who was Nell Sykes, who is everybody knows and likes, a vote of thanks for a sample of Golden Spur and King Alfred daffodils. They are superb. She has on the Pearmaine farm on route 8, down on the paved river road, beds of daffodils never seen in America before. That is a real contribution to the Salem district, the center of things floral and in the field of bulbs. This is a distinction that is worth a great deal—worth a great deal in real money; in annual returns of cash brought from far places and near.

John Tsai, Chinese Willamette university senior, in speaking to the business and professional women at the First Congregational church banquet room last night—of which more later—told of the fact that the many hundreds of Chinese students in this country are now being spoken of by the thousands of students in the Cantonese army and their sympathizers as slackers—as being a safe distance from the struggles going on over there for a free and independent China. It is a taunt that hurts. The American Legion boys know how that would feel. The Chinese students everywhere are on fire with the zeal of patriotism. This is the biggest thing for the future of the whole world that is going on today.

Capital Bargain House, Capital Tire Mfg. Co., Mike's Auto Wrecking, Three in one—Bargain center of Salem. Thousands of bargains. H. Steinbock, 215 Center. (*)

Fry's Drug Store, 380 N. Com'l, the pioneer store. Everything for everybody, in the drug supply line, with standard goods and quality service always. (*)

C. A. LUTHY Jeweler In New Location 225 STATE STREET Watches, Clocks and Jewelry Repaired

ELECTRIC MOTORS Rewound and Repaired New or Used Motors for Sale VIBBERT & TODD Things Electrical 191 South High St. TELEPHONE 2112

POLICE TO BREAK FREE LOVE CULT

High Priestess, Lieutenant, and Members of Society Under Arrest

OAKLAND, Cal., March 11.—(AP.)—Dissolution of the "Sacred School of the White Brotherhood," formed, the authorities say, to produce a "superman" through illicit means and to encourage free love in its most exotic forms, has been undertaken by the police of the Bay cities coincident with the arrest of four of the cult members.

Mrs. Gertrude Wright, high priestess of the cult headquarters here, and her chief lieutenant, Miss Erma Gibbs, appeared in the police court today to be arraigned on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of Caroline Merwin, 18, who the authorities say, was selected by them to produce the "superman." Miss Merwin is being held on a delinquency charge, but is not formally under arrest.

In Los Angeles Russell Alley and his son Lloyd, 15, were taken into custody by an Alameda county detective, and are being returned here to await the outcome of the investigation. The boy, the authorities say, was the one selected as the consort of Miss Merwin in the cult plan. He was said by District Attorney Warren to have admitted questionable activities in relation to the cult.

The police today made public the names of a number of residents of Chicago, Reno, San Jose and other points, who were alleged to be the leaders of the cult in their respective cities. Mrs. Theresa Hauk of San Jose said that she had been named to head a San Jose branch of the cult, but the branch was never formed. She denied all knowledge of immoral practices. In San Francisco the police raided the cult headquarters but found that most of the ritual trappings had been removed. Much of the cult literature remained, however, and this was appropriated.

LOS ANGELES, March 11.—(AP.)—Russell Lloyd Alley, 15, said to have been chosen by leaders of the "Sacred School of the White Brotherhood" to be the father of a superman, today disclosed to the officers who took him and his father, Russell Alley, into custody here his connection with the strange customs of the "brotherhood."

The slim, sensitive faced youth told the officers of having spent two nights with 18-year-old Caroline Werwin, the first in the apartment of his father, who also was present, and the second in the temple of the order with Mrs. Erma Gibbs present.

He stoutly denied, however, that there was anything questionable in the relationship of himself and the girl, whose connections with the "brotherhood" have resulted in the arrest of four cult members.

"We were just like brother and sister," he said. "I was fond of her and she was fond of me."

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine tablet. The tonic and laxative effect of Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets will fortify the system against Grip, Influenza and other serious life threatening colds. Price 5c. The best borne this signature E. W. Brown Since 1889

SOCIETY

(Continued from page 3.)

Luncheon will be served at noon.

Mrs. Edna Bretz is chairman for the affair. Her assistants include Mrs. May Buckner and Mrs. Lorena Burnett.

Baraca-Philatheia Class Will Meet Next Week

The Baraca-Philatheia Bible class of the First Baptist church did not meet yesterday, as scheduled, on account of the death in the home of one of the members. The meeting will take place next Friday in stead.

Alley and his son will be taken to Oakland tomorrow.

Capital City Cooperative Creamery, milk, cream, buttermilk. The Buttercup brand has the equal G.U. standard of perfection. 137 S. Com'l. Phone 299. (*)

Notice of Intention to Improve North Liberty Street From the North Line of Hood Street to the North Line of Market Street. Notice is hereby given that the common council of the city of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve North Liberty street from the north line of Hood street to the north line of Market street, in the City of Salem, Oregon, at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, except the street and alley intersections, the expense of which will be assumed by the City of Salem, Oregon, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing Portland cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with a six-inch Portland cement concrete pavement, twenty-four feet in width, in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor which were adopted by the common council, on February 21, 1927, now on file in the office of the city recorder, and which are hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

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By order of the common council the 21st day of February, 1927. M. POULSEN, City Recorder. Date of first publication hereof is March 2, 1927. Date of final publication hereof will be March 13, 1927. m2to13

Notice of Intention to Improve South Thirteenth Street From the North Curb Line of Leslie Street to the North Line of Mission Street. Notice is hereby given that the common council of the City of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve South Thirteenth street from the north curb line of Leslie street to the north line of Mission street, in the City of Salem, Marion county, Oregon, at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, except the street and alley intersections, the expense of which will be assumed by the City of Salem, Oregon, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing Portland cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with a six-inch Portland cement concrete pavement 30 feet in width, in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor which were adopted by the Common Council on the 21st day of February, 1927, now on file in the office of the city recorder, and which are hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

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Notice of Intention to Improve Lee Street From the West Line of South 14th Street to the East Line of the Southern Pacific Right of Way. Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient, and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve Lee street from the west line of South Fourteenth street to the east line of the Southern Pacific right of way, in the City of Salem, Oregon, at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, excepting the street and alley intersections, the expense of which will be assumed by the City of Salem, Oregon, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing Portland cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with a six-inch Portland cement concrete pavement thirty feet wide, in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates therefor, which were adopted by the Common Council, March 7, 1927, now on file in the office of the city recorder and which said plans, specifications and estimates are hereby referred to and made a part of this notice. The Common Council hereby declares its purpose and intention to make the above described improvement by and through the street improvement department of the City of Salem, Oregon.

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THEATER WILL RISE

Portland to Get New Moving Picture House, Model

PORTLAND, March 11.—(AP)—The erection of a motion picture theater to cost a million dollars and a 10 story hotel to cost an additional \$550,000 was assured tonight when J. H. Hoffman obtained the contract to start construction of the building within the next two weeks. The building will occupy the block at Broadway, Salmon, Main and Park streets. The theater will have a seating capacity of 3200 and will be the largest in Portland. Both buildings will be completed on or before March 31, 1928.

The theater is under a 35 year lease to the Public Theaters corporation of the Famous Players-Lasky-Paramount combination which controls more than 750 motion picture houses.

The hotel is under a lease of 20 years to George Heathman, who recently sold the Heathman hotel property to Eric Hauser, owner of the Multnomah hotel, for \$750,000.

Acclimated ornamental nursery stock, evergreens, rose bushes, fruit and shade trees at Percy Bros. in season. We have our own nurseries. 178 S. Com'l. (*)

Elker Auto Co., Ferry at Liberty St. Autos stored and bought and sold. Cars washed day and night. Low prices and service will make long friends. (*)

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CARS CRASH, FOUR HURT

Chauffeur for Bellingham Man Badly Injured in Collision

REDDING, Cal., March 11.—

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executor has filed his final account of the estate of Alice M. Rotzien, deceased, with the clerk of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Marion County, and an order has been made and entered by the said Court fixing the 21st day of March, 1927, at ten o'clock in the forenoon as the time for hearing objections to said final account and the settlement thereof; and that any creditor, heir, or other person interested in said estate may, on or before said time, show cause why said account should not be settled and approved as rendered.

Dated this 18th day of February, 1927. JOHN BAYNE, Executor of the estate of Alice M. Rotzien, deceased. 119-26-m5-12-19

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Notice of Intention to Improve North Fourth Street From the North Line of Belmont Street to the South Line of Market Street. Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve North Fourth street from the north line of Belmont street to the south line of Market street, in the City of Salem, Oregon, at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, excepting the street and alley intersections, the expense of which will be assumed by the City of Salem, Oregon, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing Portland cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with a six-inch Portland cement concrete pavement, twenty-four feet wide, in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates therefor, which were adopted by the Common Council March 7, 1927, now on file in the office of the city recorder and which said plans, specifications and estimates are hereby referred to and