

### EDUCATOR FAVORS RELIGIOUS STUDY

#### Yale Professor Says Underlying All American Has Common Faith

Education and religion belong together, believes Luther A. Weigle of Yale university, chairman of the commission of Christian education of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

"We cannot expect the public schools to do the whole work," he says, "for even to undertake a major share of the religious education of American children. But they can in many states continue to reading of the Bible and the recital of the Lord's Prayer—an act of corporate worship in which all religious groups might well agree to unite."

"Underlying all our surface paganism and beneath all our differences of creed, polity and ritual America has, I believe, a common religious faith. Its citizens generally—Protestant, Catholic and Jew—worship the one God, Creator of all things and Father of men."

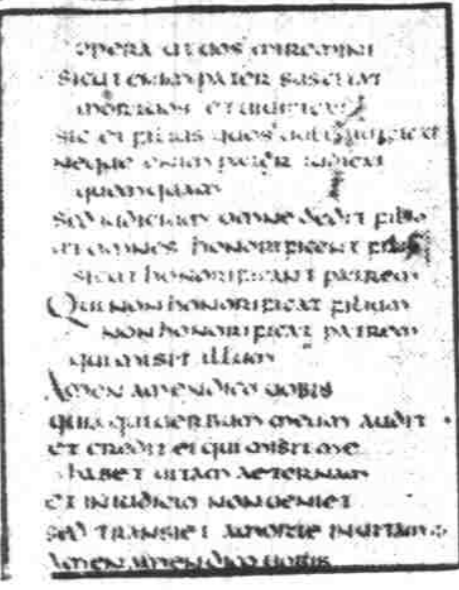
"Can we not surrender our jealousies of one another, who profess belief in God? The need is urgent. It is one of the tragedies of our time that Protestant, Catholic and Jew, Fundamentalist, Evangelical and Modernist should quarrel with one another, while the real enemy of us all, the most insidious of all American institutions, the irreligion of the day, wins its way to the minds of our children."

#### NOSES STAY SHINY

NOTTINGHAM, Eng.—"Women employes will please do their face powdering before or after business hours," is the sign which appears in a Nottingham lace factory. A welfare superintendent kept watch on the girl typists and found that one of them powdered her nose 15 times in one hour.

Tillamook—New \$70,000 public school building to be built here this year.

### ANCIENT BIBLICAL MANUSCRIPTS OWNED AND EXHIBITED IN U. S.



Top—One of the oldest Bibles. Below left—Pages from the Stonyhurst Gospel according to St. John. Right—Dr. E. A. Lowe, authority on ancient Bible texts.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Biblical manuscripts even older than the celebrated Stonyhurst Gospel according to St. John, said to have been found in the tomb of St. Catherine who died in 687, are on exhibition in the United States.

One of the collections, bequeathed to the nation by Charles E. Freer of Detroit, is in the Freer Gallery of Art here. The other, comprising a few papyrus fragments, is at the University of Michigan.

The "Washington Manuscripts" as the Freer collection is known, include one of the oldest Greek versions of the Bible known. Its date is placed in the fourth century by Dr. E. A. Lowe, Oxford lecturer and research investigator

of the Carnegie institutions. Considerable attention has been drawn to the "Washington Manuscripts," Dr. Lowe pointed out, because they carry the following extra verses after Mark, 16:14:

"But they defended themselves, saying that this age of lawlessness and unbelief is under the power of Satan, who does not permit those made impure by evil spirits to comprehend the truth and power of God. Therefore reveal now thy righteousness, they said to Christ. And Christ replied to them that the limit of the years of the power of Satan has been made full, but other dread events are near at hand, and in behalf of those who had sinned I was delivered unto death in order that they may re-

turn to the truth and no longer sin, to the end that they may inherit the spiritual and imperishable glory of righteousness, which is in Heaven."

In addition to the Greek parchment manuscripts of the Gospels, Psalms, Deuteronomy, Joshua and fragments of the Epistles of Paul, the collection includes a few pages of ancient papyrus bearing parts of the minor prophets. All were found in Egypt. Freer acquired them through a dealer.

#### King Resumes Early Morning Park Rides

LONDON (AP)—King George has resumed his early morning summer horseback rides in Rotten Row much to the satisfaction of numerous tourists but there has been no tendency on the part of society leaders to turn out for canters before breakfast as was the custom thirty odd years ago.

The king rides between 7 and 8 o'clock, this being the only opportunity he has for regular outdoor exercise when the court is at Buckingham palace.

In olden days when royalty rode regularly in Hyde Park a great many of the most prominent men and women of the land were sure to turn out, even before breakfast if it were known that King Edward would appear on his favorite steed. But early rising is not as popular as formerly and the morning after in these days of night clubs and cabarets the king has ridden Rotten Row almost to himself for his early morning canters.

#### African Native Wives Using Lizzard Porridge

LONDON (AP)—Central African native wives have a firm belief in lizard porridge as a food for errant husbands, according to the Rev. A. S. D. Ranger, who has returned home after many years missionary work in Central Africa. He says the native women whose husbands have strayed from the path of faithfulness, dry lizards in the sun, pound them to a powder and put it in their husband's porridge. The women have a firm belief in the efficacy of this remedy because of the homing instinct.

Myrtle Point—New grade school to cost above \$35,000.

### CONAN DOYLE HUNTS GHOSTS; SEES ONE

#### Sir Arthur Says Never Seen One in Daylight; Tells Experience

LONDON (AP)—Ghost hunting is one of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's pastimes when he is not writing new Sherlock Holmes adventures or has nothing else in particular to do. Sir Arthur says he has no psychic gifts himself, but he has had experiences with ghosts on several occasions—once when he was not looking for them.

Writing in the Weekly Dispatch on "Ghosts I Have Seen," the author describes a midnight experience at his country place at Crowborough when he was awakened with the impression that there was someone in the room and "that the presence was not of this world."

Of this Sir Arthur says: "I was lying with my back to the room, acutely awake, but utterly unable to move."

"It was physically impossible for me to turn my body and face this way. I heard measured steps across the room. I was conscious without seeing it that someone was bending over me, and then I heard a voice saying in a loud whisper, 'Doyle, I come to tell you that I am sorry.' A moment later my disability disappeared and I was able to turn, but all was black darkness and perfectly still. My visitor gave no name, but I felt that it was an individual to whom I had tried to give psychic consolation when he was bereaved. He rejected my advances and died shortly afterward. It

may be that he wished to express regret." Accompanied by six other persons, the famous novelist and spiritualist one night last summer visited a country church which had the reputation of being haunted. He told of seeing "two perfectly clear-cut figures in black and white, with dim luminosity of their own."

"The coloring and arrangement gave me a general idea of cassocks and surplices," he wrote. "There was no possible room for error. Unquestionably we all saw these figures and equally unquestionably the figures were not of this world."

Sir Arthur says he has never seen a ghost in the daylight.

#### Slight Decline Recorded in Birthrate in France

PARIS (AP)—The legend of France's declining birth rate is belied by the preliminary vital statistics for 1926, now available. The number of births in 1926 was 766,266, or 18.8 per 1,000, against 790,355 or 19.1 per 1,000 in 1913.

What, however, causes serious disquiet to the health authorities is the abnormally high infant death rate as compared with other European countries. The number of children dying below the age of one year in 1926 was 74,698 against 68,367 in 1925. In some departments, notably in the mountainous regions of the Centre, the increase in the infant death rate from one year to the other exceeded 40 per cent.

#### Eiffel Tower Ascent Becoming Much Steeper

PARIS (AP)—Even the price of going up has gone up. The charge for ascending the Eiffel Tower, the tallest structure

in the world, has been raised. Five francs was the cost for the post-war inflation period but as business has been good an additional franc is charged now.

The tower generally is considered a public institution but really

it is owned by the company that built it for the 1889 Exposition. The city gets a percentage and it was to increase the city's share that the view of the country around Paris has been made more expensive.

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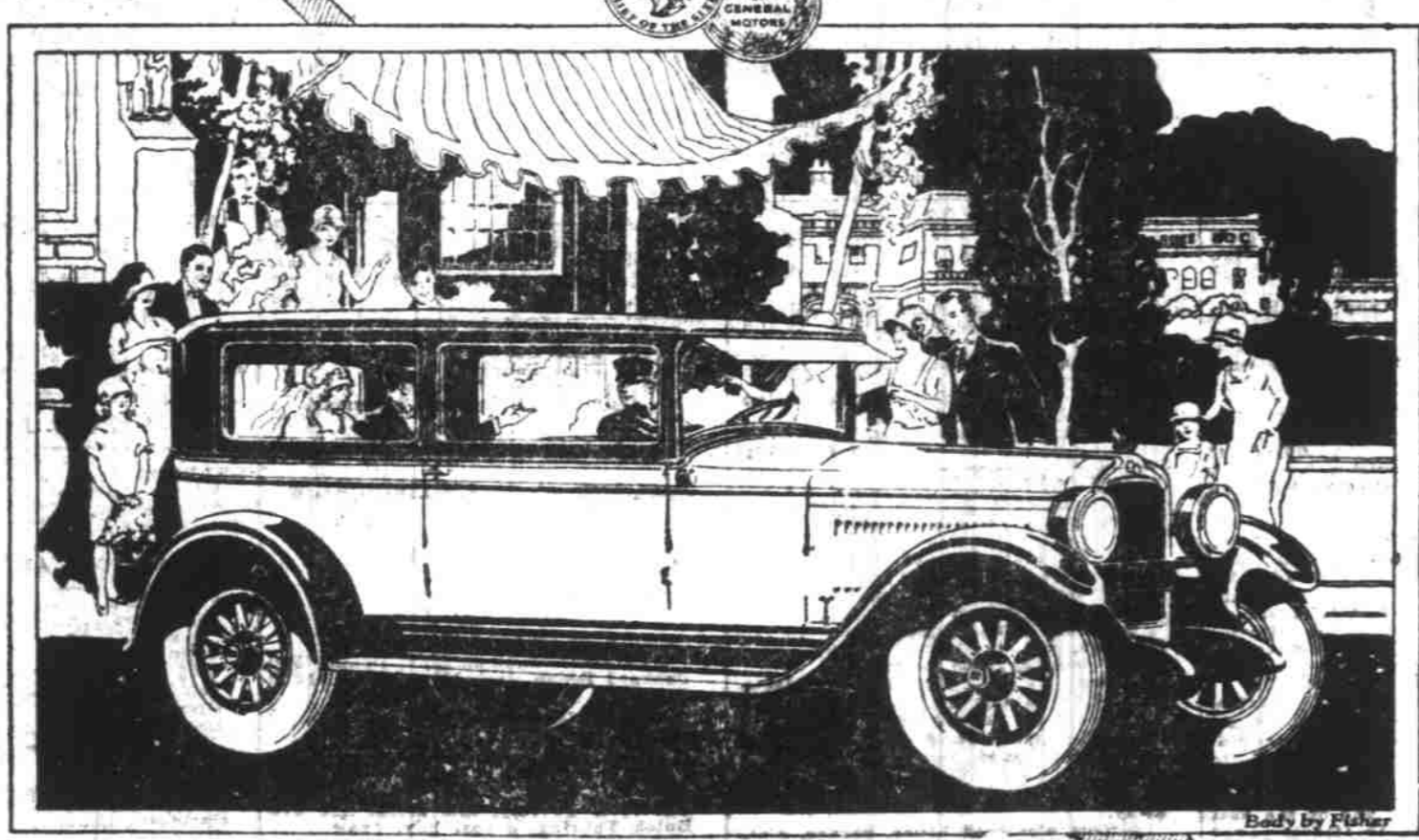
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