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LEGISLATION MUST BE SECURE.

SOME kind of social security legislation seems destined to come out of the approaching session of Congress.

What we shall get will inevitably be a compromise. The difference between what everybody admits is needed and what is actually possible is very great.

Old age pensions, unemployment insurance, and the like cost money, and if we try to spend on them more than we can afford we are apt to make things worse than they were before.

The unfortunate part about such legislation, in fact, is that it is subject to two kinds of pressure.

In bad times there is a rising public demand to go much farther than is practical or wise. One need only consider the fantastic \$200-a-month schemes now being propagated to realize this.

In good times, on the other hand, there is an influential demand that nothing at all be done, on the ground that it might rock the boat needlessly and put a crimp in prosperity.

Beet by these alternating pressures, social security legislation to date has made hardly any progress at all. But this winter we are apt to have a different story. The demand is so strong, that something will almost certainly be done.

That being the case, the thing to remember is that security legislation is only part of the picture. President Roosevelt has aptly remarked that "there can be no security for the individual in the midst of general insecurity"; and this is a warning against which all security schemes must be assayed.

Any pension and insurance scheme so ambitious that it sets off a genuine inflation of the currency would, obviously, be a sorry kind of boon for its beneficiaries. You may keep a man from disaster by giving him \$50 a month—but not if your currency depreciates so fast that \$50 will buy only a loaf of bread.

Similarly, a program so expensive that the taxes needed to finance it proved actively deflationary, and thus postponed general business recovery, would also be a back-handed arrangement. Unless the economic machine can be made to function again, no security scheme will do very much good.

The problem confronting Congress, then, is exceedingly difficult. The demand for security legislation must be met—but there is need for great wisdom and forethought in selecting the proper means.

JOB FOR GOOD MARINER.

IT is good to read that Capt. George A. Fried, retiring from the sea, is promptly given one of the biggest jobs the federal government can give a mariner—supervising inspector in the important second inspection district for the Federal Navigation Bureau.

Not often does a merchant sailor attain such widespread public confidence as Captain Fried has attained. His cool, seamanlike, and daring rescues at sea are almost legendary.

Any man who could perform as he performed in the famous Antioch and Florida rescues must be a pretty broad-gauge sort of man as well as a first-rate sailor.

Captain Fried, in other words, is too valuable a man to be allowed to slip into retirement just yet. His new job is one of vast responsibility. The safety of many sea travelers depends on it being handled properly.

And with Captain Fried filling in, the American public will have complete confidence that the work is being done the way it ought to be done.

A HEMISPHERE APART.

THE great gulf that separates the occidental and oriental viewpoints could hardly be illustrated more sharply than by the recent attempt of that Tokio traffic policeman to commit suicide.

This officer was detailed to route the Emperor Hirohito's entourage through a certain stretch of country. Somehow he made a mistake. Traffic got tangled, and the emperor's car was delayed 30 minutes. So the policeman felt that he could redeem his honor only by killing himself.

Suppose President Roosevelt travels by auto from Washington to Philadelphia and runs into a traffic jam on route; will the traffic cop who should have prevented the jam put a bullet through his heart out of sheer chagrin?

The mere fact that the question is utterly ridiculous shows how greatly the Japanese attitude toward duty, the government, and life in general differs from our own.

A snooty apartment hotel in New York advertises, "The character of our clientele is of greater consideration than the tariff." Although one should bring on the other.

The Navy Department has ordered strict secrecy about all new naval developments, so that only the foreign powers may know what we're doing along this line.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

COUNTY GOVERNMENT CHANGES

SINCE we still hope that Oregon will some day do away with the archaic form of government under which our counties are administered we shall continue to report here the progress made in other states toward the desired end. State by state all over the country every election sees some proposal made for an improvement in the form of county government. The voters do not give their approval in every case but a definite trend toward change is to be found. We call attention to the fact hoping that Oregon will take to itself the lesson to be learned in the experience of others.

The particular thing that a good many Oregonians would like to see done is the enactment of an amendment to the state constitution giving authority to the voters of any county to set up a managerial form of government. Measures passed at the recent election covered a wider field of change.

In Florida, for example, a constitutional amend-

ment was approved permitting the consolidation of the city of Jacksonville and the county in which it is located—Duval. In Montana an amendment was approved allowing the consolidation of county offices.

Four Ohio counties elected commissioners to draft charters providing new forms of county government. These charters will be submitted to the voters in the counties concerned in 1935. Not all counties in Ohio where the proposal was made approved it, however. There were three that voted down proposals to elect charter commissioners.

In Los Angeles county a charter amendment was voted providing for the consolidation of the offices of county tax collector and county sheriff.

It was in Michigan and Texas that the proponents of change suffered their worst defeat. Michigan voters turned down a proposed county home rule amendment, and in Texas eight proposed amendments relating to county reorganization, consolidation of certain county offices and abolition of the fee system of paying public officials were voted down.

Some time ago President Roosevelt gave his distinguished approval to proposals for improving county government. The snow ball is starting to roll and some day it will be found to have made a pretty clean sweep.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER

Register-Guard Washington Correspondent
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—There's a mountain of inside stuff in the background of the housing row between Jim Moffett, federal housing administrator, and Secretary Harold Ickes.

The two men stuck their necks out simultaneously and the two necks were simultaneously cracked. The result was that remarkable joint statement issued from the White House wherein Jimmy and Harold publicly discovered themselves to be merely a couple of little brothers marching arm in arm in the front ranks of the New Deal.

And once again was demonstrated that amazing facility which Mr. Roosevelt has for making the lion and the lamb and the hyena and the brindle cow and the ring-tailed whangdoodle and the man-eating tiger lie down together in sweet peace and amity—until the next time some member of the menagerie decides it's time to take a chew or a kick out of the others.

LIBERAL VS. CONSERVATIVE

Moffett and Ickes are symbols of the division in administration ranks between—just to identify them quickly and tritely—the conservatives and the liberals. Moffett, who got in on the New Deal apparently for no better reason than that he was a "good fellow," a campaign contributor, and an admirer of Roosevelt's, has lately come to be regarded as the Living Buddha of the big business crowd in the New Deal set-up.

If the widespread impression here that Jim is something of a "stuffed shirt" happens to be correct, that's probably a tough break for big business. But the tendency to regard him as the voice of conservative industry has grown along with the mounting controversy as to whether F. D. C. has been taking the bankers and industrialists into camp or vice versa.

Leaving personalities aside, the great weakness of Moffett in any test of strength here is the fact that his Federal Housing Administration's program—which was supposed to restore prosperity—has been a decided flop.

The best boast of Jim's highly expensive organization to date is that home modernization loans since its campaign began four months ago have totaled \$20,000,000.

BACKED BY BIG BUILDERS

On the other hand, Moffett has the enthusiastic support of the important building materials industries. Long ago he announced there was no reason why prices of their products should come down.

So, although Ickes promises them far more business with his talk of housing programs running into the billions as against Moffett's mere millions, those industries stand grimly for Jim and their present profit margins.

Ickes says those prices should go down. Moffett also holds his cards through the fact that "Assistant President" Don Richberg is permanently sour on Ickes and that White House Secretary Marvin McIntyre, who is such a "good fellow" that nearly every lobbyist in town just simply adores him, is one of Jim's chief backers.

TALKS SELF INTO TROUBLE

Ickes, who stands with Harry Hopkins way over on the "left" of the New Deal, is one of the strongest characters in Washington. His weaknesses are many, but he has never put anything over on him, and Roosevelt admires him no end.

One great trouble with him, as recently displayed, is that he loves to hear himself talk to the correspondents. He didn't intend to announce his private feelings about the Moffett housing program or his own private plan for a 3 per cent financing, lower labor and material costs, no-down-payment housing program. But the boys and girls at his press conference egged him on and he wise-cracked himself right into it.

ALIBI IS PROVED

That was what started Moffett hollering the question as to how he could be expected to enforce private capital behind FHA if Ickes was going to snore everybody like that.

From now on, it's to be imagined, the Ickes outburst will be the chief alibi for the Moffett flop—if it continues as such. There's a direct wire from Warm Springs to the White House, so everything is patched up on the surface, which is so thin you can hardly see it.

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN

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Of course, you are aware of the fact that you have a heart. And probably you can feel your own pulse. But it is not advisable for you to do so unless you realize the significance of the pulse and the heart beat. Otherwise you are likely to misinterpret the significance of what you feel or determine.

People who are hypersensitive or neurotic may get greatly worried about their heart beats and complain of palpitations and pains in the heart, besides other manifestations more likely to be due to trouble with digestion than with the heart.

Overuse of tobacco, coffee, tea, or alcohol is frequently associated with digestive trouble and also with reference to the heart. Women, approaching the period when they pass from maturity into old age, are also likely to get symptoms which are referred to the heart.

During the World War the relationship between extreme nervous excitement and the heart beat was recognized, and the term "irritable heart" was applied to a condition in which there is shortness of breath, palpitation, and a good deal of fatigue.

The normal heart beats from 70 to 75 times a minute, but not infrequently from 80 to 75 times a minute, and in some people from 50 to 60 times a minute. The heart rate in babies and children is likely to be much higher than in grown people.

At birth, the heart beats about 130 times a minute; at 6 years of age, about 100 times a minute; at 10 years, about 90 times a minute; and at 15 about 85 times a minute.

The heart beat gets much more rapid when there is exercise or excitement. It gets more rapid in fever and in the presence of severe infections. It is much faster when there is overaction of the thyroid gland.

Some persons normally have heart beats of from 80 to 90, but usually this is much slower than normal. The heart beat gets a little slower with age, fatigue, and during exposure to cold.

In certain conditions involving the brain, with pressure inside the skull, the heart beat is likely to get slower. More interesting and significant, however, the heart rate is a rapid or a slow heart is an irregular heart.

Irregularity of the heart, or a severe change in its rhythm, should be taken as sufficiently significant to bring about a visit to a doctor who can make an adequate study of the case.

A sudden change in rhythm and regularity of the heart beat may indicate changes in its muscles or in its nerve supply, the significance of which can be determined only by proper scientific study.

SIDE GLANCES



"It goes wah-de-woo-de-woo-sko-de-woo."

At The Churches Snuday

Church Sermon Topics Varied; Chorus Starting Preliminary Work for Annual Music and Pageants for Christmas Season; Other Church News for County Congregations Listed

WITH the Thanksgiving holiday passed, many of the churches now are making preliminary plans for their annual Christmas music and pageants. This week-end brings a number of interesting topics for sermons in the local churches.

Central Lutheran

Sixth and Pearl. P. J. Luvaas, minister. Sunday school with classes for all ages at 9:45 a. m. Also Bible class for adults. Morning service at 11 o'clock; sermon by the pastor. Special music by both the senior and junior choirs. Luther League meeting in the evening at 6:30 o'clock.

United Lutheran

Thirteenth and High. Frank S. Reisel, pastor. Sunday school 9:45. Morning service, 11 with sermon by the pastor on the subject, "How Much Does Jesus Claim of a Man's Life?" Choir anthem, "Forever, O Lord." (Mauder). Luther League, 6:30 p. m. Group discussion led by Orin Wechsler. Bible study service on Thursday 7:30 p. m.

First Methodist Episcopal

Rev. Cecil F. Ristow, minister. 12th and Williams streets. Church school, 9:45 a. m. W. J. Mishler, superintendent. Classes for all ages. New class for young married couples taught by Dr. A. R. Sweetser. Class for university age young people at the Y. M. C. A., teacher W. P. Walter. Morning worship 11:00 o'clock. Sermon by Cecil F. Ristow. Music by Chorus choir directed by John Stark Evans, organist and choirmaster. Round table discussion, 7:30 p. m. Thought provoking discussions on fundamental beliefs. "How can we develop faith?" is one of the questions for this week's discussion. Led by Cecil F. Ristow. Junior high students, 6:30 p. m. For all Junior high students. High school league, 6:30 p. m. Dr. A. R. Sweetser will talk and show pictures on the subject "God and Science." Fireside will follow the discussion. Wesley club, 6:30 p. m. Social half hour. Mrs. George P. Winchell will begin a series of meetings on "Marriage and the Home." 6:30 p. m. Her subject will be "Problem Confronting Young People Today."

First Christian

Eleventh and Oak streets. Dr. S. Earl Childers, pastor. Bible school 9:45 a. m. John R. Perry Supt. Classes for all ages. M. B. Madden, missionary from Japan will speak to the Men's class Sunday morning. Morning worship 11:00 o'clock. Sermon topic, "A Balanced Program." Dr. Childers speaking. The Christian Endeavor Society meet Sunday evening at 6:15. The regular evening service 7:30. Sermon topic "God's Measuring Rod." Dr. Childers speaking. The mid-week Bible study Thursday evening at 7:30. Dr. Childers will conduct the study based upon the fourth chapter of Matthew. The public is cordially invited to attend the mid-week service.

First Baptist

Corner Broadway and High streets. Dr. Bryant Wilson, pastor. Robert Gould, organist-director. Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock. R. S. Shelley, superintendent. Classes for all ages. Junior church at 11:00 o'clock. Mrs. C. F. Hyde, director. Morning worship at 11:00 o'clock. Sermon by the pastor. Topic, "The Fraternal Spirit." Anthem: "Be Glad, O Ye Righteous." Woodward. Evening service at 7:15. Organ recital played by Mr. Gould: "At the Altar," Arensky; "A Vision," Bibb; "Melody," Whiting. Sermon by the pastor. Topic: "The Cross After 1900 Years." Anthem: "I Know No Life Divided." Russian. Special musical number: "The Old Rugged Cross." Benediction by George Thorpe and the choir. The Young People's groups will meet at 6:30.

First Church of Christ, Scientist

Corner of Twelfth avenue east and Oak street. Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The subject of the lesson sermon is "Ancient and Modern Nazarenes," also Nazarenes and Hygienism. Denominational Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday

evening testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock. The reading room at 452 Miner building is open daily from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Sundays and holidays from 2 to 5 p. m. On Wednesdays the reading room closes at 5 p. m.

Bethany Evangelical

Sixth and Blair. C. S. Bergtresser, pastor. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Sermon subject: "The Difference Between Being Merely Good and Being Actually Saved." The pastor preaching. Evening service at 7:30. The pastor's topic is: "The Twin-Motive of Missions." Film pictures of actual scenes in Paul's first missionary tour. W. M. S. Thanksgiving service, Sunday school, 10 o'clock. Dr. B. Trout, superintendent. Young People's meeting at 6:30. Fellowship hour of prayer and Bible study, Thursday evening at 7:30, in charge of the pastor. Special Bible class Thursday at 7 o'clock.

Lighthouse Temple

Corner Twelfth and Olive streets. Rev. E. J. Fulton, pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Ernest Lee, superintendent. Morning worship, 11:00 o'clock, sermon topic, "Proofs of Salvation. How I know," by the pastor. Jail and shut-in services, 2:30 p. m. County Fair service, 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Henry Haug in charge. 9:30 p. m. butte transient camp service, 9:30 p. m. Mr. Summers in charge. Overcoming meetings, 6:00 p. m. The seniors will begin a series of missionary programs. The first one will be presented by the South Africa group under the leadership of Dora Turner. Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m., broadcast over KORE. A musical program will be presented by the choir and orchestra before the sermon by the pastor. Mid-week services: Bible study, Tuesday, 7:30 p. m. Rev. Fulton in charge. Choir rehearsal, Wednesday, 7:40 p. m. Orchestra rehearsal, Wednesday, 8:00 p. m. Prayer services, Thursday, 10:00 a. m. and 2 p. m. led by the pastor. B. S. T. S. students meeting, Friday, 7:30 p. m. The ladies' missionary circle will meet as usual, Wednesday, all day, to sew for the needy. The storeroom will be open in the afternoon from one to four. Donations of any kind of clothing would be appreciated as the present stock is fast going with the increased number of callers each week. Those having contributions are asked to call Lighthouse Temple any day before noon.

First Congregational

Thirteenth and Perry. Clay E. Palmer, minister. Sunday school, 9:45 o'clock. L. O. Wright, supt. Morning service, 11:00 o'clock. Sermon subject, "The Church of the First Century: Mercenary or Missionary?" Evangelistic song service 7:30 p. m. Special music. Sermon: "Where We Got So Many Denominations." The young people will meet to practice for the Christmas program Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the church.

Church of Christ

Hubert E. Sins, pastor. Lloyd Harkins, Bible school. Mrs. F. Allen, director of music. Bible school 10 a. m. Morning worship 11 o'clock. Lord's supper, for all Christians. Special music. Sermon, "The Church of the First Century: Mercenary or Missionary?" Evangelistic song service 7:30 p. m. Special music. Sermon: "Where We Got So Many Denominations." The young people will meet to practice for the Christmas program Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the church.

Church of Christ

North Jefferson street between First and Clark avenues. Morning service, 11 o'clock, consisting of short talks by members. Lesson I Corinthians, chapter II, Bible study Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., subject "The Church."

Grace Lutheran

Eleventh and Perry streets. Martin P. Simon, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45. Bible class topic: The Use of By-Words. Service begins at 11. Sermon subject: "Why I Might Decline To Preach At Your Funeral." The Lutheran Hour will be broadcast over KORE, 1-1:30 p. m.

Emmaus Lutheran

Second Avenue West. Lewis C. Larsen, pastor. Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Danish worship at 11:00 a. m. Luther League at 8:00 p. m.

Fairmount Presbyterian

Rev. R. E. Clark, minister. Preaching service at 11 o'clock Sunday. The minister will preach on the topic, "Deliverance From Evil" based on the last petition of the Lord's prayer. Special music by the choir with Miss Olivia Reader at the piano. Church school at 9:45 with B. J. Clark in charge. Junior C. E.

meeting at 5:30. Senior C. E. meeting at 7 o'clock.

Springfield Methodist

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 o'clock. Rev. Dean C. Poindester, pastor, will preach a sermon entitled "Courage." Epworth League, 6 p. m. No vesper services. The church will join in a union service at the Christian church at 7:30 to hear J. J. Handsaker of Portland, associate secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War.

Oakridge Community Methodist

Earl B. Horsell, minister. Morning worship, 10 o'clock; sermon, "The World's Best Seller." Church school, 11 o'clock; C. A. Padlock, superintendent. Epworth League, 6:45 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock; sermon, "Using God's Word."

Westfir Community Methodist

Earl B. Horsell, minister. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. at the school house. Superintendent, Nancy Natterlund. Morning worship, 11 o'clock, at the community hall. Sermon, "The World's Best Seller." Epworth League, 6 p. m., at the club rooms.

Open Door Mission (Pentecostal)

251 West 8th St. Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Jones, pastors. T. B. Yarbrough, superintendent. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 o'clock. Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock. Evangelists Charles and Jack will be in charge of meetings including the weekly meetings held each night except Saturday at 7:30. A prayer meeting is held each Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. The commissary is open each Wednesday from 1:30 to 3 p. m. Donation of clothing requested.

Jasper Church

Norman Workman, pastor. Sunday school superintendent, Mrs. Forcum. Morning service, 11 o'clock; topic, "In Memory of Jesus." Evening service, 7:30 o'clock; topic, "The Dividing Line." Young people's C. E., 6:30 p. m. Topic, "What Is the Bible?" Junior C. E., 6:30 p. m. Topic, "Being Like Christ in His Love of God's House." Adult C. E., 6:30 p. m. Topic, "What Is the Purpose of Missions?"

Santa Clara Church of Christ

Anor C. Emerson, minister. Bible school, 10 a. m. James B. Chapman, superintendent. Morning worship, 11 o'clock; sermon, "Building for God." All Christian Endeavors will meet at 6:30. Evening service at 7:30; message, "The Name Above Every Name." Special music both morning and evening.

Noti Bible Standard

E. W. Johnson, pastor. Sunday school, 2 p. m. Mrs. Cram is superintendent. Afternoon service 3 o'clock; sermon topic, "Thanksgiving." Special singing by a quartet and a duet by Mrs. Cram and Miss Daley Clark.

Church of the Nazarene

812 Madison. Bertrand F. Peterson, pastor. Church school, 9:45; D. R. Winfree, superintendent. Morning worship, 11; topic, "The Living Word." A service celebrating Bible Sunday. Young people's meeting, 6:45. Mardienne Johnston, president. Evangelistic, 7:30. Missionary prayer meeting, Tuesday 2:30. Teachers' training class and business meeting, Tuesday, 7:30. Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30.

River Road Church of Christ

River Road school, T. Leland Morgan, pastor. Bible school, 10 a. m. Mrs. D. F. Shepherd, acting superintendent. Morning worship, 11 o'clock; sermon topic, "The Final Word of God."

Creaswell Church of Christ

Melvin P. Traxler, pastor. Bible school, 10 a. m. Oliver Petty, superintendent. Miss Carol Stevens, director of music. Morning worship and communion, 11 o'clock; William Cone will preach at the morning service; sermon topic, "Love." Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m.; topic, "What Is the Purpose of Missions?" Evening church service, 7:30 o'clock; evangelistic sermon by pastor. The dedication service for the new church addition is being planned for Sunday, Dec. 9.

Noti Church of Christ

Robert E. Austin, pastor. Bible school at 10. Harvey Horn, superintendent. Morning sermon, "Why Go to Church?" Basket dinner. Christian endeavor, 6:30. Adult Bible study 6:30. Will study "The First Covenant With Abraham." Gen. 12 chap. and Hebrews 11 chap. Special music program. Evening service, sermon, Study From Ephesians.

Franklin Church of Christ

Hubert E. Sins, pastor. Lloyd Harkins, Bible school. Mrs. F. Allen, director of music. Bible school 10 a. m. Morning worship 11 o'clock. Lord's supper, for all Christians. Special music. Sermon, "The Church of the First Century: Mercenary or Missionary?" Evangelistic song service 7:30 p. m. Special music. Sermon: "Where We Got So Many Denominations." The young people will meet to practice for the Christmas program Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the church.

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Eight and Lincoln. Sunday school 10 a. m. President Quinney of the northwestern states mission will hold conference here at 7:30. There will not be an afternoon meeting, just the 7:30 evening meeting. Tuesday, relief society, 3 p. m. Primary, 8:45. Priesthood meeting, 7:30.

Trant

W. White, minister. Bible school, 10 a. m.; classes for all ages. Communion service and morning worship at 11. Sermon, "Let Us Rise Up and Build." C. E. and adult prayer meeting, 6:30 p. m.; Mr. Mahoney leading prayer service. At 7:30 p. m. B. Ross Evans opens evangelistic campaign with Eugene Chamberlain of

THE CHRISTIAN AS WITNESS

Text: I Thess. 1:1-10
 The International Union Sunday School Lesson for Dec. 2.
 By WM. E. GILROY, D. D.
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CHRISTIANITY began in testimony, or witness. Its power and its continuance depend upon the faithfulness of its disciples in witnessing to truth and to salvation.

It was as Jesus witnessed to small groups that the people became attracted to Him, and to His teaching, and either desired to follow Him or accepted His call to discipleship, that they might know more of His life and His teaching. Jesus sent them forth, first of all the twelve—later called apostles—and later some seventy evangelists, that going two by two through the villages they might talk of Him and of the things that they had received.

It was through this same power of witness that Peter, on the Day of Pentecost, aroused the consciences of men and women so that many were added to the church, and it was this same witnessing urge and spirit that sent Paul and his companions forth throughout the ancient world to tell the story of what God had done for them through Jesus Christ and His salvation.

Here in our lesson we have a sample of this witness. Paul is writing on behalf of himself and his companions, Silvanus and Timothy, to the church at Thessalonica, which he had been instrumental in establishing. It is a typical letter of Paul.

First of all, Paul speaks of the thankfulness that seemed uppermost and dearest in Paul's religious attitude and expression. Beneath everything else in Paul's life was this great outpouring of thankfulness to God for the unspeakable gift of Christ in saving him from bigotry and narrowness, and attuning his mind and heart to the richness and fullness of love.

With this thankfulness Paul is linked with the prayerfulness which Paul was so manifesting as his own practice. Thankfulness and prayer were two great links in his relationship to God and his fellow men.

Then we have the readiness of Paul always to commend the works of love and righteousness. At times he could be very critical and could speak very plain words in rebuke where he felt they were called for.

But he had a keen eye for doing earnestness and a diligent eye for some word of approval or encouragement to those who were seeking to know and to do the right. He makes it quite clear to those in the church at Thessalonica that he fully appreciates their faith and works and their "patience of hope."

Along with such commendation, however, Paul usually expressed some word of criticism or some suggestion that might keep those too well satisfied with themselves. So too well he reminds them of the largeness and fullness of the gospel.

He reminds them that the call that they have heard is a call of God to the highest and the holiest life, and that to profess the Christian