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Pilgrims of 1948

There were no fog horns, or whistles to welcome the Pilgrim fathers to our shores in 1620.

It was different the other day in New York, when 813 displaced persons from Europe docked and were greeted by more than a thousand Americans in a noisy welcome.

Attorney General Tom Clark extended the formal welcome to the group on behalf of President Truman.

"The President greets you," Mr. Clark said, "as the Pilgrims of 1948, entering this gateway of freedom. As did the Pilgrims of 1620, you too came here to escape persecution."

He said the President wanted to point out the fact that in America we consider differences of religious faiths and national origins as an element of strength rather than weakness, and urged them not to think of themselves as strangers.

—The Christian Evangelist

Let Us Be Thankful

By WESLEY NICHOLSON

Pastor, First Congregational Church
Thanksgiving Day is proclaimed by our President. It rightfully lays claim to our time and thought for things of national concern. Let us be thankful for that which is distinctly American.

What makes up this country of ours?

Of course, there are those Americans who are descended from the English, Scotch and Dutch who regard themselves as the original Americans.

But the Germans were here in considerable numbers in the seventeenth century. There were the Pennsylvania Dutch who were not Dutch at all. They were refugees from religious persecution and from the oppressive social system of the German princes. They came to America within two generations after the Pilgrims.

There was a much larger German immigration at the beginning of the eighteenth century, 70 years before the Revolution. And larger still after the crushing of the movement of 1848 when Carl Schurz led his liberals to the New World.

There was another element present in our nation from the beginning. They are strongly referred to in the Constitution as "other persons." They were not and could not be citizens.

They were kidnapped, brought here, put to forced labor, bought and sold as cattle. Our best leaders, ashamed that they were here, did not know how to describe them. They, therefore, called them "other persons" in distinction from citizens. There are fourteen million of them now.

There is another group—quite a significant element that came to "dwell together" with other Americans; they were the Scandinavians.

They were among the most democratic people in Europe. No religious or political persecution drove them from their homeland. But they were poor. And there were farms to be had for the asking in America, not little patches but 160 acres. They are good folk, these Scandinavians, and loyal.

There were Irish in America from the beginning.

They were never foreigners. England and Ireland unhappily had not been able to dwell together in unity, so America to the Irish became the land of the free. Hither they came in great quantities and to no small extent they govern our great cities and manage our politics.

Then came the immigrants from Galacia—an illiterate group.

About them the Commissioner of Immigration once said in a private conversation: "We need the illiterate. Do you expect educated men to work in the mines and the mills, lay roadbeds and highways?" Yes, we wanted these people. We brought them over because their labor was cheap. Our growing industry demanded them. The steamship companies were even contented for their transportation for the steerage, crowded like cattlepens, paid better than first class. "Hunkies" and "dagoes" we called them; we invited them to come and they came.

And the Jews came. A Jewish leader in Chicago once deprecated the Zionist movement and told the Jews to come to America, for here was their promised land.

They came, they filled the sweat shops in the slums, but they filled the universities also, and they provided some great names for our history—Bernard Baruch, Benjamin Cordoza, Julius Rosenwald and many others.

There is another element in our American life.

It came because we were engaged in one of the most daring exploits ever attempted by man—a railroad from the Great Lakes to the Pacific Ocean. Over the mighty

Rockies, through the vast desert, 2000 miles of roadbed and steel rail. Who would build it for us?

We asked great China to help us. The Chinese came, not as conquering armies nor recipients of charity, but to fill our need. The job done, they stayed, and we did not treat them well. But in these latter days we have taken some unfair legislation from the statute books.

Still another people came, the real isolationists, the little men of the rising sun.

They came to raise our vegetables and fruits, to do the stoop labor, and most of these we found good. And others came from every nation under heaven, never such a variety of peoples. This land became a melting pot. As Americans we are indeed grateful for all these people.

Together we have made our land the greatest under the sun. And now the Psalmist sounds the call of the future: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

We have a certain political and economic cohesion; most of us have a voice in public affairs; we have the greatest area of free-trade; we can pass through the land unhindered, no passports, no change of currency, little difference of law, less change of speech. It now becomes our task to carry this further to a social and spiritual unity.

We are indeed grateful to all these people, now it is time to become sympathetic. On Thanksgiving Day let us thank God for America.

"Unity In Division"

The "dividedness" of Europe was the thing that most impressed Dr. Ralph Walker in his recent tour of Western Europe. In the journey from Geneva to Amsterdam passport inspection was required five times!

The "dividedness" of Protestantism was the thing that most disturbed Dr. Walker, for even at the Amsterdam Conference, the greatest gathering of Protestant representatives ever achieved, there were groups who felt that they could not participate in the Conference celebration of the Holy Communion.

The reports of "dividedness," however, are offset by new achievements toward unity and cooperation, of which too few people are aware.

The Amsterdam Conference was made up of delegates from churches as widely differing as the Friends, or Quakers, who have no ritual, no sacraments, no creed, and the Greek Orthodox, who are extremely ritualistic, accept seven sacraments, and are bound by innumerable rules and a strict creed. In spite of the wide diversity of doctrine and custom, these delegates formed the World Council of Churches, established functioning committee, and set their next meeting for 1953.

In October another evidence of church cooperation was the great missionary conference at Columbus, Ohio, in which 66 churches took part. In order to be most effective a program of missionary effort was planned which should eliminate overlapping and needless duplication of missionary work by different churches. Interdenominational teams were sent to 36 key cities to reawaken the churches to the great need for missionary effort, which was so curtailed by the war.

Here in Eugene it is often said that we have too many denominations. There are, nevertheless, evidences of more unity than many people realize.

During this month of November alone we shall have three instances of Protestant cooperation which are noteworthy, and in line with the trend as demonstrated at Amsterdam and Columbus.

On November 5 the Eugene Council of Church Women celebrated its annual Community Day with a service at the Congregational Church in which women from over a dozen churches took part. Not only in Eugene but throughout the country Church Women observed this special day in united services.

Last Monday, under the auspices of the YMCA, the fifth annual Men's Brotherhood dinner was given. Men from 16 churches and church affiliated groups in Eugene and Springfield heard Dr. Ralph Walker, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Portland, speak on the Amsterdam Conference.

Simple Holiday

By DAVID GRAYSON

No holiday in all our calendar is comparable to Thanksgiving. There is no holiday quite like it anywhere in the world. It celebrates no battle, no fall of a Bastille, no bank or business holiday, the birthday of no great man, no political revolution, no church ritual. It is the great holiday of common people who have worked all the year and now thank God humbly for good harvests.

We are not celebrating Washington or Columbus or the Declaration of Independence—but just the true, good things, the simple blessings of the soil and the common life. Most holidays are somewhat pagan, and, if traced back, are rooted in the dull and bloody stories of some old war; but Thanksgiving is the holiday of peace; the celebration of work and the simple life.

Lutherans to Give Thanks in Many Services

"Coming—A New World of Righteousness" will be the sermon subject of Rev. W. B. Maier at the 11 a.m. Sunday service at Grace Lutheran Church. The choir, directed by Roy Schenewill, will sing, "Thy Wondrous Works, O Lord." The sacrament of infant baptism will be administered.

The Lutheran Hour will be broadcast over KORE at 9:30 a.m. Sunday school 9:45 a.m. Gamma Deltans in the church parlor 6 p.m. The Aid Association for Lutherans will have its November meeting on Sunday immediately after the morning service.

The church's traditional Thanksgiving Day service is Thursday morning, 11 a.m. Rev. Malver will speak on, "Our National Blessings," and there will be special music. The special Thanksgiving Day offering, the goal of which has been set at \$2000 will follow into the church's building fund.

The congregation of United Lutheran Church worships at the Music Chapel of Northwest Christian College, East Eleventh and Kincaid. Church school at 9:45 a.m.

At 11 a.m., Rev. J. L. Sawyer, pastor, will speak on "Spiritual Wisdom." The choir will sing the anthem, "Thou Hidden Love of God" by Sullivan.

At 6:30 p.m. the Young Married Fellowship Group meets at the YWCA Bungalow on Kincaid St., for a potluck dinner and program. A special business meeting of the congregation beginning with a potluck dinner at 8:30 p.m. will be held at "Friendly House," E. 11th and Ferry on Monday.

The Thanksgiving service is at the Music Chapel, East Eleventh and Kincaid, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., at which time Pastor Sawyer will speak on "The Sacrifice of Praise." Wilbur Jensen, choir director, will sing, "We Thank Thee" by Fitzgerald. A special offering will be received for the Building Fund.

At Emmaus Lutheran, Pastor Svendsen's topic will be "Fall Not Out By The Way." Sunday school 9:45 a.m. Sunday school teachers meeting at the home of Mr. Laurson, 7:30 p.m.

"Binding the Family Together" will be the theme of the sermon by Pastor Harold Aalbe, which will be broadcast from Central Lutheran Church over station KUGN this Sunday morning. The Central Church choir will sing "Before Thee, God" by F. Mellus Christiansen.

The Sunday school staff will meet for supper at 5:30 to arrange the Christmas program. Pastor Aalbe will continue the series of studies on the Stewardship of the Christian Man. A sound motion picture, "And Now I See" will be shown at the 7:30 service under the sponsorship of the Senior Luther League.

Thanksgiving services will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday morning. The choir will sing a special number.

Interesting Topics At Unitarian

At the Unitarian Church, Rev. Sidney Peterman speaks at 11 a.m. on "The New Leviathan," a consideration of church-state relationship.

The adult forum of the Sunday school is considering the major philosophies of religion, opening the series with a talk by Dr. Hoven of Northwest Christian College on "Why I'm Not an Unitarian."

At the youth group at 7 p.m., Dr. Wengert, University of Oregon political science department and advisor to the Atomic Energy Commission, speaks on "The Atom and World Peace."

At Church of God

"The Church, God's Garden" will be Rev. Wilma I. Perry's morning subject at Church of God. Particular instruction will be given to the new members.

Singing will open the 7:45 p.m. service under Clarence C. Perry, minister of music.

The Children's Story Hour will be held at 8:30 p.m. During the same period the youth of the church will meet for prayer.

A "Talent in the Napkin" program will be conducted by the youth in their Youth Fellowship service at 8:45. This program will be directed by the members of the Youth Fellowship Executive Council.

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"Thanksgiving Ann" Is Holiday Playlet At First Baptist

A Thanksgiving message, "He Filled Their Houses With Good Things," will be given at First Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a.m. by the pastor, Dr. Vance H. Webster. Broadcast over KASH. Special Thanksgiving music will be presented by the choir.

In connection with Go-To-Sunday School Month the Sunday School is endeavoring to attain an attendance of 900. A new course, "How to Make the Home Christian" will start Sunday for young married couples, with Dr. Webster as teacher.

"Thanksgiving Ann," a playlet, will be presented at 7:30 p.m. service with the following participants: John Chatt, Jane Edgeworth, Jeannie Sosay, Douglas Brown, Bud Lavelly, Dick Pearson and Elizabeth Dugan. Shirley Finley is directing the presentation. There will be a baptismal service, and Dr. Webster will speak briefly on "Living in Your Own House."

The seven fellowship groups will meet at 6:30 and there will be a singingspiration at 9 p.m. The semi-annual business meeting of the church will be held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

The Women's Union is sponsoring a drive for clothes for overseas relief. Bring clothing to the church by Nov. 28.

Dr. McGavran At Christian

Dr. Donald McGavran, missionary from India, will be the guest speaker at the 11 a.m. service, First Christian Church. Dr. McGavran has served in the Central Province of India since 1923. His special contribution to missionary work has been in the fields of Religious Education and Evangelism.

Youth Night will be at the 7:30 p.m. service at which time the drama club, under the direction of Mrs. Ansel Hyland, will present a play "Second Thanksgiving." Admission will be some parcels of food brought for the purpose of helping some needy family for the Thanksgiving season.

Bible school 9:45. Nursery service is maintained during both morning services. A Thanksgiving Offering will be taken in all Bible classes to be used for benevolence. Junior church is held in the Junior department rooms from 11 until noon.

Junior High group meets at 5 p.m. for a social and recreation period and Christian Endeavor. High School Christian Endeavor meets at 6:15 p.m. in the annex, and the Town and Campus group at 6 p.m. in the White Room, University Fellowship meets at the YMCA lounge (Kincaid St.).

There will not be a mid-week service as we will join the Union Thanksgiving service at the Baptist Church at 8 p.m.

At Christian Science

"Soul and Body" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, Nov. 21.

The Golden Text is, "Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul" (Ps. 86:4).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit" (Gal. 5:25), together with the following correlative passage from the Christian Science textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, by Mary Baker Eddy: "The divine Mind is the Soul of man, and gives man dominion over all things" (p. 307).

"Thanksgiving" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Thanksgiving Day.

The Golden Text is "Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High" (Ps. 50:14).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful" (Col. 3:15), together with the following correlative passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "When we realize that there is one Mind, the divine law of loving our neighbor as ourselves is unfolded" (p. 205).

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Festive Music For Holiday at Congregational

"The Generous Heart" will be the topic of Wesley Nicholson's sermon Sunday morning at the Congregational Church. Services are at 9:30 and 11.

The music, under the direction of Miss Mary Grubbs, will follow the Thanksgiving theme the choir singing "Now Let All The Heavens Adore Thee" by Bach, and "List To The Lark," with Treva Rice as soloist, by Dickinson.

The organ offertory will be "A Song of Gratitude" by Cole. Complete services with sermon will be at both worship hours. Plymouth Club for University students will meet at 8 p.m. for a snack supper and at 8 will hear Ivan Ware speak on China and Japan. Ware will show personal views taken during and after the war years.

The Youth Church, for high school students, meets at 7 p.m. for its monthly service of worship in the church auditorium.

All high school students, parents and other adults are cordially invited. The Lord's Supper will be celebrated with the deacons and deaconesses of the high school church assisting. Mr. Nicholson will speak on "The Meaning of the Lord's Supper." The World Church News and Inspirational Reading Group will meet Monday from 2-4 p.m. at 1301 Ferry Street. Women are cordially invited.

The Women's Study Group meets in the Wheeler Room, Monday at 8 p.m. Professor Max Morris will continue his lectures and discussions on the Old Testament Literature. He will speak Monday on "The Period of the Patriarchs."

At Fairmount Church of Christ

"When Jesus Said 'Thank You'" will be the theme for the morning message at the Fairmount Church of Christ at 11 a.m. The choir will sing, "Now Thank We All Our God."

The Sunday evening services begin with Youth Meetings for five age groups, meeting separately, 6:15. At the evening service at 7:30, the Pastor, W. W. White, will speak on "Mistakes in the Bible." "Singingspiration" for high school and college ages following.

McDowell-Glover Bid Farewell at Temple

The closing day of the three week revival with Evangelists G. B. McDowell and Paul Glover will take place Sunday with two services, at 11 a.m. and 7:30 at Lighthouse Temple. At the evening service Evangelist McDowell speaks: "Going After the Right Thing the Wrong Way." Sunday School 9:45 a.m. and don't forget this is "Go To Spnday School Month." Youth Fellowship groups 6 p.m.

THANKSGIVING

by Emily Mau
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6:30 p.m.—Baptist Training Union.
7:30 p.m.—Hear Rev. Roland Hood
— EVERY VISITOR WELCOME —

WHAT'S IN THE BIBLE
A Sunday school teacher asked Jane if there was a Bible in her home. "Oh, sure!" was the quick reply. "Can you tell me something that you asked the teacher?"
Imagine her amazement when she began enumerating: "A lock of hair, a picture of Daddy when he was a boy, and a lot of Mother's recipes." Unfortunately, many an adult have to give an answer almost as Jane's. Except for its cover, the Bible has become an unknown book to many American homes.
Christ told the people of His day, the people of our day, to "read the Scriptures." It's the duty of every man, woman, and child to learn what lies between the covers of his Bible. No many people who point with pride to their gilt-edged copies of the Scriptures would be surprised if they really knew God has put between those covers for them.
The Bible has a double theme, the theme of sin and redemption. If it could cry out, it would shout from duty to duty: "Your sins have separated between you and God!" "Your sin will find you out!" "Be not deceived, God is not mocked!"
But with equal power and eloquence it would shout with the assurance: "Though your sins be as white as snow, for the blood of Christ, His Son, cleanse us from all sin."
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