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'I Think, Therefore I Am'

An anthropologist walks through the fields, gazes at the seeds clinging to his coat and the dried grasshopper leg in his hand, and asks: What is life? How did it start? What is the essence of that which marks the gap between the rock and the slime which clings to it?

An astronomer contemplates the galaxies beyond galaxies and asks: In this vastness of space and distances and incalculable multiplicity of stars and planets are we living things, on this one infinitesimal earth, alone?

Humanity has always been asking such questions and inventing its own answers, from the naive folklore of the primitives through the scarcely more sophisticated mythology of the ancients down to the sometimes self-assured explorers with microscope or telescope of today.

We would recommend in this connection the reading of two recent articles: one by the anthropologist, Dr. Loren C. Eiseley, in the October Harper's; the other by the noted astronomer, Dr. Harlow Shapley, in the November Atlantic.

Dr. Shapley is careful to define his basic term: "life as we know it." And he limits the conditions necessary for its existence to a planet of a "suitable distance from the star, of near-circular orbit, of proper mass, salubrious atmosphere, and reasonable rotation period."

cludes: "We are not alone." But he still asks "the basic question—Life, what is it and how did it start?"

After having chided the theologian for his reliance on myth and miracle, science found itself in the unenviable position of having to create a mythology of its own; namely, the assumption that what, after long effort, could not be proved to take place today had, in truth, taken place in the primeval past.

Of the "secret of life" he concludes: I do not think it will yield to the kind of analysis our science is capable of making.

I would say . . . that it must be plain even to the most devoted materialists that the matter of which he speaks . . . may not possibly be, as Hardy said, "but one mask of many worn by the Great Face behind."

These are men able and sincere in their scholarship—as are others. But may they not, in their humanly intelligent search for answers, be over-looking the biggest, the most significant fact of the universe: the existence of the very intelligence with which they ponder these great questions.

If they are beginning to doubt, as Dr. Eiseley suggests, that the beginnings of organic life took place, as Darwin postulated, in some "warm little pond," could they possibly look for the origins of consciousness there? Will they not, sooner or later, lift their eyes from cell and protoplasm and explore the implications of the fact of thought?

Students' Thanksgiving Rite Is Tuesday; Dr. Koo Speaks

By ANDY SALMINS

An all-campus religious Thanksgiving service will be held at Gerlinger Hall from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, under the auspices of University Religious Council.

Koo is at present professor of oriental studies at the State University of Iowa. He was secretary of the WSCF for 14 years and has been a leading religious figure for a long period.

Tuesday evening at 5:30, Dr. Koo will be guest at the Wesley Foundation potluck dinner prior to his leading the Thanksgiving Meditation at Gerlinger Hall.

Open House will be held continuously during Homecoming Weekend at Christian House on the campus, according to Bob Randall, president. Sunday morning program will open with Devout Hour at 9:15 o'clock, followed by Bible class led by Dr. Victor P. Morris.

The Fireside discussion at 9 p.m. will consider the work of the Children's Hospital school. Lloyd Eppenbaugh, director will speak of the work of the school, and will answer questions regarding its program.

their annual holiday turkey dinner at Christian House at 6:15 o'clock Tuesday, November 24. Mrs. Leo Berg is general chairman. She is being assisted by Mrs. Hjalmar Rahe, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Bradley, and Mr. Leo Berg. Reservations are needed by noon Monday at 5-0927, 4-0210, or at Christian House. There will be a baby sitter for small children. The program will consist of musical selections and other entertainment features of an informal nature. All married students are welcome.

A group discussion on "The Catholic Church at the Time of the Reformation" is planned for the meeting of the Newman Club, Sunday Nov. 22, at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Hospital.

The meeting will commence with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel and will be followed with a social hour.

Sunday evening, Nov. 22, will feature the third meeting of "Campus Gods on Trial" at the Westminster Foundation, 1414 Kincaid. The specific topic of the evening is: "Fitting the Jig-Saw Puzzle Together." The meeting begins at 8 p.m. and is followed by a social hour at 7 p.m. The Vesper Service will be led by Lynn Husband and Gail West; the speaker is the Rev. Thom H. Hunter, Presbyterian University Pastor, and special music will be provided by Bill Veach.

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no meeting on Wednesday or Friday evening.

North-Side Church Notes

By MILDRED BOYD

The Westminster Presbyterian Church will have a special Thanksgiving and Communion service Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

On Sunday evening a Deputation Team from Westminster Foundation at the University of Oregon will be at the Westminster Fellowship meeting to be held at 187 Van Dusen Loop. They will speak to the young people on "Vocations."

The Willagillespie Baptist Church is having Candlelight Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday evening November 25, at 7:30 p.m. to which the community is cordially invited.

The Willagillespie Baptist Church will officially launch the denominational program of "Churches for New Frontiers" at the Sunday morning service. This is a program of church extension under the American Baptist Convention with a total objective of \$8,350,000.00. In the State of Oregon the Churches for New Frontiers program is being launched jointly with a Fund Campaign for Linfield College at McMinnville. In this unique relationship, Oregon Baptists will be enabled to give both to the establishing of American Baptist Churches and to the training of future Christian leadership for these churches.

The state goal is \$200,000.00 with \$100,000.00 to be used for church extension and \$100,000.00 for Linfield College.

The Willagillespie Baptist Church has accepted the goal of \$2,340.00 as their portion of the program.

Bl Hour Will Have Eugene Monday Morn

Saluting the city of Eugene, the Mutual Network release of the Bible Institute Hour will present interesting facts concerning the city Monday morning, November 23, at 8:30. This program is heard locally over station KORE, 1450 on the dial.

The Bible Institute of Los Angeles, where the program originates, has been training young people as pastors and missionaries for more than forty-five years, and quite a few Eugene young people are attending the college at the present time.

On the broadcast, reference will be made to some of the city's leading points of interest, personalities and how Eugene is represented in the school in Los Angeles.

Air Church Has Service On Holiday

The Rev. Robert D. Hershey, pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity of New York, will be the early speaker on KERG-CBS Radio's "Church of the Air" Sunday, Nov. 22, 7 a.m. Dr. Hershey's sermon is on "This Business of Prayer."

W. Stuart Booth, former member of the Christian Science Board of Directors, is the 7:30 a.m. speaker. His topic, "The Real Reason for Thanksgiving," is presented with the approval of the Board of Directors of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston.

Church of God Calls Delegates To Meet Team

The Church of God, which has general offices in Anderson, Ind., is conducting a series of "Mid-Century Evangelistic Meetings" throughout the United States, to train representatives from congregations in this area to carry back inspiration to their congregations. Some of the personnel on the two teams that are traveling for these meetings are T. Franklin Miller, executive secretary of the Board of Christian Education; Miss Naomi Randall, executive secretary of Home Missions Board; James Austin, missionary to Alaska who is serving there as Alaskan Field Representative; and Edgar Williams, missionary from China.

Representatives from all congregations in this area will meet Nov. 23-24 at the Friendly St. Church of God where Rev. Wilma I. Perry is pastor.

While the day sessions will be conducted for registered delegates only, the evening services will be open to the public. Rev. James Austin, missionary from Alaska, will speak.

Ham Dinner

The Bethesda Lutheran Co-80 Club will be host to the University of Oregon Lutheran Student Group, Sunday, 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall. A ham dinner will be served. Councillor James Kalas will address the group, and the newly-formed a cappella choir of students will sing, directed by Hans Mollerup. Mollerup is a Danish foreign-exchange student, who is a music major at U of O. He will play several piano selections. A movie will be shown to the children of the families.

Thankful Theme Stirs Churches

By MARGARET BENSTON

"Father, We Thank Thee . . ." The one great religious festival originated by our own country and carried around the world by American missionaries, occurs again this coming week, and Eugene will again be in the forefront with Thanksgiving worship. First Baptist Church has been chosen this year, and the Rev. Perry Smith, one of our newer ministers but not stranger to Eugene, will speak to the union congregation.

The mood of Thanksgiving brings thoughts of the destitution in Korea, and most churches are at this time hurriedly preparing collections for Korea's winter. Remember, the things we sent last year have long since been worn out by active youngsters and hard-working laborers, men and women. A work outfit that would last a long time with our electric washing machines doesn't last that long under Korea's primitive conditions.

We had an interesting visit from Elmer H. Brown of Pasadena, Calif., who is a special representative of the American Friends Service Committee, recently returned from Korea. He came in with Harold E. L. Barton, of Eugene, also of the AFSC and the local Friends Meeting.

Brown said he covered the area from Pusan to Seoul, with the major portion of time at Kunsan, where the AFSC service unit is operating a medical and a relief and rehabilitation program. He was on the radio and spoke at a meeting here in Eugene, but had to go on to Newburg, in his schedule of appearances.

"There are still a million and a half refugees in South Korea," he said, "and these in the main are dependent for their whole sustenance, on the daily three 'hops' of rice from KCAC (Korean Civil Assistance Command) which is the part of the UN program, largely supported by American money, appropriated by the government of the United States from its treasury.

They are dependent for their clothing on the gifts that are channeled through the various volunteer agencies in America—various church groups, Church World Service, AFSC, etc. Brown emphasized the continuing need for a steady level of assistance, with winter coming on, and that probably over the coming year, our clothing contributions will be much needed—and very much appreciated.

"One of the saddest aspects about Korea is the fact that their daily rice ration doesn't do them as much good as it should because of the very high infection of intestinal parasites. This coupled with widespread tuberculosis has led the Friends Service Unit to emphasize a medical program and a supplementary food program.

"We saw, in the Kunsan Hospital, a provincial government hospital, 80 persons, mostly sleeping on the floor, with no central heating, no central feeding, and no segregation of communicable diseases. And further, no pieces of electrical hospital equipment in operation. They did have some electrical equipment, but it was 'broken down,' and no one there knew how to fix it.

The AFSC personnel who are being sent to Korea have had thorough training here, he said, and are donating their time, for a two-year period without salary. They will do much to co-ordinate local workers with modern techniques.

Donations of clothing, furs for soap making, shoes, stuffed toys for the children, etc. are accepted in Eugene at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Dart, 2705 Emerald St. Gifts of cash may be sent to the AFSC regional office in Portland, 1108 SE Grand Ave., Portland 14, Oregon.

Lutherans May Build

Spencer Creek Lutheran church members are considering an offer of a tract of land on Gimble Hill Road one mile east of the church as the site of the proposed new building. The tract, with an adequate water supply, is being offered by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kinney of Oregon Settlement Association. Final action on the proposition and on the building plans will be taken at a January meeting of the congregation when Dr. H. L. Foss of Seattle, Pacific District president, and Pastor C. Solberg of the Home Mission Department of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Minneapolis will be present for consultation.

The present church building was erected many years ago and it is not adequate to carry on the activity of the church; also the water supply is inadequate. The members have been deliberating for many weeks on building plans, according to Pastor Gottlieb Schmitt, who has been serving the church as a full time pastor since July of this year.

Men's Meeting

All men are invited to a meeting sponsored by the Fairmount Presbyterian Church Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., at which the nature and purpose of the church will be discussed by the Men's Inquirer Class of the church. Meeting place is the home of Harold Houser, 2190 Harris St.

Juveniles of the church are invited to another in the current series of parties for those of high school age, at the church at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Robert Fierro Is to Preach At Springfield

Upwards of 1,000 juveniles from the 175 Assembly of God Churches in Oregon will assemble in Springfield November 25, 26, and 27 at the Junior High School auditorium for the tenth annual state-wide Christ's Ambassador's Youth Convention of the Assemblies of God.

The Rev. Robert Fierro, well-known Latin Evangelist of the Assemblies of God, will be the main speaker. Rev. Fierro of San Jose, California, has traveled extensively throughout central and South America in conducting his preaching missions. He is vice president of the Latin-American Orphanage Foundation which supports a home for Mexican orphan children near the city of Acapulco, Mexico.

The convention will open with an evening rally on Wednesday, November 25 at 7:30 p.m. On Thursday, two services will be conducted; at 3:00 and 7:30 p.m. Friday morning at 10:00 a youth round-table is slated. Rev. Bruce York of Portland will address a 2:30 p.m. service and the final service at 7:30 p.m. Friday will meet to hear the last Convention sermon delivered by Rev. Fierro.

Rev. Robert W. Pirtle of Salem, State Youth Director for the Assemblies of God denomination, is in charge of all Convention arrangements. Other officers of the state youth organization will serve as chairmen of services slated for the Convention program. Thanksgiving night will be a service with foreign missions emphasis, when a special offering will be received to purchase equipment for missionaries serving in foreign lands. This program is known as Speed-The-Light. In eight years the Assemblies of God youth through this program have supplied 800 pieces of equipment including trucks, buses, bicycles, and motorcycles for missionaries serving in foreign fields. They have also made available printing presses and radio stations to facilitate the work of the church in reaching the masses.

All services are open to the public. Skating Party All Lutheran young people of Eugene and Springfield are invited to a skating party Monday, 7 p.m. at the Midway Rink, Bethesda Lutheran League will be hosts.

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Catholics Ask To Gather In Relief Items

St. Mary parish will have a collection depot during the week of Nov. 22 for used clothing, blankets, and shoes for the poor and refugees in Europe, Asia and Far East. It is announced by Rev. Edmund J. Macdonald, pastor. All parishes of the diocese of western Oregon are co-operating in a nation-wide campaign under auspices of Relief Services of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

All types of used but serviceable clothing, including coats, sweaters, and shoes, as well as any other items, are needed. Donated materials will be distributed free-of-charge to existing charitable agencies and persons in need, regardless of race, color, or creed.

If cash is contributed, it should be made payable to "Thanksgiving Clothing Collection," according to information from campaign headquarters, 400 Dekum Building in Portland.

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