



CHURCHES

William Jennings Bryan's Weekly Bible Talk
A Tender Rebuke—and a Stinging One
By William Jennings Bryan

THE CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE—Continue to hold special meetings in the W. C. T. U. hall. Dr. Betts being the evangelist. Sunday services as follows. Sunday school 2 p. m. Preaching service 8 p. m. Evening service 7:30 p. m. The services are interdenominational, all are invited to take part. There is a fine spirit of praise and unity. Many have entered the Christian life, during these services. There has been definite cases of healing. Evangelist Betts is remaining with us. The services continue throughout next week every afternoon 2:30 and evening 7:30 except Monday which is the evangelist's rest day. Tuesday afternoon and evening message on healing for the sick. The sick prayed for at the close of the service. Tuesday and Friday are the special days for giving the word on healing and prayer for sick. Mr. and Mrs. Caswell, pastors of the Alliance work. Those desiring information phone 9213.

LUTHERAN—St. John's 16th and A streets, two blocks north of Center. H. W. Gross, pastor. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Graded classes, 10:30 services. Evening services 7:30. Holy Communion in the evening. Preparatory services at 7. A cordial invitation is extended all strangers and churchless to worship with us.

CATHOLIC—Rev. J. R. Buck, pastor. Masses on Sunday at 8 and 10 a. m. Benediction follows last mass. The Rev. Father Bede of Mt. Angel will preach at last mass. Everyone welcome.

UNITARIAN—Cottage and Chemeketa streets. Rev. Martin Forechait, minister. Church school at 10 a. m. Graded instruction. Class for adults in the Psychology of Religion. Lecture by the minister and discussion by members of the class. All those who care to ask questions concerning religion and Christianity as professed by the Liberal churches are asked to come and bring their questions. Subject of the sermon "The Love of God." Mrs. M. Forechait will sing Alliter. "The Lord is my Light." Mrs. W. A. Denton at the organ.

FIRST CHRISTIAN—Center and High streets, J. J. Evans, minister. The school and the church are preparing for a great enrollment campaign to begin the last Sunday in the year. The school programs and plans look toward that event. Barnett and Harbison, noted specialists in such work, will lead the local congregation during the month of January. The pastor will speak at the evening and morning services. A layman will give the third of the series of answers to the question "What must I do to be saved?" Good music and other interesting features of the day's services. The young people meet at 6:30. The new Bible school rooms will be ready for use in about two weeks.

NAZARENE—19th and Marion. One block off Center on 19th. Chemeketa car. A. Wells, pastor. Florence Wells, deaconess. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. W. B. Hardy, superintendent. Preaching service at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. Young people's meeting at 6:30 and the regular prayer at 7 in the prayer room in the basement. Children's meeting a midweek prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday evening. We cordially invite you to these meetings, we are sure you will enjoy them.

BETHANY REFORMED—Corner Capitol and Marion streets. Sunday school, 10 a. m. English preaching service, 11 a. m. No evening service. M. Denny, pastor.

CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL—Sunday school and church, a combined service at 10 a. m. We specialize in religious education. A program of interest and inspiration to all. Junior Christian Endeavor at 4 p. m. Senior and Intermediate Endeavor at 6:30. Attend the meeting of your group and help make it a success. Evening service of worship with sermon at 7:30. We invite you to join with us in the study of "What it Means to be a Christian." Instead of the regular midweek service on Thursday evening our church will join in the union service at the First M. E. to hear Mrs. Emrick's message from the Near East.

COURT STREET CHRISTIAN—Corner N. 17th and Court streets. That was a fine large school last Lord's day. Now, the rest of this year let us aim to keep it over the 300 mark. The only way we can do that is for everyone to be faithful and attend each week. Be there promptly at 9:45 a. m. tomorrow. This is "Woman's day." Our morning services will be in charge of the Missionary Society. Mrs. D. C. Kelloms of Eugene will speak. She is a fine public speaker and comes with a burning message on her heart and lips. You will want to hear her. Following the morning service we will conduct a baptismal service at the First Christian church. All those now ready for baptism or contemplating doing so are asked to be there tomorrow. Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m. An interesting meeting for all young folks. Evangelistic services 7:30 p. m. This service will be as evangelistic as any held during the campaign. Come hear a heart stirring message by the pastor. Board meeting Monday 7:30 p. m. Our midweek school begins session Thursday 3:30 p. m. There will be a course of instruction given of half an hour each till 9 p. m. A wonderful opportunity to study the Bible and kindred Christian studies. Let there be a grand enrollment this first night. We extend a hearty welcome to the public to attend these services. R. L. Putnam, pastor.

FIRST UNITED BRETHREN—17th and Mission. C. S. Johnson, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m. O. B. Bowman, superintendent. Preaching service at 11. Subject, "A Dual Personality." Junior C. E. at 3 p. m. Mrs. Burns, superintendent. Senior C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Hilda Berkley, president. Preaching services at 7:30. Subject "Blotted Out." Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Everybody welcome.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE, FIRST CHURCH—440 Chemeketa street. Sunday morning services at 11 a. m. Subject of lesson sermon "God The Preserver of Man." Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock. Reading room 209 Masonic Temple open every day except Sundays and holidays from 11:15 to 5:30 p. m. All are cordially invited to our reading room.

WEST SALEM METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Alexander Hawthorne pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Matthew A. Goodspeed, superintendent. The story of the good Samaritan will be taken up. This is an old story but it is mighty full of interest. It keeps new because people are vitally related to each other, for no man is lived to himself and no man died to himself, everybody will admit that everyone ought to be a good Samaritan. But just how to be such will occupy part of the Sunday

The two brief passages from Luke that give us the text for today's Bible talk present two distinct and similar incidents in the life of the Saviour.

The first tells us of a visit to a home in which Christ was a frequent and welcome guest.

It was the home of Martha and Mary—sisters, who evidently were quite unlike, as children of the same family often are.

Mary, the more spiritual one of the two, sat at the feet of Jesus, absorbed in His word.

Martha, who seemed to be more practical—in the sense in which the word "practical" is used by those who place a light estimate upon sentiment—was "cumbered about much serving." Her question would indicate a little irritation:

"Do not thou care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? Bid her therefore that she help me."

"The Good Part"

Martha was engaged in a very necessary work, that of the care of the house, and if, as Luke's account would indicate, she had less appreciation of the supernatural in Christ, it is not strange that she was vexed at Mary's seeming indifference to the extra burden thrown upon her by the entertainment of their visitor.

Biblical scholars have suggested that Martha was determined to provide a fine dinner, and that she was especially anxious on this occasion that the meal should be the best possible.

Christ, who had taken advantage of so many previous opportunities to teach a very important lesson—a lesson that the world sorely needs at this very hour.

"Martha, Martha," said Christ, "thou art careful and troubled about many things; but one thing is needful; and Mary hath chosen the good part, which shall not be taken from her."

A Social Burden

If in that day Martha was so engrossed in the preparation of a tempting meal as to complain of Mary's devotion to the Master, what shall we say of present day society?

The kindly rebuke administered to Martha might well be administered to all hosts who in our time put the accent upon the food rather than upon the spirit of hospitality that lies back of the gathering.

The entertainment of friends has become a social burden, because the true spirit of friendship has been quenched by worldliness. If hospitality means anything, the food should be incidental to fellowship, and not the principal thing to be thought of.

Of what real value is a social gathering if, for days before its occurrence, the hostess must spend her time hunting up new dishes and making the house radiant with flowers, and, far days afterward, devote herself to putting the house in order, all the time wondering if the affair was a success?

Rivalry That Kills Pleasure

Rivalry in sumptuousness and extravagance has robbed entertainment of its pleasure and inspiration. If each dinner must be more costly and more attractive than the one of which it is a return; if new dress-

Two Lessons From the Life of Christ—Text of Today's Bible Talk by Mr. Bryan (Luke 10: 38-42; 11: 42-44, 53, 54)

Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house.

And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.

But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.

And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:

But one thing is needful; and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God; these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

Woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets.

Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over them are not aware of them.

And as he said these things unto them, the scribes and the Pharisees began to urge him vehemently, and to provoke him to speak of many things:

Laying wait for him, and seeking to catch something out of his mouth, that they might accuse him.

es must be prepared because every one else is making special preparation, the whole purpose of these interchanges of courtesy is defeated. Formality crowds out the real and the sincere. Many young married people live beyond their means in their effort to keep up appearances; they try to repay social courtesies with entertainments as lavish or more lavish. Each new display of wealth and vanity sets a new mark and compels a more exhausting effort.

About 20 years ago, Charles Wagner gave to the world a little book entitled "The Simple Life." It was an eloquent protest against materialism that is making man the servant of his possessions—it was a plea for the resurrection of manhood and womanhood, for the supremacy of the individual over his surroundings.

The Dependently Rich

Just as life is infinitely more important than all the inanimate world about us, so the independence of the individual is more important than the giving of pleasure to the sensual and to worshippers of the god of fashion.

How much money can one honestly earn? Only so much as fairly measures the value of the service that he renders. How much should he desire to collect? No more than he can wisely spend.

We speak of people being "independently rich." It is a misleading phrase; they are often dependently rich. They are dependent on a multitude of things which they make essential to their happiness; dependent upon a multitude for personal service and attention which they have made necessary to their enjoyment, and dependent upon new and morbid excitements to break the monotony of existence. Their thoughts are absorbed in the vanities of life and their time is wasted upon frivolities.

The Mire of Material Things

The teachings of Christ, if they will but give heed, will lift them

up to the heights where they can survey the things worth while. Mary chose the "good part" in her devotion—the part that cannot be taken from one.

Society would experience a real reform and take a long step in advance if it would permit the Master to fashion the intercourse between friends so that the coming together of neighbors and acquaintances, instead of giving rise to heart burning and envy, would be remembered for the glow of congenial companionship and the communion of kindred spirits.

The second part of our text shows another side of Christ's life.

He was as tender as a woman when He dealt with minor sins and the errors that grow out of ignorance, but His rebukes were masculine in their strength when He was brought face to face with gross inconsistency and false pretense!

Forgetting God For Form

"Woe unto you, Pharisees!" the words cannot be uttered with mildness. Gentle persuasion was not sufficient for these habitual offenders—they needed a rod. "Ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God."

Christ often employed antithesis. He here contrasted the observing of things insignificant with the ignoring of things of supreme importance.

He exposed the littleness of the tinsel philosophy of those who think to please God with formality and observance of the letter of the law; He compared this with the righteousness of those who are true to the spirit. What are mint and herbs when put in the scale against just ice and the love of God?

Christ did not counsel the abolition of all formality. Formality has its place if it is the outward form of real inward worship. "These (the great things) ought ye to have

done, and not to leave the other undone." These are significant words.

A Word to Non-Churchgoers

Sometimes one is heard to say that he does not regard going to church as necessary; that he worships in the woods; that he does not pray at certain times, but prays all the time. Those who in such language condemn formality and boast of a superior devotion should read the words above quoted.

While the mere attendance at church may be of no value, if one does not enter into the spirit of worship, there is no reason why one should substitute worship outside for worship in God's house.

Christianity teaches addition rather than substitution.

Worship is possible at any time and anywhere; but those who worship outside also, while those who claim to substitute outside worship for church worship often neglect to worship anywhere.

Christ's Rebuke of the Vain

And so those who attempt to substitute occasional prayer for prayer at stated periods are apt to grow into the habit of not praying at all.

We ought to do both the formal things and the things informal; we should not pass over either the small things or the great things; a Christian life is large enough to include both.

Christ's next rebuke the vain—those who love the chief seats in the synagogues and salutations in the market places.

In the course of His ministry Christ applied His philosophy in many different directions. The rebuke administered to the Pharisees is directed at a very permanent sin—viz., self-importance. It could not be so offensive to Christ, who, though supreme in merit, set His followers an example in humility.

Frida has no place in Christianity. One who desires the prominence which the Pharisees so much loved has yet to learn the spirit of the Master. He put the emphasis upon service to others rather than upon the attracting of attention.

Proof of Christ's Diety

No wonder the Pharisees were irritated by His rebukes: no wonder that they "began to urge Him vehemently, and to provoke Him to speak of many things: laying wait for him and seeking to catch something out of His mouth." But the more questions they put to Him, the more completely were they routed.

And yet we have some, calling themselves Christians, who say that Christ was but a man. Strange that they should think one able to confound all the wise men among the Jews—even the ages of all the ages—strange that they should think such a one merely a man!

We find proof of Christ's diety in what He said and did and was, and this diety being established by the fact of Christ, we find it easy to believe all that is said of His miraculous birth and resurrection.

His claim to Messiahship is established. He came to save the world and His example can be followed without fear.

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SCHOOL FIGHT TO BE AIRED AT MEETING HERE

A meeting of the state high school athletic association directors is being held here this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the office of J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of schools, for the purpose of airing the controversy between the Medford and Ashland high schools which began with charges made by the latter that Medford was to play two ineligible men in the Thanksgiving game between the two schools at Ashland. The result was that Medford broke off athletic relations and cancelled the game at the last moment. As a result it is estimated that Ashland lost about \$2500 net. The game between the two was an annual affair and the largest crowd of the year always attended the match.

Just what action will be taken if the charge that Medford was playing ineligible men is not known but it is thought that suspension from the association for a year or so will be the penalty. Even if they were not playing ineligible men they will be asked why they cancelled the game without the consent of the directors of the association.

The specific charges against the two men are not known here. One of those in question was said to have left school before the end of the year last spring without the consent of the board.

The question of The Dalles high school football eleven playing a Portland high school team on Thanksgiving without the consent of the directors will also be gone over. Such a game is in violation of the association rules as teams belonging to the association are prohibited to play the Portland schools, which are not members. Suspension from the organization for a period or a severe reprimand is likely in store for The Dalles team. Practically all of the high schools in the state with the exception of the Portland schools belong to the association.

The members of the board of directors are: W. J. Mishler, superintendent of the Grants Pass school; H. M. DuBois of the Enterprise school and a third member appointed by Mr. Churchill.

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INCREASE SEEN IN RECEIPTS OF ACCIDENT BODY

Although receipts of the industrial accident commission for the five months ending November 30 show an increase of \$11,713.47 over the receipts for the same period of 1921 the administration expenses show a decrease of \$11,627.24, according to a financial statement issued by the commission today.

Receipts of the commission for November totalled \$207,811.11 with expenses of \$14,090.70, showing an expense ratio of 7.25 per cent. Receipts for the five month period were \$1,037,355.71. The expense ratio for the five month period was 7.23 per cent as compared to 9.41 per cent for the same period in 1921.

The summary shows assets as of November 30 aggregating \$4,944,299.75, liabilities of \$4,618,749.01 and a surplus of \$327,550.74.

At a meeting held Thursday at the offices of the Oregon Growers Cooperative association of loganberry growers, there was a general discussion of ways and means by which the price of the berry could be maintained in order to pay the grower a reasonable profit.

No way out was proposed, but the consensus of opinion was in order to maintain a price, some means should be taken to increase the consumption of loganberries.

In order to broaden the discussion and to bring out some practical means by which the consumption of loganberries might be increased, a tentative organization was formed of which H. H. Mumford of Liberty was appointed chairman.

Mr. Mumford has called a meeting for berry growers to be held at the Oregon Growers cooperative association rooms on Wednesday, Dec. 20. Not only loganberry growers, but all berry growers in the state will be represented at this meeting. A permanent organization will be formed, with the object of going into every phase of the berry situation. This organization will include both association and independent growers.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Financial aspects of the proposed separation of the Southern Pacific railroad from the Central Pacific were put before the interstate commerce commission Friday by Judge Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the board of directors of the Union Pacific.

Application of the Southern Pacific for permission to retrace the Central Pacific despite the supreme court decision ordering their divorce he said was considered by the Union Pacific to be "in a certain sense, war."

Judge Lovett freely conceded that the Union Pacific had extended large unannounced money to influence public opinion on the Pacific coast and elsewhere in an effort to defeat a campaign of the Southern Pacific.

Largest Wheat Agency in World is Organized

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 9.—The largest cooperative wheat sales agency in the world, according to its organizers, will handle 100,000,000 bushels in its first year, was formed here today at a meeting of six cooperative organizations, representative of ten states.

If the thought is father of deed we ought to be restrained before we do what we like to do. The guy who sells his little crop from behind a pile of nice, big ones.

DR. BELL'S Pine-Tar Honey

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30c buys a bottle of this powerful syrup of pine-tar and honey and you get a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, colds and croup; Foley Kidney Pills for pains in sides and back; rheumatism, backache, kidney and bladder ailments; and Foley Cathartic Tablets, a wholesome and thoroughly cleansing cathartic for constipation, biliousness, headaches, and sluggish bowels. (adv)

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