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#### A New Venture

Dr. James L. Gordon widely known San Francisco pastor, plans to start on a new venture September 1, 1927. He will quit his pulpit, he says, "to preach." In announcing his decision, Dr. Gor-

"I would rather preach to three thousand on a small salary than devote my time to three hundred soul-seasoned saints, even though they could support me in luxury and comfort and guarantee an old age pension as a fitting climax to a useful life."

He will organize a "metropolitan church" in some American city and preach to Protestant. Catholic, Jew and Oriental alike. "Nobody will be asked to 'believe' anything or to 'subscribe' to any creed or to 'join' any organization."

Because most people seem to take to creeds like a duck does to water, it will not be denied that dogma has played a tremendous role in the history of religion, especially the Christian religion. For one thing, creeds are of a tangible nature which may serve as a kind of spiritual yardstick. As his ardor wanes or waxes the adherent feels that he is making headway in the faith of his fathers or slipping into reprehensible doubt. Thus he strives to maintain an approximate tab on his soul's progress.

Yet with all this talk of immersion and sprinkling, of predestination and total depravity, of transsubstantiation and symbolism, of original sin and infinite atonement, it is consoling to turn back to the quiet dawn of Christianity's morning and read there the words of Him who said:

"Love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul and with all thy mind. This is the first great commandment. And the second is like unto it. Thou shall love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

That calm message clears the way for many an honest soul who might otherwise find the creedlittered path to Paradise a difficult one to negotiate.

### Father and Son Banquet

These "father and son" banquets are coming to be quite the rage throughout the country. They have one outstanding result. They serve to remind us of how times change. And so far as the son is concerned the change seems to be for the better.

During the retrospective period to which our mind sometimes wanders there were frequent father and son affairs, but no fixed season for them. They were generally held in the woodshed and were personal and private. Father in those days did all the talking, often with a piece of harness leather.

But newadays father, playing golf all summer and bridge all winter, has set apart a special season to rally round with the boy. He cleans up a year's duty during the few days of "Father and Son Week" in the fall. The harness strap has become obsolete and privacy has given away to the idea of mass production in the manufacture of father and son spirit. It is much nicer for the boy now, but when he grows up and becomes a father himself what is he going to have as a subject for comfortable reminiscence?

#### Life's Little Side Trips

From generation to generation.

From the frying pan into the fire. From log cabin to White House.

From bad to worse.

From pillar to post.

From moonshine to murder. From now till Christmas.

From beginning to end.

From the sublime to the ridiculous.

From kiver to kiver. From hand to mouth.

From mush to matrimony.

From stem to stern. From soup to nuts.

From cellar to garret.

From daylight to dark.

From time to time.

From one thing to another. From the cradle to the grave.

Another question about that oil lands conspiracy trial - will there be any oil left in Elk Hills by the time the trial's ended?

So many new radio stations starting up nowadays, the air's getting very stuffy.

## Kiddies' Evening Story

MARY GRAHAM BONNER

Christmas Bundles

It was on the train. There were so many bundles and packages and they were all being taken by members of different families to the members of families at home.

The train was filled with people going home. There were grown-up members of families coming home from business places, there were children coming home for the holidays from school.

days from school.

But the bundles took up almost as much room as the people.

There was a sled sticking way out of its paper as though to say that perhaps it was wrapped up but it was going to let people into a secret that it was a sled and that it would be ready to use again.

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And there were all other sorts of

And there were all other sorts of bundles, too. There were huge to xes, and odd-shaped parcels wrapped in all sorts of ways.

But the most interesting bundle of all was opened on the train.

It was a big cage and in it was a cansry. The canary looked about the train filled with people and felt just a little nervous at first.

Then the one who was taking the canary along to the end of the journey as a Christmas present talked to the bird and soothed him so be felt quite comfortable and at home, even in the train.

The people talked, but they did not make the bird frightened by going up to the cage.

The bird so enjoyed having the warm wrappings taken off.

Of course there had been plenty of air for the canary but now he was so much more comfortable.

He was quite young and really quite tame. And somehow he seemed to know that he was going to be a present for some one who would care for him and whe would love him.

A big brother was taking the canary home as a gift to his little sister.

And then, all of a sudden, after the conductor had announced what would be the next stop and the

And then, all of a sudden, after the conductor had announced what would be the next stop and the people all settled themselves com-toriably in the train, for they knew the next stop would not be for



quite a number of minutes, the litthe canary began to sing.

How he did sing! Above the noise of the quickly moving train, above the sounds of the people's voices, above the clatter of the wheels his voice rang out and trilled and thrilled.

How he loved the sound and the gayety and the noise.

How he loved the excitement of which he was a part without be-

which he was a part without being made to feel nervous.

How he loved hearing his own voice. More and more turns and trills he tried, more and more did his little throat tremble with the beauty of his singing.

Then he stopped.

"Last stop," the conductor called out. The canary was wrapped up once more.

and hurrying toward the door. There were voices on the station Gay, happy volces, greeting other

gay, happy voices.

And the sound of his master's voice and the sound of the voice of his new mistress. "Here's the little singer for your

Christmas, sister."
"Oh, Brother, how wonderful."

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And through the wrappings, just through where the air reached the little bird he sent forth a tiny peeppeep of welcome, and he heard, as some one passed:

"Oh, the person who gets that bird is lucky. Why, he sang a bird's Christmas carol for us all the way and made the trip seem so short and so merry!"

Happiness, like liberty, is never appreciated until its gone.

When caught with the goods man lies and woman cries.

#### DAILY BIBLE PASSAGE

"And it came to pasa in those days, that he went out inte a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." St. Luke 6:12.

All of the big movements of Christianity have been made possible by men spending much time in prayer and meditation. Jesus exemplifies this

much time in prayer and meditation. Jesus exemplifies this in His life. We need to spend more time in prayer and meditation for the needs of the world today. God answers prayer today just as he did in Jesus' day.

Optimist: One who thinks he ould run a harness shop in Deroit and get rich.

Deception: An art that is nev or full mastered until after the marriage ceremony.

Tears: A transparent fluid through which the weeper look and observe the effect.

Romance: Something that just happens; go looking for it and you will return empty-handed:

Hez Heck says: "When you go o a big city and don't behave yourself, somebody from the home town is sure to be there and ketch you at it."

## What Others Sav

(Cottage Grove Sentinel) The rebellion in the Eugene high school of which J. G. Swan is principal has been quieted by the submission to school laws of boys who set out "to get Swan." This was the only outcome there could be if our schools are to continue to function in an orderly manner. The rebelling students receded entirely from their position and it is believed that the difficulties which caused them to act in a manner entirely out of harmony with good citizenship have been ironed out. The principal victory for Swan and the school board, which backed Swan, was admission by the boys that Swan was right in his refusal to allow alleged ineligible players to participate in football games.

(Eugene Guard) Eighteen inches of snow in McKenzie Pass now looks like a harbinger of deeper falls when winter really gets under way. And that, in turn, means water in our streams and green growing

things through next summer.

(Medford Mail-Tribune) The two crops produced more bountifully in America than elsewhere are cotton and wild oats.

#### Isn't It Odd?

STOCKTON, Cal. (UP)-There will be no more taking of "ham and eggs, and please rush it," orders for Joel Anderson, waiter. Anderson has received notification from Portland that he and his foster brother, William Hargrove, are sole heirs to Oregon property valued at \$300,000.

The property was purchased in Corvallis, Oregon, 50 years ago by Anderson's father, who died when the boy was six years old. Joel was adopted by an aunt and underwent a change of name to Hargrove. Due to the changed name Anderson who meanwhile resumed his original name, has just been located. He is 24 years old.

AMERICAN FALLS, Idaho. Nov. 29 .- (UP) -For the first time in the history of white men in this northwest country, the bed of the Snake river, around which Idaho's pioneer history centers, has been observed dry, in the district bordering American Falls. Many curious persons have examined the dry bed. for the first time, to see its formation and collect manycolored rocks.)

Mrs. Jesse Neil and child, were nd Mrs. Mark True Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark True wer part of a big family gathering on last Thursday at the home of Mrs. True's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gregory of Central Point.

A. C. Joy, student at O. A. C., was visiting at the home of his uncle, Mr. Lewis Joy in Portland, over the Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Adena Joy and brother Dick, were hostess and host respectively to about twenty-five or thirty-five boys and girls of the high school in honor of Miss Lois Hailey of Grants Pass, who spent Thanksgiving in the Joy home. Miss Bailey has the honor of be ing one of the outstanding club girls in Oregon. Dancing was enjoyed by the young people with Marcus Woods Is delificous refreshments served at a **Honored At School** 

Mrs. Thos. Merryman was hostess to a number of friends for her little girl, Ellen, on Saturday afternoon. The occasion being the eleventh birthday of the little minor sports for the 1927 session, girl and eleven little friends were it is announced. Woods is among invited to make merry. The nother was assisted in entertaining and serving by the older sister and Mrs. Cora True, who was the only other "grown up" at the

A pretty little farewell was iven Mrs. W. L. Huxley at her ome on Walker Ave. Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs., Huxley ave leased their place for three years and are leaving in a few days for the north, where they will attend to business affairs, and visit Mr. Huxley's brother after which they will be leaving for California for an indefinite

Bellview school was held at the school hous Monday night. The budget for the year was voted on and unanimously passed. Other matters of importance were up tor discussion among which was the settlement once and for all of the water question for the school which has been in agitation off and on for four years.

The matter also of continued nuisance of small boys of the neighborhood in connection with the use of the school property out of school hours, was fully discussed, and drastic action will be taken at once if continued. The new community house is also on school property and will come undef the same ruling which is surely a fine thing for all concerned. The whole community is welcome to the use of this club house and in just such degree each one should teel it his and her duty to guard it from disfigurement. Carpenters will commence work



HOW MARSHALL TOM MIX IN MY OWN PACT TO WILLIAM FOX SUPPREMENATIRACTION

#### shortly and get it ready for use by the middle of the month.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON Eugene, Dec. 1.—(Special)—Marcus Woods of Ashland has been appointed assistant manager of eight other men chosen to assist Stuart Ball of Portland, who was chosen manager.

Harold Socolofsky of Salem was appointed manager of the varsity hoop squad. He will be assisted by Ronald Hubbs of Silverton. Bert McElroy of Portland

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and 16 underclassmen. Edward Hendry of Oregon City was selected to handle freshman basketball and Ronald McCreight ot Portland was made manager of the reception committe for outside games.

Five hundred and fifty-six employes are maintained by the Southern Pacific in Eugene and the contribution of the railroad to the population of that city is figured at about 2000.

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