

BACCALAUREATE SERMON TO HIGH SCHOOL CLASS

(From Monday's Guard.)
The annual sermon before the graduating class of the high school was delivered by Rev. H. N. Mount, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church, at the M. E. church last night. A large audience was present and listened to the sermon with great attention. Mr. Mount said in part:

"Be not fashioned according to the age, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind." Romans xii-2. Substantially as follows: Nature is not ideal. There must be a change. The text calls for a transformation. There is need of a transformation because there has been a fashioning according to the age.

The world moves forward by eras, or ages. Each age is marked by some predominating characteristic. I mention three characteristics of this age against which we are warned. 1. Materialism. This is not peculiar to this age—always has been the foe to spiritual progress. On the subjective side it is called the flesh, on its objective side it is called the world. The two are essentially at war. Since the infant race drank of the muddy pool of physical delights, and fancied its waters were sweet, material things became more tangible have seemed more real, and therefore have been more powerful. The sad thing about materialism is that it is vain and degrading. Vain because there is no power in finite material things to satisfy the infinite longings of an immortal nature. Degrading because the more the physical appetites are gratified the lower man descends in the scale of life.

2. The second characteristic of this age is the thirst for amusement. Amusement is something to divert the thought, and help to pass the time away. It has its legitimate and necessary sphere. Human faculties cannot be always keyed up to the high pitch of successful competition. There must be diversion.

But the world's greatest foes grow out of the abuses of the world's greatest blessings. Amusement has run riot. This desire gratified demands an even more exaggerated form of satisfaction. Light opera is soon followed by heavy tragedy; the same lure that today cheers the gladiator and the matador. It will not be content unless life, sacred life, is placed in jeopardy.

As this desire leads man to jeopardize physical life, so it leads them to ignore or transgress the limitations demanded by good morals and public decency. As the physical character must become more dangerous in order to satisfy, the moral character must become more debasing.

3. The third characteristic of the age is the cry for the new. Paul met this condition at Athens where the residents and sojourners spent the time in nothing else but to tell or hear some new thing. It is worse today as it is heightened by increased facilities for communication. The deluge of the world we call the news, and if they are twenty-four hours old they are called ancient history.

The greatest institution of the day is the daily press. With some qualifications it is the greatest curse. It is the greatest disseminator of the vices, depravity and debauchery of man. It seeks to justify this nauseous offense on the pretext that it is what the public wants. It looks like it was so.

This thirst for the new manifests itself also in a contempt for the old. "Time makes ancient good uncouth." Because this is good of some things, some fancy it is true of everything. Thus there is a tendency to regard everything that is new as better than that which is old.

We hear much about a new theology. Let me tell you, the most exalting conception of God ever held was taught by Abraham in the dim and misty morning of antiquity. The ancient doctrines of the holiness, the sovereignty, the fatherhood of God, the inspiration and authority of the holy word, the sanctity of His sabbath day, are not only the very foundations of our national peace and power; they are the stopping stones of the intellectual and spiritual progress of all ages. Any change that calls for a surrender or mutilation of these doctrines is a retrogression.

Hence the need of transformation. The text says this is caused by the renewing of the mind. It seems fitting at this auspicious stage of your intellectual development to call to your attention to this development of the mind in the development of character and the destiny of souls. The mind is the gateway of the soul. Whatever touches your soul touches it through your mind. "The mind's the measure of the man." "As a man thinketh in his heart (mind) so is he."

As the mind goes so is the apparent character of the world. "To the pure all things are pure, but to the defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure." An ideal world is impossible to the unideal soul.

The quality of the mind determines the world's judgment and treatment of you. "With what judgment ye judge ye shall be judged." Ella Wheeler Wilcox says of thoughts:

"They follow the law of the universe, And they speed o'er the track to bring you back."

Whatever went out of your mind, Young men and young women, nothing comes out of your mind that does not first go into the mind with your consent. It thus lies wholly within the possibilities of your own volition to determine your judgments of the world, the world's judgments of you, and what treatment the world will accord you. You may fashion your minds as ye will, and as ye do ye make of self a heaven or hell; of earth a throne or sepulchre.

Last Week of School.
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DELMAS WILL DEFEND BRIBERS OF SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, May 27.—Delphin M. Delmas has been engaged to defend Louis Glass and T. V. Halsey, officials of the Pacific States Telephone



DELPHIN M. DELMAS.

& Telegraph Company, indicted for bribery. He made his first appearance in court today in connection with the case.

The trial of Mayor Schmitz, accused of extortion, was resumed in Judge Dunne's court today. The work of selecting a jury is progressing slowly.

COTTAGE GROVE TO CELEBRATE JULY 4TH

Committees Appointed at Meeting Held in Commercial Hall—Militia Boys Hold Picnic on Row River Sunday.

(Special Correspondence.)
Cottage Grove, May 27.—The citizens of this city met last Friday night in the Commercial hall for the purpose of deciding whether or not Cottage Grove would celebrate the Fourth of July. Mr. Pearce, chairman, called the meeting to order. The committee which has been canvassing the town for the purpose of raising funds reported success, and it was decided to have a grand old Fourth of July celebration. The following committees were appointed: Finance—B. Lurch, F. Wheeler, C. H. Burkholder.

Program—Geo. McQueen, Harry Metcalf, Dave Griggs, Lurch, Wheeler and Burkholder.

Sports—Comer, Wilson, Brehaut.

Music—O. Veatch, Nelson, Chas. Cochran.

Grounds—John Baker, J. V. Thornton, H. O. Thompson.

Advertising—DuBrulle, Gault, Oglesby.

Committee to procure speaker—J. W. Baker, H. O. Thompson.

Injured Man Sent Home.

Wm. Pearson, who had his leg so badly mangled at the Dorena sawmill a few weeks ago, was brought down yesterday and put aboard the train enroute to his home at Ashland. Beyond the expectation of every one he is making a good recovery. It was feared for awhile that the limb would have to be amputated. Dr. Job is to be congratulated for the skillful manner in which he handled the case.

Militia Picnic.

Our militia boys went out Sunday to the Row River on a picnic excursion. The boys are improving wonderfully in their drill work, and marched through the street "all the same soldiers."

NEWS NOTES FROM LOWER SIUSLAW

The schooners Sausalito and Mayflower arrived here Monday after cargoes of lumber.

The schooners Hugh Hogan and Oakland arrived here Sunday and loaded with lumber at the Oregon & California Lumber Company's mill.

A goodly number of people met at D. E. Severy's office at Florence last Saturday evening to take steps for holding a celebration here on July 4th. The committee as finally chosen consists of D. M. Kyle, L. M. Christensen and S. J. Shrum.

Last Friday afternoon Ready's launch was seen coming up the river with a house in tow. It proved to be George Beckman's dwelling, which he constructed a few months ago near Spruce Point mill. This spring Mr. Beckman purchased a lot from G. C. Compton in the upper part of town, and as the easiest way to move the house to the property, he put some logs under the building and had the structure towed up to the new location.

Mapleton Items.

H. H. Fisk came in from Eugene yesterday with his team, bringing three passengers—D. P. Memott and two timber cruisers.

Wm. Brynd, of Florence, is in Mapleton this week. Yesterday he informed us that he had sold his ranch one mile east of Junction for \$4000.

UNLOADING STREET PAVING PLANT TODAY

(From Monday's Guard.)
The Warren Construction Co. began the work of unloading its paving plant from the cars this

morning. The plant is being unloaded from the sawmill spur near the Eugene planing mill, between Lawrence and Lincoln streets, and the rock crushing plant will be located on the empty lot just east of the planing mill.

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Another carload of the plant arrived here this morning, making four so far, and another one is due to arrive in a day or two. The plant is complete in every detail. Accompanying it are camping outfits for the men employed by the company, living tents, a safe, desks and numerous other articles which indicate that the company will remain here several months.

The work of crushing rock will begin within two or three days and from then on a large force of men will be employed. Only six or eight men are now at work unloading the plant.

Passer of Bad Money in Eugene.

Palmed Bank Note Off Upon Effie Barrett, of Ideal Restaurant, and Tried to Pass Several Others.

The fellow who has been passing the worthless banknotes of a defunct Georgia National bank in Portland for the past few days, has appeared at Eugene. He got a meal at the Vincent restaurant this morning and tendered in payment a banknote of the defunct bank upon it and refused to accept the money. Chief of Police Farrington was notified of the occurrence and has been looking for the man since. He may find him before the day is over.

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VALLEY CANAL PROJECT NOT FEASIBLE

(From Saturday's Guard.)
At the meeting of the citizens at the courthouse this afternoon to hear the report of the committee appointed April 27 to ascertain the probable cost of the proposed Eugene-Corvallis canal, it was practically decided to abandon the project on account of its enormous cost, the report being accepted, although it was agreed that the matter be left with the citizens and if it is thought best to go ahead with it another meeting should be called. The report in full is as follows:

"We have carefully investigated the scheme as a commercial enterprise, also the cost of digging such a waterway with locks necessary to best serve the purpose for hauling the products of the country."

"We have looked up the history of about fifty canals built in the United States, mainly in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Kentucky, Ohio, Texas, North Carolina, Georgia, Michigan and Florida, and find them very costly in construction and expensive in maintaining. Sixteen of them are less than 25 miles in length, and have cost nearly two million dollars each, and are a constant source of expense."

About twenty canals are waterways which have been built in the West, not for hauling the products of the country so much as for irrigation and mining purposes. California, Colorado, Montana, Idaho and Arizona are the states most interested in this work."

The average length of these canals is 39 miles, the average width 43 feet and the average depth being six feet. Now these last mentioned approach more nearly what this proposed canal would be, so we take them as a basis of figures as to cost, etc. In order to get a clearer and better understanding of the cost we will take one mile of canal, representing 5280 feet in length, and an average of 36 feet in width and six feet deep and we have a total of 1,140,480 cubic feet of earth to move. This, divided by 27, the number of cubic feet in a yard, and we have 42,240 cubic yards. This engineers figure at 35c a yard as the cost of moving, but owing to conditions which are favorable we figure as a cost of 30c per yard, which gives \$12,672 per mile for the excavation. This does not include the first mile after leaving the river, as that would cost four times as much, or about \$50,000, owing to the depth and the loose gravel underlying the soil. In order to prevent this gravel from falling into the canal, a concrete wall would have to be built, which would be very expensive. About eight locks would be necessary, which if built of wood and stone would cost about \$4000 each, or a total of \$32,000. Figuring on a basis of 35 miles we would have a total cost of \$525,520."

"Now these figures are below engineers' estimates and do not contemplate anything but level ground and the waterway being dry under the most favorable circumstances, no flumes and no rock to be blasted out. One engineer claims that the channel would have to be twice the depth wherever locks were built. If so then this estimated cost would be increased one-third."

"In connection with these figures we have investigated the question of an electric railway to Corvallis, and find it could be built for a little more than one-half what the canal would cost, and are of the opinion this would be a more practical solution of the transportation problem."

"We have tried to get comparative cost of transportation by rail and canal, but get nothing definite. It seems from the facts gathered that the best of it in cheapness, quick and satisfactory service."

"In conclusion we have made no expense so far—we were instructed to have surveys made, but finding it would be quite a heavy expense and not feeling warranted in raising the amount of funds necessary to do this work, we now submit our report and leave the matter with this meeting."

L. M. WHITSON,
F. M. WILKINS,
J. BRYAN,
W. C. WASHBURN.

BORN.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jake Clearwater, at Springfield, Wednesday, May 22, 1907, a daughter.

Mrs. Willie C. Cotton, of Springfield, has begun suit in the circuit court against Thomas O. Cotton for divorce and the custody of their minor son, Howard. They were married near Starkville, Mo., May 12, 1898. The plaintiff alleges that her husband is a confirmed gambler, and gambles away all the money that he makes, compelling her to support herself and son. L. M. Travis is her attorney.

Death came as a happy release from long years of patient suffering and she died in the happy hope of meeting her Lord and loved ones with all the redeemed on the beautiful resurrection morn. She was converted while in the old country, and has ever remained a true and faithful Christian, a faithful wife and loving mother. She was at the time of her death 78 years, 8 months and 12 days of age.

She is survived by her husband, son David, daughter Amanda, daughter-in-law and seven grandchildren, all of near Eugene. Also a sister in Bishop Hill, Ill., and a brother in Sweden, as well as other distant relatives.

The funeral services were held at the family residence May 25 at 1 p. m., Rev. D. H. Trimble, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Interment took place in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

The Junction City railroad yards being crowded, a dozen freight cars loaded with lumber were brought up to Eugene this morning and sidetracked here until such time as they could be sent on their way south.

The first log drive of the season for the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company has been started down the McKenzie river for Coburg. The logs will be put in near the Dutch Henry place.

Jack Gannon, the pugilist, who was suspected of robbing DeLano's drug store in this city a few nights ago, and who was sentenced to eight days in the county jail for carrying a concealed weapon, has been released. No further evidence against him could be found.

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