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Eminent Divine Explains the
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"Golden Rule."

Golden Rule Sunday is December 5. On that day people of more than fifty countries will partake of a simple meal, will read about the orphan children of the Near East and then make such a gift as they would have some one make if their children were among the desolate in the Bible lands.

"The essential thing about Golden Rule Sunday is not the day on which it is observed, nor the eating of an orphanage meal," states Rev. W. B. Hinson, Pastor of the East Side Baptist church of Portland and Vice Chairman of the Northwest Regional Committee of Near East Relief. "The essential thing is that we should each for ourselves answer the question, 'What would I have some one else do if my children were hungry and some one had my income here?'"

"Golden Rule Sunday sets a terrifically high standard of giving. Parents worthy of the name will go hungry any time that their children might be fed. No sacrifice is too great if it is for their children. Jesus demands the same standard of sacrifice for others as we have for our own. It is drastic, revolutionary but imperative. 'Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I command you,' he cries. 'The one who would observe Golden Rule Sunday should, in his imagination, see his children deprived of their natural protectors, scattered like sheep having no shepherd, hiding by day from their enemies, gathering what food they can by night, exposed to the bitter cold of winter, or the burning sun of summer, claiming refuge at an American orphanage only to be told there is no room.'

"He should see old Hargus struggling through snow, an orphan grandchild by each hand, with the baby on her back, who finds at night that that baby has frozen to death. 'He should see twelve year old Charlemus struggling along with oth-

er deportees bearing his six year old brother to safety, carrying his body, even after he thought the boy was dead. He must see in these two boys not only the symbols of almost countless thousands of children, but he must see in them his own boys.

"There is little use to attempt to visualize the vast number, 35,000 orphans, now in American care and the equal or greater number whose helplessness is a claim on American charity, but for whom no provision can be made. When we see our own children comfortable and happy we can think of the same number homeless exiles in the Near East.

"There are few spiritual exercises more fruitful than this, and men and women who honestly attempt to apply the Golden Rule to these orphan children will not measure their gifts by pennies, but by dollars, by fives and tens and hundreds and thousands. 'All things therefore whatsoever you would that men should do to you (or to your children if left destitute) do ye to them likewise.'

COOLIDGE PLEASSED WITH RESULTS

President Hopes "Golden Rule
Sunday" Will Promote
Peace.

Near East Relief has caught the attention of President Coolidge and the plans for the third observance of Golden Rule Sunday on December 5 has received his endorsement. In a letter just made public, the president says: "The reports of the observance of International Golden Rule Sunday last year in fifty countries, and its far-reaching results in the training of orphans in the Near East have been of great interest to me. This expression of brotherhood inevitably has a beneficial influence upon those who give as well as those who receive.

"As practical help is the best expression of friendship, I feel that the aid which we may give out of our prosperity to those impoverished by war may be of the utmost value in the promotion of international good-

will. The consistent observance of Golden Rule Sunday cannot but help to bring about the application of the Golden Rule itself to the misunderstandings of nations and individuals.

"I earnestly hope that the voluntary observance of this day may become increasingly prevalent in the homes of America and throughout the world." In the annual report of the Near East Organization recently laid before the senate by Vice President Dawes, who is one of the national trustees of the relief organization, a full account of the work done during the calendar year is given.

Recently the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Foundation, after an investigation covering two months, donated \$175,000.00 to the Near East Relief to help refund the deficit created at the burning of Smyrna. At that time the Near East Relief by the free use of its orphanage supplies saved the lives of 250,000 people but incurred a deficit which it carried for three years, or until the Rockefeller Foundation came to its aid.

'THREE GREAT DAYS' SAYS L. J. COLMAN

Northwest Chairman N. E. R.
Urges Observance of "Golden Rule Sunday."

Laurence J. Colman, of Seattle, has accepted the Chairmanship for the Near East Relief and Golden Rule Sunday for the Northwest Region, including Utah, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, British Columbia and Alaska, of which J. J. Handesaker, of Portland, is the Regional Director.

Colman is well known through the Northwest on account of his interest in religious and philanthropic institutions, among them being the Seabeck, Wash., conference grounds, which he has donated for the use of various summer groups.

Speaking of Golden Rule Sunday, he says, "There are three great days in November and December. The first, Thanksgiving Day, the third, Christmas, and midway between comes Gold-

en Rule Sunday.

"On Thanksgiving Day we count our blessings. We count our enormous wealth of more than three billion dollars. We think of our vast farms, great universities and colleges, factories and other evidences of material prosperity. We are, or should be, thankful for a government under which both property and life are safe.

"Christmas is again a day of feasting and mirth, to which we invite our friends and with whom, too often, our 'gifts' become merely exchanges. "On Golden Rule Sunday, December 5th, we can remember the word, 'When thou makest a feast, call the poor, the halt, the maimed and the blind.' We can practice that pure religion which visits the fatherless and widow in their affliction. Surely there was never a greater contrast in all history than the one between our wealth, prosperity and security and the condition of the people of the Near East, exiled from their home lands without employment, homes or food, except as the Golden Rule operates in our hearts to make us do to others what we would have others do for us.

"In more than fifty nations on Golden Rule Sunday, December 5th, many persons will provide for their Sunday dinner approximately the menu that is provided when funds permit by the Near East Relief for the tens of thousands of orphan children in its care, most of whom are under twelve years of age.

"When this simple meal has been eaten and the plight of the unfortunate children of the Near East has been thoughtfully considered, then give, give as you would have some one give if your children were in the Near East orphanage, were amongst the 4000 about to be turned out for lack of funds, or among those asking and being refused one meal a day.

"Full particulars of the day may be secured from the Near East Relief, 813 Stock Exchange Bldg., Portland; 339 Burke Bldg., Seattle; and for the Golden Rule Campaign temporary offices have been opened at 201 Walker Bank Bldg., Salt Lake City; 627 Peyton Bldg., Spokane; Bristol Hotel, Boise, and Y. M. C. A., Tacoma.

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Riverton School Notes

General News

Mervil Hultin, a Junior from Bandon High, entered Riverton high school Monday.

The Misses Julia Hamblock and Freda Berry motored to northern California to visit Miss Hamblock's sister, Mrs. Jess Leinos, for a few days.

Miss Martha Hutt spent Thanksgiving vacation at the Van Leuven home on Bear Creek.

Misses Mary Ellen and Georgia Law entertained a number of their friends Friday evening with a house party.

The high and grade school boards held a joint meeting at the school house Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Harvey spent Thanksgiving and the week end with her sister, Mrs. S. S. Wheeler, and family near Lebanon. Mrs. Wheeler returned with her for a few weeks' visit.

Miss Ann Myline spent the Thanksgiving vacation with friends in Bandon.

Miss Jane Leavelle, the fourth grade teacher, motored to Glendale with friends where she was entertained on Thanksgiving day.

The Frosh have issued a challenge to the other classes. The aim is to see which can have the highest per cent of attendance. For the last month the freshman class has a percentage of 99 with only two days absence. The others combined have one of 98.1 percent and 4 1-2 days absence. The challenge was accepted.

A community Thanksgiving dinner was held in the play shed last Sunday. A large number of people from this community and from the lower districts, Randolph and Parkersburg, attended.

The basket ball boys received their jerseys and socks last Monday. The jerseys are solid royal blue and the "R's" and figures on them are white. The socks have a large white stripe around them.

The new school boat, "Hope," owned and operated by the Hermann Brothers of Randolph, has been on the run since Monday and has made the trip in much less time than the old boat.

What One Match Started

George Ellis, living near Myrtle Point, last Thursday morning drove up to the service station of Emery & Nosler to load up with gas, says the Myrtle Point American. Nothing unusual about that. The thing that was unusual about it happened, though, before George drove away. Striking a match to light a cigarette before Bud Emery had completed the service, George and his match created more commotion about the station than has been witnessed at any service station in Clatsop county in many a moon. The two men and the car were instantly enveloped in a flame higher than the station roof and the tongue of fire that shot out of the gasoline tank of the car Ellis was driving resembled the pictures you have seen of Dante's lower regions. But Emery has coped with unruly airplanes thousands of feet above terra firma and has snubbed bucking Fords. For a time it looked like a general alarm would have to be turned in, but by lively scrambling and use of water the flames were finally under control. Result was a badly smoked car and service station and the two men had reasons to be thankful for the returns of the day.

Risked Jail for 30 Cents

The Noyer service station at Bridge was broken into Tuesday night and the cash register was carried outdoors, but all the thieves got for their trouble was about thirty cents in pennies. Mr. Noyer heard the noise and got up but did not see anyone and did not miss the register until some one brought it in to him in the morning. Myrtle Point American.

S. P.'s Terminal at Eugene

Good headway is being made with clearing and track-laying on the Southern Pacific company's new terminal grounds northwest of Eugene. A large crew of men with numerous tractors and horses has been at work. Practically a mile of track has been laid and a large tract cleared of timber. More than 200 men are employed.

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KHOREN KULUJIAN



One of America's 35,000 Near East Orphans, exiled from his ancestral home, but happy because he is confident that America, which rescued him from death, will stay with him until he is sixteen, when he will be ready to go out and make his own way.

New Refugee Problem in Syria

Beirut, Syria.—The Near East Relief will distribute 50,000 pounds of refugee clothing here, to assist in caring for 50,000 Christian villagers rendered homeless by the rebellion of the Moslem Druses against the French government. All Americans have been ordered to leave Damascus, where 2,500 persons were killed in the fighting of the past fortnight. Thousands of refugees are pouring into Beirut.

October 31st there were 30,000 Armenian refugees in Beirut, crowded into an "unspeakable" camp, and refugees were arriving from Damascus at the rate of 4000 daily. The refugees were sheltered in houses constructed of old tins and "the crowding was terrible," as many as nine people living in a single small room, cooking, eating and sleeping in this tiny quarter. The sanitary arrangements were totally inadequate and water scarce. Many of the refugees were ill, with no medicine and the children were pale and sickly.

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