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THE GOSPEL OF PEACE

"Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Nearly two thousand years ago a few shepherds on the Judean hills received a message of hope and inspiration which has quickened the heart of mankind for the past nineteen centuries. And today, as never before, we need the assurance of divine help. Without it, we are crushed by the weight of our problems. The evils of our own day loom large. The cry of the starving Chinese or the Russian peasant is heard here in America. The persecuted Jew in Germany calls for international aid. And at home in our own land selfishness of all classes seems to be rampant. However, it is not for us to gird on the sword and spill blood to avenge the wrongs suffered by others. Rather we should be diligent to spread the gospel of peace.

If ever conditions seemed to justify the use of force by a people, it was at the time of the birth of Christ. The Israelites had been massacred by one conquering nation after another, they were betrayed by their friends, their temple had been desecrated by invaders and their numbers were torn by internal strife. They looked for a coming Messiah who, by means of temporal power, could subjugate their neighbors and make themselves as the chosen people supreme in this world.

Instead a babe was born in lowly surroundings. The child grew in the grace of God; he learned to work with his hands at the carpenter's table, he became familiar with the lilies of the fields, with the way of the birds and the foxes, with lost sheep and with the manner of hens gathering their chickens under their wings.

He raised no armies but he drew a few followers to him by simple teaching of the love of God. He called upon no supernatural display of force, rather he forgave sins and healed the sick. He attended the synagogues, exposing the hypocrisy of those who professed to know God without doing His will.

After three years of ministry he allowed his enemies to crucify him.

In less than fifty years after his death the Roman armies in Judea completed their destruction of the holy city of Jerusalem, the temple was leveled and Mount Zion was plowed as a field and sown with salt, the inhabitants being either slain or carried away into slavery.

The Messiah had apparently failed in his mission. Failed? Today we know the spirit of Christ is a living, vital force in this world. His life has been the inspiration for the progress made in civilization in the past nineteen centuries.

He did not denounce slavery but the mode of living he advocated gradually made the institution of slavery impossible to his followers. He wrote no books but the books and poems he has inspired make up most of the literature with which we are familiar. He built no churches but the cathedrals erected in his name are the most beautiful examples of architecture known. He founded no schools but in Christian lands only has knowledge been made free to all corners. He composed no hymns but the weary and sorrowful find comfort and solace in the sacred music dedicated to his memory.

His philosophy of life is so simple that no one need fail to understand it, although the pride of the scholar more often proves a barrier to companionship with his spirit than does the ignorance of the uneducated. He called upon us to reverence God, the Father, and to serve Him by forgetting self in the service of others. His teachings were founded on the principle of the brotherhood of all men and he promised a new life to those who seek to follow his example.

He gave us a way of life, an ideal toward which to strive, a goal which ever increases in beauty and richness as we approach it, an idea of justice and mercy toward which to aspire, and he gave us hope that his kingdom might be established on this earth as the hearts of men are filled with his spirit.

And so we can join with the heavenly host this Christmas time in singing: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."



Walter E. Pearson, Portland democrat, may be Oregon's new state treasurer if he wants the job, according to current state house gossip. Pearson, former state senator from the Multnomah-Clackamas district and now a member of the State Board of Higher Education, is known to rate high in the esteem of Governor Martin who, according to this same gossip, will have the responsibility of filing the treasury post when Rufus C. Holman resigns to become United States senator.

Holman, it is pretty well understood, would very much like to see his good friend, P. J. Stadelman, of The Dalles, take his place in the new capitol when he goes back to Washington. It has even been suggested that Holman would be willing to postpone his trip back to the national capital until after the republicans take over the reins of government in Oregon again on January 9 in order to bring about Stadelman's appointment. Governor-elect Sprague, however, so the rumor goes, has refused to play ball with Holman on the Stadelman appointment, being reluctant to incur the displeasure of powerful republican leaders in Multnomah county who feel that their particular section of the state is entitled to representation on the board of control and that Holman's successor should therefore come from the third congressional district.

Governor Martin, although a great admirer of Stadelman, is understood to feel himself duty bound to appoint a democrat in case the selection of Holman's successor falls to his lot as now appears to be the case with Holman understood to be packing his bags in preparation for departure for Washington immediately after Christmas.

Four outstanding historic events in the discovery, exploration and founding of Oregon are depicted in the murals now being hung in the rotunda of the new capitol. One of the huge canvases depicts the discovery of the Columbia river by Captain Robert Gray in 1792. Another shows the Lewis & Clark expedition at Celilo falls on the Upper Columbia led by the Indian maiden, Sacajewes. A third mural depicts Dr. John McLoughlin, Hudson Bay company factor at Vancouver, greeting the first white women to arrive in the Oregon country, among them Mrs. Narcissa Whitman, wife of the pioneer missionary. The fourth mural depicts the arrival of the great wagon train of 1843 with the new settlers whose presence in the Oregon country was destined to save the territory to the United States. Four smaller murals placed at either side of the broad staircase leading to the house and senate chambers depict the state's principal industries—lumbering, fishing, dairying, fruit raising, grain, mining and grazing. Two other large murals, yet to be painted, will occupy panels at the front of the house and senate chambers. One of these will portray the controversial Champoux incident in which the settlers vote the Oregon country into the United States. The other will depict the arrival of the courier from Oregon City at Salem with news of the admission of Oregon into the union of states. The murals are being hung under the personal supervision of the New York artists who painted them—Frank H. Schwarz and Barry Faulkner. The larger murals measure 10 1/2 by 26 feet in size. The smaller murals are 10 1/2 by 18 feet. Already 25 months have been consumed in the painting of the canvases and six months more will be required to complete the task.

Threat of a national boycott of Oregon products by labor organizations as a measure of reprisal against this state for approval of the anti-picketing bill is contained in a letter received by Governor Martin this week from the head of a teachers' union in Connecticut. In requesting a copy of the new law the secretary of the eastern union says that "we have heard that our co-operation may be asked in a national boycott of Oregon apples, woollens and other products in protest against this law."

Salaries of Oregon school teachers average less than \$90 a month, computed on a 12-month basis, according to reports compiled by Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction. Grade school teachers receive an average of only \$90 a year with the average in 24 of the state's 36 counties falling below that figure and ranging from a low of \$718.93 a year in Wheeler county to a high of \$1183.90 a year in Multnomah county.

Salaries paid to high school teachers average \$1314.98 a year, ranging from a low \$926.16 a year in Lincoln county to a high of \$1535.85 in Mult-

TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from the files of The Sentinel of Dec. 27, 1918):

The murder of Julius Brache, following a fight on Christmas eve was one piece of startling news that created suspense on Christmas day. The alleged murder intent was not traceable but many think that it might have been for the purpose of securing bootleg liquor which the victim had been accused of making and selling to longshoremen at the bay.

Will Barrow in writing to his folks here of his experience in the great charge at Chateau Thierry says that he found a man beside him in the charge who couldn't load his gun even, so Will gave him his gun and they went over the top.

Private Wendell Hoffman, of Powers, and Simon Simonsen, of River-ton, were listed on the casualty list received at Portland this week. They were both wounded the last week of the war.

Myrtle Point people are complaining that the service of the S. P. to that city and Powers is terribly slow. Only nine miles an hour is permitted on the grade and it makes it nearly four hours to get as far as Marshfield. Sheriff Gage says that Myrtle Point people should not complain at this. "Twenty years ago (1898) it was impossible to get to Myrtle Point on horseback at all and a trip by wagon was out of the question."

Chas. Schroeder was down from Norway and he predicted a new town for this part of the county at Norway. The new Schroeder & Aasen mill there has been cutting more timber every month and with the new spur of the railroad nearly ready, they will expect increase in the payroll from 15 men to 25 men immediately. Several new dwellings have been built

nomah county. Putnam's figures show. However these salaries are much higher than were being paid in this state three years ago when grade school teachers were averaging only \$787.55 a year and high school teachers, \$1132.87.

Mrs. Clara C. Patterson will retire as superintendent of the State Industrial school for girls the last of this month after 18 years in that position. Prior to taking charge of that institution in 1921, Mrs. Patterson was employed for a number of years at the state hospital here. She will be succeeded as head of the girls school by Mrs. M. Wilson Savage, who has been employed at the institution for the past 15 years, more recently as bookkeeper and assistant superintendent.

Slot-machines, marble boards and pin ball games are all taboo in Ore-

there as well.

New hope for the water transportation industry on the Coquille was found in a message announcing that the federal government had appropriated \$64,000 with which to improve the bar at the mouth of the river.

Mrs. Lars Gisholt received a cablegram last Friday that her husband in France announced that he was well and safe and had not been up to the front line when the Armistice was signed. A report ten days ago that Lars Gisholt had been killed the last day of the war was true but it did not concern the Lars Gisholt from Coquille.

The government has ordered all soldier loggers to entrain for Vancouver Barracks where they will be relieved from duty in the service. This will make it quite lonesome around Coquille as these boys have been the source of considerable life and entertainment since coming here.

Paul Hamilton, of Pasadena, California, came in from Corvallis last week to spend Christmas with Austin Hazard of Coquille.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McKenna and little daughter came over from the bay to spend Christmas with Grandma Harlocker and other friends.

Willis Neely has sold his ranch at Fairview to W. A. Barnett, of Fish-trap, who will move out this week. The price was \$3,000 cash with \$500 on time.

Those coming home from Eugene and Corvallis for the holidays were Misses Marvel Skeels, Mildred Norton, Etta McLeod, Arthur Hooton, Fred Lorenz, Phillip Johnson, Elmer Neely, Julian Leslie and Wellman Ball.

Wards of the state will find their stockings well filled with goodies on Christmas morning as Old Man Oregon plays Santa Claus to the men and women, boys and girls in the several state institutions. Orders have been placed by the purchasing department for hundreds of pounds of candy, nuts and oranges for this purpose.

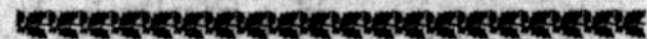
under the recently approved anti-gambling laws, even though played for amusement only and with no hope of gain, Attorney General Van Winkle has ruled in an opinion to James R. Bain, district attorney for Multnomah county. The attorney general ruled that the games ran counter to the "for profit" provision of the new laws when a coin was inserted in the slot and that their prohibition under the Oregon statute did not depend upon their being a lottery or a gambling

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MAY IT BE A MERRY AND
A RICH ONE ...

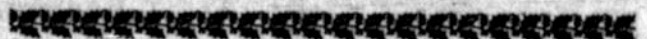
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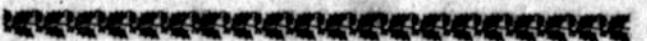
At This Season

we recall two changeless, expressive words which convey with more meaning than any other words could do it, the wish we have for our friends

Merry Christmas



Merry Christmas—the words on our lips and the wish in our hearts for all.



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