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M.E. PASTOR TALKS ON WAR ATTITUDE

Brute Strength Philosophies and Love Contrasted By Rev. Ristow at Gathering

THREE MORE SERMONS

Visiting Speaker to Discuss Difference Between Secular and Sacred at Meet

"The World today is an armed camp; there are more men under arms in Europe today than there were in August 1914. There is a serious talk of war between Asia and Japan; Europe is crowded with dictatorships. America is geographically isolated, far from the need of 100 new battleships. Yet the world is now fifteen years after a great world war to end war. Yet the world has possessed the Gospel for 1900 years."

These were some of the opening statements made last night by Rev. Cecil F. Ristow, pastor of the Methodist church in Eugene, who is conducting a series of gospel services at the Springfield Methodist church this week. His sermon last night was in answer to the question, Why do we still have war after 200 years of Christianity and if paganism makes its final appeal to physical force, in what does Christianity trust?

Few Men Defend Warfare

"All men, save a few who hold that brute force justifies anything, agree that war is man's chief collective folly and sin. Militarist and pacifist are alike in their dislike of war. The writings of Franklin, Dickens, Thackeray, Lincoln, Brooks and Carlyle all reveal that an understanding of the evil of war is not something that man has achieved since 1918," said the speaker.

There are two opposing philosophies advanced as a means of avoiding war. They are the philosophy of love and the philosophy of power.

Power Becomes a Failure

The philosophy of power puts its trust in physical force. Germany before 1914 was dominated by the philosophy of trust in physical force, yet Germany suffered more than any other nation from the war that came.

This philosophy fails for these four reasons, he declared. This belief does not respect personality; it assumes that men are cowards and can be frightened into being good. It places might above right. It places the final trust in the very thing it wishes to avoid. It places barriers between men when God wills that they shall be one.

The second philosophy that puts its final trust in love. It has not been very widely tried. It was said that the world war proved that Christianity had been tried and found wanting, to which some one replied, "No, Christianity has been found difficult and has not been tried."

Four reasons why this philosophy would succeed were also cited. The first being that it would reverence personality, even when hidden beneath an unprepossessing exterior. It places justice above brute force; it cannot be conquered for when it is compelled to go one mile it voluntarily goes two miles. It places final trust in the very thing it wishes to attain, and it breaks down barriers and makes men who thought they were enemies one in heart and purpose.

Christ Chose Love

But the philosophy of love cannot succeed without suffering declared Rev. Ristow. Our Lord was tempted to try the method of physical power both in the wilderness by the devil and in the garden by his disciples, but he selected Gethsemane and Calvary as his final choice.

The evening services will continue tonight Friday and next Sunday at 7:30. Tonight the discussion will be on "Knowing God." Friday the subject will be The Gospel and the Soul's Dedication, discussing the determination of our destiny and whether or not man can be loyal to more than one ideal.

Services Close Sunday

The Sunday evening service which will close the sermon series will deal with the question of discrimination between the sacred and secular, and the separation of business and religion.

Large audiences have been attending the services and special musical programs are arranged each evening by groups from the church choir of 75 voices.

Rev. Poindexter will preach on the subject "He That Hath This Hope" at the morning services at the church Sunday. The regular Sunday school and Bible classes will be held at 9:45.

Expected Home—Mrs. Elsie Pollard and infant child are expected to return from the Nelson Maternity home in Eugene this week-end, probably on Friday.

Chamber to Ask Holly Road Work

Two-Mile Section of Mohawk Cut-Off Remains Unfinished; Linn Work is Sought

The Springfield Chamber of Commerce wants to know why the Linn county court has not yet completed the grading of the final two miles of the Holly cut-off route over the Mohawk ridge between Marcola and Holly. Members of that organization in their monthly meeting last night instructed their secretary to draft a letter of inquiry to the Lane county court with a request that some effort be made to open this route soon.

Last summer it was reported that some arrangement had been made with the Linn county body to complete this short section of highway which would open up a new and direct route to the Santiam country. Work was done but about two miles unfinished.

The county has completed the grading on this side of the county line and is holding off graveling the upper end until they are assured that the road will be opened.

The Dollar lumber company has extensive timber holdings on the Linn county side of the divide and is anxious to see this route opened both as a possible timber cutting advantage and for more adequate fire protection.

The Chamber of Commerce also received a telegram from the Federal Credit bank seeking the number of firms which might care to take advantage of federal loans for operating expenses.

SPORTSMEN FORM ROD AND GUN CLUB

Local Group Petitions For Early Opening of Fishing Season; To Meet Monday

First steps in the organization of a Rod and Gun club for Springfield were taken at a meeting of 18 sportsmen at the Anderson Motor Co. garage Monday evening.

Ray Nott was chosen temporary president; Larson Wright was named temporary secretary, and a committee consisting of Clayton Barber, N. L. Pollard, and W. C. Wright was named to draw up a constitution and by laws for the new organization.

The question of name was discussed at length and it was decided to adopt the title, Springfield Rod and Gun club at least as a temporary name.

The club immediately went on record as favoring the early opening of the fishing season about April 1, and instructed the secretary to send a letter to the State Game Commission to this effect.

Regular meetings will be held at the garage the third Monday of each month starting at 7:30. During the organization period more frequent meetings will be called, and the next of these will be next Monday night.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED H. S. GRADUATE

Announcement was received this week from Gooding College at Wesleyan, Idaho, stating that the school is offering one scholarship to a 1933 graduate of Springfield high school on recommendation of the principal good for from \$25 to \$50 for the spring term, beginning March 5, and one 1934 graduate a like scholarship for the year beginning September 8.

In addition, worthy students may work for half their living expenses, which brings their cash outlay to less than a dollar per day for full tuition and meals.

GIRLS LEAGUE PLANS MERRY MAID PARTY

First plans for the annual "Merry Maids of March" party which the Girls League of Springfield high school will sponsor for all girls of the school and their mothers have been made and groups are now at work. Each class group is to present one skit as a part of the program to be given some time during the month of March. Several other incidental numbers are being planned.

CHANGE MADE IN CHURCH COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. E. A. Cole was named chairman of the Church Night committee of the Christian church last Thursday at the weekly potluck dinner gathering replacing Mrs. Ferne Richards, resigned. William Cox and Owen Thomas were re-appointed members of the committee.

D. E. Ferguson and Dallas Murphy were named members of the pulpit supply committee.

MINSTREL SHOW SINGERS PLEASE

Old Plantation Songs and Portrayals of Darky Emotions Applauded Here

Musician members of the Christian church surprised their fellow citizens here Tuesday evening when they blacked up their faces and presented a real negro minstrel show in three acts. What surprised the large audience, nearly a full auditorium, was the effective and convincing manner in which the players and singers disguised themselves as well as their voices.

The players, representing the Christian church choir membership, chose Old Cabin Home Minstrels by Adams as their vehicle and made several changes to meet local conditions and the ability of local talent. Rev. Veltie Pruitt, pastor of the church and music teacher, directed the show and also played the part of Uncle Toby the leading darkey role, very well. Mrs. W. P. Tyson as "Aunt Dilly" the old colored mammy, was very realistic in her actions and singing. She played the leading role in the performance opposite Mr. Pruitt.

Other leading characters were Lily Violet, Marjorie Mosher; Ophehella, Pearl Heltterbrand; Sis' Deedemoney, Jennie Murphy; Cleopatra, Frieda Severson; Aunt Callie, Mrs. Ella Lombard; Uncle Toby, Veltie Pruitt; Sambo, Martin Clark; Ebenezer, Dallas Murphy; Gen'l Pushing, Merton Ferebee; Geo. Washington, B. O. Smith; Jerry, Glenn Robertson; L'I Dalsey, Bobbie Reban. There were also many others in the chorus and many little piccaninies.

Music is featured. The show was principally music. The first act opening with a porch scene in which was featured many of the old darkey favorites by the men's and women's quartets and chorus ensembles.

Bobby Reban did the negro tap dance to the accompaniment of Donald Toomb at the banjo, and Miss Jewel Cunningham at the piano between the acts.

The second act featured the old-time camp meeting scene with the old colored parson and the spontaneous singing of the negroes. Somehow we kept waiting for the parson to start his exhortations and for the cast to become more emotional in this act.

It was at this juncture in the program that the various individuals took turns in leading the songs as they felt the urge to sing.

Third Scene Touching. The third and final act brought an evening time scene with the entire cast assembled on the front porch of a southern home giving expression to their suppressed emotions. Many old favorites of the southland were heard with gusto as the act began, but gradually the volume diminished as old Uncle Toby led in the singing of "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" and finally burst forth with a beautiful version of Stephen Foster's "Old Black Joe" with Toby as soloist and with the ensemble humming softly by melody as the final curtain rang down. The final number itself was worth the price of admission.

The players appeared before a small house at Cottage Grove Monday evening and will present the same show in Yoncalla tonight. Other bookings for the minstrel are being made.

MANY PLAY BRIDGE AT SCOUT BENEFIT

Twelve tables of "500" and bridge were in play at the benefit card party which members of the local troop committee sponsored at Taylor hall last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. W. C. Wright, Mrs. C. E. Wheaton, Mrs. W. K. Barnell, and Miss Eunice Gerber, troop leader, were in charge of arrangements.

Prizes were donated by local merchants, and the use of the hall was donated by Mr. Taylor. Flowers were donated by Mrs. Frank DePue. Members of the committee wish to thank those who assisted in the party.

Prizes at bridge were won first, second and third, by Mrs. William Moyer, Mrs. Arthur Roberts, Mrs. I. D. Larimer, and low, Mrs. W. N. Long.

Mrs. I. N. Endicott won high prize for "500." Second and third prizes were won by Mrs. Daisy Clover and Mrs. Ray Nott. Mrs. Rosa Montgomery received the consolation prize.

A chair prize went to Miss Maxine Swartz. Two door prizes were won by Mrs. John Sankey and Mrs. George Prochnow. Miss Crystal Bryan received a prize because her score numbers were nearest those of the troop number, 24.

Teddy and Peggy Wright, and Ila and Roberta Putman, all members of the troop, assisted with the serving.

KENSINGTON CHANGES PLACE FOR MEETING

The one o'clock luncheon to be sponsored by the Kensington club Friday has been changed from the basement of the Methodist church to the Marigold tea room in Eugene.

Mrs. W. K. Barnell, Mrs. E. Buell, and Mrs. A. J. Morgan are the hostesses.

New King and Queen of the Belgians



BRUSSELS, Belgium. His supreme hour of being declared "Leopold III, King of the Belgians," tempered by an agonizing grief at the sudden and tragic death of his father, Albert I, killed in a mountain fall, has further endeared the former Crown Prince to his people and today he has an entire nation's sympathy and support. Top photo, a most recent picture of the new King, Leopold III and his Queen, who was Crown Princess Astrid. Inset; the late King, Albert I and portrait of Leopold III.

STUDENTS WORK ON H.S. FUN SHOW

Annual Class Presentations To Be Seen in Laughteresque Program March 16

Work on the class presentations for the annual Laughteresque program at Springfield high school Friday, March 16, is progressing rapidly now with rehearsals being held each evening after school.

Next week a schedule of evening rehearsals will start giving each class an opportunity to use the stage one evening before the final presentation.

For the Laughteresque program each class works out some original stunt or skit and the four stunts or presentations together with other special numbers, completes the evening entertainment. Faculty advisors work with the students in the preparation of their numbers.

Jack Logan and Echo Severson are in charge of the freshman stunt. Barbara Barnell is arranging the sophomore number; Eunice Rhinevault, Carmen Stafford, Ruth Pollard, and Margaret Haack are working for the junior class, and Echo Tomseth is handling the senior offering.

Each skit is judged on originality, cleverness, and presentation. Students from the drama department at the University of Oregon are chosen as judges and the winning class receives points towards the activity cup possession.

MRS. STEWART HOSTESS FOR NEEDLECRAFT CLUB

Mrs. Harry M. Stewart entertained at her home last Thursday for members of the Needlecraft club and has as her guests Mrs. Anne Kessey, Mrs. Levi Neet, Mrs. Lawrence May, Mrs. Harry Whitney, Mrs. John Henderer, and Mrs. Donald Toomb. Members and guests were entertained by piano solos by Miss Florence May. Mrs. Elwin May was the assistant hostess.

Mrs. W. H. Pollard will entertain for the club at her home for their next meeting March 15. Mrs. Robert H. Culbertson will be the assisting hostess.

MISSION SCHOOL CLOSES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The six-weeks' mission school at the Baptist church closed Sunday evening with the presentation by the Aretania guild of the Persian Missionary play, "Kasmin." Those taking parts in the production were Albert Clifton, Ruth Keeler, Robert Cook, Clarence Caudell, Ronald Farnsworth, Mrs. Eva Tobias, Virginia Christie, Mrs. Etta Cogill and Leland Chase.

BEAUTY SALON OFFERS SENIOR GIRL PRIZE

The senior girl at Springfield high school with the best grade average will be awarded with a permanent wave at the McMorran and Washburne beauty salon it was announced Tuesday at the weekly Girls League assembly program. Miss Melba Mellons and Mrs. Abbie Parsons gave demonstrations of beauty work at the Tuesday assembly.

ODD FELLOWS NAME DEGREE TEAM CAPTAIN

Members of the I. O. O. F. lodge met in regular session Wednesday evening and started plans on future degree work. John Lorah has been named captain of the team.

An illustrated lecture will be a feature of the next meeting to be held March 21.

Automobiles Collide

The front left fender of her automobile was bent and the lighter automobile being driven by Frances Gates of Creswell was more badly damaged here Friday evening when machines driven by Mrs. O. H. Jarrett and Mr. Gates collided at Fifth and "B" streets. No physical injuries resulted.

Cascade Lodge Has Inspection

Grand Conductress, Grand Electa Make Annual Visit To Local Group Tuesday

A series of social and business sessions held here Tuesday marked the official visitation to Cascade chapter, O. E. S. of Mrs. Inez Glaisyer, grand conductress of Oregon.

A covered dish luncheon for the 13 local officers and past matrons was held at the lodge home Tuesday noon honoring the visitor. At 2 o'clock, Mrs. Glaisyer held a school of instruction for the local group.

Preceding the evening business meeting the regular monthly potluck dinner was held at 6:30.

During the evening meeting Mrs. Glaisyer made her official inspection at a large gathering which included Mrs. Lena Regen, Grand Electa, Mrs. Sam Bond, worthy matron of Evangeline chapter; Mrs. Angle Bond, worthy matron of Blue River chapter; and R. S. Bryson, worthy patron of Evangeline chapter, all of Eugene, besides many other visitors.

Following the business meeting the elective officers of Cascade chapter and the state officer were guests at a chop suey dinner at the home of Mrs. E. E. Fraedrick, past worthy matron at whose home Mrs. Glaisyer was a house guest while in the city.

OFFICERS RETAINED BY HAPPY HOUR MEMBERS

Civic Group Plans Benefit Affair For Girl Scouts at Next Meet; To Discuss Program

All officers of the Happy Hour club were retained for another year here Monday when the club accepted the recommendation of the nominating committee at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Olive J. Reban. The officers are Mrs. Milton V. Walker, president; Mrs. W. K. Barnell, vice-president; Mrs. Leona Buell, secretary; and Mrs. Maude Bryan, treasurer.

Chairman of the membership committee is Mrs. Larson Wright. Mrs. W. K. Barnell remains as chairman of the program committee.

Entertainment was furnished at the meeting by Brandon Young who played several harp solos. Mrs. Doris Helen Calkins was unable to be present.

For the next meeting the group will hold a benefit tea for the local girl scout troop. The gathering will be held at the home of Mrs. Dean C. Poindexter and the program will be given in half by the girls themselves, and the other part by the second-half of the club membership. The first half of the membership presented a program at the Christmas meeting. The group to present the program at this meeting is headed by Mrs. Walter N. Gossler.

O-NO CLUB MEETS AT SNOODGRASS HOME

Members of the O-No bridge club were guests of Miss Maxine Snodgrass at her home here last Thursday evening. Honors for high score went to Miss Lone Rhodes and Miss Eunice Gerber. Low score prize was won by Miss Doris Gerber. Miss Irma Knott was a guest. The next meeting will be held March 15 at the home of Miss Thelma Sweeney.

U. S. FOREST RANGERS RETURN TO THE AIR

"Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers," a radio drama portraying the life and adventures of officers of the U. S. forest service, will return to the air today, according to announcement of the National Broadcasting company. The program will be released over ten stations of the Western Division of the NBC every Thursday at 12:30 p. m. (P. S. T.) as a part of the U. S. Department of Agriculture "Western Farm and Home Hour."

PROGRESSIVE DEGREE TEAM MEETS FRIDAY

Monthly meeting of Progressive 22 degree team of Rebekah lodge will be held at the I. O. F. hall Friday evening. Mrs. Lillian Black, Mrs. Mamie Richmond, and Mrs. Clarine Putnam are on the entertainment committee.

Has Birthday Dinner

Mrs. E. A. Cole entertained at the Cole home last Thursday evening with a birthday dinner honoring her husband and Beryl Thomas. The evening was spent with an informal musical program.

Visits Father—Mrs. Helen Knight of San Francisco is here visiting with her father, Tex Knight.

POLITICAL AIMS COME TO LIGHT

Chief Interest Now Lies in Offices of Representative, Governor, Commissioner

GOV. MEIER TALK COMING

Several Local Offices Will Not Be Contested Until Fall General Election

Political ambitions which have been smoldering for months and even years are beginning to be heard from now as the period before the primary election in May draws closer.

Lane county will not have very many offices to fill this year and interest in candidates contests will probably develop along partisan lines. Starting at home, in Springfield there will be little local political excitement until after the primary election. Only a little interest is expected after that despite the fact that this year two councilmen, a recorder, and city treasurer are to be elected. At present it seems doubtful whether or not there will be any changes made.

Locally the school election to be held this spring has possibilities of developing real interest. Dr. W. H. Pollard will conclude a long period of years of service to the schools of the city, and may or may not retire at that time.

Legislators Enter Race. Getting back to the larger offices, in the county Earl Hill, C. A. "Shy" Huntington, and Howard C. Merriam have announced their candidacy for places in the House of representatives from Lane, E. A. McCornack, retiring lower house legislator, has announced his desire to represent both Linn and Lane counties as joint senator.

Next in importance will be the race for county commissioner. O. E. Crowe, present incumbent, will seek re-election. Crowe, a republican, has been serving for the past year on the county Board with Fred Fisk and Cal Young, two democrats. G. W. McFarland, Cottage Grove, member of the county budget board for the past two years will seek election as a democrat.

Much interest is developing in the race for county treasurer. This office has already attracted the largest number of aspirants. Those who have openly announced their candidacy are Pearl Schantol, West Springfield; Ross Matthews, Camp Creek school teacher; and Grace Schiska, incense-Sent.

On the Non-partisan ballot voters will have to elect three circuit court judges in this, the second judicial district. Carl Wimberly and B. L. Eddy appear to be candidates for the Roseburg post, while it is doubtful that any opponent will appear to contest Judge G. F. Skipworth's re-election in this county. The third post which does not interest local people much is in the Coos Bay district.

Wait for Governor

In the state field the chief interest centers about the governorship with everyone awaiting a decision from Governor Meier. Not that there is a dearth of candidates, but his announcement is expected to officially start actual campaigning. Much to the disappointment of his many friends, Rufus Holman, state treasurer, has announced he will not be a candidate. Governor Meier will go on the air again Saturday night and some announcement of his future plans are expected at that time.

Among those who have entered the race are Sam Brown of Salem, Tom Turner, Portland; Frank J. Lonergan, Portland, all republicans; Henry E. Wirth, Independent; and General Charles Martin, democrat.

Carl Abrams is the only candidate to seek the post as Secretary of State although Elbert Bede is being talked of in Lane county.

Another decision which cleared up considerable political smoke was the announcement that Willis C. Hawley would not seek election as congressman from the first district. James Mott, incumbent; and J. H. Devers, Salem, have both announced their candidacy for this position. John D. Goss of Marshfield is in the field as a democratic candidate.

LEGION MEETING AT TAYLOR HALL TONIGHT

Semi-monthly meeting of the Springfield American Legion post number 40 will be held tonight at Taylor hall. The meeting will be preceded by a potluck supper at 6:30 o'clock according to Oswald Olson, adjutant.

Our Gang Club Meets

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Page entertained at their home Friday evening for members of Our Gang club of the Methodist church. About 40 persons attended.