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IS CHRISTIANITY A FAILURE?

A few days ago, when discussing the present world war with a gentleman in Albany, he remarked that "Christianity had proven a failure as a world civilizer." We suggested that if he would substitute the word "churchianity" for "Christianity" we would be inclined to agree with him.

The Tribune thinks that the teachings of Christ when on earth were not nor are not a failure by no manner of means. It is a lack of subscribing to and obeying the teachings of Christ which is responsible for the evils from which the world is now suffering. If all nations and all men would live up to the principles of the Golden Rule, there would be no wars, no lawsuits and, indeed, but little necessity for laws.

But churchianity has completely displaced christianity and but very few men or women are guided in their daily walks through life by the teachings of Christ. Even the church creeds, which are supposed to be based upon the moral principles to which Christ gave birth, fall far short of the standard He set up. Not a church nor a member thereof subscribes to and follows the principle He established when He drove the money changers from the temple.

The present German Kaiser is, presumably, a devout church member. At least, the partnership he claims with God in all his state papers, indicates that he is. At the same time he is permitting his undersea boats and his airships to ruthlessly murder women and children; and he permits his soldiers to murder and mutilate little children in territory he is in temporary possession of. He drives the citizens of captured territory into slavery, and permits, aye, doubtless secretly instructs, his soldiers to outrage and murder their female captives.

Yet, as heretofore stated, this monster in human form is a devout church member and, no doubt, in his daily prayers calls upon God to aid him in his nefarious designs. Compare such diabolical action with the teachings of the meek and lowly Founder of the Christian religion.

Of all governments the United States comes the nearest to living up to the principles of the Golden Rule. She is the only nation which has never fought a war of aggression. Every foot of land acquired from foreign nations, save that taken from England by the Revolutionary war, has been paid for in hard cash, and the war with Spain was purely philanthropic.

Germany is peopled by church members. They are supposed to be governed by the teaching of Christ. But every action of her people, from the Kaiser down to the soldier in the ranks, is exactly contrary to His teachings. Nor are the other nations engaged at all times Christ-like in their actions, though the Huns are, far and away, the most

cruelly barbarous. Yet all of these nations are called Christian.

The church has wandered far from the teachings of the Meek and Lowly One and this great deluge of blood is the result. No, true Christianity is not a failure, but the church as a civilizer and a teacher of the principles of the Golden Rule, is a total and most ignominious failure. The church, like world politics, needs a great deal of revising.

THE NEXT LIBERTY LOAN

The third and by far the largest Liberty Loan is now about at hand. Preparations for the drive in the way of districting the state and the appointment of a committee for every locality are now being made. On the first page of this paper will be found the personnel of the various committees for the Scio country.

Linn County is expected to raise \$1,000,000. Coming just at tax-paying time makes the situation more grave. It means that the portion pro rata for each family in the county is nearly \$100. Many families cannot spare this amount of money, for they haven't it, while others can spare many times this amount.

The Liberty Loan is not a gift. It is an investment which will bring in a fair interest return with no risk of loss. These Liberty bonds are negotiable and can be used as collateral security at your bank.

While you may consider it a hardship to be, practically, forced to make a loan to the Government, just remember, that in making the loan you are doing your bit towards lifting the Kaiser. Also, you are not making anything near the sacrifice the soldier boy who goes to France is making. The money thus provided will be used to pay these boys who will go over the top; to put a good gun in his hands and to provide food for him; to build ships to carry, mayhap, your boy over there, and to carry food to him. We are drafting our young men to fight the battle of democracy and we may consider that our money is being drafted to support them.

But when we consider that the loan is a first-class investment and that it is to be used as a protection for our homes, the hardship sinks into insignificance. We insure our homes and business properties because we think it pays to do so. We do not get interest on the money we pay for insurance. We simply class money thus paid as an expense of the business. The Liberty Loan is an insurance for our homes, our Nation and our national freedom.

What would be the result if we failed to provide men and guns and the necessary munitions? We now know that the Huns aim to make the United States pay her war debt and she will do it, too, unless we throw the entire resources of the Nation of men and money into the balance. Our safety and the safety of the world depends upon the destruction of the Hun militaristic autocracy.

So, reader, prepare yourself to do your bit. It is a duty which simply must be done and we cannot avoid it. You may think that you cannot possibly spare the money. You may not think you can make this or that sacrifice. But you can and you will feel all the better for having done your duty. You will simply have to economize a little closer. Moreover, you better perform this duty willingly, else you may, like your boy, be drafted into doing your bit.

CO-OPERATION

Every great undertaking which is accomplished, is the result of co-operation. Any business which employs men, to be successful must have their loyal co-operation. Even

the small farmer, who does his own work largely, must have the co-operation of his wife and children to succeed. There must be team work in which every man or woman employed and in which the employer and the employed have confidence in each other to reach any measure of success.

Socialism is based upon the largest possible co-operation. That is to say, they want all of the people composing our Government to become a vast co-operative body in which profiteering will be entirely eliminated. But until this broad co-operation can be brought about, smaller co-operations, as both a system of education and of profit, can be safely undertaken. All that is required is a confidence in the honesty of your neighbor and a reasonably efficient management and the enterprise, whatever it may be, is an assured success.

Over in Albany a co-operative creamery has been in successful operation for several years. While the patrons, who are not stockholders, get but the market price for their butter fat, the stockholder gets several cents more per pound than the market indicates. The profits which the commercial creameries make go into the pockets of these stockholders. And as the Albany creamery requires that cream brought to it be in prime condition, her butter is gilt edge and sells higher in the market than that of almost any other creamery in the state.

Scio people will, doubtless, soon have an opportunity to engage in a co-operative milk products concern, and on a basis much below the cost of constructing and equipping the plant. It now seems certain that our condensery will soon be thrown into bankruptcy, when a sale of the property will soon follow.

Why not organize a co-operative company and be ready to purchase the property when the sale is made? If to the condensing plant, butter making and cheese making plants be added, then the milk could be converted into either of the three manufactured products, whichever there was the best demand for. Just at the present time the market for condensed milk seems to be somewhat glutted, but the demand for butter and cheese seems good. A three-fold plant, if in operation, would not be handicapped with this glut.

Think of this matter, farmers. You may never have another opportunity to engage in a co-operative plant of this character as now. Our farmer friends over in the vicinity of Albany have made a success of their creamery. Why may not you succeed equally well here? The Tribune believes the farmers and business men of Scio and vicinity are just as bright, intelligent and as good business men as are our Albany friends. With confidence in the honesty of your neighbor and reasonable skill in operating the plant, there is every assurance that the enterprise would pay.

Relative to a statement The Tribune heard concerning the desire of certain Jefferson people to move our condensery to that place, the statement was made to us by Manager Cornwall of the condensery. True, this writer was not at the Scio creditors' meeting. Had we been there we probably would not have stated the matter so baldly. The Jefferson creditors were loyal to a man to the trustee plan and we are glad to make due apology to them.

By the way, what has become of that one-time prevalent idea "My boy was not born to be a soldier"? It seems to have been relegated to the shades of obscurity from whence, let us hope, it will never be resurrected.

How fortunate it is that the United States has not now a James Buchanan for President.

Local Market Report

Wheat per bushel	\$ 1.90
Oats "	.95
Bran per ton	40.00
Oat chop "	74.00
Barley Chop "	55.00
Flour per sack	2.65
Eggs per dozen, cash	.31
Butter fat per lb	.54
Chickens, hens per lb	.25
" broilers "	.24
" roasters "	.24
Turkeys "	
Geese "	
Ducks "	.22
Beef "	.05-.08
Veal "	.18
Hogs, live per hundred lb	15.85
Hogs, dressed "	.19
Mutton "	11.00

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Summons

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Linn Department No. 2.

Edith F. Martin, Plaintiff
vs.
Frank R. Martin, Defendant

To Frank R. Martin, the above named defendant.

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled court, now on file with the Clerk of said Court, on or before the 30th day of March, 1918, and you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint, as is hereby required, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in her complaint, to-wit: For the dissolution of the marriage contract now existing between plaintiff and defendant and for the costs and disbursements of this suit to be taxed.

This summons is served upon you by publication, by an order duly made by the Honorable D. B. McKnight, Judge of the County Court for Linn County, Oregon, which order bears date of the 7th day of February, 1918, and published in The Scio Tribune, the first publication to be made on the 14th day of February, 1918 and the last publication thereof to be made on the 28th day of March, 1918.

Weatherford & Wyatt
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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