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## NEW RELIGION IS SEEN BY PASTOR

### Individuals Will Work Out Their Own Salvation, Says University Head.

Kansas City, Mo.—Taking for his theme "The Future of Religion in America," Dr. A. Ross Hill, president of the University of Missouri, in a speech at Westminster Forum, declared that religion evolved; that it now is undergoing the third and most important phase of its evolution; that creeds, rituals and dogmas must and will be swept away; that a new religion is springing into life, which will be known as practical christianity, and that this new religion will be a religion of the spirit, which will assign to each individual the working out of his own salvation, that he may not only have life, but in the words of Jesus, "have life more abundantly."

Dr. Hill's audience, many of whom were ministers, applauded vigorously his rather brief speech and afterwards asked many questions concerning the application of this new religion in the church and in every day life.

"The three stages in the development of religion may be compared to the three stages in the development of the individual mind," Dr. Hill said.

"In the individual mind we have first credulity in the child, which accepts without question the points of view of others; second, the period of doubt, when the mind questions the statements of others as to what life is, sometimes sneers, and often develops a skepticism that may assume a form of philosophy, generally of an agnostic form. The third stage is faith, or conviction.

"The first period in the evolution of religion was the stage of rituals,

## JORDAN ITEMS

Mrs. A. Shelton of Lyons, visited at the home of her son, Harve, last Friday and Saturday.

Alvin and Maurice Balsiger of White Salmon, Wash., are visiting their brother George here.

Miss Bethel Lewis returned to her home in Portland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Witting were Salem visitors two days last week.

Earle Phillips returned from San Antonio, Texas, Saturday. He has been serving Uncle Sam.

Mrs. T. Lackner was taken to the Scio hospital Monday.

Mrs. Peter Bilyeu, who has been ailing, is some better.

Thursday, while hauling hay from the Schneider farm, J. H. Wortman and Charles Barrett decided to rush matters and capsize a load in a mud hole near Barrett's barn. Charley went with the hay and cut his hand a little on the barbed wire fence, but J. H., had a vision and wasn't riding at the time.

## OREGON MIST.

as when primitive man conceived of God either as a mild and kindly father, or more often as a great natural power to which offerings and sacrifices must be made. The second period was the stage of dogma or belief, as in the Hebrew religion, which taught that God was more interested in righteousness and in right living than in burnt offerings. In this stage from which we are just passing, the church has assumed to know a great deal—that the earth was flat—that the earth was the center around which other planets revolved—that the world was created in six days—and that all in the bible was truth and that there was no truth outside of the bible. The arrogance of dogma has hastened the downfall of this second stage.

"Then came the scientists with their historical investigation of the bible. The sciences have changed religion and opened our eyes, brot from beneath the creeds under which it has been burned, and it now stands forth glorified in its third stage as the religion of spirit. The true religion will deal with the realities of life, where dogma dealt with nothing but theories.

"The spiritual religion will need a social organization, for spiritual experience is social experience of the human mind and should be shared with others. The church is not dead nor dying—it is only dropping the shell of dogma and taking on new life. The spirit of our preachers is showing a tendency to get life more abundantly and the decline of doctrinal teaching.

"The church must be rebuilt and consider itself a social institution. Spiritual religion will be non-sectarian—creeds separate people. Sects have been disappearing. There will be no room for sectarianism in the new religion and with its decline the opportunity of the new movement is approaching. Sects are based upon petty differences of viewpoint.

"Spiritual religion is in essence democratic in that it recognizes the essential work of the individual soul. The new religion can recognize no authority except human experience.

## Hospital Notes

Mike Deutsch, who suffered from a broken hip, is able to be up on crutches and will soon go home.

Joseph Fink of Bilyeu Den, who was operated on, is doing as well as could be expected.

Aaa P. Hiron will soon be able to leave the hospital for his home.

Tony Shindler of Providence, who was operated on for appendicitis and abscess, is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Orville Downing entered the hospital Monday. She has a fine girl baby and is doing nicely.

Mrs. Lackner of Jordan, entered the hospital Monday for surgical work.

Butler Delashmut, who was seriously injured in an auto wreck, will have the plaster cast removed this week and it is hoped the bones have united and he may be able to go home.

Every available room in the hospital is full at present, but two patients will probably leave by Saturday.

Dr. W. H. Davis of Albany, was assisting Dr. Prill at the hospital last Friday.

Dr. W. H. Dale of Harrisburg, was assisting Dr. Prill Wednesday at the hospital.

## Card of Thanks

I desire to tender my most sincere thanks to my friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy during the sickness, death and burial of my beloved wife, and especially for the many beautiful floral offerings.

A. SHANKS.

## Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Forks of Santiam National Farm Loan Association was held February 1 and following officers elected: Directors—Mrs. B. M. McLain, W. A. Gilkey, Frank A. Pietrok, Cora M. Smith, George C. Miller.

President, Mrs. McLain; vice-president, G. C. Miller; secretary-treasurer, G. H. Smith; loan committee, Gilkey, Pietrok; Miller, with J. L. Oglesbee and Leonard Gilkey alternates.

Loans amounting to \$69,325 have been made to farmers.

## At The Peoples Theatre

Saturday and Sunday nights Manager Wesely will present Charles Ray in "Playing the Game."

Representative D. C. Thoms, who had not been home for two weeks, came up Tuesday evening. He is expecting the fight on the road bonding bill to be a hot one, but that the bill will be passed in some form.

It will continue to be theistic. Naturally, humanitarianism and ethical culture will be identified with the new religion of the spirit. It will continue to be christian because of the omnipotency of the message of Jesus, who said, "The kingdom of heaven is within you." The elimination of sectarianism will permit the teaching of the spiritual religion in the schools."

## SANTIAM FARM TOPICS

Uncle Bill Gilkey was over inspecting our road and raked off all the loose rock. He also fixed up some of the bad chuck holes made by the auto trucks.

Elmer Griffin pulled out Monday for Eastern Oregon where he has a band of bunch grass mustangs. He will herd sheep.

Eldon Griffin has a steady teaming job at the Cottage Farm.

Charles Chrz and son of West Scio came over Sunday to visit with his daughter, Mrs. Ed Kalina.

Mrs. Dan Bilyeu went to Albany Saturday for medical treatment.

Uncle Tom Small is laid up for repairs with lumbago.

George Bilyeu and wife called in at the farm Sunday for a chat and some seed corn.

Who has thoroughbred White Leghorn chickens? I wish 150 eggs to set in March or first of April; or I will buy 100 chicks at two months old. Write or phone Pie Eater.

David Horaburgh and family went to Scio Saturday to visit his mother-in-law, Mrs. Eliza Crabtree. He stabled on the cemetery hill and had to go around by Crabtree, ten miles out of the way.

Billy Kalina has bought Mr. Gilard's 55-acre farm for \$2000.

I have about 350 feet 1-inch galvanized pipe for sale. F. T. Thayer

Our city council has been very quiet of late. It is time to say something.

Carl Cyster motored up from Portland yesterday and will return tomorrow. He reports bad roads.

The Brownsville fruit cannery is to be moved to Corvallis, from indications. Until Lebanon went into the canning business, Brownsville had a good field to draw from. But the building of a cannery in Lebanon cut off this supply and the Brownsville concern simply had to go where it could get fruit and vegetables. Corvallis offered the inducement, hence the move.

Our printer-foreman left for Portland Saturday morning for a two-days' visit, saying he had business to look after. We suspect his best girl had something to do with the business (?) Now hear the printer: "Wrong, professor; there's enough girls—widows, orphans, old maids—right here in Scio to make it unnecessary to have a 'best' girl in Portland or any other town; the only difficulty being in getting one to stick."

Miss Clara Shelton, a saleswoman in the Hibler & Gill store for several years, quit the job last week to accept a new position which, if not more profitable, will be more satisfactory. Miss Clara was a popular saleslady. In the new situation she will change her maiden name for that of a young man who has very recently returned from the army, Mr. Clarence Pepper, and we suspect the happy event is to occur this week as Miss Shelton and Mr. Pepper went to Albany Wednesday morning. At all events The Tribune extends congratulations.

## RED CROSS ACTIVITIES CAUSE OF ROMANCE

### Mrs. Frances Wesely Sends Her Name With Funds to Chicago Relief Society.

Nobody would suspect that Mrs. Frances Wesely would become involved in a war romance. But she has, through the Red Cross activities of our Bohemian fellow citizens.

Mrs. Wesely is a very enthusiastic American citizen. Born and raised in Bohemia, she knows what oppression means. She knew in those days what it meant to bow and scrape to the military oligarchy. They must there submit to the mandates of state and church, enforced by the military power.

But the Weselys refused to be bound down by kings and military satraps. They emigrated to America where they had heard that men were free from both church and state oppression.

The Weselys came first to Chicago then to Kansas, where Mr. Wesely died. Then the mother and most of the children came to Oregon and to Scio, where the family now all grown, are engaged in business.

Mrs. Wesely, in her Red Cross activities, placed her name in some of the supplies and this name came under the observation of Chas. Pietka, a member of the Canadian army for three years, who wrote to Mrs. Wesely and a regular correspondence resulted.

Mr. Pietka was two years oversea and went through the many battles in which the Canadian boys rendered valuable service, and has now been honorably discharged. He is now on a visit to his unknown correspondent, arriving Sunday.

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