

### SLIGHT OF HAND USED TO TEACH SIN'S HANDICAP

Palm Sunday was fittingly observed at the First Methodist Episcopal church yesterday, and was what some of the members characterized as one of the greatest days in the history of the organization.

The day began with a Children's decision day service at the Sunday school hour. The feature of this service was a magically illustrated talk by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Sannett, which was designed to show the boys and girls the handicap of sin.

It wasn't a matter of extracting rabbits from a high hat, although the youngsters had reason to believe that Mr. Sannett could have done so had he essayed the task. Nor was it a matter of conjuring things of one kind and another from the camouflage of the magician's environment—not that kind.

But to begin at the beginning it should be said that for a month Rev. Sannett has been delivering Sunday school talks which he has illustrated by feats of magic, among his paraphernalia being a canister into which objects are placed or from which

withdrawn. This canister is used to represent a human heart. So when he began his talk, he observed that "we have this fellow with us again this morning."

**Part of Chain of Sin**

Holding up a common link for identification Rev. Mr. Sannett told his audience it was a part of a chain of sin, and a black ring which he produced he said held together the chains of sin and so shackled the victim that he had no chance of attaining the best in life. These were placed in the canister, and successively other links were held up, identified as a specific kind of sin by the young people, and duly deposited with the statement that sin has a way of getting into the heart. The "human heart" was figuratively bulging

with links and rings bearing bar names. Little white lies that grow into big black lies were deposited along with hate and gambling and swearing and stealing. One link called disobedience was thought to be a pretty bad sin when practiced against father or mother, or the laws of the state or of God. As each link was brought forth, the youngsters continued to christen it with evil appellations. Cruelty as to kicking dogs and killing birds found a place beside anger and jealousy. Sometimes two or three links were joined together, purporting to show that one sin leads to another, and ultimately all the links of sin in the heart are joined together.

**How One Is Handicapped**

Present! Forth from the canister,

la Herman the Great, the minister drew a chain, a veritable shackles in length, with all the links securely fastened together. He then had three boys from the audience come up and shackle his legs, hands and neck with the long chain, securely fastening the chain with two heavy padlocks. "You will have a hard time getting thru life this way" observed Mr. Sannett as he tried to walk and move about. "You cannot climb the ladder of success" he said. "If your will is shackled with sin. If one is manacled by the power of sin there is no earthly power can free you. The only way is to ask God to take away your sin and pray His forgiveness. The chain of sin is not yet very long in the hearts of you boys and girls, and I want you to give your lives to Christ before you do become hopelessly bound by the fetters of evil."

Here the minister knelt as to demonstrate the penitence attitude, and praying for deliverance, the chains magically fell from his neck and hands and feet, and rattled to the floor. As he arose he repeated the words of scripture, "Whom the Son makes free is free indeed."

An audience which taxed the capacity of the auditorium at the morning service heard the Palm Sunday sermon on "The Triumphant March of Christ Thru the Centuries." An equally large congregation was in attendance upon the evening service when Rev. Sannett preached on "Why You Owe Allegiance to Christ."

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Experienced men are visiting the well quite often and all pronounce the outlook first-class. The well is 17 hundred feet above sea level, two hundred feet higher than Medford. The roads are in good condition and the oil company will be glad to have you visit the well any time. Mr. Morris, the head driller, is genial and good natured about answering inquiries.

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### OBITUARY

**FERGUSON**—Juliet Ferguson died at her home, 720 West 11th St., Sunday, March 28, 1920. Aged 68 years two months, 16 days, from infirmities due to old age. She was a native of Illinois, and with her daughter came to Medford in January, 1894 from Topeka, Kansas. She leaves to mourn her loss one son and one daughter, Wm. H. Ferguson of La-dore, Colo., and Elizabeth Ferguson of Medford. Funeral services will be held at her home Monday at 4 p. m. Judge Crowell will conduct the services. Interment in the Medford I. O. O. F. cemetery.

**EADS**—James Shannon Eads died at Sacred Heart Hospital Sunday, March 28, at the age of 66 years 11 months and 22 days. He was born at Lawrenceburg, Ind., April 6, 1853, was a tinner by occupation and had been a resident of Medford and Talent for the past four years. He leaves to mourn his loss two sons and three daughters, Robert J. Eads and Harry Towsey Eads of Hammond, Ind., Mrs. Hazel V. Helton of Athelstone, Wis., and Miss Mild Eads, and Mrs. Susan Kline of Medford, Ore. Funeral services will be held at Per's Chapel Tuesday, March 30, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Millard officiating. Interment in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

**Card of Thanks**

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