

GOSPEL BY FORCE NOT TRUE GOSPEL STATES SPEAKER

"A union of church and state has been the cause of more trouble, suffering and bloodshed than the great world war of 1914."

This was a statement made by the speaker yesterday at the tent near the city park.

Mr. Thurston claimed the "gospel by force" idea is not the true gospel of Jesus Christ. He stated that "no law, civil or divine, can make a sinner righteous." If sinners can be and are made righteous by law, Christ did not need to die upon Calvary.

After giving several scriptural texts in proof that the church was given the "word and the Holy Spirit for her weapons," and that with these she wins her battles against evil of this world, he declared "Christ never gave his church a sword of steel, but he did tell Peter to put up his sword, when he attempted to defend his Lord."

In part the speaker said, "When the apostles had all passed away, the church gained in numbers. During the first three centuries, three million were put to death by the Roman Empire. A large part of the church then left the plain teaching of the word of God, and lost the power of the Holy Spirit. She forsook the sword of the spirit given by her Lord. Having lost her heavenly power, she sought and gained the civil power. This was accomplished in a large measure by means of Sunday legislation."

"The church of that plan was not to give men physical rest. First, the law forbade labor. Next play was forbidden. A man could neither work nor play. It is plain that the whole plan was to compel people to go to church. This was done later by civil law. With a union of church and state, the world was filled with woe for twelve hundred and sixty long, dreary years."

"The American idea is that the dictates of conscience are sacred. The only limit is that a man shall respect the equal rights of his neighbor."

"We have been prosperous and happy for near a century and a half under our constitution which was made to protect every citizen. Before congress three Sunday bills have been placed. Many petitions have been sent out by church people, urging congress to pass these measures."

"When America shall have a union of church and state by means of Sunday legislation, there will be an exact image of what was produced in the third and fourth centuries. Christ said 'My kingdom is not of this world,' and 'If any man hear my word and believe not, I judge him not, but to leave the world.' No fine or imprisonment for the violation of Sunday or Sabbath laws will convert a sinner. It is just as proper to pass an ordinance to compel men to pray as to pass a Sunday law. Both are religious."

The subject this evening at the Big Tent, "The True and False Churches."

G. Codding Shows He's a Good Sport In Spite of Defeat

George Codding of Medford made a graceful and sportsmanlike announcement when he moved that the vote for George Wilbur of Hood River, for commander, be made unanimous.

"I am not going to holler about being beaten—I'm a democrat and used to it," he said. "But I do object to the actions of those who picked my opponent."

One might have heard a pin drop on the convention floor. Delegates breathlessly awaited what threatened to be an injection of bitter personalities into the fight. Codding's face was set and grim.

"They picked too darned good a man," he concluded, and applause poured out. "I do not know a man to whom I would rather lose than George Wilbur."

Nomination speeches for the office of commander and vice-commander were made by Harold Warner of Pendleton, Robin Day of Salem, Stanley Myers of Portland and W. K. Wright of Albany.—Portland Oregonian.

Se Fare in Effect.

CLEVELAND, July 31.—Street car fare on all city street car lines will be five cents instead of six commencing tomorrow morning. Cleveland railway officials announced today one cent charge for all transfers will continue in effect.

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TEACHING STAFF ASHLAND HIGH IS DESIGNATED

ASHLAND, July 31.—This early in the season the personnel of the teaching corps of the local public schools has been designated, subject to a few minor changes always of record by the time the term begins in September. Including the superintendent, the list of instructors numbers forty. Some familiar faces will be missed at the opening of the term, notably Mrs. Kathryn Miller Umphlette and Principal Wilson, both of Junior high. Quite a few changes in other departments will also be noticeable. Miss Florence Allen has been promoted to the principalship of Junior high, a well merited compliment due to efficient service.

George A. Briscoe is superintendent; B. C. Forsythe, principal of high school; La Myers, principal of Hawthorne; Florence Allen, principal of Junior high. Other instructors are as follows:

High school—Walter Hughes, Callie Vogel, Evangeline Poley, Minnie Poley, Leota Rogers, Geraldine Ruch, Marie Hildings, Grace Hawyard, Phil B. Hall, Alice D. Heyes, Leona Marsters, Amy Stifle, Mabel Bay.

Junior high school—Ethel Reid, Sue Thimm, Caribel Morehouse, Elsie Howell, Winifred Spencer, Dorothea Abraham, Leonilla Smith.

Hawthorne and Junior grades—Edythe Stevenson, Buenna Temple, Mildred Millon, Sarah Williamson, Emma Kelting, Ruth Pearl Davis, Vera Zinn, Vera Mannel, Mabel M. Ely, Ella Lischefsky, Edna Kennedy, Vetric McCredie, Hazel Bruner, Lyle Gregory, Isabella Wattenbarger.

W. H. McNair is president of the school board, other members being Mrs. Rosa Dodge Galey, V. O. N. Smith, Dr. W. E. Buchanan, and Homer Billings. Fred S. Engle is clerk.

FORUM LUNCHEON NOON TOMORROW

The regular weekly forum luncheon of the Medford chamber of commerce will be held on Tuesday this week instead of on Wednesday. It is impossible for Mr. A. N. Farmer, who is to address the members, to be here on Wednesday and as he has an exceedingly interesting subject, which he has consented to present, the forum date was advanced a day.

The directors of the chamber had the opportunity to hear Mr. Farmer the other day and at their solicitation and because of requests of members interested in the movement of the American Yeoman's Children's Home, Mr. Farmer was prevailed upon to speak at the forum.

The luncheon at the Medford hotel will begin promptly at noon.

BIG FISH CAUGHT IN ROGUE RIVER SUNDAY

J. H. Neiboyer and Henry Woolf and families were camping on the Rogue about a mile south of the bridge on the Crater lake road over the week end. Sunday morning Mr. Neiboyer caught a Chinook salmon with a spoon hook that weighed 37 pounds and dressed 31 pounds, also a steel head that weighed 73 pounds, dressed. Another Chinook salmon weighing 30 pounds was caught in the same water.



Agnes Ayres Coming.

A play that has never failed to thrill American audiences, is George Broadhurst's "Bought and Paid For." And now the William de Mille screen version of it, which comes to the Page theatre tomorrow matinee for a four-days' engagement, probably will thrill them even more effectively.

So well known is the story of this popular play that to repeat it seems quite superfluous. It need only be said that the picture follows the story of the play with faithful exactitude, diverting only in those slight instances where diversion meant betterment.

For its direction, the picture could not have been in abler hands than those of William de Mille. Heading a popular cast are the popular stars Agnes Ayres and Jack Holt, each possessing a creditable host of laurels. In their support are such favorites as Walter Hiers, the rotund comedian, Leah Wyant and George Kuwa.

"The Bearcat" at Rialto. Hoot Gibson didn't get enough excitement out of winning the world's championship in cowboy stunts. In several rodeos, so he went into the gentle death game of auto racing. When that palled he went into pictures for a real thrill.

"The Bearcat," now at the Rialto theatre, is his latest combination of nerve and acting. It is a film drama of the West—in the part where guns are still popular and sneaks highly unpopular.

F. R. Buckley's story on which the picture is based was written for a Western Magazine.

PRIZE WINNERS AT STATE FAIR TO EXHIBIT HERE

The coming Jackson county fair on the new fair grounds in September is attracting wide attention all over the state and in northern California, and letters of inquiry from breeders of livestock and probable entries in agricultural lines are coming in daily.

The River Banks Farm in Josephine county, famed as one of the leading Guernsey cattle and Berkshire hog breeders of the northwest, and which captured prizes at the state fair and Pacific Livestock Exposition in recent years will have a large exhibit at the local fair, as witness the letter of inquiry just received from the farm by Clyde E. Miles, to County Agent Cate:

"Upon receipt of your recent letter I went out and put an extra curl in the old boar's tail and told him to fill out and we could step out again with the aristocracy in Josephine and Jackson counties."

"We will come with about eleven Guernseys and twenty-three Berkshires, and will need seven double stalls for cattle and 11 pens for the Berkshires. In addition to this we are going to ask your association for one free stall in each of the Guernsey and Berk sections for use as headquarters for our farm where our men can sleep and where we can arrange some chairs, a lounge, etc."

"I wish you would get me a letter from your association granting us this concession. It is a pretty expensive trip for the premium paid, and

if we get "trimmed" we shall need all the free stuff we can get. "Also, can we get some dairymen near there to bring us enough slugs every day to feed our cattle stuff? If that can be arranged we shall not have to break them over onto beet pulp. Could you call someone up and get us a price on this?"

RELIGIOUS FAITH IS FOE OF OLD AGE

CHICAGO, July 31.—Samuel DeGrossky, aged 108, died here yesterday. "Eat carefully, drink only moderately, let smoking and chewing alone; above all else be faithful to your religion," was the advice he was fond of offering to his seven children, 45 grand children and 27 great grand children.

Civil War Veteran Dies. WASHINGTON, July 31.—Brigadier General Oliver Lyman Spaulding, former assistant secretary of the treasury and for many years prominent in public affairs in Michigan, died yesterday at his home here, aged 89. General Spaulding served throughout the Civil War with the 23rd Michigan infantry.

Senator Crowe Very Low.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., July 31.—United States Senator William Crowe, who has been very ill at his summer home in the mountains near here, suffered a relapse late yesterday and his physicians said his condition today was grave.

To save space a tea wagon has been designed with two small trays, one above the other, instead of a single large one.

WARN OREGONIANS AGAINST FAKE LAND SCHEMES IN S. A.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Warning against unofficial promoters of colonization schemes in South America was issued today by the commerce department, which added that such promoters have been particularly active in the western states.

Many Americans going to South America as colonists have found that they have invested their savings in land in the remote wilderness, the department said.

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Coolidges Visit Boston

SWAMPSCOTT, Mass., July 31.—Vice President and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge who arrived in Boston yesterday from Washington were guests today of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Stearns at Little's Point. They are to remain there until they leave for Los Angeles, Friday.

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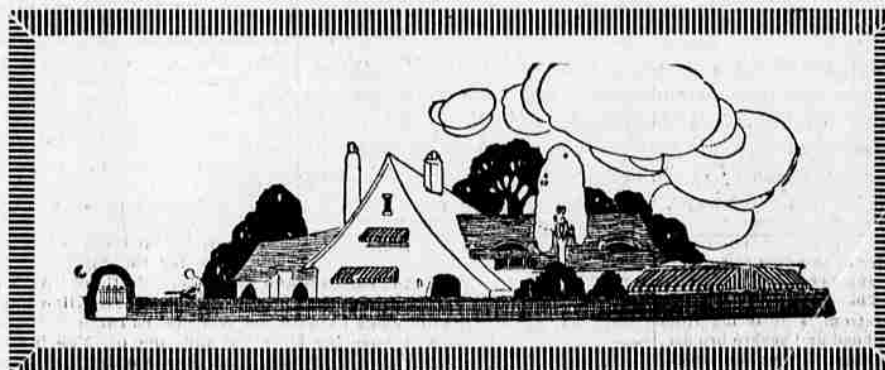
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