

County Library Offers Selection Of Books for Spiritual Season

The past week marked the beginning of another Lent, a period observed by most Christians as a time of spiritual study and discipline.

The Jackson County library offers to both Catholic and Protestant readers a selection of books intended to inspire and assist with the special devotions of the season.

A particularly appropriate volume recently received is G. E. Thomas' "Daily Meditations on the Seven Last Words." It offers readings for each week based on one of Jesus' words from the cross. Another recent acquisition suitable for Lenten reading is "Approach to Penance," by Hubert Van Zeller. This is a guide to the theory and practice of the virtue of penance rather than to the sacrament and places its emphasis on the positive meaning of penance.

There could be no better book for Lenten use," said one reviewer of Archie Matson's "A Month With the Master," a handbook for spiritual growth. Many readers have found rewarding the mental and spiritual exercises offered by James A. Pike in his book, "The Next Day."

"Man's First Love," by Ralph W. Sockman is a thorough and compelling study of worship that justifies a second and a third reading to some. "A Simple Guide to Prayer," by John Underwood Stephens is recommended for Lenten reading, as rewarding alike to those who cannot pray and to those who have always prayed. "Prayer in Practice," by Romano Guardini, leads the beginner through every stage of the

spiritual life. It teaches how to persevere in prayer in spite of aridity.

Offers Contemplation
"The Lord's Prayer," by the same author, offers contemplation and comment on each petition of the familiar prayer.

Prayers for every day and all occasions will be found in Samuel H. Miller's compilation of "Prayers for Daily Use." Reviewers submit that a study of this book would enrich the prayers of all Protestant clergy. There is an expressed need for a book such as "Grow in Grace," by Grace and Adrian Paradis, by those who are increasingly convinced of the value of family prayer.

The library includes a number of lives of Christ. Recently published is Fulton John Sheen's "Life of Christ," which is actually not so much a "life" as a series of homilies suggested by events in that life.

Jim Bishop's account of "The Day Christ Died" is a devout and faithful hour-by-hour account of that most dramatic day.

Words and Examples
Drawing on the words and examples of Christ during the 40 days following the resurrection, Caryl Householder, in "The Risen Christ," makes a sensitive and unusual application of a theological reality to the usual realities of daily life.

"The Touch of the Master's Hand," by Charles Allen was written to show that the spiritual presence of Christ in the world today is still at work, healing the sick in body and mind. Nels Ferre's

"Christ and the Christian" is a fully developed study for both theologian and lay reader. "Christ Be With You," by W. R. Bowie, commends itself to all Protestant Christians seeking to deepen their devotional life.

Books on religious subjects suitable for Lenten reading are available at all community agencies of the Jackson County library. A special browsing section of devotional books has been arranged at the Medford Public library headquarters.

Draft boards processed 4.8 million men in World War II.

Stricter Rules on Jobless Payments Provided in Bill

Salem—(UPI)—Stricter rules for disqualification of persons drawing unemployment benefits from the state are provided for in a bill presented to the Senate by the Committee on Labor and Industries.

Under the proposed change, any individual who leaves work to which he has been assigned by the Unemployment Commission to get married will be disqualified for four weeks.

A pregnant woman who leaves work will be disqualified during the week she left work with the provision that the disqualification would not end until six weeks after her pregnancy terminated.

In cases where a worker is disqualified for misconduct or leaves a job without a good

cause, or refuses to accept a work assignment without sufficient cause, he would be disqualified under this law for at least four weeks.

The Labor and Industries Committee introduced another bill authorizing the Unemployment Commission to appropriate not more than \$1 million from its funds for construction of a building for use of the Commission and its employees.

A companion bill would authorize the Commission to acquire a building for use as a local office in various parts of the state.

The Senate passed a bill repealing a 1957 law authorizing the State Board of Control to change the uses of any of Oregon's three tubercular hospitals.

Sen. Alfred Corbett (D-Portland), co-chairman of the

Joint Ways and Means Committee, said the attorney general had ruled that this law was unconstitutional on the grounds that the Legislature could not delegate its power to the Board of Control.

He said at a later date, the Board of Control would bring legislation designating the closure of one of the three tubercular hospitals. He declined to state which one would be recommended for closure—Salem, The Dalles or Portland.

Sen. Andrew Naterlin (D-Newport) explained another bill. This would amend a bill setting up the membership of the State Sanitary Authority. His proposal would change the bill to provide a member of the Fish Commission in place of the chairman would serve on the authority and

a member of the State Game Commission also would be named by the governor.

This would provide seven members on the authority in place of six. Other designated members are the state health officer, the state engineer and three members appointed by the governor.

The bill passed without a dissenting vote. Another fish bill passed amends a present law making it unlawful to destroy salmon by designating in the law, striped bass, shad, sturgeon and other fish.

A memorial was adopted urging President Eisenhower to use every effort to complete a treaty with a Japanese government prescribing the maximum amount of salmon which may be taken annually off the North Pacific coast by fisheries of Ja-

pan and the United States. The memorial further urged that all North Pacific nations be urged to enter such negotiations and cooperate in the establishment of a treaty.



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