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## 'Open Forum

Editor Gate City Journal.—It has been well said that man is incurably theological. Anyone who thinks at all will presently find himself reflecting on things concerning his origin, his death and the probability of a conscious hereafter. His cogitations inevitably lead to thoughts of a Supreme Power in the universe. He has become a theologian.

In this natural craving of man for knowledge pertaining to God and in his desire to know his own proper place in the Creator's scheme, is to be found the explanation of the deep interest the public invariably evinces in theological questions.

When, therefore, we see Mr. W. J. Bryan so wrought up over the latest theological war that he deserts, for a time, his beloved Chautauqua platform in order to give wordy battle to those of his fellow churchmen who uphold the theory of evolution, we are not

surprised that the daily press gives much attention to the proceedings.

Mr. Bryan is a fundamentalist. He believes the Mosaic account of creation to be correct. The story of Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden must be accepted as it stands. To think otherwise is heresy. To him the evolution of an organism from one form to another is nonsense. The belief of present day scientists that the higher forms of life have been developed from low organisms is absurd, because it brings visions to his mind of early ancestors gaily sporting themselves in the tall tops of coconut trees.

The fundamentalist belief that evolution in every form is foreign to the Bible is a mistaken one. Several examples of evolution are to be found in the Scriptures. For the sake of brevity we will mention but two.

First, let us see how man's idea of God has undergone evolution, and that through God's own revelations of Himself in the Bible.

The earliest Scriptures reveal a God of war, terrible in battle and in peace, greatly to be feared.

A few centuries later we find this conception of Him to be greatly modified. He has now become a God of justice.

Still later on we find Him, not as a stern judge dispensing justice, but as a God of mercy, a kind father of his children; and finally we see in the light of the New Testament that he is a God of love. If this is not evolution what is it?

Second—Take the case of the church. From its earliest beginning to the present time the church has been subject to a continual series of changes—everyone of them leaving it different and, let us hope, better than it was before. The church of the first century was a very different institution from that of the tenth century; and that of today bears little resemblance to either. The evolution has been so complete that the simple primitive church of the Apostles can be recognized in the church of today only

by a violent effort of the imagination. If the evolutionary hypothesis is true the facts will not be altered by any resolutions its opponents may pass denying it.

The earth still makes its journeys round the sun despite the edicts of infallible ecclesiastical authority to the contrary; it still maintains its spherical form in defiance of the bulls of the highest church dignitaries.

Let the facts be broadcasted to the world. The truth will injure no good cause.

SPEATATOR

## What's the Answer?

"No man hath ascended up to heaven but he that came down from heaven even the Son of Man which is in heaven." John 3:13.

"And it came to pass, as they still went on and talked, that, behold there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. 2 Kings 2:11. See also Genesis 5:24.

## Polo Tournament

Boise will hold its annual Polo Tournament and Horse Show this year from May 30 to June 10 inclusive. Those in charge say that it will be one of the best tournaments ever staged in Boise. Four Ninth Corps Area Army teams will compete for the championship of that area and these teams, together with the Boise polo team, will compete for the Northwest polo championship. A series of games for a trophy will also be played between the Boise Freebooters and a civilian team from Gooding, Idaho.

## Stores Will Close

Nyssa stores and other business houses will close on Memorial Day, Wednesday, May 30. This will allow all an opportunity to observe the day in a proper manner.

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## COMMUNITY CHURCH NOTES

The Sunday evening service will be given over to the contest for Bible story telling. The service will begin promptly at 8 o'clock with a song service. Instead of the regular sermon the young folk who have entered in the Bible story telling contest will tell their story. Each story is to be not less than five minutes and not more than ten minutes and to be told in their own words. Those who have so far entered are:

Story of Moses—Mildred Long.  
Story of Sampson—Virginia Thompson.

The First Christmas—Thelma Thompson.

The Good Samaritan—Nellie DeVries.  
Lazarus Raised From the Dead—Grace Warren.

Neah and the Ark—Ruth Reberger.  
Adam and Eve—Ruth Shelton.

The Boy Jesus in the Temple—Georgia Thompson.

Daniel in the Lion's Den—Ada Playlock.

David and Goliath—Verna Thompson.

A very cordial invitation is extended to all to attend this service.

## William McDonald

### Elected Sergeant

O. A. C. Corvallis, May 22.—Wm. McDonald of Nyssa, sophomore in agriculture at Oregon Agricultural college, has been nominated for the office of sergeant at arms of next year's junior class. The meeting was featured by comedy nominations and numerous withdrawals and declinations. No other nomination was made for sergeant at arms.

The hum of the musical mower is heard throughout the land. From early morn to dewy eve the husbandman guides his sweating steeds around the waving fields of green alfalfa. The operation is being performed a little early this season in the hope of circumventing the malignant machinations of the pestiferous weevil.

Dance Big Bend Park June 1. Good music and floor.

### Nature's Busy Workers.

In the great office of nature there are innumerable departments with endless work going on, and the fine flower that you behold there, gaudily attired and scented like a dandy, is by no means what it appears to be, but rather is like a laborer toiling in the sun and shower, who has to submit a clear account of his work and has no breathing space to enjoy himself in a playful frolic.

### Hanged for Not Drinking.

An old English story tells of a scowder of bawdry who was hanged for leaving his ale. It arises from the story that on the way to the gibbet where Bawdry malefactors executed their crimes it was the custom to halt the procession at one spot, and give the criminal a farewell drink of beer. A saddler, marked for death contemptuously refused the proffered draught and was promptly hanged. By just as many minutes later as he had declined to daily a breathless horseman arrived with a reprieve!

### Atmosphere Above Earth's Surface.

The atmosphere is believed to extend much more than 100 miles above the earth's surface. Its density decreases rapidly for the first few miles of ascent, then much more gradually. From the phenomena of twilight, due to refraction of light, it may be demonstrated that the air extends up to a height of 45 miles; but other phenomena, such as the behavior of meteors and the aurora, show that rare air exists at a much greater height.

### After Studying the Sparrow.

We spend considerable time observing the English sparrows and studying their character and have about reached the conclusion that, even if that well meaning but misguided British cousin had had sense enough not to bring them over, they would have got here somehow anyway.—Ole State Journal.

### On the Way.

The time seems to be coming when those who indulge in luxury and show will be regarded with quite as much suspicion and contempt as was formerly directed toward those who haunted the doors of chicken coops after dark.—Utica Observer.

### Sh! Keep It Dark!

At a recent bar examination a candidate defined law as follows: "Law is the means by which we acquire legal possession of property belonging to another."—Boston Transcript.

## Notice of Hearing of Final Report.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE COUNTY OF MALHEUR.

In the Matter of the Estate of Ernest A. Atwood, Deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that the un-

dersigned, Myron A. Patch, administrator with the will annexed of the Estate of Ernest A. Atwood, deceased, has filed in this court and cause his final report and account, and that the Court has set Monday, the 18th day of June, 1923, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m. at the County Court room in the County Court house at Vale, Malheur County, Oregon, as the time and place at which said final report will be heard, and any parties or persons interested in said Estate may, on or before said date, file any objections in writing to the allowance of said final report and account.

Dated this 16th day of May, 1923.

MYRON A. PATCH,  
Administrator with the Will annexed of the Estate of Ernest A. Atwood, deceased.

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