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We are in receipt of a publication entitled New "Zealand Bible-in-School Bulletin." It is apparently devoted to the spread of propaganda in favor of teaching the Bible in the public schools. It adduces no new arguments in favor of this proposition and as we have in previous issues given a number of reasons why the Bible should NOT be read in the schools we will not at this time enter into argument regarding the matter. Suffice to say that it is merely an attempt to get a sectarian Bible recognized by the state as the true Bible and the religion it teaches as the true religion, with the hope of ultimately making it the state church.

But we do wish to correct a statement in the Bulletin that Moses was the author of the first five books of the Bible. There are references in Genesis that could only have been made by a person who lived hundreds of years after Moses died, showing conclusively that he could not have been the author. The presumption is all against his having written the other four. It would be interesting to know just what basis there is for the claim that Moses was the author of these books. Perhaps the Bible class will enlighten us.

We presume the reason the claim is still made, in the face of its manifest absurdity, is to give the books some standing as being the word of God. To admit that they are anonymous would discredit them. But how any one who believes in God as a just and merciful being can accept those books as being true is incomprehensible. They depict God as being a cruel monster, a demon, who ordered the wholesale slaughter of men, women and children and the turning of young girls over to the soldiers to satisfy their lust. This constitutes a libel on the character of the Almighty that we would suppose those who profess to love Him would be the first to resent. That they don't thus resent merely shows what foolishness, and worse, can get by in the name of religion.

It seems that our request for information regarding Elijah's destination when he made his spectacular departure in the whirlwind will be answered. Our old friend D. MacLafferty has kindly agreed to look into the matter and let us know at an early date. Watch the columns of the Journal for it. We hope that Mr. MacLafferty will also find time from his secular affairs to answer our question as to how the falling of the stars and the darkening of the moon, which occurred a hundred years or so ago, could be a fulfillment of a prophecy regarding the end of the world, when according to at least two of the gospel writers, these signs were not to occur until AFTER the great tribulations which are to immediately precede the end of the world. Does he contend that these tribulations had already occurred, and if so why didn't the world end according to schedule?

Lighthouse Guides Planes

The most powerful lighthouse in the world has been erected on a mountain top near Dijon, France, to serve as a check on location and direction for airplanes.—Science Service.

In—Then Out Again

The objection to an open mind is that convictions get out as fast as new ideas get in.—The Duluth Herald.

Over All  
LEVI STRAUSS  
Waist Overalls  
For Men and Youths  
A new pair FREE if They Rip  
Look for the Two Horses

County P. T. A. News

OFFICERS

Mrs. M. M. Gresling, Nyssa, Pres.  
Mrs. Ralph Haworth, Wade, Vice President.  
Mrs. F. G. Fry, Oregon Trail, Sec.  
Miss Catherine V. Conway, Ontario, Press Chairman.

The semi-annual meeting of the Malheur County branch of the Oregon Congress of parents and teachers met Saturday, November 14, at the Valley View school house, with the county president presiding. The morning session was given over to business and reports. The following committee chairmen were appointed by the president:

Program—Mrs. T. M. Lowe  
Juvenile Protection—Mrs. Wm. Laxon.

Legislation—Mrs. R. R. Overstreet.  
Racial Health—Mrs. C. T. McElroy.  
Membership—Mrs. Bruce R. Kester.  
Press—Miss Catherine V. Conway.

Reports were given by delegates from Valley View, Wade, Kingman, Kolony, Owyhee, Oregon Trail, Big Bend, Vale and Ontario, all of which attended the splendid work being carried on in Malheur county.

The following motions were carried by the assembly: That the County Council furnish one copy of the Child Welfare Magazine to each Circle in the county; that to the officers there be added a chairman of Boys and Girls club work; that the circles for the first of the year pay into the state president's traveling fund what each feels it can afford.

Mrs. Will J. Roberts, on behalf of the county organization, presented to the Wade district a beautiful copy of Millet's picture, "The Angelus" which that district won in the membership contest last spring.

Mrs. Bruce Kester, Ontario's delegate to the state convention, displayed the silver cup which the Ontario circle won in the state membership contest, its gain for one year being 266 per cent. Among the eleven highest districts in the state, four are in Malheur county, Wade with a gain of 164 per cent; Oregon Trail, with a gain of 144 per cent; and Kingman Kolony, with a gain of 140 per cent.

At the close of the morning session the assembly voted unanimously to create the office of advisor to the president and to bestow this, together with a life membership in the association, upon Mrs. T. M. Lowe for her years of faithful and loyal service in P. T. A. work.

The afternoon session opened with the report of Mrs. F. C. Fry, the county delegate to the state convention, who brought a personal message from the state president expressing her appreciation of Malheur county's work and loyal support. Mrs. Fry reported the business sessions of the Convention and emphasized the necessity of each circle's officers answering promptly all letters sent out by the state.

Mrs. Fry's report was followed by that of Mrs. Bruce Kester, retiring district vice president. Mrs. Kester gave the main theme of the convention as the "linking up of the home and the school in matters of education," and it's chief slogan, "Life is not a goblet to be drained, but a measure to be filled with service."

From the address of Miss Mary McSkimmoh, president of the N. E. A., the speaker quoted the following: "Children are better equipped, physically and mentally than in any preceding generation. The faults of discipline, delinquency and weakness are largely traceable to the breaking down of the home."

Mrs. Kester reported that in the various sessions of the convention, stress was laid upon the responsibility of parents as regards juvenile delinquency, and quoted Mayor Baker's address, "Parents should not expect policemen, truant officers and officers of the court to do for their children what parents have failed to do. Lack of supervision of the parents over their children is the greatest cause of juvenile delinquency." The same note was sounded by Judge Jacob Kanzler in his address before the conference of juvenile delinquency. He urged parents not to allow their children to spend the night away from home saying, "Live so close to your children that you know what the child is doing every hour of the twenty-four." To all citizens he gave this

command: "Go study the laws that the state throws about the child for his protection. Then see to it that your officials enforce the laws." He characterized the P. T. A. as the most democratizing force in the world, and the most effective force in solving the problems of juvenile delinquency.

Following Mrs. Kester's report Mrs. Wm. Laxon, retiring program chairman, gave the following list of subjects for study for the year: Child Labor, Kindergarten, Free Text Books, Four H. Club Work and Social Hygiene. To these was later added, at the request of Miss Elinor Davis, county librarian, the subject of Children's reading.

Mrs. J. B. Smith, newly appointed district vice president, outlined her plan for a logical course in the study of the different pamphlets obtained from the state and national organizations.

The principal address of the day was given by Assistant Superintendent Bard of the Boise schools, who announced as his subject "The P. T. A. as a Factor in Community Building." In introducing his subject he gave a brief history of the work of the organization, saying that in the beginning many teachers and superintendents were opposed to the P. T. A. and characterized it as a meddling troublemaker, but as the organization grew there came into being an understanding and cooperation between the home and the school, until now the P. T. A. is one of the most helpful aids in our educational system. The speaker traced the responsibility of parents and teachers through the life of the child and declared that to lack of parental supervision is traceable most of our juvenile delinquency.

Supt. Baird's address closed a very interesting and successful meeting. No little of its success was due to the courtesy and hospitality of the Valley View circle. To the ladies of this circle, especially for the delicious chicken dinner served at noon, the county organization wishes to express its sincere appreciation.

Mrs. (or Mr.) chairman of your local P. T. A., you are interested in P. T. A. work or you wouldn't hold your present office. Show your interest by instructing your secretary to send, immediately following each meeting, an account of what you are doing to the press chairman, Miss Catherine V. Conway, Ontario, Or.

BILL BOOSTER SAYS

"A GOOD WAY TO BE VERY POPULAR AROUND TOWN IS TO PAY YOUR BILLS RIGHT PROMPTLY & YOU MAY MEAN ALL RIGHT, BUT IF YOU DON'T PAY 'EM ON TIME, YOU'RE NOT A GOOD BOOSTER! NO, SIR!"



Hidden Treasures

There is many a rich stone laid up in the bowels of the earth, many a fair pearl laid up in the bosom of the sea, that never was seen and never will be seen.—Exchange.

Subduing Evil

Evil, once fronted, ceases to be evil; there is a generous battle hope in place of dead, passive misery; the evil itself has become a kind of good.—Cartley.

Loss by Electrical Rust

Electrical currents set up by a mixture of air and water cause rust which destroys \$300,000,000 worth of metals every year, recent investigations indicate.—Science Service.

Make This a Happy Christmas  
Let ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES Convey Your Message

Here Are a Few Suggestions

- ELECTRIC WASHERS
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- ELECTRIC IRONS
- AIR HEATERS
- CURLING IRONS
- ELECTRIC TOASTERS
- HEATING PADS
- TREE LIGHTING SETS
- ELECTRIC LAMPS
- AND MANY OTHERS

CHRISTMAS—the gift-giving time of the year—will soon be here and it is well to plan now what your gifts will be.

You will want to remember your loved ones and friends with practical gifts that they may use every day in the year.

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Additional Locals

Miss Bliss Canter spent last week end in Boise visiting her parents.

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Sarazin were in Boise Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McCoy spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Nampa. C. G. Hunt is visiting relatives in Portland this week.

Mrs. George Ward of Payette visited friends and relatives in Nyssa on Wednesday. She was accompanied home by Miss Edith Scott, who has been visiting friends here.

Jack Snider, eighth grade teacher, went to Boise to spend the week.

There has been no school this week owing to a teachers' institute at Vale Monday and Tuesday and the Thanksgiving holiday the remainder of the week.

Mrs. Zena Rambaud and son Frank motored to Boise Saturday and spent the day.

Irene Closson arrived home Saturday and spent the Thanksgiving season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Closson and also incidentally to attend the teachers' institute at Vale this week. She will return to her pedagogical duties at Beulah next Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Slane and little daughter of Boise motored over Sunday to spend the day at the F. R. Marshall home, a pleasing feature of the occasion being that four generations of the Marshall family were represented, Fred heading the list.

Oscar Boyer and family, who are living at Halfway, spent a few days in Nyssa this week with Mr. Boyer's sister, Mrs. Joseph Meyers. Mr. Boyer and his brother are doing contract work at the Coreucopia mine.

District Attorney E. M. Blodgett was transacting legal business in Vale Wednesday.

Paul Orooker spent last week end in Boise buying music for the orchestra. C. F. Eder and family of New Plymouth spent Thanksgiving with friends in Nyssa.

Mrs. A. G. Kingman is leaving this evening for Lewiston, Idaho, to make her home.

For Sale—One Howard Piano, in good condition. L. Phillips.

For Sale—Two heifers, one 13 months old and one 15 month; One a high grade Holstein, the other mixed

Deadly Bowie Knife

The bowie knife is named for Col. James Bowie, who introduced it in Texas. According to one account, Colonel Bowie had occasion to fight with a broken sword and found it so effective that he equipped his men with long dagger-shaped knives. They were, however, sharp on one edge only. Since knives quite similar in design were in use in Mexico it is probable that the idea was gained from them.

Steel Long in Use

Steel has been known from very early times, but where and how it was first manufactured is not definitely recorded. Damascus steel used in making sword blades was known in Oriental countries from a remote period.



FOG-BOUND

A Londoner had occasion to visit Dundee to see a Scotsman on business. During the whole of the time he was there a heavy mist prevailed. On his return his wife asked him what the Scotsman was like.

"To tell you the truth," he replied, "I couldn't see whether he was a tall man with a beard or a short man with a sporan."—Tit Bits.

On Leave

"Madam, could you gimme a piece of pie?"  
"What are you?"  
"I'm a sailor."  
"Then why ain't you at work on a ship?"  
"Ain't you heard of that ten-year naval holiday?"

Short Hours

"Why did Fisher's business go to the dogs?"  
"He thought too much of his personal appearance."  
"Dressed too extravagantly?"  
"No. He neglected his business while waiting his turn in the barber shops."

PROMISES THAT MUCH



Edwin—And we'll be as happy as any married couple that ever lived.  
Angelina—At least as happy as any married couple that ever lived together.

Forbidden Smile

Mirth sinks into a mute repose. Avoiding careless chaff. The funniest things in life are those at which you daresnt laugh!

Subject to Release

She—But, Algy, I'm very cross with you, really! You promised faithfully to bring your engagement ring tonight.  
He—Believe me, dear, I'm sorry. The truth is—the other girl hasn't returned it yet.—Stray Stories.

Saying Good Night

Harry—I'm going to say good night, dearest. I have to get up early in the morning.  
Harry (later)—I'm going to say good night, dearest. I want to get a bite of breakfast before going to work.

For Sale Chean—My 1925 model Ford Fordor Sedan. W. H. Crooker. o302t

Entirely Satisfactory

Mr. Brown looked up from his evening paper as his wife entered triumphantly. There was a smile on her face that he knew from long experience indicated time well spent. "Well, my dear," said he, "did you have a pleasant day?" Mrs. Brown's smile broadened. "Yes, rather," she answered. "I made three friends of enemies and three enemies of friends."

Beauty Before Utility

Stenographers are often engaged for esthetic as well as utilitarian reasons. It is rarely, however, that the latter are completely ignored, as was the case in an advertisement that appeared in a New York newspaper. "Wanted," it read, "a stenographer. Must be good-looking. Knowledge of typing not necessary."

Quickly Gone

"In this life nothing is permanent but change," declares a philosopher. Our change is very fleeting.—Boston Transcript.

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