

Creating Religious Ideals by the Means of the College Church

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 3.—(AP)—“No college community should be inflicted with a rabid fundamentalist for a pastor,” declared Dr. O. E. Goddard of Conway, Arkansas, speaking before the Methodist educational association of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in its seventh annual session here today. Dr. Goddard was discussing “Creating Religious Ideals by Means of the College Church.”

“A pastor with a closed mind and a fanatical heart in a college church,” he continued, “would be an anachronism, a nuisance, a nonentity, a ne plus ultra for nonsense. A bishop who would send such a pastor to a college community should be brought before a lunacy board.”

Dr. Goddard declined a bishopric at the last session of the general conference on the ground that he could render his most effective service as a pastor. He is now pastor in a college community, and has held almost every office in the gift of the church, except that of bishop. He has been pastor, presiding elder, foreign missionary, home missionary, conference and connectional officer, college professor and college president.

The speaker declared that the average freshman comes to college with ideals that need remaking and that the church in a college center, properly organized, can be the mightiest factor in forming the religious ideals of college students. And he told of some of the things which he said were hindering the religious life of students, and described the “model church” as a kind of people’s religious university, where from infancy to old age its members are taught life.

“It is into such a church as this,” he said, “the college freshman needs to come—a church in which applied Christianity is taught and illustrated; a church where all are taught that religion is a life to be lived, not an emotion to be enjoyed; a church in which all are taught that conduct, not creed, is the test of Christianity; a church that does not put undue emphasis on ‘Shall we know each other here?’ but ‘Shall we help each other here?’ but ‘Shall we help each other here?’ a church whose ideal is ‘ser-

vice, and whose teachers are well informed in the new discoveries in psychology and pedagogy.”

“The average freshman comes to college with vague and hazy ideals. Heredity, environment, local schools, local churches, public opinion in the community from which he comes, and other undefinable influences have had their part in forming his ideals.

“He is not so plastic as in former days. He is bolder, franker, and more egotistic than his father when he entered college. If this young American is to be a worthwhile citizen, a Christian, and a real constructive leader, his ideals must be revised, reconstructed, elevated.

“Since religion and life, real life, are almost synonymous, it is but natural that the church should be a strong factor in remaking his ideals. He will likely enter college with a wrong conception of the church. He may hail from a community where religion was emotional and unspiritual, where spirituality was measured by the activity of the lacrimal glands. He may have been impressed that the church is for children, women, and senile men. He may have imbibed the notion that religion is a passport to the beyond, a fire escape from a more torrid climate.

“If the pastors whom he has known were ignorant of the laws of biology, unaware of the scientific slant on all studies of this day, and averse to the historic method of Bible study, and besides all this set themselves up as censors of the faith of all forward looking people and consigned all to the inferno of heretics who did not interpret the Bible as their grandmothers did—if this has been the class of preachers whom he has known, he will soon have, if he has not already, a contempt for the ministry.”

Turning to the type of pastor who should be assigned to the church in the college community, the speaker described him as one who is a gentleman, a scholar, a Christian, one who intellectually is not one whit behind the professors; whose brain is constantly fertilized with new thought and whose heart is constantly fired with new experiences; a man who

practices applied Christianity—such a pastor can reconstruct the ideals of this collegian concerning the ministry.

“The local church in the college community should be a model church. It should demonstrate the most up-to-date methods in all its departments. Effete and antiquated methods are unpardonable. The pastor who uses the methods of 20 years ago is a veritable Rip Van Winkle, and if he must be kept on the effective list, should be as far removed from the college as possible.

“A church of this type can be a mighty factor in the formation of the religious ideals of our freshman. He may go into this church thinking that it is an institution to get him home to heaven, but he will go out of it at the end of four years feeling that it is an agency to establish the Kingdom of God here in this world. He came into it with an individualistic type of religion; he goes out with a social vision. He came into it with an exaggerated notion about creeds and denominational lines; he goes out believing in unity in essentials, liberty in non-essentials; a citizen of the world with world-wide sympathies.

“Nothing short of a model church can render this kind of service. Nothing short of a model church should satisfy the college community.”

Banker’s Child Dead in Ice Cream Mystery.

Charlotte Observer.

A dish of ice cream is believed to have been responsible for the death Monday of Richard David Abernethy, 27-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Abernethy, of Denver, Lincoln county, according to information received here.

The child became violently ill shortly after eating the cream Sunday and was rushed to the Presbyterian hospital here, dying early Monday afternoon.

Death was attributed to the ice cream when a brother of the boy was reported to have become ill from the same cause.

The father of the child is connected with the Bank of Denver.

If we saw ourselves as others see us we might refuse to believe our eyes.

DEATH SKIDS ON ICE-CLAD WALKS

Two Women Lose Lives on Slippery Gotham Streets.

New York, Feb. 3.—Two women in New York city lost their lives today and a score of others were injured in accidents caused by sleet-covered streets and icy pavements. Surface and elevated car service was subject to frequent interruption, vehicular traffic was demoralized and pedestrians slipped and skated their way through the traffic jams.

Similar conditions prevailed throughout New York state and southern New England. A chilling northeast wind, accompanied by a sharp drop in temperature last night, transformed an area which was sodden with rain into one of ice and sleet. Tree limbs dropped under the weight of their crystal loads and telephone and telegraph lines sagged heavily, property damaged, however, was small and wire communication was not interrupted. The temperature hovered around the freezing point.

Post and Flag’s Cotton Letter.

New York, Feb. 3.—While the market falls to record any symptom of uneasiness, but remains very steady within an abnormally narrow range, a feeling is noted in some quarters that with near month premiums there may develop a growing disposition on the part of buyers of goods to procrastinate as much as possible with a view to obtaining what they may need based on the distant positions at such large discounts. The present relations between months and crops is briefly regarded in those quarters as much against any real activity in goods markets with the possibility that the consequence will be that mills endeavor to dispose of their better cotton by passing it through the contract markets as a result of last orders to enable them to work up the cotton.

This would be a further reflection of the conditions which have led to efforts to substitute the lower grades as far as possible. How much there may be in such a theory is impossible to determine, but there is food for thought in it after the experiences of the last few years. Much would depend on the nature of the start of the coming crop but should such a policy become general

it might prove the most effective means of dissipating the present control of the market by swamping holders with deliveries.

It would not, however, seem probable that any such development is impending in the immediate future and distribution of many constructions of goods is on a scale to imply numerous repeat orders for spot delivery that will keep mills quite fully occupied and mean a continued consumption of raw material on a fairly large scale. POST AND FLAG.

Sink Says Capital Punishment Necessary.

Raleigh News and Observer.

H. Hoyle Sink, Commissioner of Pardon, left here yesterday for Asheville, where he will investigate the claims for clemency made by Alvin Mansel, a negro convicted of an attack upon a white woman, and 15 white men sentenced for breaking into the Buncombe jail in an effort to lynch Mansel.

While in Asheville Mr. Sink will make five speeches to as many organizations. On Wednesday night he will address the Prison Reform League, which was organized to bring about the abolition of capital punishment. Mr. Sink stated before leaving he will tell the league that the death penalty is absolutely necessary in North Carolina.

Mr. Sink will also speak to the Rotary Club, the Civitan Club, the Kiwanis Club and the American Business Men’s Association.

NOTES OF SPORT.

The annual relay carnival of the University of Pennsylvania attracts the largest number of entries of any set of athletics games.

Arne Borg, the great Swedish swimmer, is the son of a former chief of police of Stockholm.

Joe Wolcott, the former welterweight champion, once offered to fight Jim Jeffries for the heavyweight crown.

Herbert Houben, the German champion who has come over to test the speed of American sprinters, is 28 years old.

While lawn tennis is usually regarded as one of the most strenuous of sports, the star players of the game last longer in their specialty than do exponents in almost any other form of athletics.

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It is well to have these activities. But it is to be borne in mind always that too much economy is not thrift any more than is too much spending.

False economy, carried to the point of hurting business, means eventual waste. Loss of trade by the retail merchant means loss also to the jobber who in turn passes it on to the manufacturer. The result is unemployment, a form of waste undesirable for all.

Thus under-spending can be carried to excess, produce unwholesome economic conditions that are as distressing as over-spending.

Too much spending means at once a waste all along the line. It leads to over-expansion and speculative activities which continue in half natural cycle until they end in business depression.

True thrift consists of three things—prudent saving, judicious spending, and wise investing.

It is not possible to lay down universal rules to be followed in these matters. But it should be remembered at all times that thrift means progress. Fraud losses have reached a figure in excess of one billion dollars a year because thousands of persons, having learned to save, have not learned how to spend and invest with prudence.

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International Press Foundation, the Dream of Charles D. Haines, Becomes a Reality.

Orlando, Fla., Feb. 3.—The International Press foundation, the life dream of Charles D. Haines, former congressman of New York, now a resident of Attamonte Springs, Fla., today became a reality in its embryonic stages. Newspaper men representing every state in the union except California gathered here and accepted the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Haines, consisting of \$50,000 in cash and 1,000 acres of land to be used for initial step in building a unified press of the world to bring about world peace and the establishment of a home for retired members of the newspaper profession.

The foundation shall be non-profit-making, and its indebtedness is limited to \$5,000,000 and real estate holding at one time to \$50,000,000.

Officers were elected as follows:

Frank O. Lowden, former governor of Illinois, president; Adolph S. Ochs, New York Times, vice president, to fill the place of Josephus Daniels, who through Miss Beatrice Cobb, delegate from North Carolina, refused to accept any office; Cyrus H. K. Curtis, Philadelphia Public Ledger, second vice president; Senator Arthur Capper, Kansas, third vice president; Hiram L. Williamson Springfield, Ill., secretary; Addison B. Colvin, Glenn Falls, N. Y., treasurer.

SLAYERS OF BURKE COUNTY MAN CAUGHT

Three Men Who Killed Frank Butler Last Friday Are Said to Have Confessed the Crime.

Newton, Feb. 3.—Solicitor Huffman tonight received a long distance telephone message from R. V. Michaux, Jr., sheriff of Burke county, that he had apprehended and had in jail the three men who on last Friday night killed Frank Butler in Burke county, and asked him to return home as early as possible to conduct the preliminary hearing on behalf of the state.

Sheriff Michaux stated to the solicitor that the three men had confessed and that they killed him after they had bought some liquor from him and refused to pay him his price, and Butler jumped on the running board of the car when they started to leave without paying. One of them shot and missed and another shot and killed.

The solicitor stated tonight that the preliminary would not be held until possibly late Saturday evening.

HELMS AND JACKSON ASK \$35,000 IN SUIT

Start Action Against Dr. Britt and Buford Robertson For Death of Miss Ruby Helms.

Charlotte, Feb. 3.—A suit for damages of \$35,000 was entered here today against Dr. O. S. Britt and Buford Robertson, as joint defendants, for the alleged death of Miss Ruby Helms and injuring of A. L. Jackson, which occurred here last November.

Charges against the two in connection with the fatality and injuries were dismissed with a verdict of “not guilty” in Superior court here last week.

Jackson and the father of Miss Helms have entered the damage suit.

Mrs. Beatrix Rerrand, a consulting landscape artist who has had charge of the planting and development of the Yale University grounds, has received from the university the honorary degree of Master of Arts, privatim.

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