

TODAY and TOMORROW

REVIVAL . . . a new kind
Several thousand happy, earnest men and women, mostly young, have just spent ten days in my home county of Berkshire, holding the most extraordinary series of religious meetings I have ever seen or heard of. They are members of the "Oxford Group" which is the newest and, it seems to me, perhaps the liveliest religious movement in the world. Its leaders had just come from a great gathering in Denmark and will go from America to hold another great international meeting in England.

I attended some of the public and semi-public meetings and got the distinct feeling that they have "something on the ball."

One of the things that impressed me favorably was that there was no suggestion of anything approaching the cant phrases of the old-fashioned evangelical revivalists, with which I have been familiar from childhood.

PRINCIPLES . . . broad
I talked with Frank Buchman, the Pennsylvania minister who started this new movement at Oxford University, England, in 1921. "We are not starting a new religion, but striving to show people how to make the old religion work." Dr. Buchman told me. "Nobody is asked to join a church or a sect but is helped to live up to the fundamental principles of all sects."

Those principles are honesty, unselfishness, love and purity. As Dr. Buchman put it:

"Everybody believes in those things for the other fellow, but we try to follow them ourselves."

He added that one thing the Oxford Group did not desire to do was to induce anybody to leave his own church. "If you're a Catholic," he said on Saturday afternoon, "go to Mass tomorrow morning. If you are a Protestant, go to your own church. The only thing we expect of those whose lives have been changed is that they follow the teachings of their churches in their daily lives."

METHODS . . . simple
Members of the Oxford group are encouraged to search their own souls and to discuss their own failings, privately, man to man or woman to



To Holyoke
NEW HAVEN Roswell Gray Ham, Associate Professor of English Literature at Yale, will succeed Mary E. Wooley as President of Mount Holyoke College at the end of the 1935-37 academic year.

woman. The soul-purging effect of confession is something I have long believed in.

They are asked to spend a part of each day in what they call a "quiet time." It is in this quiet time, those who have had experience say, they find guidance direct from God as to whatever problems are perplexing them. It is not a matter of choosing between right and wrong but seeing God's guidance as to which of half a dozen right courses should be followed.

And in their public meetings, those who have received and been helped by this God-guidance are encouraged to tell their experiences, much as John Wesley's followers used to speak in the Methodist "experience meetings."

Much about Dr. Buchman's leadership reminds me of John Wesley's work, nearly 200 years ago, to bring church people back to elemental Christian principles.

YOUTH . . . happiness
I have never seen anywhere such a gathering of clear-eyed, nappy young people of both sexes. Youth is taking to this new movement with enthusiasm and gaiety.

"We believe in devotion with hilarity," one young woman, the daughter of an old friend, said to me. I saw and heard evidence of that through all the crowds that thronged the streets and parks of the little town of Stockbridge. The youngsters were taking their reborn religious faith seriously but not solemnly.

There is nothing sad about religion, as they practice it.

I have never been able to understand the notion that so many folk have, that one cannot be a working Christian and at the same time be merry. Religion, if it means anything, ought to mean happiness.

PEACE . . . an objective
It is the hope of these young members of the Oxford group that they can spread their message among the youth of all the world and so re-establish the ancient principles of genuine Christian brotherhood.

If they can do that, they believe, they can put an end to war.

That sounds reasonable to me. If the youth of all nations accept and live up to the principles of honesty, unselfishness and love, they are certainly not going out to fight each other, no matter who orders them to arms.

I am convinced that a movement is under way which has power to change the world.

Obituary

Rev. I. C. Miller died June 4, 1936 at the age of 79. He married Mary J. Lambert Sept. 15, 1874, both of Watauga county. He professed faith in Christ in 1874 and united with the Baptist Church at Stony Fork. He was baptised by Elder Larkin Hodges and being found orthodox in the faith was ordained to the full work of the ministry in 1888, serving 42 churches. He was faithful to his calling and a faithful father to his children until death called him away. His last prayer was "not my will, but Thy will be done."

He fought a good fight, he finished his course, he kept the faith and many crowns are laid up for him.

We miss him more than we can tell. But we know God does all things well.

But some sweet day, it won't be long I'll meet dear father in Heaven his home.

His voice is still, we cannot hear. But remember well his presence here.

Surviving are two sisters and three brothers: Mrs. B. F. Greene, Mrs. Maggie Church, W. H. G. Jr. and Thomas Miller, all of Stony Fork; six children, W. S. J. L., T. G., C. C. Miller, Mrs. R. H. Church and Mrs. Amos Greene, 34 grandchildren and 38 great grandchildren, also many friends.

May God's rich blessings rest on all who assisted in the hours of sadness.

Written by his daughter,
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Most Epochal Event In Human Affairs

The thousands of persons who swarm through the New York Museum of Science and Industry in Rockefeller Center press buttons that make a huge Corliss engine go, pull levers that bring to life the epochal scientific experiments of the past, and turn a crank that sets wind howling through miniature aviation wind tunnels.

In the opinion of G. K. Thompson, acting director of the Museum, few sense the revolutionary aspects of a little static exhibit tucked away in the corner of the food division.

If Mr. Thompson were asked to name the exhibit that portrays the most revolutionary event in the history of mankind, he would mention the wax figure of an ancient man pulling a forked stick through the ground.

"That," Mr. Thompson says, "marks the beginning of civilization." He explains that prior to this primitive tilling of the soil, man lived like the wild animals. He had no fixed abode. He went where he could forage food. He slept in nature's shelters. He roved and his time was consumed by the struggle for subsistence.

But when he began to till the soil, he settled down. Villages came into being. The remainder of the exhibit shows his progression in the art of tilling and cultivation, but the very first figure in the exhibit remains one of the most significant portrayed in the entire Museum.

Incidentally the figure is the work of one of the famous modelers of the great Deutsches Museum of Munich, which is the foremost Museum devoted to the interpretation of science to the layman, and the one which, in many respects, is the pattern for the New York Museum.

HEAFFORD Jct., Wis. Mrs. Eugene Field, 80, the widow of America's beloved children's poet who died in 1895, is to retain her home here which was to be sold under a foreclosure judgment for \$3,000. Fraternity brothers of the poet came to Mrs. Field's rescue with funds.

Edgecombe county will have its largest 4-H calf club this year with the members securing animals from dairy herds of good breeding.

HOMES SHOULD BE WIRED ONLY BY COMPETENT MEN

Adequate, safe, and convenient wiring of the farm home is considered one of the most important aspects of the rural electrification program.

To be sure that the wiring is done properly, said Miss Pauline Gordon, extension specialist in home management at State College, employ only contractors known to be reliable and competent.

The contractor is responsible for doing the job so that the wiring will be adequate and safe, but the home owner should determine where switches, lights, convenient outlets, and branch circuits are to be located.

Miss Gordon suggested that home owners draw floor plans of their houses and locate switches, outlets, and lights where they will be most convenient. Then go over this plan with the contractor.

If the cost of wiring according to this plan is too high, the contractor will assist the home owner in making adjustments.

Above all else, she warned, do not try to economize by using wire too small to carry the load that will be imposed upon it.

In planning the wiring circuits, lights, and outlets, take into consideration the uses to which electricity

will be put in each room. If a radio, for example, is to be operated in the living room, provide a convenient outlet in the wall close to the place where the radio will be located.

Do not plan only for the fixtures and appliances that will be used at first. Make adequate provision for various devices that may be obtained in the future, Miss Gordon urged.

Plenty of convenience outlets should be placed in the walls of the dining room, living room, and kitchen. A double convenience outlet placed in each wall of the bedrooms will be a big help.

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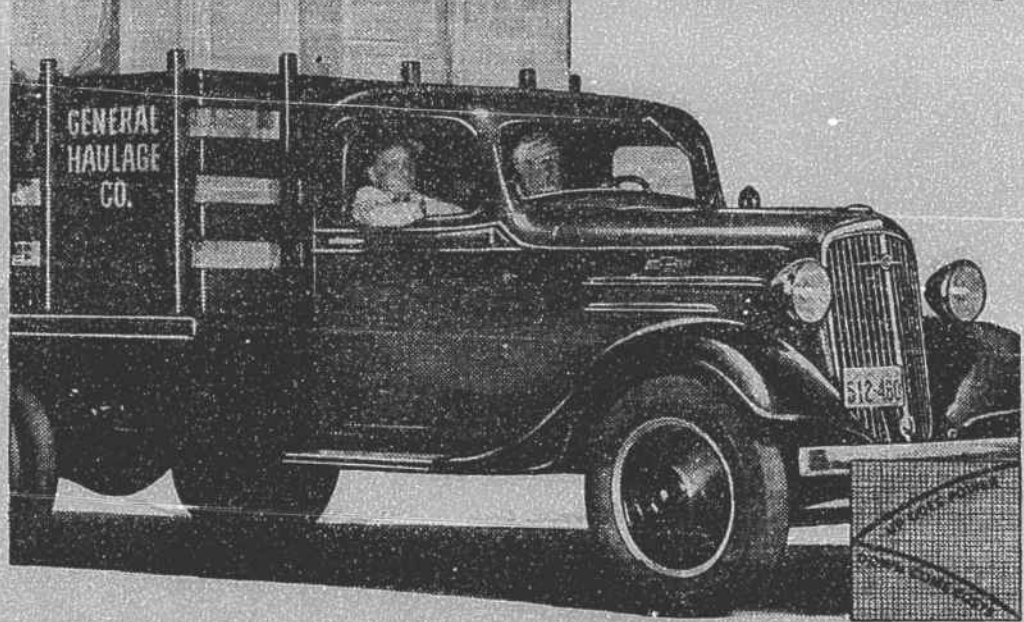
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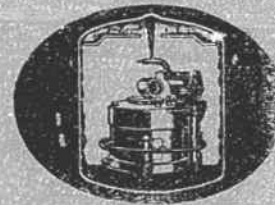
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