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### Dr. Few Speaks On "Religious Tendencies of Our Time"

## MISS MARY DUKE SANG SOLO

Address Was of Same Idealistic Quality That Is so Characteristic of Trinity's President and Contained Hopeful Note Along Conservative Lines.

To a crowd that exceeded the usual attendance at similar occasions, President William P. Few Sunday night in Craven Memorial hall delivered his opening address to the students in Trinity College. Several churches in the city had withdrawn their services in order that their congregations might hear Dr. Few, and the best musical talent from each was present in the choir, which, under the direction of M. T. E. Check, contributed largely to the success of the occasion.

The exercises were opened with the singing of an anthem by the choir, after which Dr. George S. Sexton, of Dallas, Texas, led the audience in prayer. Following the reading of a short lesson from the Bible, Dr. Few, Miss Mary Duke sang as a solo, "O, Divine Redeemer." The president's address came next and for almost an hour Dr. Few held his hearers closely, seeming to attract them to him by some magnetic force, which likewise caused his own form to glow towards the audience.

The address was of the same idealistic quality that is so characteristic of President Few, and contained a hopeful note in regard to religious tendencies of the present day that is unusual in speakers on such topics. The address was not a platitudinous one in any respect; rather it showed careful consideration and original thinking along conservative lines; but it was marked by an optimism that is, as a rule, found only in utterances of a platitudinous variety.

Taking as his subject, "Two Hopeful Religious Tendencies of Our Time," Dr. Few showed how the modern desire to interpret the Bible according to its spirit rather than the letter, and also the disposition to place emphasis in regard to religion on soundness of life and not on creed showed increasing hope for a greater field of influence for the Christian church. These two tendencies formed the topic for his discussion and he went into some detail in showing how they acted to bring about a betterment in the religious life of our day. After the conclusion of his address and the rendering of another anthem by the choir, Dr. Sexton pronounced the benediction and the audience slowly left the hall.

### Two Hopeful Religious Tendencies of Our Time.

So accustomed are we to regard our age as marked by material progress and widespread physical well-being but by a corresponding religious decadence that I imagine it will strike most of you as novel, almost sensational, for me to announce that I shall talk tonight about two hopeful religious tendencies of our time.

The first of these relates to the steadily changing manner of interpreting the Bible, to the increasing feeling that it is to be read not slavishly according to the letter that killeth but in the light of the spirit that giveth life. While the Christian religion had back of it centuries of preparation, still it is not a growth in the ordinary sense of that word. It is today what it was in the beginning—"the faith which was once delivered to the saints." It rests upon an unchanging Bible. Though the Bible has passed through the shifting social, civic, and intellectual ideals of 19 centuries remained quite unchanged, yet the understanding of it, the interpretation and the practical application of it have changed from age to age.

The interpretation of the Bible is a growth and the history of it has striking resemblances to the literary history of some of the greatest of human documents. The beautiful simplicity, fine self-restraint, and universal truth of Homer have at times not been enough to escape the devastating effects of what seems to be in average human nature an inevitable craving for literalness, and for generations the Homeric poems were actually supplanted by a prosaic commonplace that claimed to give from an eye-witness the facts of the Trojan war. As late as the Elizabethan age, in his translation of Homer made famous by Keat's memorable sonnet, Chapman lacking spiritual vision, had the temerity to handle the sacred vessels of Greek art with the substantial grasp of the barbarian. And even Pope, great poet though he was, with his dull literalness and forcible heroic couplet thought to amend the morning freshness and the divine liquid

## MAY INVESTIGATE PELLAGRA CASES

### Congress Will Be Asked For \$50,000 Appropriation

## STATION BE LOCATED HERE

Dispatch Sent Out From Washington Sets Forth Rapid Spread of Terrible Disease and the Method of Cure Will Be Given Attention of Medical Authorities.

The account of the large number of pellagra cases in Durham published in the Sun and the agitation of the necessity for an investigation has reached the authorities at Washington. There is now a likelihood of the establishment of a station in Durham by the public health and marine hospital corps for the investigation of the sources of the disease. At the next session of congress an appropriation of \$50,000 will be asked for the purpose of conducting an investigation of the disease in the south. For some time, the local physicians and members of the board of health have been planning to have an investigation of the disease in Durham by the federal government or otherwise by experts. Nothing has been said of the plans for the reason that they were not fully matured, and the physicians desired to get down to something definite before making any public announcement. The matter has now been taken up at Washington, as is set forth by the following dispatch which has been sent out:

Recently it was published in the state papers that there were 200 cases of pellagra in the city of Durham, N. C., and no one has denied the charge. Durham, the home of the great tobacco kings of the world, has about 25,000 people. Two hundred of them have pellagra, if the reports are true. That amount almost to a scourge.

It is said here that the medical association of Durham and some of the county and city authorities will ask the government to investigate the situation in that locality.

Pellagra is spreading at an alarming rate. It reaches the high and the low, the rich and the poor, the saint and the sinner alike. Durham is said to be one of the worst pellagra spots in this country. Experts who have taken up the study of the disease are eager to know just what causes the prevalence there.

Increasing Rapidly. Gaining headway against a feeble and disorganized fight by the medical fraternity and the public health service, pellagra is increasing annually more than 100 per cent. There are more than 10,000 cases in eleven southern states alone this summer, as opposed to about 1,000 in thirteen states two years ago.

Believing that the disease with its rapid spread has long since passed the point where it became a serious menace to public health, the public health and marine hospital service, which has been offering the only concerted study of and fight against the disease, will ask an appropriation of \$50,000 at the next session of congress, to be used in fighting this malady.

The annual report of Surgeon General Wyman, of the public health and marine hospital service, which will be sent to the printer shortly, will present the situation in such a light as to call for serious consideration. At present any money expended in fighting the disease must be drawn from the appropriation for the service contained in the sundry civil bill. The hands of the service, therefore, are tied, and as the medical literature of the country contains practically nothing about pellagra, which was discovered in this country only as far back as 1905, the country is left helpless by the helplessness of the service. The service has already given over one hospital and the services of two officials entirely to the observation and care of pellagra cases. The hospital at Savannah, Ga., is given over entirely to the care of pellagra cases, in charge of Dr. C. H. Lavinder, while Dr. R. H. Grimm spends all his time in the field investigating and recommending passing on applicants for admission to the hospital. In addition the service has sent out from time to time such literature as it has been able to collect data for and prepare. These few bulletins of the service are practically all the information the medical profession in this country has to rely upon.

Small Village Has 200 Cases. The eleven southern states where the ravages of the disease are fercest and where there are approximately 10,000 new cases this year are Virginia, North Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Louisiana, Texas and Kentucky. It is reported that in one North Carolina village where there are less than 3,000 inhabitants, 200 cases of pellagra have sprung up this sum-

## LAST NOTICE

### Fair Warning to All--The Recorder's Great Popularity Contest Will Positively Close Friday, September 29 at 12 O'clock Noon

Let every contestant be up and doing. Many of you, we fear, have slumbered too long and unless you proceed with energy and do some good, well planned work, some of you who have been in the race since the beginning, will be defeated by a stranger in your work. It is but fair that we should warn you.

Far in the distance we see from a neighboring County a new warrior armed to the teeth with the weapons of courage and determination. Never has she met defeat. Are you brave and trusty soldiers of the Durham Recorder going to allow this new comer to unfurl the flag of victory over you, and carry away from you and your home The Beautiful \$425.00 Grand Upright Piano? and the \$20.00 Jeweled watch?

It is with pleasure that we introduce to you, this brave and trusty soldier, Miss Jettie Newman, of Guilford county. She promises to make things interesting. Can't some of you show her the path of retreat?

Miss Mamie Tapp still holds 1st position with Miss Nichols a close second.

Next come Miss Carrie Craig with the rest in the order named:

Miss Anna Clayton	1,000
Miss Maud Holt	1,000
Miss Edna Brooks	1,000
Miss Jettie Newman	1,000
Here Is the Standing:	
Durham, N. C.	
Miss Freddie Allen	1,000
Miss Minnie Price	1,000
Miss Mamie Beman	1,000
Miss Mattie Matthews	1,000
Miss Fannie Blackhall	1,000
Miss Maud Bagwell	1,000
Miss Alice McCain	1,000
Miss Hester Billings	3,000
Miss Clara Levy	1,000
Miss Pearl Jones	1,000
Miss Roxie Riley	28,000
Miss Blanche Whitmore	1,000
Miss Sallie Ferrell	1,000
Miss Carrie Craig	25,000
West Durham	
Miss Ruth Pritchard	1,000
Edgemont.	
Miss Dixie Harboe	1,000
Miss Ruby Rogers	46,750
Gorman, R. F. D. No. 1.	
Miss Kate Nichols	81,250
Carpenter, N. C.	
Miss Grace Carpenter	1,000
Cynna, N. C.	
Mrs. J. F. Greene	1,000
Hillsboro.	
Miss Grace Carter	1,000
Miss Roxie Shue	1,000
Miss Ozie Lassiter	1,000
Burlington, N. C.	
Miss Myra Dorsett	1,000
Miss Addie Ray	1,000

Blackwood, N. C.	
Miss Mamie Tapp	38,510
Benches, N. C.	
Miss Roxie Currie	1,000
Miss Goldie Parthing	1,000
Miss Maggie Lyon	1,000
Creedmor, N. C.	
Miss Burnn Sanford	1,000
Miss Lois Rogers	1,000
Rougemont, N. C.	
Miss Julia Carrer	1,000
Miss Maggie Bowling	18,250
Roxboro, No. 5.	
Miss Freddie Allen	1,500
Haw River, N. C.	
Miss Iola Franklin	1,000
Miss Maud Graham	1,000
Miss Maude Graham	5,750
Mebane, N. C.	
Miss Maude Holt	5,900
Roxboro	
Miss Edna Brooks	11,750

Once more let us warn you as to the day and the date. Friday, September 29th, at 12 o'clock noon.

Come to the Sun office and examine the Beautiful Piano and handsome diamond set gold watch.

### Go Thou and do Likewise.

"I started to tell my wife about a woman who made her own summer gowns."

"Well?"  
"She capped my story with one about a man who made \$1,000,000 and bought his wife \$11,000 worth of gowns."—Washington Herald.

## STATE CAMPAIGN DEVELOPMENTS

### Fight Progressing Against Hookworm Disease

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—The state and county dispensaries for the free treatment of hookworm disease are attracting widespread attention. Fifteen eastern counties have made the necessary provision to have them. In four of these counties, Robeson, Sampson, Columbus and Halifax, the work was completed about three weeks ago and an average of 3,000 victims of the disease were treated in each county. The counties of Wayne, Onslow, Cumberland and Northampton now have the dispensaries in operation. About 100 people are being treated daily at each of the dispensaries. Pender, New Hanover, Brunswick, Craven, Pitt, Warren and Hertford counties have made provision for the dispensaries and will be entered as soon as possible. Bladen and perhaps two or three other counties will take action the next first Monday. The dispensaries remain in a county usually six weeks. The good results of their work are so apparent that after the dispensaries move to new fields the local doctors are kept busy continuing the treatment.

Dr. T. E. Hughes, of Magnolia, N. C., has given up his private practice to accept an appointment as district director of the campaign against hookworm disease. He is a Virginian by birth, a graduate of Richmond College, a medical graduate of the University of Virginia. He took his hospital training at Johns Hopkins, and in the city hospital at Wilmington, N. C. During his short stay at Magnolia he won the hearts of the people. Six physicians, eight laboratory men and a clerk now constitute the state forces engaged in the North Carolina campaign. They are now pushing the dispensary work because in this way the most gratifying returns are obtainable.

### Case of Turner Smith To Be Heard Wednesday

Judge W. R. Allen, of the supreme court has postponed to Wednesday of this week, the hearing of the writ of habeas corpus in the case of Turner Smith, who seeks through his attorneys, Col. J. C. L. Harris, Chas. U. Harris and Aycock & Winston, relief from the remainder of the two years' sentence imposed by Judge Peebles for assault on a young woman who was boarding in his mother's home. He has served thirty days of the sentence and claims that this is all the law permits instead of the two years allowed by the special act of the last legislature as to simple assault on a woman invoked erroneously, his counsel claim, in this case.

### New Residence Completed.

The handsome new residence of Mr. R. A. Honeycutt on Parrish place was completed today. Mr. Honeycutt will occupy his new home this week.

## NORRIS TRIAL SET FOR THIS WEEK

### Charged With Sensational Killing of J. B. Bisset

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—The trials of three prisoners for their lives are scheduled for the term of Wake superior court that convened today. They are L. J. Norris, for the killing of J. B. Bisset; Wiley Austin, colored, for the murder of Garfield Williams, colored, at a negro church festival; Willie Weaver, charged with the killing of Ed Pearce. Weaver being colored and Pearce a white man. The docket has 125 cases scheduled for trial.

## TRUST PROFITS WERE BIG

### FINANCIAL SIDE OF AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY MADE PUBLIC.

Washington, Sept. 25.—The intricate financial side of the American Tobacco Company, known as the tobacco trust, and which is now in process of dissolution by order of the supreme court of the United States, because it was a combination in restraint of trade in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, was set forth in a report of the commissioner of corporations, Herbert Knox Smith, which was sent to the president and made public Sunday. It was the second part of a report on the tobacco industry and deals with the earnings, capitalization and investment of the great tobacco combination.

The commissioner points out that the vast earning power which arose from the substantial control of the tobacco industry was a monopoly resulting from concentration. The capitalization of this monopolistic power was much greater than the actual investment, and by clever arrangement the bulk of the earnings were centered in the hands of a very small group of individuals. The enormous profits resulting from the inflation of the securities and the dividends paid thereon, the report concludes, rested, in their ultimate analysis, upon the monopolistic advantages obtained in the tobacco industry through concentration of control.

### Postal Savings Bank For West Durham

A postal savings bank will also be established at West Durham in addition to the branch that is to be established at the Durham office. The postmaster at West Durham has received notice that a branch of the postal bank will be opened at West Durham on November 25th and the deposits will be received after that date.

### Mr. Everett Home.

Mr. R. O. Everett returned this morning from New York city, where he spent several days on business.

## TAFT IN KANSAS HAS BUSY SUNDAY

### Warning Republican Factions Bury Hatchet

## STATE PLEDGED TO TAFT

In Address President Resents Muck-raking Stating That Wickedness That Has to Be Unearthed With Spade Ought to Be Kept Under Cloak.

Baldwin Station, Kan., Sept. 25.—The warring Republican factions of Kansas buried the hatchet Sunday and walked side by side to pay honor to President Taft. Governor Stubbs, who is generally conceded to belong to the "insurgent" faction, welcomed Mr. Taft at Lawrence with the hope that the state without regard to church or party or faction would extend the most royal reception ever given a President of the United States.

Republican State Chairman Dolley, who holds office in the state under Governor Stubbs, and Republican National Committeeman Mulvane united in telling Mr. Taft that the Kansas delegation to the next Republican national convention would be solidly for him and United States Senators Curtis and Bristow, the one a regular, the other a leader of the progressives, rode side by side in the tonneau of the same automobile over Kansas countryside and sat on the same platform to pay honor to the Chief Executive.

### Pledge Kansas to Taft.

The predictions of Mr. Melvane and Mr. Dolley, who are close to political conditions in a state supposedly "insurgent" followed close on the declaration of Governor Hadley of Missouri to President Taft that the state would instruct its delegates for him and the promise of the Illinois Republican leaders to send a solid delegation to the convention pledged to Mr. Taft.

Much interest was shown in the president's reception by "insurgent" republicans of Kansas. Senator Curtis and Congressman Campbell of the "regulars" met the president's train at Kansas City early in the morning while Governor Stubbs and Senator Bristow showed up later, the former at Lawrence, Kan., where the president, after being introduced by the governor, spoke, to the students of the University of Kansas, and the junior senator at Baldwin, where the president spent the day.

### Greeted Cordially.

Senator Bristow was on the station platform at Baldwin when the Taft special pulled in. He climbed the steps to the private car, walked in and said:

"Hello, Mr. President. I'm mighty glad to see you. You have come to the greatest town on the globe."

Mr. Mulvane and Mr. Dolley talked freely to the newspaper men.

"Kansas," said the national committeeman, "will send a solid Taft delegation to the republican national convention in 1912," and Mr. Dolley later endorsed the prediction, to members of the Taft party.

### Has Busy Sunday.

Mr. Taft attended church; spoke to the students of the University at Lawrence and to the students of Baker University here on peace and arbitration and reviewed the Indian students at Haskell Institute near Lawrence.

### Resents Muck-Raking.

"I do not know," said the president, "whether you have observed the attack made upon young men at Harvard, by some gentleman who felt it necessary to send a detective into that university to find out how wicked the boys were."

"I have not any particular sympathy with that kind of investigation. Wickedness that has to be unearthed with a spade, ordinarily ought to be kept under the cloak that the spade raises. I know something about those universities. I know its sister university, Yale."

"The truth is, universities don't differ much. I know what Yale was in my day, and I know it might have been better. I contributed something to the detective's knowledge in those days, possibly; but today there is a higher standard of morality. Dissipation and drinking are frowned upon by the public opinion of the college. That is what shows what a college is. The public opinion of the young men and the young women who are in it."

"And I resent scandal-making and muck-raking reference to the standard of our universities when they are doing such good work and are putting out men into the community with higher moral ideas every year."

Leaving Baldwin late Sunday night the president reached Coffeyville early today.

## SAVE RESOURCES OF GREAT NATION

### Third National Conservation Congress Meets

## TAFT SPEAKS TONIGHT

Many Other Prominent Men Will Address Gathering—Farmer and Farm Life Topic, With Special Reference to Soil Fertility, Its Maintenance and Improvement.

Kansas City, Sept. 25.—The presence of President Taft, Secretary of the Interior Fisher, ex-Secretary James R. Garfield and Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, together with half a dozen governors, several United States senators and many of the foremost educators, agricultural experts and business men of the nation, at the National Conservation Congress which opened in this city today, lends added dignity to a convention the importance of which to the country at large can scarcely be overestimated.

This is the third conservation congress to be held. The first was held in Seattle in 1909 and was devoted chiefly to the consideration of the saving of the forests. In St. Paul last year the public land question was foremost. At the present congress the farmer and farm life forms the general topic, with special reference to the question of soil fertility, its maintenance and improvement.

During the three days of the convention addresses and papers will be presented that will command the attention of the nation, not only because of their importance to the agricultural interests, but because of the prominence of the men who will present them.

Beginning with the opening discourse tonight by President Taft on the general subject of "Conservation," the thousands of interested auditors who will fill convention hall tomorrow and Wednesday will listen to addresses by noted men who know how the natural resources of the country have been wasted and who are best qualified to speak on the subject of their conservation.

Secretary Fisher and former Secretary Garfield will speak on the same general subject assigned to President Taft. Senator Joseph L. Bristow, of Kansas, who was formerly assistant postmaster general, will tell of "The Farm and the Postal Service," and Senator Gilbert N. Hitchcock, of Nebraska, will speak on "Conservation in Congress."

Gilbert S. Barrett, of Georgia, president of the Farmers' Education and Co-operative Union of America, will be heard on the subject of "Cutting Out the Middle Man." Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the famous pure food expert, will talk on "The Health of the People." Other speakers on subjects of general interest and importance will include Governors Hadley, of Missouri; Stubbs, of Kansas; Bleasde, of South Carolina; Vesey, of South Dakota, and Kitchin, of North Carolina.

An imposing array of agricultural experts will deal with the practical side of farming and farm life. Former Governor W. D. Hoard, of Wisconsin, who is America's foremost authority on dairying, will talk on "Dairying and Soil Fertility." Other noted agricultural experts and their subjects are as follows: "The Live Stock Farm and Soil Fertility," Dr. Frederick B. Mumford, of the University of Missouri; "Wormout Soil," Prof. L. G. Hopkins, of the University of Illinois; "Methods of Cultivation," Prof. E. M. Ten Eyck, of Kansas State Agricultural College; "The Trend of the American Conservation Movement," Dr. W. J. McGee, of the bureau of soils of the department of agriculture.

In addition to the problem of soil fertility the congress will discuss good roads, the country school, the country club, the farmer and the railroads, the farmer and water transportation, the community club, the rural home, co-operation among farmers, the live stock industry, child life on the farm, and the farmer and the government.

Twenty-five states are represented by delegates at the congress. Some of them are represented by their governors and others by delegates appointed by them. Numerous organizations also have sent delegates, among them the American Live Stock Association, the Grain Dealers' National Association, the American Institute of Mining Engineers, the Pacific Northwest Association of Engineers, the Nebraska State Association of Commercial Clubs, the Cleveland National Live Stock Association, and the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Water Way Association. The Dominion government has given evidence of its interest in the congress by sending W. V. Atkinson, forester, to the Canadian commission of conservation.

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