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PRECONCEIVED IDEAS DISCUSSED BY MR. LOFTIN LAST NIGHT

BIBLE NO LONGER BEING TAKEN LITERALLY

"DANGER OF A PRECONCEIVED IDEA IN THE FACE OF AUTHORITY."

PREACHED STRONG SERMON

Most Damnable Thing in the World Today is That People Have Ideas That "One Thing is as Good as Another."

Rev. I. N. Loftin returned to Washington yesterday afternoon and began another week's revival at the Baptist church last night with an exceptionally inspiring sermon, which was heard by a large congregation. He took as his text: "The danger of a preconceived idea in the face of authority."

"My friends," began the evangelist, "we have passed through the list, 'we have passed through the list, when the word of God was taken literally. In these modern times there are all kinds of ideas and theories advanced regarding the Bible, and a man, who believes in it as it was written, is called an ignoramus by these smart alecs of now-fashioned ideas."

"The idea of DOING to be saved seems to be the one that is prevalent today. 'What must I do to be saved?' Some persons appear to think that all they need for salvation is to be up-to-date and in style. It isn't the DOING that is the important factor in salvation; it is the RECEIVING. We've been going to church, we've been living moral lives, we've been honest in business, but all that doesn't bring salvation. Instead, we are hopelessly lost unless we go to the feet of God and receive the gift He has offered us."

"We are trying to make a pilgrim of our God. It is 'Behold I thought this,' and 'Behold I thought that.' It isn't up to you to THINK, it is up to you to go to God and take HIM as your authority. I am a prohibitionist. I am against prostitution, but I tell you, my friends, that this modern idea of 'one thing is as good as another,' is the most damnable thing in the world today. The Bible always was the law of God and it always will be. We must come to it and we must take it just as it is. We must come back to the gospel of the Almighty God as IT IS, or we will be eternally damned because we have turned away from our faith."

"There is no statement more misleading than 'I have as much right to my opinion as you have to yours. YOU HAVE NOT.' If I have been studying and preaching the word of God for fifteen or twenty years and you have just dabbled in the knowledge of it, are you entitled to hold an opinion on the matter? YOU ARE NOT."

"I do not wish to accuse anyone, but I have heard—I hear it on the streets—that the people of Washington do not go to church. I read in the papers that the church is losing ground. This may be true, but I want to tell you that the only way for the church to have any power and to regain that which it is claimed it has lost, is for the people to take the word of God just as it is without a preconceived idea."

Dr. Loftin's words received the closest of attention. One fact worthy of note, is that the congregation last night was composed largely of men, and it is evident that the evangelist has made a deep impression on them.

Tonight he will preach on "In Hell Alive."

BELLMO

TONIGHT—8c and 10c—TONIGHT

"THE TIDE OF FORTUNE" Strong 5-Reel Kaybee Drama Edwin Thawbourn Presents "DOT ON THE DAY LINE BOAT" Delightful 1-Reel Comedy Pictures will start in plenty of time for those who desire to attend the performance of "Potash and Perlmutter."

MAY STAGE GAME HERE

Carolina-Wake Forest Football Game May Be Played in Washington on October 9th.

An effort is being made to secure the Carolina-Wake Forest football game for Washington. It is believed that if the proper pressure is brought to bear the two teams will agree to stage their annual battle on the local field.

There is no question but that the game would prove a big attraction for local football enthusiasts. There are three Washington men on the University line-up: Captain Dave Taylor, John Taylor and Horace Cowell.

IS DRIVEN TO SUICIDE BY THE TAUNTS OF WOMEN

London, Sept. 28.—One of the so-called "white feather" brigade was so much worried by the attacks made on him by the taunts of the women that he has just committed suicide at his home in Shepherd's Bush. He was a chauffeur named Richard Charles Roberts, and it was said at the coroner's inquest that he had tried to enlist but had been rejected on account of a weak heart. This of itself had depressed him, but when some women taunted him and called him a coward life became unbearable to him.

The Shepherd's Bush coroner gave some of these women a lecture. He described their conduct as abominable, and added: "Here was a man who was driven to death by a pack of silly women, who knew nothing about the circumstances which had prevented the deceased from becoming a soldier."

CRITICISM WAS NOT A "ROAST"

Commander Christy's Report Was in No Wise an Attack on the Naval Militia of the State.

Raleigh, Sept. 28.—Members of the naval militia, the conditions of which organization were discussed by Commander H. H. Christy at some length last week, were pleased today to have through the adjutant general's office assurance that nothing caustic had been uttered and that nothing discreditable had been found in the report of the officer who was published last week and several papers interpreted it as "a roast" of the militia. From First Lieutenant J. Kenyon Wilson, commander of division No. 5, Elizabeth City, a letter was received by Adjutant General Young setting forth that the report was the routine work of Commander Christy; that it was in no wise an attack upon the organization, and was simply an honest review of the militia by a man who was under obligation to tell the truth about it.

Capt. Russell C. Langdon, of the United States army, agreed that the Christy report was far from any roast and thoroughly understood by military people, but that the impression reflected by newspaper headlines and by reportorial interpretation was so different as to hurt the organization. General Young saw in it the rawness of the man untrained to army or navy conditions, trained only to detect sensation in humdrum news.

The criticism of the militia may be embraced in a few lines. It suggests that there are members who should not be in the organization; that the maintenance of physically unfit members had been in disregard of the required standards of bodily excellence, and that the body had lacked training greatly, many of them never having had a look at a battleship from within. And these are the conditions which the department has set about to correct.

GALICIAN OIL WELLS FIRED BY THE RUSSIANS



When the Russians captured part of Galicia, with the oil wells at Boryslav, their oil supply was at such a low state that they drew on the wells to their utmost capacity. The Austrians, cut off completely from their main supply of oil, fought desperately to drive the Russians out. They succeeded in doing only to find, on their return to Boryslav, the oil wells on fire. This remarkable picture of the progress of the war was made shortly after they had been fired by the retreating Russians. The boring towers in the foreground were blown up by the czar's army.

COHEN'S DEATH IN OKLAHOMA IS EXPLAINED

GOLDSBORO MAN KILLED BECAUSE HE INSISTED ON FAIR BUSINESS METHODS.

SKULL CRUSHED

Fight Occurred With an Attorney. Latter Delivered Blows Which Caused Cohen's Death. Insisted Upon Indian Having Money.

(By Eastern Press) Goldsboro, Sept. 28.—The mystery surrounding the killing of Max Cohen of Goldsboro is solved with the arrival of an account from Tulsa, Okla., where the tragedy occurred. Cohen was prominent in Goldsboro business circles and well known here, had been at Tulsa some time. It is said that a realty operator located in Kinston for some time interested him in the oil lands in that section. Cohen purchased a tract from an Indian through John Turner, a lawyer.

The report says Captain Cohen encountered Turner at a hotel lobby and told him that he had learned from the Indian that the attorney was not dealing square with the former. Cohen said he would insist that all the money in the transaction with the exception of \$75 stipulated as the attorney's fee be turned over to the original owner. "It was Cohen's insistence on a square deal for the Indian which brought on the trouble," Turner assaulted the North Carolina man, and his blows crushed Cohen's skull. Turner, upon arrest, declares "the thing came up so suddenly I am at a loss how to make a statement." Oklahoma papers say Cohen was upright, kindly, and excellently disposed.

HOLD MEETING TO FORM CLUB

Business Men of City Interested in Movement Which Has Been Started. Meeting at Court House.

The movement on foot for the organization of a Young Men's Club in Washington, towards which preliminary steps were taken last week, is meeting with the hearty endorsement of the business men of the city and it is positively certain that if the club is formed, it will be well supported.

Another meeting is to be held in the court house tomorrow night and the Club will be definitely formed at that time. All interested citizens are requested to be in attendance.

COUPLE MARRIED THIS MORNING

Mr. Harding Ties Knot for James R. Russ and Miss Mary Cutler. Have Left on Trip.

James R. Russ and Miss Mary Cutler were married this morning at seven o'clock by Rev. Nathaniel Harding, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church. The ceremony was performed at the rectory in the presence of a few immediate relatives. The couple left this morning on the Atlantic Coast Line for Baltimore and other points in the North. Upon their return they will make their home on East Main street, in the new home, now being completed by Mr. Russ.

The marriage came as a surprise to the many friends of the couple in Washington. Miss Cutler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Cutler and is a popular young lady of the city. Mr. Russ is a member of the firm of Russ Brothers, on Main street, and the son of W. C. Russ.

ASKS TEACHERS TO GIVE AID

Mr. Joyner Addressed Open Letter to All School Teachers on Fire Prevention Day.

To Superintendents and Teachers of the Public Schools of North Carolina:

In accordance with an act of the General Assembly of North Carolina the 9th day of October has been designated by proclamation of the Governor as "Fire Prevention Day."

I urge the co-operation of superintendents and teachers with the State Insurance Department in its commendable efforts to prevent loss of property and life in North Carolina from fire. Let every teacher on Friday preceding "Fire Prevention Day" read to the school children the proclamation of the Governor and the letter and practical suggestions of the Insurance Commissioner for the prevention of fires. Post these suggestions in the school room and carefully observe them, not only on "Fire Prevention Day" but throughout the school term. I have no doubt that the loss of many school-houses in North Carolina by fire can be prevented by the observance of these simple precautions and that the destruction of much other property by fire now and hereafter can be prevented by instructing the school children to observe these precautions for the prevention of unnecessary fires.

Very respectfully,
J. Y. JOYNER.

CHICAGO CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Chicago, Sept. 28.—The annual series of baseball games for the championship of Chicago will begin Wednesday, October 6. The first game will be played at the American league grounds. The schedule provides for seven games.

SAID POLICE KNOW NAME OF OWNER OF CAR

CHANCE THAT "MYSTERY OF NINETY GALLONS" WILL BE EXPLAINED.

FROM PACTOLUS

Reported That Weldon Police Secured Number of Car and That Owner is a Prominent Business Man of Pactolus.

Weldon, Sept. 28.—Local officers today intimated that they had secured the name of the owner of the automobile that was found abandoned here one day last week, and which contained ninety gallons of whiskey.

The officers, however, refused to divulge the name of the owner, but stated that he was a "prominent business man of Pactolus, near Greenville."

The manner of identification was carried out through communicating with the State license department and locating the name of the owner of a car with the number corresponding with that of the car taken here.

The car was found just outside of town here one day last week after the driver had refused to obey the order to stop given by a local police officer. It was thought at the time that the car was either bound for Greenville or Washington.

It is expected that indictment will be started against the owner within a few days, if the local report is true.

HOW'S THIS FOR A TEMPERANCE MOVE

Atlantic City, Sept. 28.—Mayor William Riddle has ordered a coffin to sleep in instead of going to a Turkish bath after banquets so as to be ready for his official duties in the morning. Talking of the experiment, he said:

"When a fellow goes out with the boys and kind of gets by his limit, he should have something to remind him of it the next morning. I'm going to have this coffin made and placed in my apartment. When I get home after 1 o'clock in the morning from some banquet or like, it will be my sleeping place."

HIGHS OPEN FOOTBALL SEASON AT KINSTON

(By Eastern Press) Kinston, Sept. 28.—The first game of the season for the Kinston High School football eleven will be with the Winterville High here Saturday. The Kinston team is a promising lot of material and loom up like winners, although there are but four of last year's men in the lineup. Will Lewis is managing the team. Clay Brewer, a '14 star, is the captain.

RECOVER 34 BODIES IN ARDMORE RUINS

City is Recovering From Effects of Terrible Explosion Which Occurred Yesterday.

MANY STILL RECOVERED MISSING

Scores of Houses Torn Down and Destroyed by Fire. Caused by Explosion of Gasoline Car. Property Damage Over Half a Million.

(Special to the Daily News)

Ardmore, Okla., Sept. 28.—With 34 bodies recovered, a score or more still missing and unaccounted for, fully fifty buildings destroyed by the force of the explosion, and property damaged to the extent of over half a million dollars, this city is today recovering from the terrible disaster which visited it late yesterday afternoon, when a 350-barrel tank car of gasoline exploded in the heart of the business district.

The full extent of the disaster has not yet been realized. Search is still being made for missing people and it is feared that when the death roll is finally completed, it will number over sixty persons. Three hundred received injuries from falling parts of buildings and these are being cared for in the hospitals and private residences. The city is under martial law.

Two workmen were busy repairing the tank car at 2:30 yesterday afternoon. Suddenly one of them struck it with a hammer. A spark from the blow ignited fumes escaping through a small leak. There was a terrific explosion, followed by many smaller ones. The workmen were blown to pieces. The shock shattered the Ardmore railroad station used by the Santa Fe, Frisco and Rocky Island railroads and scores of other buildings quickly took fire from the flying liquid. The flames spread rapidly until all Main street appeared a blazing furnace.

The scenes that followed were terrible. Men, women and children ran through the streets and were crushed to death by buildings which toppled over on them. Many were caught in burning houses and lost their lives in the fire. The fire department seemed unable to cope with the fierce blaze and the flames raged for several hours before they were finally under control. The heat was terrific and a pall of smoke hung over the city for hours.

WELL KNOWN PLAY IS HERE

"Potash and Perlmutter" Will Be Shown Here Tonight. Curtain Will Rise Promptly at 8:30.

Tonight at the New Theatre the amusement seekers of this city will have the opportunity of seeing the best farce comedy that will visit this section for some time to come. This play will be none other than the well known farce of "Potash and Perlmutter." The company presenting this play is a well balanced one judging from the press notices from other cities that it has been shown in, and should receive a full house. The management of the New Theatre announces again that the curtain will rise promptly at 8:30 sharp. Some comment has been made on too many shows coming here. The manager of the New Theatre states that after October there will not be many shows, so that the people had better take advantage of them now.

B.E. RICE DIED THIS MORNING

Land and Industrial Agent of the Norfolk Southern Passed Away in Washington City.

(By Eastern Press) Belhaven, Sept. 28.—News was received here today by telegram of the sudden death of B. E. Rice, land and industrial agent of the Norfolk Southern. Mr. Rice died early this morning at Washington City.

Deceased was well known through this section of the State and most ably filled the position he held with the Norfolk Southern, in whose employ he has been for the last five years. Before that time he was connected in a similar capacity with the Virginian Railroad.

A seedless tomato of large size has been bred by an amateur horticulturist in California.

COLLECT TAX ON INHERITANCES

Sixty Estates in Beaufort County Are Affected. One Will Have to Pay Tax of \$2,200. Others Smaller Amounts.

The firm of Daniel & Warren have been appointed by the State Corporation Commission to collect the unpaid inheritance taxes in Beaufort county from 1905 up to date. This will affect about 60 estates in the county, and will bring something like \$5,000 in revenue, all of which goes to the State. Most of the estates are only assessed small amounts, but several of them will have to pay three or four hundred small amounts, but several of them will have to pay three or four hundred dollars, and one in particular is assessed for a tax of \$2,200.

Very few taxes have been paid in the State, due to the fact that there has been a misunderstanding regarding the nature of the law. The tax applies to real estate and other property as well as money. C. M. Brown is the inheritance tax appraiser in this county.

Any Job Would Do.

"Father says he doesn't wish you for a son-in-law."
"Ask him if he's got any other good position he could give a fellow, will you?"

NEW THEATRE

TO-NIGHT

A. H. Woods offers
The international
laughing success
"Potash & Perlmutter"
Best laugh producer of the
season
Curtain at 8:30 sharp

PRICES
50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50

The Best
World Pictures
Always
The World
before
Your Eyes

MAIN ST.

Ladies & Misses White Coats and Sweaters, \$5 to \$20 LEWIS & CALAIS Main Street Store.