

By GEORGE

"Lay off religion" has been the motto of this column in the past, but several things have conspired recently to bring religion into it. Probably the first was a column by Joseph Fort Newton, relative to the church keeping up with the times. Dr. Newton says that the church should advance with civilization. Then there was the talk with supply minister Waggoner. Mr. Waggoner says practically the same. Later came a long conversation with Rev. L. Boyd Hamm, and finally an interview with Rev. Boyce, asking him questions about his address to the Lions on "Bible in the Schools."

All except the last named said something about the church keeping in step with changing conditions. He said, "the people of our nation must be taught Bible because of the influence it has over all the arts." All the facts tie up.

Conditions are changing. Conditions always change, but the church has remained the same. It is necessary that the church remain the same in many ways. Those principles of religion on which Christianity is founded must remain. Because to depart from them would be departing from religion. Or, at least, from theology. There are many religions, but Christianity is the most generally accepted, and no church is a church after it departs from them.

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new, and God fulfills himself in many ways, lest one good custom should corrupt the world." Though these lines were written years ago, they apply always. Religion would never corrupt the world, but unless there are some changes, the world will corrupt Religion, which would be just as bad.

Today a younger generation is coming into being which differs from any generation which has ever been in the past. They live by "Whoso would be a man must be a non-conformist," and they question every theory ever advanced until they learn everything possible about it. Then if it's wrong, they say so in no uncertain words. THEY WILL NOT ACCEPT ANYTHING THEY DO NOT BELIEVE, AND THEY WILL NOT BE FRIGHTENED INTO BELIEVING THAT WHICH THEY DON'T WANT TO BELIEVE. This goes especially for religion. Not that they don't want to believe it, because they really do. But before they accept it, IT MUST BE MADE PRACTICAL.

For too long they have heard people telling them that unless they join the church and live "right," as many put it, they are doomed to eternal hell. And for too long the strings attached to religion have been so strict as to make them afraid to try to accept it. So they go their way and try to forget it, often by being even worse, because of a rebellious spirit.

I have heard this question asked, "Who wants a religion which keeps you from having a good time?" The answer is, "People who don't know any better, and religious fanatics." And without a doubt, the latter is the worst of the lot. They take the Bible literally, word for word, and they get the bad end of a good thing.

Religion must be made practical if this young generation is to accept it, and they must be taught that religion does not ask them to give up the fun of living. Let the old order change, but don't give up the principles of it. Make religion something interesting, and show these young people that the church needs them as well as they need the church, then watch for a real revival of religion.

Church News

Presbyterian Church
Rev. F. D. Patrick, Pastor
9:45 Sunday School, Mr. C. F. Thomason, Supt.
11:00 Morning Worship. Subject: "A True Patriot."
6:45 Young People's Vespers.
8:00 This congregation unites in the Union Service the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.
Monday 7:30 P. M. Boy Scout Troop One, Mr. Carl Davidson, Scoutmaster; Messrs Harry Page and W. B. Thomson, Asst. Scoutmasters.

Central Methodist Church

Rev. E. W. Fox, Pastor
E. N. Waggoner, Supply Pastor.
Sunday School 9:45. B. S. Peeler, Supt.
Morning Services 11:00.

Boyce Memorial Church

W. M. Boyce, Pastor
Bible School at 10:00 o'clock.
Morning Worship at 11:00. The pastor will speak on "ABEL OR BETHEL?"
Evening Worship at 8:00. The other churches of the city will be our guests at this service. The message will be delivered by Rev. A. G. Sargeant, pastor of First Baptist Church.
Junior Christian Union meets at

3:30. Intermediate and Young People meet in their respective groups at 7:15.
No Mid-Week Services during August.

Lutheran Church

L. Boyd Hamm, Pastor
Bible school 10:00. L. Arnold Kiser General Superintendent.
Services for the 9th Sunday after Trinity.
Morning 11:00.
Luther Leagues meet at 6:45. Chh. Grew of the Church, Juniors, 6:45.
Boy Scouts, Troop 2, meet Monday Evening at 7:00.
SAINT LUKES
Bible school 10:00 James Lackey, Superintendent.

First Baptist Church

Angus G. Sargeant, Pastor.
Sunday school and General Assembly Sunday morning 9:40-11:00.
(There will be no night service as

we will continue to join in the Union Services throughout the month of August.

GRACE METHODIST

S. W. Johnson, Pastor
9:45 Sunday school.
Frank Green, Supt.
11:00 Morning worship.
6:30 Epworth League.
7:30 Evening worship.

MARGRACE NEWS

Mrs. Hunter Ramsey
Mr. and Mrs. James Smith who were married Saturday afternoon have returned home. Mrs. Smith before her marriage was Miss Sarah Fay Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Seth Wilson.
Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Ware and Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Ramsey spent the

past week-end in Atlanta, Ga. Miss Katherine George is visiting her brothers, Messrs Eugene and Raymond George, in New York City. All residents of the Margrace community are invited to turn their news items in to Mrs. Ramsey.

POSTAL RECEIPTS DECREASE

According to figures furnished by Postmaster Blakely, fewer pennies have been shoved through the cash window in Uncle Sam's local Mail Exchange so far this year than went the same route for six months last year.
For the first six months of 1935, the total receipts were \$7,053.20,

while only \$6,783.95 had been taken in for six months this year. Postmaster Blakely was proud of the month of July, however. The seventh month of 1935 showed an increase over July of 1934, with last year's total for the month \$1,171.14, while this year's total reached \$1,361.12.

For the seven month period, total receipts were only \$79.27 short of last year's total.

HOT DOG!
New York.—The hot dog is still the hot dog at the New York World Fair. It is sold at 80 stands on the fair grounds and it still costs a dime.

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