

Everyone Is Welcome at Any of These Churches On the Sabbath Day

Rev. W. R. McIntosh Expresses Optimism Regarding Future Condition of World

There is hope for the future. The world is getting better. Such was the opinion expressed by Rev. W. R. McIntosh, addressing the Labor Forum Sunday afternoon.

Unlike most people, Mr. McIntosh does not view with undue alarm the numerous and confused fights and jangles among people and nations today. He takes it more as a sign that the Lord is not "asleep on the job," as the church has been challenged, but is more aggressive than ever.

"What is the big enterprise today?" questioned the speaker. "In my opinion it is an endeavor to show everyone how to live with one another as brothers. That is God's work, and it is our task to assist Him."

That there has been great progress in this respect within the past few years Mr. McIntosh contended. He points to the signs of the times: first, the humanizing of religion; second, the democratization of politics; third, the socialization of

industry; and fourth, the moralization of patriotism.

He admitted that progress has not been rapid and held that the future task would be tremendous, but yet inevitable. He felt that everywhere the signs of the times indicated a change for the better. He attributed the present unrest, with its differences and fights, but evidence that the Lord's work was being undertaken, an effort being made to eliminate the present foundation upon which security could not be established.

The speaker deplored the "burnt out" philosophers who in their younger days had possessed a flaming enthusiasm for mankind, but had subsequently forsaken their ideals for business and pleasure. The routine minister who had gradually contented himself with an ecclesiastical routine, the tired laborer who had finally concluded "what's the use" and turned their efforts in less energetic directions.

The speaker pointed out that with this almost absolute necessity of a son every Hindu marriage was inherently polygamous. The Hindu law gave a Hindu the right to take a second wife should the first bear him no sons. There was, however, little of this, as the right was also given to adopt.

These conditions were gradually being broken up by western religion, Mr. Orchard stated. The education of the women was an absolute essential in view of the movement toward self-government. There could not be noble sons with ignoble mothers. This must come through the uplifting agency of Jesus Christ.

PASTOR DELIVERS ADDRESS ON INDIA

"India's Religion and India's Women" was the subject of the sermon delivered by Rev. M. L. Orchard, M.A., B.D., at Adelaide Street Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Rev. Orchard urged the necessity of the extension of missionary work in India. He predicted that the increasing propaganda for self-government for India would have results within the next ten years, and it would be necessary that if the empire were to govern itself successfully the gospel of Jesus Christ must be widespread throughout the land.

Centers Around Government. In India, the religious life centers about the old family government, which has held sway for centuries.

The oldest male member of the household is in supreme command with power, literally speaking, of life and death. The family is a unit, not only for the present, but for the past and the future. The dead are members of the family, as are those yet to be born.

What happens to one happens to all. The head of the family in India directs the religious life of the family. There is no religious freedom. The only religious service which the women perform alone is marriage. The religious life in India embraces practically all the activities. It directs the way in which the members of the family shall live, their dress, their associates, whom they are to marry and where. Religion is the very soul of the people.

The old saying that "time and tide wait for no man" does not apply in India, the speaker pointed out. There time and tide wait for every man. There are no changes in India. The family life there is the same as it was 3,500 years ago.

Blame Laid On Wife. Under the Hindu doctrine it is necessary that a man have a son in order to get to heaven. This accounts for child marriage in India. The Hindu believes in the transmigration of souls, and should the betrothed son die the blame is laid on the child-wife, who is said to have been guilty of a misdemeanor in some former existence. Until 78 years ago it was the custom to burn the wife alive with the body of her deceased husband, and Mr. Orchard declared that the members of the Hindu household who are attempting to spread their religious belief in the United States and Canada, held the wife on the body with long poles.

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HOLD PARADE TO ST. MARY'S CHURCH

No. 4 London Troop, Boy Scouts, Attend Denominational Divine Services.

FATHER WEBER SPEAKS

Exhorts Members To Maintain Precepts of Movement As Example To Others.

The Boy Scouts, Troop No. 4, London, of St. Mary's Church, held their first church parade Sunday, when 30 boys of the troop, led by the Boys' Naval Brigade Bugle Band, marched to St. Mary's Church, where special services were conducted by the Scout chaplain, Father Weber.

At 6:30 the boys congregated at the Armories in their smart new uniforms. Scoutmaster Harold Payne and Assistant Scoutmaster Jack O'Rourke, were in charge of the Scouts.

Explains Scout Movement. Father Weber, in his sermon, explained the Scout movement, and also told of the attitude taken by the Roman Catholic Church re the forming of Catholic Boy Scouts, and of how the late Pope Benedict XV, had sent letters to every part of the world advising his bishops to extend the Boy Scout movement in the Roman Catholic Church. Since that time Boy Scout troops have been formed in hundreds of parishes throughout the world, and declared that St. Mary's Church of London has the distinction of having the only Roman Catholic Boy Scout troop in the diocese of London.

"The Boy Scout movement," explained Father Weber, "is purely one of educational, physical and mental development. To wear a flashy uniform or to parade before the people is not the object of the Boy Scouts; if it were, then we would not have a troop in this parish."

"The Scout, in order to live up to the name he bears, must perform certain duties. In the first place, the recruit must do his duty to God and to his country. The Scout promises to do his duty to God, to his fellow-creature, and to his country. He is obliged to do a good turn every day. There are at the present time more than 25,000 Scouts in America, and more than 10,000 in England. The Scout movement is a movement of the future. The third promise the Scout makes is to obey the Scout law."

Can Follow Trade. "Being a member of the Boy Scouts makes it easier for a boy to find his vocation in life," Father Weber said. "He can follow any trade that he desires, and when he grows up to be a man he will be a credit to himself, to his troop and to the world."

"Scouting is simply following the leadings of the nature of all boys," he continued. "The innermost desire of every boy is to belong to a gang. Scouting is forming boys into gangs for a good purpose. They are good leaders. The boys are taught to take an interest in outdoor sports, and in amusements of all kinds. And on account of following out that principle it has never been found that a criminal has received training in the Boy Scouts."

In concluding, Father Weber said to the boys: "You, as Scouts, should work hard while at school, be as happy as you can at school, and never miss an opportunity to show your respect and love to your father and mother. When you try an examination to win a badge, work diligently, and you will succeed. As the first Catholic troop of Boy Scouts in the Diocese of London, endeavor to make it a model troop, set an example to the other parishes, and so uphold your good reputation as Scouts."

CHURCH STAGES PROMOTION DAY

No more impressive nor more important affair has been held than that which took place at St. Mary's Church on Sunday morning at 10:30. It was promotion Sunday for the smaller scholars. A gate surrounded with flowers of gay spring colors was the center of the ceremony. As the scholars who have merited promotion passed through the gate their teacher for the coming year presented them with a diploma. A choir of small girls sang sweetly as each class passed through the gate. Then followed a more solemn and probably more important ceremony, the installation of the officers for the coming year. As each officer's name was called he came forward to the platform, and Rev. L. W. Reid read the obligations and privileges of the officers of a Sunday school. Mr. Ballingall, superintendent, very fittingly replied. The year 1921-22 was a successful one in all ways for St. Mary's Sunday school. Several new classes have been formed to take care of new scholars.

"Spirit of Man Rises Same as Seed Breaks Through Ground," Declares Rev. Warner

Rev. Quintin Warner, in his sermon Sunday morning at Cronyn Memorial Church, dwelt upon the different meanings that are ascribed to the seed and the sowing of seed and stated that while it was the sign of life, another second and imperative lesson could be taken from it, which is generally ignored.

"This meaning," continued the pastor, "is something to the faith of the individual person. The people in the ground correspond to the seed. Mr. Warner next showed that since the soil has not fully completed its life of fruit and harvest in this world that there is all the more reason why the life should be made complete in the next, and this is where the analogy of the seed fits that of the burial."

The minister concluded his sermon by pointing out the need of a spiritual life that man possesses since he is imperfect and the desire for a Christ of power to make his body supreme.

London Catholic Clergy Arrange To Hold Boys' Day In Churches, May 7

Plans are being made in all the Catholic churches of the city for participation in the boys' week movement, especially on Sunday next when the boys come under the direct charge of the clergy for the day.

In all Catholic churches Sunday was announced that at the 8:30 mass next Sunday all boys under the age of 18 years would receive communion in a body.

Speaking at St. Michael's Church, Father Edward Tierney said that the Catholic church recognized the good there was in such a movement, and the plan was to crown the week with holy communion. No warfare could succeed without spiritual warfare. It was the desire of the church that interest be taken in the boys from the earliest moment. It was the desire to take advantage of all agencies that are approved by the church and civil authorities to the end that many of the present day evils, affecting the boys, might be combated.

Father Tierney asked the parents to co-operate with the church on Sunday next so that not a boy in the city will be left without holy communion at the 8:30 mass.

Father Tierney's sermon was preached from the gospel of the day, St. John 1:11, "I am the good Shepherd; and I know mine and mine know me."

The speaker stated that the Gospel revealed how Christ had planned that His flock should be fed through His doctrines and sacrifices. His human shepherds, His priests, would carry on His work.

After touching briefly on the position of the priests in the church, the speaker said the charge was often heard that the church exalted its

TEACHES IDEAL OF GOD OF LOVE

"New Thought Ideals" was the subject on which Dr. Hedley V. Caton addressed the members of the New Thought Society in the Higgins Block, 212 Dundas street, Sunday afternoon.

Referring to the freedom and variety of doctrinal teaching found in the New Thought philosophy, Dr. Caton emphasized the point that New Thoughtists accept individually what they believe, and do not follow the way of religious inspiration and idealism.

New Thought teaches that as men progress spiritually so will they also progress physically and materially. New Thought teaches the ideal of a God of love as represented in the New Testament, and that the God of the universe as pictured in the Old Testament, said Dr. Caton.

The question of discontinuing Sunday afternoon meetings during the summer months was discussed by the members, and the matter will be decided at next Sunday's meeting.

URGES REVIVAL OF OLD RELIGION

In a stirring sermon at the evening service in St. Paul's Cathedral, Rev. Denny Brierley pleaded for a revival of the old faith which had been strong in Paul, when he exclaimed, "God forbid that I should glory with in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."

"Why is it that men should speak of religion as pleasurable only to the religious, or why has the day largely gone when the highest symbol of manhood was a denunciation of sin? Why do we find social uplift and organization largely devoid of any attempt to save the immortal soul and why do young men seek the Y. M. C. A., largely influenced by the 'A' and not the 'C'?"

"Christ is rejected today among nominally Christian people. The day is gone when men said, 'Sir, we would seek Jesus.' The cross condemns sin and puts its finger on the moral canker in our lives and hatered the which is the highest symbol of the Christian faith. And in so doing how do we differ from those who condemned and denied Christ, or those disciples who followed Him, only to desert Him in his last hour of need?"

"Today people scorn lofty ideals as something superfluous and sneer at the church as being prudish, when it sets its face against an amusement which threatens to work for evil. The day has come when men dare not face the ridicule of being called 'out and out' for Christ. Would the majority of men now living have joined the procession which followed Christ to Calvary?"

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SUGGESTS WORK FOR ALL MEMBERS

Rev. Dr. Bowley Green Emphasizes Need For Interesting All in Church Activities.

PROPOSES SLOGAN

Will Give Series of Sermon On Christ's Method of Winning Men.

"He must needs go through Samaria." From these words in John's gospel, Rev. Dr. Bowley Green on Sunday morning at Talbot Street Baptist Church, preached the first of a series of sermons on the evangelistic church and the evangelistic membership. "On one of your church calendars not long ago I noticed that one of the things this church stands for is an evangelistic ministry."

"I was and I am now in hearty sympathy with that principle. If we are to have an evangelistic ministry we must have an evangelistic membership. For that purpose I would like to suggest a motto or a slogan, and it would be. Every member a worker." One of the reasons why we lose so many in every one of our churches is that so many have so little to do. The result is that the individual feels that he has no part in the work, and that he might just as well be absent as present.

"I believe it is possible for every member to realize that he has something to do, and that something is important. In the past we have often used poor judgment. It is the duty of the pastor and the deacons to see to it that each member has a work that is worth doing."

Christ Became a Success. Reverting to his text for the morning, the speaker stated that early in Christ's ministry He became a success and had many followers. The whole nation had been stirred and rebuked by John's ministry; for centuries no prophetic voice had been heard; at last the silence was broken by a voice crying in the wilderness, and all Palestine heard. The Pharisees were chagrined by the success.

"It is because I take it for granted that your great task here in London is winning men to Christ that I am going to speak for seven Sunday mornings on Christ's methods of winning men. We have read many books on this subject, and in the end I cannot claim that many of them are helpful. The Bible is the greatest guide in this work, because it tells us at times almost phrase for phrase how the Master proceeded."

Dr. Green claimed that it was a dangerous thing to be a success, even more so than to be a failure. The penalty attached to the early success of Jesus was the charge that He made more converts than John, simply an effort to stir up trouble.

"The same thing is true today," said Dr. Green. "The man who falls in with one side and forgets the other, who succeeds in the target for the attack of the enemy, is a success. You cannot afford to succeed unless you are courageous."

Sympathy Needed. The speaker went on to point out that success in winning men to Christ needed a broadminded sympathy. He said, "They shall come from the east and the west and sit down in the kingdom of God," but about 90 per cent of us think that the only people are the Anglo-Saxons."

"I thank God that in our Sunday school we have a class of Chinese. What prejudices there are against the negro, and what fine men that race has produced! We talk of the yellow peril and all sorts of things, and imagine that we are God's own chosen people."

"I want to talk to you about winning the man for Christ whom you don't like—it's a mighty hard thing to do. He doesn't move in your sphere, he is low-bred, you don't like to mix with him. It's one thing to say, 'How do you do' to him, and it's another thing to welcome him as a brother in Christ. We need to clean out our prejudices if we are to have an evangelistic ministry and an evangelistic membership."

See It in Poor People. "Oh, how often do we see it that poor people and illiterate people are not regarded as a very desirable acquisition to the church. There may be a woman in the city of London you should reach. You know her shame and all the depths of degradation to which she has sunk; you know the poor wreck she is, and it may be that right there is your Samaria."

"You have dislikes to which you must rise superior. If you offer yourself to the service of the Master He will not pick and choose. You know the pleasant things for you to do; neither will He ask you to do things for which you have not the strength. When you say, 'I'll go where He wants me to go,' do not make mental reservations. There was the spirit of compulsion in the word 'must'—divine guidance to go out and put that 'must' in your service for the Master."

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Nearness to God is the only satisfactory basis of civilization, according to the sermon of Rev. W. R. McIntosh, preached at King Street Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning. Taking "Anxiety About Health" as his topic, Mr. McIntosh