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NOTHING SHORT OF BEING STAR PREACHER APPEALS TO REV. A. C. BINGHAM, WHO ALSO DEMANDS PEOPLE BE STAR CHRISTIANS

His Democracy Is Expressed
by His Lack of Pulpit, and
Young and Old Hear and
Understand Everything
Said in Egerton Street Baptist Church.

Preachers are apt to become known to the populace by the sermons they preach and by the work they accomplish in the church to which they are attached. In London there are, however, many clergymen whose personalities are such that a glimpse at them tells more of the men than do their sermons. With the object of bringing these personalities before the public that The Advertiser prints today the fourth of a series of sketches which, it is hoped, will include all those presiding over the destinies of the various churches.

There are no "priest and people" barriers between Rev. A. C. Bingham and the members of his congregation. There is no such an artificial fence when he takes his place in the Egerton Street Baptist church on a Sunday morning or a Sunday evening.

The pulpit gallery or "lot" is there all right, but in the place where a pulpit will stand some day, there is now just a gap in the railing or fence, whatever the fence may be. The little to the right is one of those little round "centre" tables to hold Bible, hymn book and reading lamp. The usual chairs, constituting the furnishings of the minister's own particular territory in the church.

When he addresses his congregation—and it fills the church to the doors in the evenings, it is as if he takes his stand in front of the gap in the fence, the gap which in this case happens to be symbolic.

It would be no place for an acrobatic preacher, that pulpit gallery. Billy Sunday would one-step overboard a dozen times in an ordinary service. Anybody at all inclined to accompany the spoken word with much preaching and arm drill had better be tethered before allowed to get under way in his sermon.

But the Rev. A. C. Bingham is not the acrobatic type of preacher. He has no show for fear that the gap in the fence can balance on the very edge of it. He is a man of a different type. He is a man of a different type. He is a man of a different type.

Tall, slender, dignified in his bearing, harmoniously with kindness and approachableness. Clean cut of feature, his head has the suggestion of the young Roman senator. Rejoicing in the democracy of his church, his appearance has distinctly the touch of the patriarch.

The atmosphere of the ministerial offices as natural to him as eating and drinking are to other people. He comes of a stalwart, preaching family, father and, until recently, four sons, known as the "five preaching Bingham boys."

The Only Calling. Not offer the largest financial returns of callings requiring ability. But, for Rev. A. C. Bingham, there is just one calling. It is the world worth while, and that is "turning men to righteousness." To be sure, the Christian, but this young preacher for all his years, believes that the ministry of the church is the most continuous opportunity for what to him is the big business of life, "turning men to righteousness."

If anyone asked him pointblank, he would say it was the "star profession" in order to make it a "star profession" it is necessary to be a "star preacher." And this is the big thing in life. He strives to be, and it isn't anything like as connected or vain-glorious as it sounds on first hearing.

Years ago, when this still youthful minister was just entering upon young manhood and wondering with considerable indecision about the choice of a life work, he received a letter from a brother out west, one of the "preacher boys." The big brother expressed hope that young brother might not work and too poor to beg, so he became a preacher. A little further on in the letter his brother hinted that if the letter his brother heard that if he would be a "star preacher."

And so, he decided to enter the ministry and "give his life to being a 'star preacher.'"

So far as regeneration of mankind is concerned, he is the orthodox individualist. Religion is a personal experience expressed in a social way. But, genuine conversion can only take place in the heart of the individual. Turned to righteousness, it is incumbent upon the individual who thereby becomes possessed of the right to the "star position" to qualify for a place among the stars.

BELIEVES WORK OF THE CHURCH GREATEST CALLING ON EARTH



REV. A. C. BINGHAM.

There is no shadow of doubt in the religious code of Rev. A. C. Bingham about the quality of duty towards his fellow men devolving upon the Christian. But his preaching, nevertheless, has the distinctly "other worldliness" note, heard with considerable infrequency in modern pulpits. The glories of the present world shall be revealed hereafter.

The Supreme Thing. The love of God to man, but next to this in greatness comes the love of man for his fellow-men, love that is sufficiently powerful to save even the problems of labor and capital and all disputes that arise between man and man. The world's great need for the point of view, is the love of God in the hearts of men for their fellow-men. Given this, wars will disappear; hence the biggest and most important thing in the world is turning men to righteousness.

Mr. Bingham chose that verse about the stars for the text of his morning sermon on Sunday. "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

Announcing his text, he blushed right into his subject, by telling that the stars were to talk about "Star Christians."

The big people sat up with a look of earnest expectancy, and the little people, lots and lots of them, turned their eyes with eagerness toward the tall minister standing in the gap in the pulpit railing.

A whole row of little folks a few seats from the front, a family in "gown," turned to squint, even the two small boys with new toy pistols in their pockets sat up and looked very much interested.

The Wisest Man. "If I asked a banker who was the wisest man, he would probably name some man who saved his money and invested it securely, filling up 'wealth,' said the preacher. The probable answers of the philosopher, the scientist, the politician, the poet were given. Then, 'If I asked you who was the wisest man, I wonder what you would say?'

Promptly a small voice piped out from the back of the church, 'The wisest man I know is the one who turned many to righteousness.' The ready smile lighted up the minister's face. 'Yes,' he said, 'Solomon was a very wise man. The Bible, however, says that the wise man is the one who turns many to righteousness.'

In the 14th chapter of Daniel and the third verse, A. C. Bingham found out what was meant by a "star preacher," or a "star Christian," for that matter. It was and still is this, "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

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There was the ring of profound conviction in his voice.

SPECTACULAR SCENIC NOVELTY HEADS BILL AT THE GRAND TODAY

"The Girl From Starland" Is
Feature of Program.

FOUR OTHER GOOD ACTS

Marion Davies Appears in
Photoplay, "The Belle
of New York."

"The Girl From Starland," a spectacular scenic novelty, will be the headliner at the Grand today, Tuesday and Wednesday. This is one of the most original and entertaining offerings that have yet appeared here, and it is one that is sure to be thoroughly appreciated by all those who are looking for something different in vaudeville.

The Great Lind, in female impersonation, is another offering that stands quite apart in the realm of vaudeville from the commonplace acts so familiar to the public that the work of this splendid artist is assuredly the best word in acts peculiar to the genius of its originator. Lind not only poses well, but contrives to identify himself with each characterization, even more than Eltinge and other leaders in this type of entertainment. Expert dancing and a singing voice require to the needs of the production are part of his equipment, special scenery and incidental music, all of which to what can be truthfully called the best act of its kind yet seen in vaudeville.

Also on the same bill will be Blanche and Jimmie Creighton, who will offer, under the title of "Midtown Vaudeville," as funny an act and as entertaining as any audience would wish to see. The offering consists of "humor," singing, dancing, imitations and music. The efforts of this clever duo of entertainers will keep any audience in roars of laughter.

Barley and Barley, who masquerade as the "Dude and the Soot," and whose antics and chatter will be found to be most amusing, will offer something new at variance with the usual in vaudeville, and will each be one of the scintillating acts on the program.

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Suit of Navy Serge in box style, wide military braid, finishing bottom of coat, black satin collar, trimmings of steel buttons and braid on front of coat, side pockets, silk lined; skirt two-piece; size 14. Price \$42.00
Suit in Navy Serge in box style; coat has vest of sand, tricotine trimmed with buttons, edge of coat shows six rows of military braid, three box pleats finishing back, silk lined; skirt two-piece; size 18. Price \$58.00
Suit of Navy Gabardine; coat has vest of tricotine silk, long shawl collar, belted, novelty medallion embroidery in black, blue and gold finishing coat, silk lined; skirt two-piece; size 20. Price \$82.50
Suit of Sand Serge in box style; vest of self, cape collar fastened with silk cord, braid trimming cuffs and side of coat, silk lined; skirt two-piece; size 16. Price \$49.00



Delightful New Easter HATS

This Easter display is a revelation, and it will be wise not to defer making your choice until the last day, as we are able to give you more individual attention when we are less crowded and you are less confused. This week's display consists of Pattern Hats and adaptations of the most select and advanced modes, characterized by attention to individual type requirements which women appreciate as the "exclusive" feature of Smallman & Ingram millinery offerings. We offer this week a very smart grouping of Easter Hats, moderately priced. At from \$5.50 to \$15.00

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of vivid pinks that shade to the softest rose; of warm blues beruffled with tiny frills of white; of yellows that rival the daffodils that bloom in the spring; and then to make the range complete there are the snowy white things and the vestees, and here they are—just in. Smart New Vests to be worn with the suit coat. These vests can be worn in almost any style of tailored coat, giving it the smart new touch.

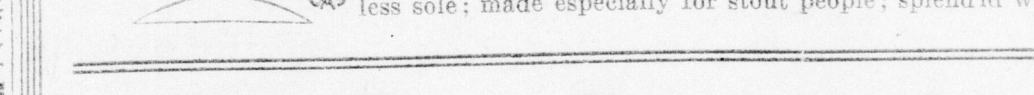
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New Stockings Easter---Good Luck All Year

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IS NOT ANTHRACITE,
SAYS W. A. MARTIN

No Hard Coal Surplus in the
United States.

The 100,000,000 tons of coal which the United States has accumulated since the signing of the armistice and for which the United Mine Workers of America are asking President Wilson to find market is not anthracite coal, according to W. A. Martin, Canadian sales manager of the D. L. and W. Coal Company.

The entire anthracite output for the year 1918 amounted to 99,472,000 tons, and no surplus exists at the present time, Mr. Martin says. The public, therefore, should not be misled into the belief that domestic coal will be a drug on the market. Bituminous production was accelerated by the domestic mines for some time during the mild spell devoted to time to repairs and readjustments following the period of superproduction during the coal shortage.

The wholesale price for anthracite is lowest during the month of April, advancing ten cents a ton during the year. Local domestic coal now sells at \$12 a ton.

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WAR

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STREET CAR MEN
REJECT OFFER OF
COMPANY ON WAGES

Strike Vote May Be Taken
Next Saturday.

At a mass meeting of the street
railway employees on Saturday evening,
it was decided to refuse the offer which
the company has made to the men. They
asked an increase in wages of practically
5 cents an hour, and the company of-
fered a compromise. Just how much the
company is willing to give is not known,
but the men are determined not to ac-
cept the offer.

The committee was directed to meet
the company again and report at a
meeting which will likely be called
next Saturday evening. A strike vote
will possibly be taken then if the com-
pany does not come any higher.

OPEN-AIR MEETING
PROTESTS AGAINST
HIGHER CAR FARES

Ex-Ald. Ashplant One of the
Speakers on Market.

J. F. Thompson and H. B. Ashplant
on Saturday evening addressed a fair-
sized crowd on the market square on
the question of the proposed increase
in street railway fares. Both speakers
urged that the company had no right
to raise fares for any higher fare.

H. B. Ashplant stated that he was
ready to take an affidavit to the truth
of the figures which he gave, and which
showed according to his statement that
the company had made sufficient money
to pay 6 per cent on all its investment
to date. He challenged any of the
company's officials to deny the state-
ments.

One of the employees of the company
present took the speaker to task for
his attitude against the in-
crease in fares, stating that this was
the cause of the men having to accept
two cents an hour less than they other-
wise would have received last year.
Mr. Ashplant took this occasion to

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about completed. Work has started on
the memorial arch and it is expected
that it will be erected some time this
week.

"That is pretty good, even at that,"
came a voice from the audience. An-
other one said, "We are satisfied."
Another one of the crowd suggested
that the city should buy the road if it
were such a gold mine, and he asked
why this should not be done.

Mr. Ashplant pointed out that in his
opinion the citizens should not be asked
to purchase stock for which they had
already paid in surplus over the operat-
ing expenses.

"Let the company run the road until
the expiration of the franchise," he
advocated.

Final arrangements for a monster
crowd on the market square of the 1st
Battalion will be completed at a meet-
ing of the reception committee during
the early part of next week, possibly
on Monday. Chairman P. E. Harley of
this committee announced this morn-
ing that all of the arrangements are