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THE SECRET OF SERVICE

(By Ida Johnson Lee, Salem, Oregon)

To be unwilling, or unable, to serve at this most opportune moment would be nothing less than a calamity. The great present need and opportunity is constantly before us with its insistent demands, and will not be silenced with less than our best in sacrifice and service.

This generation has been brought to an entirely new occasion. The challenge of the present world situation for the use of our entire resources is unique in the history of the Christian church. No one need stand idly waiting—saying, "There is nothing I can do." At home and abroad are doors wide open to every one who can serve in any way to alleviate the sufferings, or help to bear the burdens of the needy of earth.

The various organizations for the salvation, development and training of our young people must have come into being for such a time as this. Truly this is a time in which to be living is a sublime reality.

So great is the demand upon us for activity that it may require some care and effort on our part to preserve the proper balance between our work for Christ and our fellowship with Him.

In the public ministry of Christ we have the incident of His calling the disciples to Himself. The Scripture states, "He ordained twelve, that they should be with Him, and that He might send them forth to preach." In the last analysis this is the sum of the Christian life, fellowship and service; communion with Him and contact with the world; witnesses with Him and workers for Him. Notice the Divine order.

There seemed to be also a two-fold purpose in "That they might be with Him," first, for His own sake and then for theirs. Before these days He had lived in retirement, much alone. The commencement of His ministry had been solitary, but now it seems as though He has need of sympathetic fellowship. So He calls these to Him that they may learn to know Him and to give Him responsive love and devotion, and the comfort of their companionship. In inviting these men to Himself, He also seeks to reveal Himself to them, to teach them of their relationship to Himself and to the world. He introduces them into the two-fold attitude—upward and outward; that is, surrender, consecration, devotion and obedience toward God; and self-sacrifice and service toward the world. These are things which God has

joined together and which we must not put asunder. There is a vital relationship between those experiences of fellowship and service which cannot be violated without great loss.

It may be possible for us to be so absorbed with the privileges of communion and worship, as to forget our obligation to the world, and to the need at our very doors. It is also possible that in the midst of our busy service we may lose the vital connection with Him, and our "much serving" become creaturely activity void of spiritual power and results.

Christ seeks to bring us to the place where we are really "with Him"—with Him in aim, in purpose, in outlook; that His Spirit may be ours and dominate and control our inner heart life and our outer activities.

This thought is again brought before the disciples in the parting message which Jesus gave them. While the great need of the world bore heavily upon His mind and heart, he still placed the emphasis upon their relationship with Himself. "Abide in me," said He, "for without me ye can do nothing." And so, even now, with the urgent demands upon our time and strength, it is important for us to maintain a close and abiding relationship with Him as the source of our inspiration, the supply of our power.

We would not stay always upon the mount while in the valley there are suffering ones who need our ministrations; we would not serve humanity less. "It is not the thing we do," says Goethe, "it is the spirit in which we do it that is the great thing."

The world is waiting to see and feel the presence of God in and through our lives. This age, captured so largely by material things, is longing for a vision of God. It is coming more and more to know that this is its real need, and is ready and waiting for a revelation of Him. If we would be transmitters of His gospel and grace we must occupy a place of nearness to Him. Is it not true that those nearest to Him in intimacy are most used of Him. It is this communion and fellowship with our Lord and Master, knowledge of His ways, of His love, of His plans and purposes which qualifies us to go and confers power to serve.

Time spent in Scripture reading and prayer is spent most wisely and profitably. In our busy lives we often feel that there is so little leisure to use in devotion to God. S. D. Gordon tells us in his quiet talks on prayer, that to be blest and efficient we must pray: Not spasmodically, indifferently; but frequently,

earnestly, persistently. Not that we have time for it, but that we must take time—take it from other things which are important, but less important than prayer.

George Muller, in his long and busy life, has left the record of hours spent in prayer, daily, for himself and the great work which God had committed to his care. When an unusually busy day came, one crowded full of important duties, that was the time when he felt a special need of Divine wisdom and strength. Consequently, on that particular morning he set apart a much longer period for prayer and waiting upon God. His marvelous achievements attest the benefits of such a course.

The new year has come to us filled with privilege and promise. Larger, broader, higher lie the fields of opportunity which may be made fruitful by our faithful effort. What an inspiration! We need not wait for the great things, but begin where we are and use what we have. If we cannot succeed where we are, we cannot succeed anywhere else. This year, this hour, calls for the dedication of our life; not to public service only, but to Him and also to our common duties of daily life.

"Just to be faithful in things that are small,
Just to walk steady where others may fall,
Just to be willing if Jesus should call.
Just to let Jesus have perfect control,
Just to know daily His grace makes me whole;
Just to have heavenly peace in my soul;
This is my duty to Him."

Thus in the consciousness of His peace and His presence, the yoke of service will be easy and the burden of duty will be light.

WE STAND THUS

Meeting—	Quota	Already in
Highland	40	19
South Salem	15	8
Rosedale	15	12
Scotts Mills	10	9
Marion	5	5
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Salem Q. M.	85	53
First Friends	50	33
Second Friends	25	36
West Piedmont	5	6
Quilcene	5	1
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Portland Q. M.	85	76
Newberg	65	38
Chehalem Center	13	9
Springbrook	17	10
Rex	5	9
Middleton	5	0
Sherwood	10	0
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Newberg Q. M.	115	66
Greenleaf	65	3
Star	22	11
Boise	18	7
Valley Mound	5	0
Woodland	5	0
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Boise Valley Q. M. ...	115	21

NEWS NOTES

NEWPORT

The other day there came into my home a little visitor calling itself "A Friendly Endeavor," and its visit brought so much of cheer and brightness and heart warmth that I am moved to beg for its coming again and to be counted as one of its subscribers. That sermon from Ernest Taylor ought to bring every C. E. Society in Oregon to its knees with a united cry to God for such endowment of power as shall make them an invincible force in their several communities for Christ, and against sin. God bless "A Friendly Endeavor" in its mission and encourage the hearts of our young people!

FRANCES LITER.

(And God bless thee, Friend Frances! We appreciate these words, and we'll see that thee gets thy paper.)

GREENLEAF

Greenleaf has ceased to hibernate! The flu ban is off, and the Paper Chase is on, in full swing. We are sorry we didn't get in the race with the rest, but we are having one of our own and will report results later.

Miss Uula E. Tucker, our president, was married New Year eve, to Mr. Tedford Winslow. They will make their home on Mr. Winslow's ranch, south of Greenleaf.

We feel we are very fortunate in having Miss Mildred Benson of Newberg, Oregon, and Miss Olive Ramsey of Springbrook, with us this winter. They are real live wires.

Harold P. Mills spent a few days at his home, last week, on his way from Philadelphia to Camp Lewis, Wash.

Miss Beatrice Nordyke and Mr. Verner Dotson were married Dec. 31. Mrs. Dotson served for some time as secretary of our Society.

Mr. Ellis H. Beals leaves on the 21st for Philadelphia, and expects to sail for France early in February. Ellis is the third member of our Society to enter the Reconstruction Work. Harold Tucker and Willard Ragsdale are already in France.

We are expecting our revival meeting to open the 23rd, with Rev. Lee of Salem, Oregon, as evangelist.

The morning message on Sunday, Jan. 19, was given by Emmett W. Gulley, and was a message of great helpfulness. The evening service was conducted by Prescott L. Beals, and was a time of deep heart searching.

The Misses Edna and Laura Commons of Salem, Oregon, have recently come into our midst. Greenleaf Endeavorers are glad to welcome them.

SECOND FRIENDS, PORTLAND

We are glad to have Emel Swanson back with us again in the C. E., even if it can only be for a short time. He is expecting to start for France the latter part of this month to enter the Reconstruction Work there. We certainly will miss him, as we need him so much in our C. E. just at this time, but are glad to have him engaged in the Reconstruction Work. Our prayers and best wishes will go with him.

Harry E. Tamplin's name appeared in the list of recent arrivals in France in this week's "American Friend."

Mrs. Nettie Riley of Entiat, Wash., has been visiting among old friends again during the past month.

The wedding of two of our young people, Ralph Repp and Arna Tamplin Bass, occurred New Year's Eve., Mrs. Riley officiating. The C. E. wishes them a long and happy life.

We are glad to be able to report that our following Christian Endeavorers, Violet Littlefield, Goldie and Alice Carr, Mrs. Carr and Mr. and Mrs. Barker's two little girls, having been sick with the "flu" the past few weeks, to be recovering rapidly and we pray that they may soon be with us again.

In spite of all the sickness in our midst, we are glad that we can say our young people have shown no signs of letting up in their work in the C. E.

The regular monthly business meeting and social of the C. E. was held Jan. 10, 1919, at the home of our pastor, Miss Lurana M. Terrell. Very encouraging reports were handed in by different committees, and three new members were received into the Society at that time. After the business session of the evening, Doris Mann and Martha Isler, in the absence of our social committee chairman, had charge of the social part of the evening, showing us a good time. The evening was made especially enjoyable because of the presence of Emel Swanson, who has been in camp for the past five months and who expects to go to France in the Reconstruction Work soon.

A large number of the Endeavorers attended a "taffy pull" given by the Aeronauts S. S. in the annex Tuesday, Jan. 21. A jolly evening was spent in games and pulling candy.

A number of our members have been under quarantine with the "flu," which has hindered our meetings. Nevertheless, on Sunday, Jan. 12, an interesting debate was held. The question being, "Resolved, that civilization has done more harm than good in South Africa." Mrs. Effie R. Tamplin upheld the affirmative and J. Sanger Fox took the negative.

SPRINGBROOK

We suppose Springbrook is the worst of the transgressors, as we were put at the very bottom of the list of delinquents. Are truly repentant and will try not to let it happen again.

On account of the influenza, there have been no services at the church for a month. The ban has been lifted, however, and we hope soon to have our C. E. work organized for the new year.

As a church and C. E., we are very thankful for new song books that have just arrived.

The last American Friend contained a very interesting article by J. Sanger Fox concerning the work started at Oretown, Tillamook County, by Paul Lewis, one of our members. He and his wife (formerly Miss Erma Heacock) took charge of the work a short time ago, and are making good. We pray that God may bless them abundantly in the work.

Verl Nordyke, from Idaho, visited here during the holidays.

Our first meeting of the year, Jan. 19, was led by Daisy Newhouse.

REX

Ross E. Wiley is a corporal in the army instead of a chaplain, as was noted in last month's items.

A. Lindsey McCaffree came home the first of the year and has been clearing and grubbing the church acre, which is quite an improvement.

Willard D. Wiley arrived home from Camp Fremont, Cal., Dec. 30, and is now working in the Portland shipyards and attending night school.

Asa and Maude Butler have purchased a Ford, which is quite a help to them in their pastoral work with us.

Three from our C. E. have signed up for the home study expert class between now and state convention next month.

Agnes Cook returned to her home at West Piedmont, Dec. 15, on account of an attack of influenza. We hope she will have a speedy recovery and soon be with

us again. Evangeline Martin of Newberg is teaching the school in Miss Cook's absence.

Geo. N. Hollister, after an illness of several months, died Jan. 11, at the home of his daughter, Mable E. Frost. Funeral services were conducted at the church, Monday afternoon, Jan. 13, by Maude H. Butler.

On the evening of Jan. 16, the community was aroused by the ringing of the school house and church bells. Upon investigation, it was found that Nate L. Wiley and A. Lindsey McCaffree were celebrating over the ratification for national prohibition.

An offering of \$6.00 was given Sunday evening, Jan. 19, for the Armenian Syrian Relief.

MARION

We expect to have our next business meeting on St. Valentine's night. The meeting with a social hour afterwards will be held at the pastor's. Come and bring your valentines.

Della Fennel is expecting her husband home from camp soon.

Our pastors were very pleasantly surprised at Christmas time by finding a large and beautiful rug on their front room floor; also a new stove mat.

Mary Thomas has had a very acute attack of appendicitis. She is better at this writing.

Lewis Russel and family are with us now. They came home shortly after Christmas.

Mr. Russel, Mr. and Mrs. Enos Pressnel, and Mr. and Mrs. Bronner expect to attend the Ministerial Conference at Lents.

HIGHLAND

Owing to the influenza situation in Salem, the town has been closed for about three weeks, and we have not been able to have any church services or public gatherings. However, so far most of our members have not been seriously affected by the influenza.

Miss Edith Frazier, whose school at Silverton is closed during the epidemic, is spending a few days visiting in Portland.

Miss Mabel Haight has found the (right) man, having left us a few weeks ago to go to Omaha, Nebraska, where she was married to Mr. Henry Wright,

on New Year's day. They have the very best wishes of all the Highland Friends.

Calvin Thomas, Leroy Frazier and Hubert Armstrong, who have been attending Pacific College, have spent part of their enforced vacation at their homes.

Isola Smith spent the week-end in Portland and Vancouver, visiting friends and relatives.

Our pastor, Mr. Lee, is planning for revival work with Idaho Friends, probably beginning at Greenleaf about the first of February.

Miss Valeda Hoxie, who is teaching at Yamhill this year, is at home until her school re-opens.

We are looking forward to the return of some of our boys, who are now in the service.

STAR

The influenza is still making inroads on the community, and public gatherings are prohibited in Star.

A reception was given at the home of Elbert Cone a few weeks ago for the boys who were home from camp.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Heston and little son Lawrence from Paonia, Colorado, are stopping for a time at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Heston. They have come with the thought of locating here.

Carol Heston entertained a few of her friends New Year's evening.

Charles Maxwell of Earlham, Iowa, who has been visiting at the Hawthorn home for a few weeks, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Pickard very pleasantly entertained relatives New Year's Eve, and all remained to see the old year out.

Edna Elmore has been substituting in the telephone office.

Ardis Roberts is back in college at Caldwell, after an enforced vacation on account of the epidemic.

Elsie Davis, a friend of our Endeavorers, died at her home near Boise of pneumonia, following influenza.

Clifford Elmore is at Valley Mound, assisting his cousin, Clark Roberts, with farm work.

J. E. Roberts and family entertained relatives in honor of Whittier's birthday.

CHEHALEM CENTER

Our society had a business meeting and social before the beginning of the New Year, for the purpose of electing new officers and a general re-organization. Leora Hodson was elected president; Clinton Baron, vice president, and Edith Walton, secretary. The chairmen of the various committees were also appointed.

Three new members were welcomed into the Endeavor at our last meeting as active workers. At this meeting all joined in reading the pledge; this seemed to express our highest purpose and aim for this year.

Ellis Pickett, one of our most active members, has returned from Camp Lewis where he has been for the past few months.

Mr. Frank Bales has but recently taken charge of the meeting here.

Pray for us!

SOUTH SALEM

Owing to the Spanish influenza, we have not met since the last issue of "A Friendly Endeavor," so have nothing to report.

Ross Miles is still at Versailles as business manager of a hospital for women and children. He has been loaned to the Red Cross.

NEWBERG

Some of Newberg's members are studying the Christian Endeavor expert book, and are planning to take the examination soon.

No prayer meetings or business meetings have been held for some time because of the "flu" ban, which is still on.

George Upton and Vernon Bush have been doing deputation work under the Y. M. C. A. of Pacific College. Their work has centered in a little school house just the other side of Parrett mountain. The plan is to have a meetin gevery Sunday afternoon and perhaps reorganize the Sunday school, which George was active in starting about two years ago. Although this work is not done under the auspices of the C. E., many of the C. E. members are taking part in it.

Cassius and Delight Carter are recovering from a long and severe attack of the influenza.

With all our churches closed up tight, And C. E. meetings too, It's taken lots of thinking To get any news for you.

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land, Oregon.

The public meeting ban is still on in some places, but many of us have had the blessed privilege of public worship, for which we are very thankful. Besides the regular services, some of the meetings are planning revivals. Portland has been doubly blest. The Holiness Convention and Ministerial Convention were rich in soul food. You know what a blessing and what a conviction goes with Holy Ghost preaching, what an uplift you feel when Spirit filled people pray, what a "ring" to the testimony of a sanctified child of God—well, that's what we had. How thankful—how thankful we should be as Endeavorers, for the light of real old-fashioned, George Fox, John Wesley, Second Blessing religion.

Welcome, welcome Greenleaf! We're so glad the period of hibernating is over, and we await expectantly the long list of subscribers that is sure to come when we quit hibernating.

Will you kindly notice the difference in the number of subscribers Second Friends, Portland, reported last issue, and the number this month? **Just three times as many!** How did they do it? They got wide awake, and then got busy, and the next thing we knew, Martha Isler was announced the leader of the winning side in a paper chase. The losing side has to give an evening's entertainment of some kind to the winners. Second Friends now holds the banner, having gone farther over their quota than anyone else.

February is a short month, so have your news items in by Feb. 22, this time, please. Send to Bell Badley, 984 East Salmon Street, Portland.

Star is brilliant with 5 new subscriptions this month. Twinkle, twinkle, little Star, how I wonder if you're going to out-shine some of the rest of us if you keep on.

"May the Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another."

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ROSEDALE

Floyd Batés left Jan. 12 for Philadelphia, where he will enter the Reconstruction Unit.

Two of our associate members are acting as emergency nurses in Salem for the "flu."

On account of the "flu" we have not had church service for several Sundays. On Jan. 19 our pastor and wife got in touch with many of the people by making short calls.

SCOTTS MILLS

Dec. 22.—Our Endeavor prayer meeting was led by Miss Mabel Kellogg in a very unique and interesting way. Each one who spoke on the topic for the evening called on some one else so that every member present spoke on some phase of the subject.

Dec. 29.—Led by E. W. Carlson. After a season of prayer, which always precedes the taking up the topic in our meetings, we had a Bible reading, and a discussion of the evening's subject.

Jan. 5.—Mrs. Florence Taylor led the meeting. Several clippings from the C. E. World were read and commented upon by different members. We had an interesting and instructive time.

Jan. 12.—Led by Lloyd Taylor. Each member who could call one to mind, repeated a Scripture text on forgiveness. This was followed by a Bible reading of texts on the same subject.

George Kellogg recently returned from Corvallis, has gone to Long Beach, Cal., where he hopes to finish in his studies in civil engineering.

At a business meeting of the C. E. held at the home of E. W. Carlson, the following officers were elected: President, Lila Brougher; secretary, Mrs. E. Harris; treasurer, Edith Kellogg; corresponding secretary, Ethel Cox; organist, Olive Merry; reporter for "A Friendly Endeavor," Mrs. N. B. Taylor.

At the morning service, Jan. 5, Mrs. Harris read some notes on the various fields of Friends' missions, and then gave a helpful missionary sermon, after which a good collection was taken. A solo by Alden White added much to the interest of the meeting.

F. C. Harris just returned from Greenleaf, Idaho, where he went to visit a brother who had been hurt by gravel caving on his foot while digging a ditch. The brother is improving.

David Delano is our S. S. superintendent, and he is a good one, too.

Lloyd and Florence Taylor have planned to enter the Bible Institute at Cleveland, Ohio, for the next semester, but the present illness of W. L. will probably hinder them somewhat at least. All hope for his speedy recovery.

FIRST FRIENDS, PORTLAND

On the evening of Jan. 12, we tried the scheme of having the young men of the society lead the meeting, and it worked nicely. Altho quite a number of our young men are seeing sights in France, or are on their way, we still have a few remaining who are faithful and filled with the Holy Spirit.

The young people have been enjoying a new sport for most of them in the form of skating. Just when they were beginning to recover from stiff joints and bruises, and were commencing to enjoy themselves, the ice melted.

When the 7:10 train for Spokane pulled out of the Union Depot, Jan. 20, the Sunnyside C. E. lost another loyal worker. Howard Pearson was given a formal farewell at his home Friday preceding his departure, and an informal one at the depot. He expects to sail for France from Philadelphia.

We are glad to report that Minnie Mendenhall, our prayer meeting committee chairman, is recovering from influenza. "The flu bugs have flown," and she will soon be out again.

A new interest is being displayed in the C. E. meetings. Attendance is climbing, and many strangers are coming in. The meetings are interesting, varied, and full of the Spirit.

Our spiritual fires have been fanned by the convention held in our church, Jan. 21-26, under the auspices of the National Holiness Association. The evangelists, Babcock, Ruth and Owen, are all men of deep spiritual power and wide experience. Brother Johnston of Ohio proved a splendid leader in gospel songs. The sermons dealt with almost every phase of doctrinal truth with special emphasis upon holiness of heart and life, of believers obtained by baptism with the Holy Ghost as a second definite work of grace. The messages were as varied as the personalities of the speakers, but all were owned and blest of God. Souls were definitely blest at every service. A number of our Endeavorers have renewed their covenants with God, and some have experienced the joy of receiving the blessed Comforter as an abiding Guest. "Thanks be unto God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."