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# A FRIENDLY ENDEAVOR

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## A "HOUSE PARTY" AT LENTS

(J. Sanger Fox, Portland, Oregon)

Just as the "American Friend," telling of the Edwards house party in Richmond arrived, the Ministerial Conference of Oregon Yearly Meeting met at the Second Church of Portland (Lents), January 28-30, and in many ways there are points of similarity between the two meetings. We, too, faced great problems, great issues, and met them in the same spirit; we, too, realized that "we have an obligation to give emphasis to that phase of Christian truth which is our especial message."

In three days crowded with waves of glory, floods of peace, and billows of emotion it would be difficult to pick out the spiritual climax of the Conference. It would be equally impossible to pick out the best from the many excellent papers presented.

We had three unusual manifestations of the presence of the Spirit amongst us, in addition to an abiding peace which characterized not only every session, but the preparations beforehand. At the Tuesday night session Homer L. Cox was surely at his best as he dealt so personally of the many lures which the devil lays for the preacher. At the close of an impassioned appeal, during which there were few dry eyes, the preachers and would-be preachers gathered in a band at the altar and engaged in a most helpful season of prayer. Then again, how marvelously and fascinatingly Matilda W. Minthorn of Newport, Ore. (formerly Matilda Atkinson) unveiled the real Jonah to us in her Bible reading. How humbled we sat before the greatness of this humble prophet, so often maligned and scorned, and how we rejoiced afresh in the certainty of the truth of the dear old Book and its inspired authorship. And Job! When Lurana M. Terrell got through scraping off his boils, upholding him as God's example of a truly sanctified believer, portraying him as the intercessor before the throne for his poor comforters, and picturing his beautiful daughters enjoying at least some measure of equal suffrage by having an inheritance with the brethren, a man's voice from one side of the house and a woman's from the other, at the same time, and in the same key, broke out in song with, "I'm going through, Jesus, I'm going through. I'll pay the price, whatever others do. I'll take the way with the Lord's despised few; I'm going through, Jesus, I'm going through." An inspired altar call by Lurana Terrell and Fred E.



## FRIENDS' C. E. CONFERENCE

Held at Ocean Lake, Oregon, August, 1918

Here's a chance to "see ourselves as others saw us." Pretty good looking folks too! Those who are in the picture will not only be able to see, but can close their eyes and hear the roar of the waves, smell the perfume of bacon frying in the early morning, taste ditto, and feel the gentle dripping of the Oregon mist. Besides these minor points, we recall with pleasure the blessings of association, the lectures, sermons, songs and prayers. Begin now to make plans to go to the Conference this summer, wherever it may be held.

Carter resulted in two souls ploughing their way through to victory at the altar. The program had to give way to such an onslaught, and the "business session" had to take a back seat along with one of the papers. What better business could be transacted for Him by a Ministerial Conference? "Job" was scheduled for 10 to 10:45, but it was 12:30 before we filed into the Annex for lunch, and even then an impromptu song service continued for nearly half an hour while the food remained untouched on our plates. Everyone seemed too happy to eat, the spiritual food appearing perfectly satisfying.

The chain of devotional exercises of various attitudes of the ministry opened with A Prayerful Ministry, and included Faithful, Tearful, Joyful, Watchful and Spirit Filled. They were most helpful. With the opening session Tuesday evening Levi T. Pennington struck the keynote with "Remember Jesus Christ," a chord that vibrated in our hearts throughout the Conference, and was struck again by Ida Johnson Lee in the closing session during the discussion on the Present Day Points of Emphasis.

The discussion that evoked the most interest was the one following the symposium, "Shall the Ministry of Oregon Yearly Meeting be Standardized? If so, How?" Spiritually Matilda Minthorn re-

minded that we could not raise a standard, that had already been done; all we could do was to hold it up. The consensus of opinion appeared to be that in Oregon we were already doing so, at least to a considerable extent, but exhortations were given urging greater faithfulness. Doctrinally, Aaron M. Bray's paper was a masterpiece of logic, brevity and comprehensiveness, and was accepted in its entirety. (It is to be hoped that the American Friend will see that this is published.) Levi T. Pennington read an excellent paper and extemporized freely thereupon with reference to educational standards. At a later session the resolution committee presented a recommendation, which was approved, forming a committee with power to outline and administer spiritual and doctrinal standards and a course of reading for ministers and others.

The only regret as to the program was the injustice done the symposium which closed the Conference, and two papers which had to be hurried through without discussion. Some delegates already had had to leave, some left during the session to catch trains and a sort of a "leaning back on one's bones instead of depending upon the muscles" resulted in an absence of anything of very striking importance in the closing discussion.

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## NEWS NOTES

### STAR

The "flu" ban is off and our services are open again.

I. Gurney Lee has closed a series of very delightful meetings in which many testified to the great benefit they had received from the teaching.

A number of the people from Greenleaf attended services Saturday and Sunday.

Ezra G. Pearson attended the meetings and rendered very helpful service.

Several of our people plan to attend Quarterly Meeting held at Boise the 22d.

Since the meetings some of our young people are making inquiry for a training school.

Wedding bells rang out Sunday, January 26, for Walter Hadley and Mae Rudasill

### SPRINGBROOK

Probably we had better announce late than never that the officers of our Christian Endeavor Society for the year 1919 are: President, Stella Hubbard; vice president, Ethel Cowgill; secretary, Mary Mills; treasurer, Dennis Mills.

We are glad to announce that Dillon Brown and family, recently from Oklahoma, have moved into our community. Although they live above us, they are willing and glad to come down and worship with us.

The meeting for February 2 was led by Richard Haworth, the topic being "The best things in Christian Endeavor." The chairmen of the various committees emphasized the importance of the work of their committees.

February 9 the meeting was led by Lucy Rees. The importance of working for God after we have said "I will" was clearly shown.

February 16 the meeting was led by Myrtle Newby. The question box conducted at this service made it very interesting.

Our society has once more, after an extended "vacation," had a social. Friday evening, February 14, the young people of the community came to the school house and a very enjoyable time we had, playing games and getting better acquainted with one another. Refreshments consisted of punch and cookies.

### BOISE

We started our revival meeting last Thursday, Feb. 13. Our pastor is holding the meeting the first week, then we expect Gurney Lee to be with us ten days. We are having good meetings with a good attendance.

The attendance at our church services and Christian Endeavor meetings is increasing in number and interest.

The Quarterly Meeting will meet with us this week, Feb. 21 to 23.

Rosco Collard has returned from France. We are all glad to welcome him back with us.

The Lord is blessing our efforts to win souls to Him. A few weeks ago one soul was saved in the Sunday morning service and at prayer meeting one soul was reclaimed. We praise Him for using us in His service, also for a pastor who is not afraid to declare the whole Gospel Truth.

Our Endeavorers enjoyed very much the study of "The Call of a World Task." After studying this book, it makes me wonder if we, as Endeavorers, working "For Christ and the Church," are doing our best to send the Gospel Message to the thousands in the non-Christian land who have never heard the Story. Just think of it—33,000,000 die every year without any knowledge of Christ and His love. Are we in any way responsible for these lost souls?

### SOUTH SALEM

A very interesting musical social was held at Dr. Pemberton's home, the evening of February 8th.

A remarkably good joint meeting of the C. E. and evening church worship was led by Donald Edmundson, February 16th. The topic was Our Relation to God, and Trusting Him.

We have had the privilege of holding our meetings all this month. Our people all being over the flu.

Gertrude Cook has been a very welcome visitor in our midst the last ten days. Her singing has been much appreciated.

Eva Miles has gone to Pacific College for the spring semester.

Our members Mr. and Mrs. Jocyrus Wilson have a new daughter whom they have named Ruth Mary.

One of our members James Gidley and his father had a very unfortunate acci-

dent with their auto February 14th, when they collided with the Dallas motor train here in Salem.

Our Pastor and some members are assisting in the revival meetings at the Mission.

### FIRST CHURCH, PORTLAND

We are in the midst of a revival meeting conducted by Rev. Harry Hays, and our pastors, Homer and Blanche Cox. God is with us. We are believing for a real visitation of the Holy Spirit. Pray for us.

### REX

January 29th, the C. E. executive and monthly business meetings were held at the home of N. L. Wiley. Also a social time was spent which brought forth many smiles. The executive committee met early when their business was finished they joined the rest of the crowd that had gathered. Stunts were next on program. A five-gallon stone jar was placed on its side in the middle of the room; the boys were instructed to take turns sitting on the jar, feet straight out in front; place one heel on the toe of the other foot and raise both feet from the floor; while they were balancing on the jar they were to write Rex, Oregon, on a tablet. (Warning: If you don't want to smile, please do not try this stunt.) The girls were to stand on the side of a pickle keg and write Rex, Oregon. After the stunts had been tried by several, the president called the business meeting to order. When the business meeting adjourned, another social hour was spent. Cocoa and cake was served by the social committee.

We are glad to welcome home two more of our boys from the service, who were both corporals—Francis M. Jenkins and Archie Jones.

Christian Endeavor week was observed by our C. E. Tuesday evening, Feb. 4th, we met at the home of F. D. Frost to practice songs. Fred D. Frost was song leader, with Agnes Cook at the piano; Asa Butler played the violin. There was good attendance. After singing for an hour or more, Mrs. Frost served popcorn and candy.

Prayer meeting was held Thursday evening and on account of it being Newberg quarterly meeting week, the big social was held the following week, Saturday, Feb. 15, at the home of N. L. Wiley. It was to be a bring-one social; 30 were in attendance. A very pleasant evening was spent with games and stunts of different kinds after which light refreshments were served.

Sunday evening, Feb. 16, Mrs. Carl Miller of Springbrook gave us a very impressive sermon on the Atonement of Christ.

Plans are being made to enlarge the parsonage, so we will have a place larger than a "bird cage" for our pastor. Donations in labor or money will be greatly appreciated.

Several of the young men met at the Frost home Wednesday evening, Feb. 19, to practice some special songs.

Our society has recently bought a new active membership pledge wall chart.

We are glad to welcome back to our community James Kane and family, and their daughter and son-in-law, Erma and Carl Miller.

### SCOTTS MILLS

Jan. 19—Our Endeavor was led by Miss Edith Kellogg. After singing and prayer and Scripture reading, every member was asked to repeat a text on Repentance. After a discussion of the evening's topic we were favored by a duet by Miss Ethel Shilts and Miss Kate Sloan.

Jan. 26—Endeavor was led by Winnifred Frazier. After the usual preliminaries the topic was discussed. An interesting time was had.

Feb. 2—Mrs. H. B. Coulson led the meeting. As this was C. E. day, we had a big subject and quite a full discussion on the various works of the C. E. Special music was furnished by the chorus and a duet sung by Evangeline Kludas and Ethel Cox was much appreciated.

Feb. 9—Led by David Delano. The topic was well discussed by some of our leading members. This was followed by a duet by Lillian Herigstad and Ethel Shilts. Surely this was a worth while C. E. Meeting.

The February business meeting was held at the home of J. E. Coulson. Reports from the various committees were read. Florence Frazier's membership was sent to Highland C. E. Four associate members were received. After the business session a social time was had. A treat of candy was enjoyed by all.

A letter from Will McGee, who is still in France, says he and a friend think they will see more of the world before he returns home.

Our Endeavor is sorry to lose Winnifred and Lillian Frazier. They are expecting to move back to Salem soon.

Quite a number of our C. E. young folks motored to Salem Friday to attend Q. M. at Highland.

F. C. Harris was a Portland and Newberg visitor Monday and Tuesday.

### SECOND CHURCH, PORTLAND

Dora Dunbar, our C. E. secretary, and Violet Littlefield, a member of our social committee, are going to Pacific College this semester.

We are glad to report good results among the young people during our three weeks revival meeting which has just closed, and were very fortunate in having Bell Badley, the editor of our paper, and Mrs. Harry Hayes lead two of the C. E. meetings during the revival.

We feel a loss in the leaving of two of our C. E. members, Myrtle and Edna Burns, the latter being the chairman of our social committee. However, we hope and expect that they will be back soon.

Three of our members, Martha Isler, Goldie Carr and Kenneth Tamplin, attended Salem Quarterly Meeting, Saturday, Feb. 15th.

May Kadolph, our C. E. treasurer, has gone to Entiat, Wash., to spend a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Riley, our former pastor.

Our youngest Christian Endeavorer is a little girl by the name of Alice Ellanore Haworth, who has come to live with Gladys and Wilbur Haworth.

### GREENLEAF

Our revival services, conducted by Rev. Lee of Salem, closed Feb. 9. We are very thankful for the work done, a number of people having been converted, reclaimed or sanctified.

Harold Mills, who received his discharge from Camp Lewis a few weeks ago, is working at the Gulley ranch.

Miss Hulda Winslow, who has been spending the winter in California, returned to Greenleaf the 13th, and has resumed her work in the Seminary.

Miss Myrtle Mills, who is teaching in Fargo, spent the week end at home last week.

A farewell reception was given at the Seminary on the evening of the 19th, in honor of Emmett and Zoe Gulley, who leave Monday, to begin their work in Mexico.

Miss Mildred Benson and Mrs. Ethel McAninch were received into active mem-

bership in our last C. E. business meeting.

A number of Greenleaf Endeavors attended revival services at Star Sunday.

Our paper chase resulted in twenty-four subscriptions. Ralph Antrim was the leader of the winning side.

Mrs. Louella Brown is enjoying a visit from an Iowa friend, Mrs. E. M. Gregson.

Miss Rachel Benson has gone to Oklahoma.

"The Greenleaf All-Stars," namely Emmett Gulley, Clayton Brown, Dillon Mills, Earl Antrim and Chas. Pearson, played basket ball with the College of Idaho Thursday afternoon. Score, 30 to 31 in favor of Greenleaf.

Rev. Whitlock expects to leave the 24th for Colorado and Illinois, and will probably be gone a month. Rev. Ezra Pearson and others will have charge of the Sunday services during his absence.

### WE STAND THUS

Meeting—	Quota	Already in
Highland .....	40	19
South Salem .....	15	8
Rosedale .....	15	12
Scotts Mills .....	10	9
Marion .....	5	5
Salem Q. M. ....	85	53
First Friends .....	50	33
Second Friends .....	25	36
West Piedmont .....	5	6
Quileene .....	5	1
Portland Q. M. ....	85	76
Newberg .....	65	38
Chehalem Center .....	13	9
Springbrook .....	17	15
Rex .....	5	9
Middleton .....	5	0
Sherwood .....	10	0
Newberg Q. M. ....	115	71
Greenleaf .....	65	27
Star .....	22	11
Boise .....	18	7
Valley Mound .....	5	0
Woodland .....	5	0
Boise Valley Q. M. ...	115	45

The long list of subscribers from Greenleaf came blowing in shortly after we went to press last issue. But we're still rejoicing that they multiplied their former number by nine, and that, more than doubles the quota for Boise Valley Q. M.

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We are glad to hear the reports of revivals being held in the various meetings. Revival fires are burning. Showers of grace are falling. Did you ever notice that "showers" of grace never "put out" revival fires? On the contrary, they seem to mix and generate a steam that gives power to the church. Let us pray that every Endeavorer in Oregon Yearly Meeting may never stop until he feels the Holy Spirit's presence in his heart.

We are delighted this month with the reports. Not one had to be re-copied for the printer. (This is the first month we can say that.) Everyone was written well, and only on one side of the paper, and each was properly headed with the name of the society. We have a bunch of first rate reporters, haven't we? Have your notes in by March 23rd. Yours truly.

If you don't get your paper, please notify us immediately. There are various methods whereby mail gets lost, but we don't propose for a single copy of this paper to get lost if we know it. And be sure to tell us if you change your address.

Please pray for the C. E. program committee. We do want the Conference to be all that God would have it be this summer. Chester Hadley has called the committee together for the third meeting on March 8th, and there will probably be fully that many more before the settlements can be made on the time, the place, and the program. They are doing their best. Let us do ours by praying for them as they meet, and also by planning to attend the Conference.

## HEART NEEDS

(Hazel Keeler, Salem, Oregon)

As Christian Endeavorers, what do we feel we most need? A new article of wearing apparel to make us feel at ease amid our surroundings, or do we desire armor equipment to make us sure of victory in the Christian warfare? Do we think our greatest need at present to be a visit with a dear friend to brighten our spirits, or is our heart longing for a secret talk with our Divine Friend that

our hearts might be lightened of their burdens and our affections set upon Him, and our confidence established in His ability and willingness to see us thru life's short day. Do we scheme to read a story more than we aspire to drink in God's love letter to us? Do our hearts crave more to be fitted to fill a large place in the affairs of time, than to be fitted to labor, perhaps obscurely, for Christ's Kingdom while opportunity lasts and "shine as the stars forever and ever" in that eternal realm.

What a pleasure it would be to gather about the fireside, all of our Christian Endeavor family, and tell our heart battles and victories, and of God's plan which has become our individual plan. We appreciate the blessings of fellowship but still a greater work God does when He finds our hearts willing to be trained alone and desirous above all other friendships of Divine fellowship.

Then will we not gladly say, "My times are in Thy hand," and will not our hearts yearn to bear fruit for our Savior and the word be precious which Jesus spoke, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. He that loveth his life shall lose it, and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal."

## A HOUSE PARTY AT LENTS (Continued from Page 1)

Other papers read were "Church Publicity," Carl Miller; "A Preacher's Schedule," Homer L. Cox; "Rural Church Problems and Methods," C. A. Hadley; "Floating Membership," J. Sanger Fox; and "The Duty of the Church to the Pastor," by Nettie Riley. One contribution not programmed was Levi T. Pennington's report of the Edwards House Party, which was much enjoyed.

The burden of arranging the Conference rested upon the program committee of the Ministerial Association, and the entertainment committee of the Conference Church; when it is borne in mind that Lurana M. Terrell was chairman of the program committee and also pastor of the Lents Church, those who know her throughout American Quakerdom can safely hazard a guess as to the outcome.

The stakes set were, "the best program, the most inspiring Conference, and the largest attendance of any Ministerial Conference in Oregon Yearly Meeting." They tell us there can be but one verdict, we reached our mark. One factor in success was the necessity for overcoming obstacles, for after all arrangements were made a second influenza wave struck Portland so hard that many thought for some time that it would defeat the plans altogether. But "our God is able," and in a marvelous way the difficulties were removed, we were heartily sustained by the health authorities,

and with thankful hearts and restful spirits the delegates gathered as scheduled. Only one western monthly meeting was not represented, and out of the five in faraway Idaho one pastor was present, the first Idaho delegate to a Ministerial Conference, at least for a long time. Washington sent three, one of our own and two from Indiana Yearly Meeting.

There were thirty delegates from outside points, and almost an equal number from the three Portland churches, while at some of the sessions the visitors also in attendance gave us a full house. The highest expectations of the ladies in the kitchen were often reached, and the wonderful way in which the "cruse of oil" continued to meet the demand without any lack, and yet with no surplus was another delightful indication of the hand of our Lord upon us.

During the Conference the weather was ideal, and the only disappointment was the absence of some of those whom we expected. The commencement of special meetings in Idaho detained I. Gurney Lee, their evangelist, Chas. I. Whitlock, Anna L. Spann, Malinda B. Hunt Williams and perhaps others. Sickness or weakness detained a few. Others, apparently, failed to catch the vision, while some pastors felt diffidence in asking help to attend in view of their comparative inactivity during the influenza wave, and were unable to come without. Many times the expression could be heard, "I'm so sorry So-and-so is not here; we are having such a good time."

## A LETTER FROM EMIL SWANSON (Continued from January)

A few men have refused farm furlough and Friends Unit, because they felt they could not accept the principle of conscription. Whatever may be that of the wisdom of this stand, it is by no means open to the charge of cowardice, for they now face the certainty of long prison sentences. Besides the groups already spoken of there are something like 175 conscientious objectors who have already been court martialed on various charges by military officers in camp and sentenced to prison terms ranging from 5 to 30 years. As a matter of fact, the stand these men took was not different to that taken by men who were given farm furloughs. It is understood that these sentences will shortly be reconsidered by the War Department. Let us pray that justice will be awarded in every case.

About 80 per cent of the men examined were members of various religious sects whose creed or principles forbid participation in war; 20 per cent took their stand on rational, humanitarian or non-sectarian Christian grounds.

The War Department has honestly tried to prevent brutalities, though unfortunately it has not been entirely successful in its attempt.