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# The Friendly Endeavor

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## WHY DON'T I READ THIS?

Just why don't I? Here it is trying to force an entrance into my thinking. I have the time if I will only take it. Why don't I take it? I have my own individual tastes. I have sufficient judgment to select the best type of current literature. My judgment tells me that this paper is highly uplifting and spiritual. I am an earnest Christian, rightfully interested in the work of the young friends in Oregon Yearly Meeting. What about this paper? These are questions for me to decide.

This paper is coming to me from conscientious young men and women. It means sacrifice on their part. Not only must they exert their youthful talents and capacities, but through his work comes the soul travail and supplication to God that through their pen and by their editing and management, a spirit of co-operation and unity may grow among the young people of Oregon Yearly Meeting.

This is a training school for them. It is their aim to make this paper highly interesting; not only that each issue may be so, but that from month to month, there may be a constant development. They are striving to insert selections of value to young Christians as a whole, they are endeavoring to have educational features of various types, they are giving me the finest of religious gems, they are picturing to me the best social functions gleaned from the various societies, they point out reliable places of business and the offices of Quakers in various professions. The Friendly Endeavor is a medium of communication through the societies of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. It is a bulletin board giving timely announcement of the next developments, it is a diary of banquets and conferences. In a word, it is spreading before me a truly wonderful social and religious feast.

Through its circulation, it is hoped that highly friendly relations between the various societies may not only be maintained but strengthened from month to month, that these individual societies may be correlated into one united whole, that a finer sense of Christian fun may be developed, that we all may be deepened in our Christian experience, and through this we may all feel that Pentecostal fire and spirit of evangelism burning in our souls.

I am reaping these benefits constantly. I feel this quickening in my Christian experience and social life resulting from its circulation. And yet I do not read it as I should. Perhaps just one hurried perusal is all I give it. I do not exert myself sufficiently to reap the full benefit of it. Not only my own reading is required, but by my example, my society and church will catch a broader view of Quaker activities and Christian Endeavor as a whole. I must not miss this opportunity. My church and society can not!

Why don't I read it?

A CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORER

## A RECIPE FROM THE PSALMS

The Psalmist knew something  
About backsliding  
Back there in his time.  
But he had a cure and  
When he found it he  
Told other people in  
Psalms 119:31.  
He said, "I have stuck  
Unto thy testimonies."  
"Stuck" suggests glue  
To me, and the Psalmist  
Says he was veritably  
Glued to God's Word.  
Nothing  
Could unfasten him from  
The Word—he had stuck.  
How could he stick?  
Say, he must have read it,  
Meditated or "chewed" it  
Over and over.  
Then he obeyed it and  
Lived the Word in his life.  
I wonder if that  
Three-thousand year old recipe  
Would work now?  
What do you think about it?

LAURA CAMMACK

## SELECTIONS FROM RULES OF CIVILITY

(These were copied by George Washington at the age of fourteen years).

Show not yourself glad at the misfortune of another, though he were your enemy.

When a man does all he can, though it succeed not well, blame not him that did it.

Be not hasty to believe flying reports to the disparagement of any.

Associate yourself with men of good quality, if you esteem your own reputation; for 'tis better to be alone than in bad company.

Speak not injurious words neither in jest nor in earnest; scoff at none, although they give occasion.

Idleness is disreputable under any circumstances; productive of no good, even when unaccompanied by vicious habits.

## OVERHEARD IN AN ORCHARD

By Elizabeth Cheney

Said the Robin to the Sparrow:  
"I should really like to know  
Why these anxious human beings  
Rush about and worry so."

Said the Sparrow to the Robin:  
"Friend, I think that it must be  
That they have no heavenly Father  
Such as cares for you and me."

I had rather do a good deed and some one else get credit for it than to get credit for a good deed that some one else did. Think!

The pure in heart now see God in his providences and shall later see him in his glory.

## QUIET HOUR FOOD

By BELL G. BADLEY

Christian Endeavor Topics

February 10, 1929

Topic—"Jesus Teaching Us to Serve."  
Matt. 20:20-28.

Let us note some outstanding characteristics of Jesus' service.

Humility—John 13:5.

Simplicity—John 21:8-14.

Compassion—Matt. 20:34.

Prayer—Luke 6:12.

If Jesus were here now at the head of a Training School for Christian Workers, He would not permit haphazard methods, anymore than our present day leaders do. His disciples were not just turned loose to shift for themselves. They came back and reported; got more instruction and started out again. Jesus would have a well organized service, a consecrated service and a loving service.

February 17, 1929

Topic—"How Much Should We Strive for Material Things?"  
Luke 12:13-31.

Be careful that gain does not become dishonest. Jas. 5:1-8.

Can one be rich and unselfish? Gen. 13:1-18.

Can one be rich and selfish? Luke 16:19-31.

The material things of life should hold not higher than third place in our affections, and most of them not even that high a place. Spiritual life holds first place, physical health, second place. Perhaps you can think of something that should come third. Let us place material things well down the scale. They are not of vital importance after the actual needs of the body are satisfied.

Jesus had not much to say against riches themselves or material things as such. It was the affections of the heart that concerned him. He feared the effect of material things on character.

February 24, 1929

Topic—"Why is Christianity the Only Adequate Religion?"  
Acts 4:8-12. John 3:16.

We know of no religion that brings such joy and happiness as the Christian religion.

Other religions are filled with fear and interwoven with superstition.

Christianity works transformations in the lives of people, transformations unheard of in other religions. It is based on love, not revenge. It is a religion of faith, not merit. Salvation is not a reward which is earned, it is the free gift of grace.

Can you imagine any other religious leader crying out, "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do!"

No religion has done for womankind what Christianity has done. Any missionary will tell us that.

The most glorious word in the Christian religion, and the one that makes it the only adequate religion is Love.

March 3, 1929

Topic—"Recruiting for Christ."  
Matt. 9:35-38.

Those who are trying to get recruits must make an effort to display the attractions of the Christian life. If you notice the pictures on the posters "Join the Marines," you will see handsome young officers in perfect uniform standing on the deck of a superbly appointed vessel. Everything about the picture is attractive. All the good points are brought out. Anyone selling his wares is sure to dwell at length on the good points.

We should so live that the most attractive features of the Christian life are in evidence. Our lives should preach for us. We have heard this until it has become just a commonplace in our ears, but it is as true as anything can be.

Real recruiting cannot be done successfully without the power of the Holy Spirit in the life.

"Ye Shall Have Power." That is the secret of success.

"I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord,  
Over mountain or plain or sea,  
I'll say what you want me to say, dear Lord,  
I'll be what you want me to be."

## SOCIETY NOTES

### SOUTH SALEM C. E.

Louise Liere, President of our society, visited her folks in Washington, during the holidays.

Our society continues to grow, with the list of members on the increase.

The attendance at the Endeavor prayer meetings is growing and much interest is being shown in the text hunting contest held every Sunday evening. The society is divided into two sides; the side losing after a certain number of Sundays, must furnish the refreshments at our monthly social.

The December business meeting and social was held at the home of Russell Wright, Monday evening, December 31. Games were played and at a late hour, refreshments were served, after which we sang and had prayer, till the old year died and the New Year was with us.

Some of the members of our society and Rev. Haworth attended the Marion County banquet and rally, sponsored by the Union officers, New Years Day, January 1.

### MELBA C. E.

The church presented our pastor and wife with an auto robe for Christmas. Samuel and Allen Swayne were home from Moscow during the holidays. We were glad to have them back, though only for a few days.

We are enjoying some very good C. E. meetings and pray that soon all of our people may know Christ as their Savior.

Mrs. W. T. Neil passed away December 29, 1928. Though glad that she is now enjoying that better land, we miss her greatly here.

### SCOTTS MILLS C. E.

Our C. E. held its business meeting and social at the home of J. W. McCracken on New Years Eve. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all present.

We elected officers for the next six months: President, Margaret Coulson; Vice-president, Ira L. Braugher; Secretary, Mary Myers; Treasurer, Everett Allen.

We were glad to have Newton Allen with us during the Christmas vacation. He is attending school at N. P. E. I.

Mrs. Leroy Frazier is now able to resume her duties as school teacher, after quite a period of illness.

### FIRST FRIENDS C. E.

Christmas and New Years have once more come and gone. We had an excellent program at Christmas time this year under the supervision of Mrs. Grace Todd and Miss Dorene Heacock. A dramatization of the "Holy City" was given and a pageant, "The Nativity" besides a short general program.

Several "Watch Night" parties were given on New Year's eve. The Intermediate C. E. held one at the home of Ernest and Dora Wright. The Senior C. E. met with the other Endeavorers of the city for a joint "Watch Night" social.

Carrie B. Wood, who has spent the last two months within the limits of Ohio Yearly Meeting, in the interest of mission work, has returned home. She reports a very successful trip.

We have changed the time of our prayer-meeting from Thursday to Wednesday evening. Most of the other churches of the city hold theirs on this evening.

We were glad to have Rev. E. R. Martin, of the American Sunday School Union, with us on Sunday morning, January 6. His message was one of interest and information as well as an inspiration. If it were not for such messages as these, we could scarcely realize the needy spiritual condition of the rural districts around us. The sum of \$148.90 was raised in the collection.

Sickness is still prevalent among our members. There has been several cases of measles along with the influenza epidemic. Gladys Hadley Cook has been with her mother since Christmas. She underwent a slight operation but is improving at the present time.

John Maris and Isabella Kenworthy were married at her home Christmas morning. After the ceremony, a few close friends and the family ate wedding breakfast together. Mr. and Mrs. Maris are spending the winter in San Diego, California.

About thirty-five dollars was sent to Arthur and Edna Chilson as a Christmas present from the Sunday School. The church also presented the pastor and his family with a pair of pillows and an automobile robe.

We feel a correction should be made regarding the outcome of the special

meetings held under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor during November. The closing night of the service, which occurred after these notes had gone to press, there were about twenty-five at the altar. The Lord was graciously with us and we praise His precious name for His manifest presence with us.

Our regular monthly business meeting was held at the home of Elizabeth Ott. Various plans for the next two months were made. The evening closed with a taffy-pull, much to everyone's enjoyment.

The evening of January 13th, we had an "unannounced leader" at Christian Endeavor. The topic "Loving as Christ Loved" will long be remembered as emphasized in the definition given by the leader, Walter Lee.

### PIEDMONT C. E.

A social was held at our pastor's home during vacation time for all the members and friends who are teaching or attending school out of town, or have been away from services for other reasons. A delightful evening was spent playing games, following which refreshments were served.

The contest which the Sunday School has been conducting during the past three months has closed, the Young People's Class completing the trip over Oregon Yearly Meeting ahead of any other class. The contest was quite interesting and inspired friendly rivalry between towns. Walter Lee is the new superintendent of the school.

The Young Married People's Class has been organized recently and have been holding monthly business and social gatherings. The January meeting was held the evening of January 11th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Brock. Following the business meeting, instrumental music was furnished by Mrs. Louis Aldridge, games were played and lovely refreshments were served. Louis Perry is president of the class and the teacher is Walter Wright.

A choir is being organized which we hope will fill a long felt need of our Sunday services. At the first practice, sixteen were present, and plans were made for regular work each Sunday. We are glad for this effort to help with the music, and pray that God will bless this work and make it an added source of inspiration to the services.

We are glad to have Louis and Velma Aldridge and son back home, after an absence of several months in Utah. Mr. Aldridge has been transferred back to his former position with the Railroad Company and we hope they can remain here.

### CHEHALEM CENTER C. E.

The Christian Endeavor business meeting and social for December was held at the home of Myrtle Walton, December 31. New officers were elected as follows: President, Warren Moore; Vice-president, Bessie Hintz; Secretary, Bessie Ralston; Assistant Secretary, Violet Newton; Treasurer, Lawrence Baker.

Instead of paying Christian Endeavor dues this year, it was decided to allow each member to make a pledge toward the budget.

The Intermediate society united with the Senior society.

The 'rest of the year' was spent in playing games. We watched the old year out and the new year in, then dismissed for the evening by singing "Blest be the Tie."

Our church is holding cottage prayer meetings this week, from the 14th to the 18th of January. We have very blessed times at them. We hope to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, more this coming year than ever before.

## Aunt Cora's Column

### JEWELS

"I see by the paper that Mr. Richman is poorer by a few hundred thousand dollars today," Bob remarked.

"How's that?" Betty queried.

"It seems that his wife placed a small bag on a chair containing several thousands of dollars worth of diamonds and pearls and went off and left it a minute. They were on a yachting trip near Catalina Islands. The chair was overturned by accident and into the sea went the precious jewels."

"That was a bad accident," Betty exclaimed, "they are certainly gone forever now."

"It does seem too bad," Aunt Cora said, "But I see more precious jewels than those lost every once in awhile."

"What do you mean by more precious," Betty asked? "I didn't know there were any jewels more precious than those."

"Oh yes," Aunt Cora answered, "there is the jewel of modesty for instance; why, those diamonds and pearls were valuable but the jewel of modesty is invaluable. I am afraid sometimes that Kate is losing that jewel. I have noticed she tries to imitate some of the girls who are careless of their speech and who use rough language. I have heard her, too, tell incidents and stories that are anything but clean and pure. That sort of thing tends to upset the purity of your heart until it is lost in the sea of coarseness."

"Yes, I have noticed that in Kate myself lately," Betty said thoughtfully, "but I never thought of it in that way before."

"Then, there is the jewel of a pleasant voice," Aunt Cora went on, "and Bob almost lost his in the sea of anger the other day. I would hate to see it lost and never recovered. A pleasant, kindly voice is a wonderful character

jewel. Your voice you know, makes friends."

Bob gave a sheepish grin but didn't say anything.

"Then, there is the jewel of sympathy. I can't help but think of Ethel. Don't you remember how kind and sympathetic she used to be? But something has happened, she is so cold and unfeeling now. I think she left that fine jewel of sympathy on the chair of thoughtlessness and it has overturned into the sea of selfishness."

"Have you any more jewels left in your bag?" Betty asked laughingly.

"Yes, indeed," Aunt Cora said with a smile, "but there is one more I especially want to mention. Watch out lest the jewel of content be lost in the sea of envy. I think that is the easiest jewel to lose. What if Joe does have a fine car, Bob, and you have to travel by foot? What if his parents are rich and yours are poor? And Betty don't lose your precious jewel of content over Martha's new fox fur. Life holds too many joys for all of us."

Bob and Betty exchanged shame-faced glances. "We got a lecture with a vengeance that time," Bob laughed, "but I thank you just the same, Aunt Cora, I needed it."

"It does us good to hear things like that once in awhile," Betty said, "I thank you too, Aunt Cora."

"I know you are only a little careless sometimes," Aunt Cora smiled, "here is a good verse to remember when we are apt to feel discontented, 'The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay His head.'"

### TRAVELING WITH GOD

My plans were made, I thought  
My path all bright and clear;  
My Lord I wished to serve,  
To take Him for my guide,  
To keep so close that  
I could feel Him by my side:  
And so I traveled on.

But suddenly, so clear and full of light,  
The clouds fell thick and fast,  
The day seemed changed to night;  
Instead of paths so clear,  
And full of things so sweet,  
Rough things and thorns and stones  
Seemed all about my feet:  
I scarce could travel on.

I bowed my head and wondered  
Why this change should come,  
And murmured, Lord,  
Is this because of aught that I have done?

Hast not the path been full enough of pain and care?  
Why should my path again  
Be changed from dark to fair?  
But still I traveled on.

I listened—quiet and still—  
There was a voice—  
This path is mine, not thine;  
I made the choice;  
Dear child, this will be best indeed for thee,  
If thou wilt simply trust,  
And leave the end to me.  
And so we traveled on.—Selected.

A light that is bright enough to burn up a bushel usually never gets under one.

The life is big in proportion to the standing room in the heart.

A bee ends its own life when it stings somebody. Think!

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### EDITORIAL

To study great men is to enlarge our own characters. It is men who have done the great work of the world—not plans or organizations. The power of a life of real character is mighty and far-reaching in regard to both time and space.

Washington and Lincoln were such men. When we study their lives, we find that success did not fall easily upon them but they worked intensely and sincerely. Their souls reached out with great longing for the best they could get in life. Effort seemed a cheap price to them if they could but gain that best. The effort and work did not come just occasionally and for a short time succeeding an inspiring lecture, but the desire was sufficiently deep to insure persistence and perseverance. Nothing could hinder Abraham Lincoln from getting an education. A fifty mile walk was only joy when he could borrow the book he wanted. Washington held courage and persevered in spite of Valley Forge.

Honesty in every detail, even to the pound of tea, was a part of these great characters. Any person who seems to have these qualities of honesty, persistence, and hard work, but who feels it quite right to let them slip in small matters will not be the great personality he can be if he lets them permeate every detail of action in his life.

After all these requisites of success are bundled together, they must be tied with the ribbon of kindness and sympathy. To feel with other people and understand their problems, makes it possible to lift and help. Firm and strong on principles, but tender-hearted, loving greatly when applying them, is the motto of the great.

How is this possible? By vital contact with God Himself. Only as He lives in the heart, can honesty be true, can persistence keep its breath, can sincerity be real, and live and kindness really exist. God enabled these great characters of the past. He can and will enable each one of us for the task in life He has for us if we let Him. May every reader so know Jesus Christ in saving power that all hindrances will be gone and a great and powerful life be built up because God is doing the building!

There grows in the garden of life,  
Two flowers our souls to prove:  
The passionate rose of self,  
And the beautiful lily of love.

We never can have them both;  
One flower for each of us blows,  
We choose the lily for aye,  
Or for ever we choose the rose.  
—Selected.

A church that does not get souls converted to God is as worthless in his hands as a fruitless vineyard in the hands of its owner. Think!

A Ford car can run as well without gas as a church can run without spirituality. Think!

It is better to rule your own spirit than to control Congress.

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