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WHY GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY?

If you were suddenly called upon to answer that question, what would your answer be?

"Because it is the proper thing to do," some might say. But why is it the proper thing?

The wisdom of all of the ages combined could not give an answer that would do justice to the subject. The wisdom of all of the ages to come will not answer the question as it should be answered.

The life we enjoy, the intelligence we possess, the food we eat, the clothing we wear, all that we have on this earth and all that we ever hope to have is dependent upon the will of the Creator.

Every step we take, every word we utter, every thought that finds lodgment in our brain — these and all other things are known to Him who made us and who will judge us when the breath of life leaves our earthly clay.

God endowed us with intelligence that we might work out our own destinies.

He calls His servants to the ministry that they may point out to us the glories of paradise and the agonies of sin.

The voice of God pleads with us thru them, that life everlasting may be ours, but the divine hand will not stay our steps if we choose to repudiate the debt that we owe to our Maker.

The church is not essential to the worship of God. The true christian needs no edifice in order to commune with divinity. God follows us on our journeys. He is with us in our homes, in our offices, in the factory, and the field — wherever we are, He also is there, silently reaching out His arms and pleading with us to embrace the holy cause that removes all of the fear and sting of death.

The church is His school house and the Bible is His textbook. The minister is His teacher and we are His pupils.

The public school buildings are used for the secular education of our children, that they may have success, happiness and contentment in this life.

The church is for the spiritual education of our children and of ourselves, that we may enjoy the transcendent blessings of that higher life yet to come.

In the theatre or upon the athletic field we find relaxation from our daily toil.

In the church we acquire the sublime knowledge and faith that enables us to properly enjoy the relaxations our earthly bodies crave.

Every normal mind seeks worldly knowledge. That is not difficult to acquire.

Ever normal mind should also imbibe spiritual knowledge. That is less difficult to acquire. It is even free — is urged upon us without price or condition of acceptance.

Worldly knowledge aids in removing the obstacles which beset our pathway in this life — which is short.

Spiritual knowledge prepares our hearts for that greater life — which never ends.

All of these things we learn in the church, the school-house of God, thru the minister and his aids, who are but the humble servants and mouthpieces of God — that God without whose sanction we would not live another day, or hour, or minute.

Inadequate as our answer may be, be it not sufficient for you?

Go to church Sunday!

Shoes that fit are not always worn by women.

Wisdom is an asset which the fool never cares to possess.

The man who speaks softly seldom gets a hard bump on the jaw.

Other people's troubles bore us almost as much as ours bore them.

Marriage is a gamble in which the public invariably backs the winner.

The path of duty is seldom overgrown with grass. More often it weeds.

American women are great advocates of home rule — and most of them do.

The fellow who made jazz popular is becoming one of the most unpopular of men.

Merely as a test of your poor memory, what is the date of armistice day?

The king of Jugo-Slavia has adopted a novel means of insuring his life. He remains in Paris.

The man who toots his own horn is always wondering how much of it the other fellow heard.

Pity the poor fellow who jingles the coins in his pocket. They are probably all that he has.

There is plenty of room at the top of the ladder, but many people object to the exertion of climbing.

Looking into the future would be a bully good thing if we could only select the things we would like to see.

The great trouble with golden opportunities is the fact that they seldom tarry long enough for us to catch them.

The person who talks without thinking is not always to be censured. There is a height to which some brains can not ascend.

ANCHOR STRINGS

These are the most dreaded of all words to the average American, and they are heard entirely too often for comfort.

Where is this eternal struggle between labor and capital to end, anyway?

To what lengths will each side eventually go in order to force the other to submission? Are we to go on forever living in constant dread of commercial paralysis simply because a small per cent. of the population insists upon fighting each other, to the utter demoralization of all of the rest of the people of this great country?

Are we to remain satisfied with a congress that has the power to provide laws that will forever end all strikes without injustice to either side, and yet refuses to take such action?

Are we to be hampered forever with a government that has the right to demand, and yet is satisfied to beg and plead in its futile efforts to prevent these periodical eruptions?

Labor and capital are not the only ones to be considered in these never-ending disturbances. The great mass of the people have their rights, but they are seldom respected. We doubt if they have ever taken into consideration by either side.

Unquestionably labor is entitled to a fair and just compensation in proportion to the expense of living. The laboring man should not be made the goat by other men who seek to convert their millions into billions.

Capital has a legitimate right to a fair return upon its investment, and it should not be wrecked by labor or by any other agency.

Capital is dependent upon labor and labor is dependent upon capital, and the great body of the people are at the mercy of both.

A nation emerging from the wreckage of a great war and still seeking to recover from a long period of business depression is in no condition to withstand a widespread suspension of business activity thru a quarrel between labor and capital, whether it be railroads, mines or other branch of industry.

If the government hasn't the power to force each side to a controversy to adopt a reasonable and just attitude toward each other, then it should be given the power by congress, and it should be employed without fear or favor.

There is only one place for the official of a corporation who conspires to profiteer at the expense of his employees. That place is inside of a jail.

There is only one punishment suitable for the labor czar who lashes his followers into acts that are unjust and detrimental to themselves as well as to the rest of the people. Dump him into the same cell with the corporation official and let them settle their differences thru personal combat.

The public is tired of wearing the whiskers.

LET US HAVE PEACE

The conference of nations soon to be held in Washington will come near to deciding the question of whether or not we are to have world peace in the future.

The call for a limitation of armaments and the settlement of the far eastern question is clearly a move in the interest of a continuance of peace. Its results are yet to be determined.

Politicians all over the country have aired their views on the subject and newspaper editors have printed volumes for the edification of their readers. The subject has been thrashed out from every angle, with the result that the whole question is enshrouded in a mist of doubt and uncertainty that is sorely puzzling to the people.

So great has become the confusion and uncertainty engendered by the dissemination of unauthorized versions that Secretary of State Hughes has called a "diplomatic" halt. He wants the handling of the question appointed by the president for that

purpose. In other words, he wants any member who wishes to throw into the machinery by noise.

He is right. It is proper for the press to report the proceedings of the conference in detail, but editors, Washington correspondents and politicians will do well to refrain from unnecessary comment or suggestion.

The wise man knows when to keep silent. Only the fool toots on forever.

Cold weather is coming, a shortage of coal is said to exist, and in some of the mines the men are reported to be working only about half time. What's the graft?

Don't be telling the Washington disarmament conference what it should or should not do. A multi-delegate will only convince representatives from abroad that we are a people who do not know our own minds and are therefore not to be taken seriously.

SCHOOLS OF AMERICANISM

We have our schools for the education of the young, and our trade and other institutions for the advancement of adults.

Every conceivable need in this respect seems to have been provided for.

We need schools of Americanism — institutions where the immigrant may be taught in his own language the value and duties of American citizenship before he is turned loose to roam the country at will.

If institutions of this kind could be established in our seaport cities and every immigrant be required to take a prescribed course we believe much of the unrest of this country would be eliminated in future generations. At any rate it is worth a trial.

Prosperity is doing its best to come to life, but there is always some influence waiting to choke it into insensibility again.

The "National" committee is reacting to the Klux Klan has been studied thru a nothing contrary to law, resulting in investigation.

With the approach of winter the coal famine becomes again our principal fact of aviation. It might ease the strain if we called him a prince.

Living in a small town has one distinct advantage over life in a big city. When the tongue of gossip exclaims a fellow you never have to see who he is.

A memorial tablet has been erected for the pupils that perished in the war. This will be appreciated by the overseas vets who are without a price of a medal.

How many of to-day's classified ads have you read? Suppose there should be one ad among to-day's want ads that means money and opportunity for you? Have you satisfied yourself about whether or not such an ad is printed in this issue?

PATRIOTISM

ON NOVEMBER 11, 1918, when the drums were pealing, the bells were ringing and the Boys were coming home, everyone was patriotic. It was easy then.

ON NOVEMBER 11, 1921, and the days before and after, you will have another impetus for PATRIOTISM. This time it will be COMMUNITY PATRIOTISM, for one of your Community Institutions will beat its drums and ring its bells.

This institution is the INDISPENSIBLE NEWS PAPER.

Will You Be Patriotic Then? SURE YOU WILL

Save Coal—Kerosene is Cheaper

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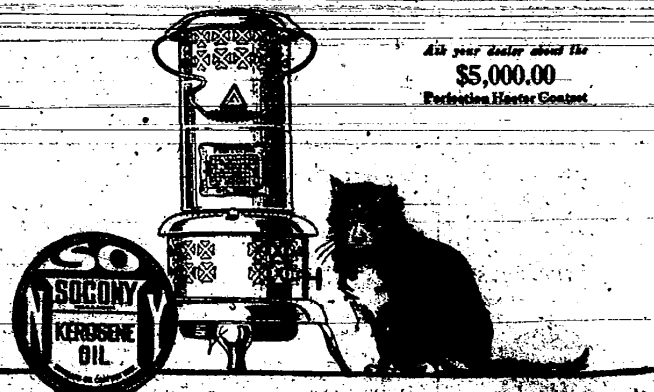
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