

REMINISCENCES OF A TRIP
THRU THE CENTRAL WEST

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accredited with nearly 300,000 inhabitants, and from appearance we sincerely believe that they were all out in their automobile the day we visited the city, for the congestion of traffic was the greatest of any city we were ever in outside of New York City. We had but a few hours in the capital, but in that short time saw many of the city's attractions. Among the outstanding features of Indianapolis is the great Union Soldier's monument located in the center of the great city, in memory of the Union Soldiers from that state in the Civil War. We also visited the union traction terminal, said to be the largest traction station in the world. Many of the noted hotels and business places were pointed out and a trip thru one of their mammoth department stores wound up the time we had to visit that city.

A City Church in Action

Being in the preacher's family, we naturally went to Sunday School, morning and evening service on Sunday. Rather a record, for a newspaper man, we allow. But we never regret the effort, as it showed us the working of a live city church in action. One thing is very noticeable in the Central West. The people all go to church on Sunday. Coming, as we did, from conservative New York, where ten or a dozen men attending church all at the same time, is a record worthy of note in the pastor's book; where the men hold their religion in their wife's name, so they may be sure to know where to find it in case they are called upon to prove its possession by St. Peter on short notice; it was a great revelation to us to see that instead of the house being filled with Sunday bonnets, fully one-half of the congregation wore no hats at all, and were men not ashamed to show their bald heads and gray hair at church. The church here doesn't seem to be an exclusively feminine game, but a real man's job.

Out in the Central West they must get up earlier in the morning on Sunday than we do here in the East, as they begin business with the Sunday School at 9 a. m. Just think of that Sunday morning nap all shot to pieces! But this unseemly hour doesn't seem to make any difference with the Hoosiers. They are on the job each and every Sunday morning for Sunday School with a church full, gallery full, basement full, side rooms full, and every other available place full, including the parsonage, for on this Sunday morning that we were

and all are in daily use. The pastor has it in his mind that the salary of a large city church is not so much a salary as a job, he has another guess coming. Such a person will be greatly disallowed if he will stay a fortnight in such a parson's home. There is no more strenuous life than that of a clergyman who is on to his job. It is up to him to meet all classes and conditions on an equal basis and must be able to make a good fellow of himself in all associations from the literary highbrows to the trap-shooting fraternity. Neither pastor or wife is sure that they are to have a moment to themselves as there are always funerals, weddings and social functions coming in most unexpectedly at sometimes most inopportune times.

It was a pleasure long to be remembered to meet many of the church people of Richmond. In fact, one evening they rang a surprise on us by calling at the parsonage in a bunch of fifty or more because of our being guests of their pastor, and we must say that a finer, more jolly or kind-hearted people cannot be found anywhere than these Hoosier Methodists of Richmond, Indiana.

In concluding these articles on our "Trip Thru the Central West," we only hope that they may impress News readers with the fact that the trip indelibly engraved upon our memory. Which is that many of the activities we have described being successfully carried on in the towns; we have visited are just as applicable and serviceable if applied with the same spirit of co-operation, to build up our own Village of Andover, as they have been in developing other places.

A prominent business man told us that if a stranger coming into the Central West simply smiled, refrained from cursing and went to church he would get along all right. It became quite evident that there was at least one town in the old U. S. A. that does not need a "Go to Church Campaign."

Possibly this all comes from the fact that churches are run out there on business principles. They seem to figure that methods successfully employed by large commercial organizations, can be as equally successful when used in building up a church organization. You will find in the Richmond newspapers every Saturday and Monday Church News and advertisements featured by the page, instead of by the line. It takes all the time of four people to conduct the affairs of Grace M. E. Church, and they are busy people from 6:30 a. m. till late into the evening.

Each of the many activities, organization, the Sunday School, Church Choir, Junior and Senior Epworth League, Ladies Aid Societies, Missionary Societies and numerous others, all require the guiding hand of skilled pilots to keep them from the rocks. All of the latest mechanical devices for saving time and labor are in evidence in the pastor's study and work room, from the multigraph to the card index, and mailing lists and

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Hon. Bernard B. Ackerman, Surrogate of Allegany County, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Roxana B. Burrows, late of Andover, in the County of Allegany, deceased, that they are required to present the same with the vouchers thereof, to Frank W. Burrows, the executor of the last will and testament of the said deceased, at the Burrows National Bank in the Village of Andover, N. Y., on or before the fifteenth day of July, 1923.

FRANK W. BURROWS, Executor.

Robbins, Phillips & Robbins, Attorneys for Executor, Hornell, N. Y.

We welcome YOU to all the services of OUR church.

OUR CHURCHES

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST

Rev. Walter L. Greene, Pastor.

The quarterly communion will be observed this week at 2:30 p. m. Opportunity will be given for the reception of members by letter and testimony. Sermon by the pastor.

Bible School following the church service in charge of Frank Langworthy, superintendent.

Prayer service on Friday night will be omitted.

The annual dinner and congregational business meeting will be held at the church next Sunday, Jan. 7th. Resident and non-resident members are urged to be present.

BAPTIST

A. D. Shepard, Pastor.

Morning worship, 10:30. Subject: "The Work of the Holy Spirit." Bible School, 12 M.

Y. P. S. C. E. 8:15. Bible Drill for fifteen minutes. Topic: "The Guide-Board Psalm." Leader, Miss Inez Youmans.

Evening worship, 7:30. On-half hour photoplay: "Life of Moses." Sermon, "Christ Near But Outside." Cottage Prayer Meeting on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.

The usual Prayer Meeting on Thursday evening at the church. Teacher Training Class on Saturday evening (this week) at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stearns.

METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Rev. C. H. Whelan

Sunday morning: 10:30 worship and sermon. Sunday evening, 7:30. See Teaching Mission notice.

We hope all our people will attend the Teaching Mission meetings to be held nightly during the next two weeks.

The Methodist congregational dinner on New Year's Day, as noticed in these columns last week, was a pronounced success. Hurried in its preparation, it lacked nothing in gaiety and good fellowship. About eighty of the members and their families gathered in the church parlors and partook of an ample dinner tastefully cooked and delightfully served by the Ladies Aid Society. So successful was this affair, that request has been made for an annual event of this nature.

The Ladies Aid Society of the church will serve dinner at the church next Monday noon, on the occasion of the Farmers' Institute which will be held in this village. Dinner at noon for 35c. All may come and the more the better.

PRESBYTERIAN

Royal E. MacGowan, B. D., S. T. B. Pastor.

Sunday, January 7th.—Morning service, 10:30 a. m. At our morning service, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; new members will be received either by letter or on confession of faith, and there will be the administration of baptism to infants and adults. Preceding the Communion, the pastor will speak on the subject: "Beginning With Jesus."

Evening Service, 7:30 p. m. The first of our series of special union services. These services, as announced elsewhere, will constitute a Teaching Mission, explaining the fundamental tenets of Christianity in the light of modern thinking. Questions and discussion will be welcomed at these meetings, which will be of benefit to all. The subject this Sunday evening will be "Can I Believe in God the Father?" Everyone is invited to attend.

Sunday School immediately following the close of the morning service; there are classes for all and everyone is cordially invited to attend and join one of our classes.

Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:45 in the evening. Topic: "Lessons From the Psalms" 1 The Guide-Board Psalm. Psalm 1:1-6 Consecration meeting.

On Saturday afternoon, January 6th, we will have the preparatory service, looking forward to the celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the following day. Anyone who desires to unite with our church, either by letter or on confession of faith, will please inform one of the members of the session as soon as possible.

"There are two classes of people in the world — those that think for themselves, and those that are willing to let others think for them. For the first class, religion is the natural expression of a reasoned and a reasonable faith; for the second class, religion is a borrowed product, or a superstitious survival of traditional world-views. For the first class, spiritual living and integrity of character are the standards by which all creeds are to be tested; for the second class, a blind acceptance of worn-out creeds suffices. For the first class, the conviction of the reality of God

is born out of a moral struggle; for the second class, the idea of God is vague, ethereal and hazy. To which of these classes do you belong?" We welcome YOU to all the services of OUR church.

THE TEACHING MISSION

All are cordially invited to attend the Teaching Mission which begins in the Presbyterian Church, Sunday evening and continues over until Friday evening, January 19th. No meetings on Monday or Saturday evening. Meetings during the first week are in the Presbyterian Church and during the second week in the Methodist Church.

It is the purpose of the ministers to discuss the great themes of the Christian religion. During the first week the topics will be in order as follows: I Believe in God the Father (Sunday evening); What is the Bible? The Meaning of Christ. God and the World. The Making of Men. Opportunities for discussion will be given. A question box will be provided.

We believe that the church has a message for the age, which is consonant with the best thinking of the age. As never before agnosticism and atheism are needless, and Christian thinking may be done by all. We do not believe that Fundamentalism (so-called) meets the intellectual and religious needs of the day. We believe we can offer you Christian thinking which will meet the needs of the day.

But, let it be understood that we offer you no mere intellectualized philosophy of life. We ask you to think hard and straight that you may so live that the Kingdom of God may be just a little bit nearer because you have lived.

CHARLES H. M. WHELAN

ROYAL E. MACGOWAN.

SON BORN TO MR. AND

MRS. G. W. HILL

Mr. and Mrs. George Washington Hill are being congratulated upon the birth of a son in their home, 590 Park Avenue, New York City, on Sunday, Dec. 17, 1922. The child will be christened Percival Smith Hill the 2nd, after his grandfather, Mr. Percival S. Hill, president of the American Tobacco Company, of which the boy's father, George W. Hill, is vice-president.

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