

LAVISH GIFTS AT CHRISTMAS ARE CONDEMNED

Evangelist Brown Says Holi-days Should Be Season of Communion With God

That Christmas giving has become a burden and a curse was declared last night by Evangelist John Brown, after he had finished his evening sermon and was waiting for the collection to be taken.

"Some folks don't get out of debt from one Christmas to another," he said, "and yet we call it 'Happy Christmas!' We've made this matter of Christmas giving a burden and a curse. It ought to be a season of closer communion with our God."

Yesterday's efforts of Brown and Curry resulted in practically 400 conversions. At last night's meeting 100 went forward, while at the afternoon session 300 students declared their faith. They were mainly young people. The meetings are being held at Central Union church.

Evangelist Brown made the rich but poor young man mentioned in the tenth chapter of St. Mark, the theme for his discourse last night. This individual believed he had all the necessary qualifications for a Christian, but Jesus told him, "One thing thou lackest." The evangelist said that in the young man's case, this was an acknowledgment of Jesus Christ.

Stress was placed by Evangelist Brown on the fact that riches do not always result in happiness. He affirmed happiness to depend on each person's inner being, his ability to create and hold the spirit of contentment.

Dwelling on the great difference manifested in the enthusiasm devoted respectively to religion and worldly affairs, the evangelist cried: "I hope the day will come when we will put as much spirit, fire and enthusiasm into our religion as into our other affairs."

Several striking phrases accented the evangelist's sermon last night. "We're having a good time," is a cry that many times masks bleeding, broken hearts," he declared.

Speaking of enthusiasm in religion, he said: "We're perfectly willing to run to the baseball or football game; to our business, to our office, to our political meetings. But we go very slowly and deliberately to our church and religion."

"We believe in a revival in business, lodge affairs, in literature, in our clubs and politics," he added. "But when it comes to the affairs of Jesus Christ the slogan seems to be 'Please Go Away and Let Me Sleep.'"

That there is a difference between moral and Christian existence was emphasized by the evangelist, who said one can be moral and yet not be Christian. "In every instance, however," he said, "the person who has morality and wants the other knows in himself what he lacks."

"I made my appeals to old folks when I started evangelistic preaching," Evangelist Brown said, "and when I won some of the aged I felt I had done a wonderful thing. I realize now, though, that when a young person or child is won to Christ it may mean salvation for hundreds or thousands of people later. The young have many years ahead of them in which to aid actively the cause of Christianity."

He then devoted several minutes to arranging passionately the opposition of older people to the conversion of children. "The skepticism of the world in this regard is appalling," he asserted. "It is often difficult to reach the youngsters because of the active or passive opposition of their elders to their conversion."

Tonight's meeting is "Newspaper Night" and the evangelist will speak on "Making Excuses."

U. S. OFFERS HELP TO STRAIGHTEN OUT SANTO DOMINGO FINANCES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—The American minister to Santo Domingo, S. Russell, has been instructed to ascertain whether the Dominicans desire American aid in the rehabilitating of the finances of their republic through any plan similar to the one now in operation in Haiti. The intimation is that the United States will assume the task if the Dominicans care to make the request.

SPEEDY ACTION ON SUGAR TARIFF IS NOW ASSURED

Ways and Means Chairman Promises Consideration Before Christmas

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—The repeal of the free sugar clause of the Underwood tariff will be taken up for consideration and passed before Christmas, according to a statement made last night by Representative Claude Kitchin, chairman of the ways and means committee of the house and Democratic floor leader. Representative Kitchin made this announcement following a conference with Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, in which the administration's fiscal program was discussed at length.

CARRANZISTAS BADLY BEATEN BY RODRIGUEZ

Big Battle For Possession of Agua Prieta Is Now Imminent

Associated Press by Federal Wireles] DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 9.—Gen. Rodriguez, in command of the largest remaining force of Villistas, has occupied Fronteras, driving the Carranzistas under Gen. Calles further south. The Villistas have burned the railroad bridges and have thus cut the Carranzistas' communication with Agua Prieta. A battle for the possession of Agua Prieta is expected soon.

STATE CALLS ON M'NAMIGAL IN SCHMIDT TRIAL

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 9.—Ortie E. McManigal, the star witness for the state in the trial of Matthew A. Schmidt, charged with murder, his crime consisting in the supplying of the bombs used in the destruction of the Los Angeles Times building several years ago, in the explosion and subsequent fire a number of men being killed, took the stand yesterday for an examination that is expected to last for several days.

The witness yesterday related the history of his career as a worker in the Union Iron Works of San Francisco, later as a dynamiter under instructions from Herbert Hockin.

BIG STEEL COMBINE REPORTED UNDER WAY

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 9.—The Cambria Steel Corporation, the Newport News Shipbuilding Company, the Youngstown Steel Company and either the Inland or the Ingot Steel Company will merge their plants into one great corporation, the deal to be perfected within the next 10 days.

PEARLS FOR WEDDING GIFT TO MRS. GALT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—A. J. Botelho, the Brazilian delegate to the Pan-American Scientific Congress, yesterday presented Mrs. Galt, the president's bride, with a bracelet of Brazilian pearls and tropical flowers for a corsage bouquet to be worn at the wedding.

MINNESOTA'S CAPTAIN DENIES MUTINY RUMOR

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 9.—Captain Gerlick of the S. S. Minnesota has wired in a statement that there has been no mutiny in his crew and that the cause of the trouble which disabled the liner is mechanical only, his engines being put out of commission.

The Minnesota is expected to make port on Wednesday next.

Last night the great ship was 607 miles south of Iaqu, the tug Dauntless towing her north at the rate of four and a half miles an hour. The tug Sea River has gone to assist the Dauntless in her tow.

INSISTENT NOTE TO AUSTRIA ON ANCONA INCIDENT

U. S. Demands Reparation for Killing of Citizens in Sea Raid

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—Based upon the official report sent from Rome by Ambassador Thomas Nelson Page and the affidavit of Dr. Cecile Grell, the only survivor among the American passengers of the Italian liner Ancona, sunk on November 10 in the Mediterranean by an Austrian submarine, the state department yesterday despatched a peremptory note to the Austrian government, to be delivered at Vienna today by Ambassador Penfield.

The American note demands that the government of Austria-Hungary disavow the act of the commander of the submarine in attacking an unarmed passenger ship, sinking it with the loss of 208 persons, men, women and children; that the Austrian government agree to make suitable reparation for the American citizens killed or drowned as a result of the submarine attack, and that Austria-Hungary give assurances to the United States that there be no repetition of such attacks upon passenger carrying liners.

NON-TREATING ORDINANCE IS WORKING WELL

LONDON, Eng.—Official police approval is given to the non-treating ordinance in a report from the headquarters of the Metropolitan police on its workings from October 11 (when it went into effect) to November 1. The police report generally that less drink is being sold, fewer people visit the saloons, and those who do stay for a shorter time than before, and there is less drunkenness, especially among women. The ordinance is being punctually observed, the police say, in all the 13,000 licensed places in the London area.

The report says, in part: "There is a consensus of opinion among the superintendents of all divisions that drunkenness generally, and among women in particular, has decreased."

"A marked diminution in the number of women and children standing outside public houses drinking has been noticed, and in many districts the practice has ceased altogether."

"Police have invariably found fewer people on licensed premises and a tendency to make shorter stays has been observed."

"Practically no breaches of order have occurred and licensees and their servants have shown at all times their willingness to assist the police."

COUNTERFEIT MONEY SEIZED BY LOS ANGELES POLICE

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—Arrested on charges of having in their possession counterfeit money of a friendly nation, Frank Sawyer, William Taylor and Warren Thurlow were arraigned here before a United States Commissioner. The men later were released on bond of \$500 each.

The arrests were made by federal officers on complaint of officials of the de facto Mexican government. Three packages of alleged bogus Carranza currency, with a face value of approximately 50,000 pesos, were confiscated. They received from six to eight cents on each peso, it was said.

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While we, like other business in our line, are more or less dependent upon public demand we do not simply wait for this demand to come about. We aim to help it along. In this connection we follow the methods of the newspaper. We aim to do two things: First, give the public what it wants; second, try to educate the public to what it should have. We follow the second course by featuring in our show rooms and our advertising what we consider are ideal goods.—Alexander H. Revell, in "Current Opinion."

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So, when I went to see my banker, the first question I asked him was: "Did you respect the judgment of the banker who shared that loan with you?" He said, "Certainly," in a very surprised way. I said, "You would not question his expert judgment in the matter of commercial paper, would you?" "No, indeed," was the reply; "he is a recognized expert."

IN WAR ARENA

ITALIAN DESPATCHES SAY COMMUNIPAW WAS SUNK.

ROME, Italy, Dec. 9.—The Giornale d'Italia has received despatches from Egypt confirming the earlier news despatches announcing the sinking of the American tank steamer Communipaw off the coast of Tripoli on Tuesday. These despatches state also that the American steamer was sunk by a German submarine and that it is believed that Captain Nordstrom and his entire crew are lost.

The despatches published by the Giornale announce that the submarine was seen and identified as one of the largest type of German underwater craft.

The Communipaw, after she was torpedoed and was sinking, sent out S. O. S. signals of distress, which were picked up and relayed on by an Italian steamer. These signals were responded to by a Greek torpedo destroyer, a British warship and an Italian steamer, the three criss-crossing over the location given by the American steamer in her S. O. S. calls.

No trace of the tanker could be found, nor were any small boats with survivors sighted.

TEUTONS PLAN TO INVADE BRITISH INDIA, IS REPORT.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 9.—Reports from Constantinople, reaching here indirectly, tell of a purported plan on the part of Germany to invade British India. The plan involves the abandonment of the idea of another attempt against Egypt, in place of which a campaign will be launched with a Turco-German force operating through Mesopotamia against India.

Constantinople hears that Germany will supply 100,000 men, while Turkey will be called upon for 400,000, the combined expedition to be under the command of Gen. von der Goitz.

The reinforcements for Gen. Townsend, which had been sent to join him before the British reverse at Ctesiphon, are now commencing to reach the front and the position of the Anglo-Indian force is improving.

Austen Chamberlain yesterday announced in the commons the losses of the British Mesopotamian expeditionary forces in the Ctesiphon fighting, following their retreat from before Bagdad began. These are: killed 643, wounded 3330 and missing, 594.

ITALIAN CRUISER SUNK OFF ALBANIA COAST.

VIENNA, Austria, Dec. 9.—An Italian cruiser, the identity of which has not been announced, was sunk by an Austrian submarine off the coast of Albania on the 7th, according to an official announcement by the admiralty yesterday.

The Serbians retreat through Albania is being hampered by the Albanians, who are making continuous attacks upon the Serbs.

EXPLOSION AT NAMUR KILLS MANY GERMANS.

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, Dec. 9.—It is reported here that 80 German soldiers were instantly killed and a number of others wounded as the result of an explosion in Fort Cogneux, one of the defenses of Namur, Belgium, occupied by a German garrison.

MORE MONEY WANTED BY REICHTAG.

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 9.—The German reichstag is to be asked to vote an additional war credit of \$2,500,000,000, this being supplementary to the 1915 budget.

ADMIRALTY HALTS ACTION ON PRIZE SHIP HOCKING

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—The order of the British admiralty requisitioning the American steamer Hocking, which had been seized and taken to Halifax as a prize of war by a British cruiser, has been postponed in its execution for three weeks, according to a despatch received yesterday from Consul-General Jones at Halifax.

THINKS UNITED STATES IS BOUND TO HEAD WORLD TRADE FOR 20 YEARS

Great French Financier Says Europe Will Be Paying War Debts That Length of Time

PARIS, France.—That the volume of business between the United States and Europe will not cease with the war, that the United States will not for several years have to fear European competition in manufactured products, is the opinion expressed here by Robert Pinot, general secretary of the Comité des Forges de France. This organization is the official representative of the Croiset works and all the other iron and steel manufacturers of France and the medium through which the French government is now securing large quantities of war munitions for the use of the French and Russian armies.

In an interview Mr. Pinot said: "It is unfortunately true that we must look to the United States for several years to supply us with money or credits and with raw and manufactured materials. I say this is unfortunately true because I realize that we will be working for the next 20 years to pay what we owe. Not before that time can we begin to put our profits in our own pockets. The fear that so soon as the war is ended the manufacturers now busy making arms and cannon and shells will convert their factories into the making of products to compete with yours is ungrounded."

Are Not Superhuman. "While we French iron and steel men have been doing surprising work in our munitions, while we are turning out more than the English factories, while our people have shown a marvelous example of improvisation, while we have done all this with our best plants and our mines in the hands of the Germans, we are not superhuman. We cannot turn around so soon as the war is over and begin flooding your home markets, because of our cheaper labor or compete with you in your foreign markets. How can we? We will first have the enormous task of rebuilding our old steel plants, of reconstructing our automobile, button, cloth, printing and railroad shops, all now busy making munitions, back to their old uses. We will have to try to repair the vast material destruction that has come with the war. Then we will have to do our best to satisfy our own home markets. To do these things we will have to continue to buy of you, as we are now doing for war supplies. Make Goods to Last."

"What chance is there for the American to do a steady business with us long after the war is over, to follow up and establish himself in the business now begun? I am not a prophet, and the war is not yet over. But here is a fact to be considered by the American manufacturer. So far as concerns France, we iron and steel men had begun to do a surprising business in the few years before the war. We were not only filling the demands made in this line on the home market, but we were beginning to go into the foreign trade. France had almost ceased to be an agricultural nation. I believe, too, that our products were the most perfectly made in the world, than ever before the war, to wear. They were made to stand up, to wear. I won't say that we were right in the manufacturing this way, that the American method is not the better; but our customers demanded long-wearing articles, and we satisfied their demands. An American locomotive is built to last seven years, where the railroads we supply want them to last 30 years. This is a condition the American must meet in future competition with us."

In connection with the reconstruction of the French factories destroyed in the north of France, referred to by Mr. Pinot, a current report indicates increasing imports of cotton from the United States and shows that France now is using more American cotton than ever before the war. The totals for the first eight months of this year of such imports were six million metric quintals of 100 kilos each. Before the war France had 7,200,000 cotton spindles and 12,000 looms. At the end of 1914 but 25 per cent, or 1,800,000 were in operation, due to the Ger-

HOUSE BILL TO AMEND SEAMEN'S LAW PROMISED

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SATURDAY—Lel Aloha Chapter No. 3, O. E. S.; Stated; 7:30 p. m.
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