

MONTANA MINISTERS WHO ARE IN THE PUBLIC EYE

HE TACKLED SOCIAL CLUBS

Helena Is Stirred Up Over Attacks Upon Social Organizations by Rev. Bovard.

(Special to Inter Mountain.) Helena, Mont., July 6.—The man who has begun war on the social vices which he believes to be practiced in the Montana and Lambs clubs of Helena, Rev. Charles L. Bovard, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church of Helena, is a man of stalwart frame, fine, tall figure, and is in the prime of life.

He was born in Indiana forty years ago and is one of six brothers, who are all Methodist ministers. He was educated at Hanover college, Hanover, Ind., and has been in the ministry for 18 years. He is a fluent writer and a forcible talker and is a frequent correspondent of the papers of his church.

He is no tenderfoot in the west, for, as he said to the Inter Mountain correspondent, he is familiar with the Rocky Mountain country and this is not his first contact with the vices peculiar to western life. He was for six years superintendent of missionary work in New Mexico and pastor of a church in Arizona. This work involved relationships with mining camps, sheep ranches, large cities and new settlements.

"For six years I traveled an average of 20,000 miles a year on the frontier and have perfect familiarity with the features of frontier life," said he.

"I have felt for some time," said he, when asked as to his aims in attacking the clubs, "that if all my time were not taken up with my pastoral duties, I would investigate, and prosecute war against the open vices of this city. When the matter has been agitated in our preachers' meetings, I have said: 'Why not make open war?' If we are living in a modern Babylon instead of a Christian community, let us know it.

"My purpose is to simply arouse public sentiment and call attention to these clubs, that they may be held responsible for the character of things which take place under their management. Even though they may carry on their business secretly, they are just as amenable to public opinion as any other organization.

"My charge against the Helena clubs rests just as much against nine-tenths of the other clubs in the country—that bars and games are carried on in them.

"I have received a number of anonymous communications confirming my statements. Standing alone, I do not attach much weight to anonymous communications, but, when they are confirmatory of general rumors, I attach a great deal of weight to them. Then I have statements from reputable citizens, whose names I have withheld, warranting all the charges I have publicly made."

"What method do you intend to adopt in carrying on this war?" Mr. Bovard was asked.

"I have not planned a day ahead and do not know how I shall proceed," he answered.



REV. CHARLES L. BOVARD.



REV. S. H. C. BURGIN.

The reverend gentleman has stirred up a hornet's nest in the city of Helena by his attacks upon the clubs. His denunciations from the pulpit have been met with public expressions of disapproval from many of the leading men of the city who hold memberships in the clubs against which the minister has inveighed. He has been called to account in the columns of the press and in public by irate friends of the social organizations and his pastorate has been anything but a flowery bed of ease since he hurled his defiance in the face of the powerful organizations of the capital.

Helena has been stirred from center to circumference by the attacks of the minister and his charges against the clubs of the city have been met by many of the members of the organizations referred to. The members of the Montana

and Lambs clubs have given terse and emphatic expression to their disapproval of the minister's course and it is predicted that the end is not yet. Tomorrow St. Paul's will be crowded to the doors by a congregations eager to hear what further attacks Rev. Bovard will make upon the social organizations of Helena.

A pretty blue foulard gown is simply made and simple in design. The pattern is a small white dot on a blue ground. The bodice is made with a yoke and puffs at the wrists of some thin white material, in front, the fullness held in place in the centre of the front by two broad straps of the material. The skirt was long and well shaped, and finished simply with a narrow plaiting at the lower edge.

BUDDHISM IN AMERICA.

In a comfortable building on one of the more quiet and retired streets of the city of San Francisco there have lately been established the headquarters of a Japanese Buddhist mission to America. The object of this mission is not only to keep up the teaching and practice of Buddhism among the fast-increasing numbers of Japanese who have come to live in California, but it also embraces the more ambitious hope of spreading the knowledge of that cult among the people of America. A director and four priests, all having received a good English education in Japan, have been sent out by the wealthy members of the "Shinshu," or True Sect of Buddhists, and are already actively at work. About 500 Japanese attend the regular services of this oriental church, which are, of course, conducted in the Japanese language. The Young Men's Buddhist association connected with it numbers over 200 members. Three branches are established at other cities of California. There is a separate service on Sunday in English, at which 20 or more Americans are generally present, of whom 11 have already been converted to Buddhism, and have openly professed that they take their refuge in Buddha, in his gospel and in his order. The church is called the Dharma-Sangha of Buddha.

There are various features connected with this mission that are of deep interest and importance. Perhaps the most extraordinary claim to be the successor and counterpart of an early Buddhist mission to America which existed in the fifth century, and which, like the present one, consisted of five Buddhist priests.

BURGIN WEILDS THE GAVEL

A Butte Minister Has Been Selected as Chairman of the Great Epworth Convention.

San Francisco secured a biennial convention of Epworth Leaguers by bidding high for it—\$50,000—and it will open in that city on Thursday, the 18th, closing Sunday night the 21st.

This will be the fifth biennial of the Epworth League of the Methodist churches and the three branches will be represented, Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal south, and the Methodists of Canada. The first convention was held in Cleveland for the M. E. branch; the next at Chattanooga for the southern contingency, the third in Toronto for the Canadians and the fourth in Indianapolis while the fifth coming will be for the western branches.

The convention is international and it is estimated that from 30,000 to 50,000 Epworth Leaguers will be in attendance from all over the United States and Canada.

It is considered a great honor to address the immense congregation or take any part in the proceedings and deliberations. The only men selected for the work being the bishops with occasionally college presidents, and the D.D.'s. For that reason Butte leaguers feel great interest in the convention from the fact that Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, pastor of the St. Paul M. E. church south of this city has been chosen to preside and conduct the services on the third day, Saturday the next to the most important day of the convention.

Mr. Burgin has always been an active worker, helping to form the league, having been vice president in one state and often at the head of the local branch. When the Epworth League met in Toronto he took the second largest delegation—800 people—from Missouri, New York being ahead. He is recognized as a most fluent speaker and a fine master of ceremonies.

Mr. Burgin will be accompanied by his wife and they leave on Friday of next week, and will take advantage of the trip to California to see some of its wonders. It is not certain yet how many will accompany them from the Epworth League of the state, but it is well known that Montana is always suitably represented everywhere. A special rate has been made on the railroads and concessions in the way of stop-overs and time limitations.

Mr. Burgin has been in Butte about a year and in that time he has accomplished wonders in his church. It was so long building, the congregation having to worship in a hall down town, that it was pretty well demoralized. He has built it up and raised considerable money for the debt, which weighs it down. The women of the congregation, headed by Mrs. Burgin, have also accomplished a good deal. They pledged themselves to raise a certain amount to apply on the debt and have more than redeemed their pledge. The congregation is a small one, but is constantly gaining new members under the pastorate of Mr. Burgin.

HUSBAND'S ALIMONY.

The Widow Thornton was a business woman. She owned one of the finest farms in Ohio, and only a few miles from Cincinnati. She received \$1,800 a year from the estate of her father, the late Stephen Crane, a lawyer of Cincinnati. She had been a widow for several years, but managed her estate with as much skill as a man could have done.

Still, at the age of 43 she decided that she was not entirely happy.

"I should have a husband," the Widow Thornton said to herself. "A husband is usually a nuisance, but if he's taken young enough and well trained he can be brought up so that he can be of some benefit to his family and not a great lazy loafer."

So the Widow Thornton made up a list of eligible men in the vicinity and decided upon William Bernard, one of the hired men on her farm. William was still in his twenties, had no bad habits, of a gentle disposition, and strong and hearty.

"I don't believe that William is liable to get his foot over the traces or kick the dashboard," said the Widow Thornton. "I'll marry William."

That night at supper the Widow Thornton said to the hired man:

"William, we may as well get married. The house is big enough for two. It's a shame to have so much room in this great big place wasted. I'll give you an income of \$250 a year, William. You'll be expected to look after the chores as usual, William. Bring the buggy around to the front door tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, William, and we will go down to the Methodist preacher's and be married."

"Yessum," said William meekly.

After the Widow Thornton became Mrs. Bernard she found she had made a mistake. William put on airs. He seemed to think that as the husband of his former employer it was beneath his dignity to milk the cows night and morning, and he positively declined to run the clothes wringer on washdays. He refused to let his spouse bring him up in the way he should go, but instead made frequent trips "down ter the city" and put on more side than the leading man of a stock company. William commenced smoking real "see-gars" and wearing hand-painted neckties.

The end came one day when William put on his store clothes, lit a "see-gar," and calmly started down the road to the depot to take the train for Cincinnati. Mrs. Bernard wanted him to come back and agitate the washing on the washboard. William said "nit." Mrs. Bernard went in pursuit and, catching up with her spouse, shot him in the foot.

William returned home. Mrs. Bernard sued for divorce. It was granted, but the judge said seeing that William was proposed to that he should have \$43 a year alimony.—Chicago Tribune.

A Most Valuable Asset.

Among Mr. Morgan's bric-a-brac that a P. control is still his most valuable exhibit.—Boston Advertiser.

JULY 4th A BUSY DAY FOR STREET CARS.



The Cleanup of Cash on Independence Day.

The street car company broke all previous records for one day on Thursday, July 4, by 20 per cent. The total number of passengers carried on all the lines was over 42,000, the previous record having been 34,000. The travel to the gardens has been larger on other days, Miners' Union day of this year having been considerably larger, but on no other occasion has the traffic total been nearly so large. When one comes to count over an army of 42,000 people, in a city the size of Butte, it means that there were not many people who stayed at home.

It is always difficult to handle such crowds, but the able management of the Butte company makes it possible to care for an almost incredible number of passengers. The intelligent co-operation of all the employees adds greatly to the ease of caring for the people. As four times the number of passengers were carried on the Fourth that are usually carried in a day, and the ordinary traffic sometimes reaching the crowding point, it will be easy to see how the company must have worked to

care for the army of sight-seers.

Some of the crowds hauled at a single load of the larger cars, especially those on the line to Columbia Gardens, would surprise one who should count up the actual number of seats in the cars, and estimate the capacity thereby. As high as 125 passengers have been taken on a single trip, while 75 to 100 are not at all infrequent. It may be stated that not all get seats when they are crowded in like this.

Some curious history of the city might be written from the story of the receipts of the company. For instance, only last year the company never had enough nickels for its needs in making change; constant importations of the coins only kept the market reasonably well supplied. But since the closing of the slot machines, this spring, the city has been glutted with them. The conductors come in with their pockets bulging with nickels, when they formerly brought in silver; and the banks register a daily kick at taking what the company turns over to them as part of its daily receipts. If the supply keeps on increasing as the machine players come to real-

ize that there is no more opening of the machines and let go of their hoarded coins, there will be some heroic remedy needed.

Again, the visit of each successive gang of counterfeiters is registered faithfully on the books of the company. In the counterfeiters charged up to profit and loss. In the hurry of making change it is comparatively easy to pass bogus coin on the conductors. Sometimes a bogus gold coin comes in; one of them remains as a memento of the gang that operated here a few months ago. One counterfeit silver dollar was passed in only this week. But in all, the loss from this source is very small.

About the only foreign coinage that passes current here is that of Canada, there being much of that in circulation. Probably there is no other city where it passes with equal facility, even the postoffice receiving it as lawful money, which it is not. The prevalence of Canadian money here may be explained by the number of Canadian-born people in Butte, and the further fact that they do not come here penniless. But few foreigners bring coin from across the water.

WHERE TO WORSHIP.

Mountain View Methodist Episcopal church, J. L. Albritton, pastor. Preaching at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8 p. m. Class meeting, 10 o'clock. Sunday school, 12:30 p. m. C. P. Hargraves, superintendent. Epworth League meeting 7 o'clock p. m. Junior League, 3:30. Morning sermon, "Blinding Light." Evening, "Life and Its Mission." Mrs. Copenhaver will lead the singing. Mrs. Hill will preside at the organ.

Trinity M. E. church, John Hosking, pastor. Residence 971 North Main street. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. W. H. Gribbin and John Callom, superintendents. Tuesday evening, regular prayer meeting. Wednesday evening, choir rehearsal. David Rundle, chorister. Thursday afternoon, Ladies' Aid society meet in the parlors of the church. Friday evening, class meeting, H. James, leader.

First Baptist church, corner of Broadway and Montana streets, J. E. Nott-singer, pastor. Residence 641 West Grand street. Worship at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Morning subject, "The Great Mine in the Camp." Evening subject, "The Man Without an Apology." Sunday school at 12:30 p. m. Lee Hayes, superintendent. The Lord's Supper will be observed at close of morning worship, and the hand of fellowship given to new members. Young Peoples' meeting at 7 o'clock p. m. Teachers' meeting at 8 p. m. Monday, Junior meeting at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Mid-week service Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Immanuel Presbyterian church, corner South Gaylord and Galena streets, G. H. Whitman, pastor. Residence South Gaylord street. Services on Sunday, July 7: Morning sermon, 11 a. m., subject, "The Midnight Beggar." Evening service 7:30 p. m., topic, "Earthly Gifts and Heavenly Responses." Sunday school 2 p. m., superintendent, Mr. D. H. Morrison. Junior C. E. 3 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30. Next Sunday is consecration meeting. Let every member be present. Wednesday 7:30 mid-week service. A full attendance of the members desired. Thursday, 2 p. m., Pastor's Aid Society will meet at home of Mrs. Anderson, Walker avenue.

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, South, corner of Idaho and Galena streets; S. H. C. Burgin, pastor; residence, 103 South Idaho street. Morning service at 11, subject, "A Real Giant." Evening at 8, "The Nation's Birthday." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., G. C. Baldwin, superintendent; class meeting at 12:30 p. m., J. B. Brown, leader; prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday, conductive by the pastor; Epworth League devotional meeting at 7 p. m. Sunday, E. R. Manley, president; Ladies' Aid 3:30 p. m. Tuesday, Mr. J. Knowlton, president.

First Church of Christ (Scientists). West Broadway, corner of Excelsior avenue. First Reader, Mrs. Anna C. E.

Crowley; Sunday, July 7, subject, "God." Services at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 12:15 p. m.; Wednesday evening experience meeting at 8 o'clock. Reading rooms open from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. except Sunday.

Christian Tabernacle (Shortridge Memorial Church of Christ) southeast corner of Washington and Mercury streets, Edward Oliver Tiburn, minister; residence, 616 W. Mercury street. Morning service and communion at 11 o'clock. Sermon First of a series on the letters to the Seven Churches in Asia: "The Letter to the Church at Ephesus." Sunday school at 12:30. A. E. Jones, superintendent. Junior Endeavor at 1:30; Y. P. S. C. E. at 7. Night popular service; sermon, "The Lights of Butte." Other sermons will follow during the month having Butte as their inspiration. A cordial invitation to all to worship here. The report for the month will be read at the conclusion of the morning service.

South Butte Presbyterian church, corner of First street and Utah avenue; Rev. Frederick Foss, pastor. Residence rear of church on First street. Morning service at 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. G. Tippet. Sunday school at 12:15. Mr. Carroll superintendent. Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m., led by Mr. C. Fulton; subject, "Religion and Patriotism." At 8 p. m. the Sunday school will have their Red Letter Day. All parents and friends are earnestly invited to attend. On Tuesday at 7:30 prayer meeting, led by Mr. A. Murray. And on Thursday at 8 p. m. the South Butte Mutual Improvement society will render a very interesting program. No admission fee. Everybody come.

PHOTOGRAPHING BOOK PAGES

How the Apparently Impossible Feat May Be Accomplished.

Library rules ordinarily forbid the removal of valuable books and engravings from the premises, so that there is trouble in obtaining photographic copies of pictures or plates, the introduction of artificial light, or even of a camera, being commonly prohibited. A method of getting over the difficulty, which has been tried recently with success, is to coat a piece of cardboard with a phosphorescent substance, and, after sufficient exposure to the sun, place it at the back of the picture to be reproduced. Then (supposing that the picture is in a book) a dry plate is put against the face of it, and the volume closed. This can be managed very easily by manipulating the dry plate under a cloth that covers the book.

The dry plate is allowed to remain from 18 to 60 minutes, according to the nature and thickness of the paper. Then it is withdrawn, under the cloth as before, and put into a dark box for subsequent development. It is stated by the inventor of this process that, if films are used instead of dry plates, a large number of copies of different engravings in the same book may be made at the same time.—Saturday Evening Post.