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## "DON'T LET THE DEVIL ROB YOU"

### BIG CROWD LISTENS TO STRONG APPEAL

Audience Estimated at 3,000 Present Last Night—Delegation From Leesburg and Members of Fraternal Organizations From The City Attend.

"Let me get close to you tonight. I'm in earnest! I want you—I covet you for God!" exclaimed Evangelist Smith, appealing to the big audience of 3,000 or more people last night in one of the strongest sermons he has yet delivered.

The sermon was upon the doctrine of the new birth,—based on the words found in the third chapter of John—"Ye must be born again." said the evangelist:

"Have you been born again, you church officials? And you church members—you people who tramp to and from church on Sunday—have you really been born again? It's my business to preach the necessity of the new birth. People say the doctrine is old fashioned—that it's out of date, but let me tell you this—Jesus Christ hasn't recalled it yet and he spoke it twenty centuries ago.

"John Wesley preached it. General Booth preached it, George Whitefield preached from this text 300 times but didn't exhaust the text. If one of your preachers here in Alexandria should preach from the same text twice he'd have every woman in the church down on him and they'd want another pastor.

"Finney preached it, Moody preached it; Cawley rocked the British Isles with it; but none of them invented it. It wasn't invented. The Son of God commanded it. Somebody asked George Whitefield once why he used this text so much and he turned and replied, 'Because ye must.'"

"It wouldn't be common sense to take us as we are and set us down in Heaven; we would be out of place. Therefore we must be changed—be born again—and have the spirit of Christ implanted within us, for if we are without Christ you are bound for a Christless eternity ('Amen!') shouted a good brother down in the audience).

"We must get right! And if you church folks are not going to get right, for God's sake tell me, for I can do nothing until you do get right. If your pastor asks you to get up at a church supper, how you can work! But if he should ask you to go and see a man who needed your help spiritually you couldn't do it. Why? You know. It's because you are not right. Listen! Get right.

"The new birth doesn't come from the colleges—Yale, Harvard or other seats of learning—but from over the old hill of Calvary! Don't blame God if you haven't got it. You have simply not claimed your privilege.

"Yes, it costs something to be born again. If I could make it easy for you I could make a record getting church members here in old Alexandria. But I won't!

"And you people who are not christians—why pick out the worst church members and hold them up as a sample? That won't help your case. You say when you become a christian you'll be a real one—go the limit. I hope so, that's the kind I want. And when you do start I want you to know and realize what you are doing. Don't want you influenced by any death-bed stories, or any crying—no handkerchief religion. I want you to take your stand because it's the right thing to do—because it is your duty to yourself, to your family and to God.

"Don't let the devil rob you! He'll cheat you—rob you of God—if he can. I want you to make the start. I plead with you. Let God put his hall mark on you, for he that is born of God overcometh the world! Have you got your foot on the world, or is the world throttling you? A man who has been born again, if he falls will go back and ask for forgiveness and if he will make an honest attempt God will help him.

Listen! I don't know that this cap will fit, but if it does, put it on. He that is born again will love the brethren. That means that you Episcopalians, you Methodists and Presbyterians, and Baptists must love one another.

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\* Gypsy Smith, Jr., Epigrams \*  
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\* It is one thing to sing "Rescue me from the Perishing" but another thing to do it.  
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\* Men and women are wanted to work for God who will stand up and face the criticism of public opinion.  
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\* Too many congregations sing "Throw Out the Life Line," when the whole bunch put together couldn't put up a clothes line, so far as doing real, effective work for Christ.

\* If you don't like a church don't blame the preacher. The fault may be in the pew.  
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\* Be honest with yourself and if you are not a Christian take your name off the church-roll.  
\* Your example before the world is bad.  
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\* It is not what you call yourself; it is what you really are that counts for good or evil.  
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\* Nobody else can do the work God has mapped out for you.  
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\* Many people are kept out of the church because they see so little real christianity in it.

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\* Notes and Announcements.  
\* Tonight will be Masonic night. Tomorrow evening the various labor organizations have been invited to be present at the Labor night service.

An invitation is to be extended to the firemen of the city, also the High School students to attend the meetings some evening next week.  
\* Prayer meeting will be held in various homes throughout the city tomorrow, Friday morning at 10 o'clock as follows: Mrs. W. J. B. Duncan, 922 Queen street, leader, Miss Ada Lyles; Mrs. Zimmermann, 1012 Duke street, leader, Mrs. J. H. Hulsh; Mrs. C. C. Carlin, 215 north Washington street, leader, Mrs. C. E. Outalt; Mrs. Few, 519 Cameron street, leader, Mrs. Wm. Rogers; Mrs. F. J. Pollard, 119 north Patrick street, leader, Mrs. Wm. Campbell; Mrs. H. W. Wade, 303 south Washington street, leader, Mrs. J. M. Cornell; Mrs. Webster, Braddock, leader, Mrs. W. H. Melchoir; Mrs. Formelt, 209 north Patrick street, leader, Mrs. H. W. Kerrick; Mrs. O. Haslett, 310 south Lee street, leader, Miss Mary Williamson.

\* Labor Night.  
\* To the members of Alexandria Trades Council; Bakery and Confectionery Workers; Local Branch 68 G. B. U.; Carpenters and Joiners Local 1665; Locomotive Engineers; Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 625, B. of L. F. and E.; Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers Union No. 1058; Potomac Division No. 450 O. R. C.; Potomac Lodge No. 580 International Association Machinists; Brotherhood of Railway Carmen.

The Gospel of Work was proclaimed by Christ to be one of the fundamental truths of His Church, and this gospel is also preached by His evangelist, Gypsy Smith, Jr. The Gypsy Smith Evangelist Campaign Committee extends a cordial invitation to all labor organizations to be present at the meeting in the interest of labor at The Tent on upper King street, on Friday evening.

Carpenters should be especially interested in The Carpenter of Nazareth and His teachings. Come and hear the message. You may not have received the invitation when it was officially received by your union, so it is renewed through the columns of the press. Plain truths are hammered out and clinched by the Evangelist, and old saws long since filed away as useless are modernized and brought into service again by the aid of and for the benefit of the Master Mechanic. The Executive Committee.

## Alexandria City News Condensed

Mr. and Mrs. Henry O'Bannon Cooper of Lloyd, are spending several weeks in Boston.

Mrs. L. Wilbur Reid, has returned to her home in Duke street after spending several weeks at the Glaslyn Chatham, Atlantic City.

A marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to Joseph P. Hunt and Ella B. Leach, both of this city.

Mrs. Anna M. Appich, who spent the past six months with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gasser in Richmond, has returned to her home in King street, accompanied by Mrs. Gasser.

The Alexandria chapter of the Red Cross is packing a box of good things which will be sent to members of Company G, Alexandria Light Infantry, stationed on the Mexican border. Anyone having things they would like to contribute may have them included in the box by leaving them at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce.

### HEARING IS RESUMED

Alexandria's Representatives Present Strong Bid For \$11,000,000 Armor Plant

Hearings on the location of the new \$11,000,000 Government armor plate factory, for which Alexandria is a candidate were resumed by Secretary of the Navy Daniels at 10 o'clock today.

Alexandria representatives, headed by Congressman Carlin, were scheduled to present arguments why the new plant should be constructed in Alexandria, where it would be closely under the eye of the Navy Department ordnance division, and in proximity to the Washington Navy Yard, the Indian Head proving ground, and other naval institutions on the Potomac.

### JOINT COMMITTEES MEET

City Council Will be Urged to Adopt Recommendations of Fire Underwriters.

Action is being taken which is hoped will bring results favoring the recommendations made to the city some time ago by the National Board of Fire Underwriters relative to better fire protection. Joint committees from the city council, chamber of commerce, retail merchants' association and city fire department, discussed the matter at a meeting held yesterday. It was decided to urge the city council to adopt the recommendations made by the National Board. Unless action is taken along the line indicated it is intimated that fire insurance rates are liable to be advanced so that owners of property in Alexandria may be compelled to pay additional premiums amounting to at least \$30,000 yearly, which is causing people to sit up and take notice.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Diener and daughter, of Culpeper, are visiting Mrs. Diener's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Weil in south St. Asaph street.

Mrs. John L. Pryor and daughter, Miss Frances Pryor of Pacific Grove, Cal., are visiting Mrs. Pryor's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James S. Smyth in north Washington street. Miss Pryor's aunt, Miss Mary Smyth entertained informally in her honor yesterday afternoon.

Rewards totaling \$800 are offered for the capture of Leroy White, who murdered his young wife in their home near Windsor, N. C., last Friday by breaking her neck and then beating her head to a pulp. Mrs. White was 23 years old and wealthy. She recently turned over to her husband property worth \$25,000. White also threatened to kill two brothers-in-law of his wife, and for fear that he might return and carry out his threat their homes are now closely guarded.

Miss Katherine Beach, of Rockville, Md., is the guest of her cousin, Miss Emily Johnson, at her home in Prince street.

Mr. C. H. Smithers, chief dispatcher of the Washington Division of the Southern Railroad, who has recently been in ill health is improving and is now visiting in Lewisburg, W. Va.

Misses Margaret and Lowell Masters and Margaret McMenamin have returned to their homes after a seven-weeks' visit to Roseland and Woodson, Va.

Mrs. Thomas U. Rowley, left on Tuesday evening for Toledo, Ohio, where she will make her future home to the regret of her friends in Alexandria.

In the Circuit Court today Charles E. Williams, through his attorneys, C. E. Nicol and A. B. Nicol, brought suit for \$10,000 against Robert P. Aitchison, surviving partner of late firm of Aitchison and Bro. Several weeks ago Mr. Williams lost an arm while in the employ of said firm.

### THE "RUMMAGE SALE."

During the course of his sermon a few evenings ago Evangelist Gypsy Smith recited the poem which appears below. So many requests have been made to have it reproduced in these columns that it is given space here:

She opened her garret and closets,  
Peered back on the uppermost shelf,  
Pulled out the things she had thrust away,  
As not good enough for herself;  
Overlooked not the flimsiest item;  
She found in her annual search,  
For any old rubbish is good enough  
For a rummage sale for the church.

She drew forth a china teapot,  
Quite good—save it had no spout—  
And there was a lamp that always smoked,  
So she'd finally thrown it out;  
And then came a muslin shirtwaist,  
Krai shield 'gainst the winter's blast;  
But, rip off the lace—somebody will pay  
A dime for the poor outcast.

This? why, this is a flannel jacket,  
All threadbare and fretted with holes,  
And here are some slippers and high-heel shoes,  
She must have danced out their soles.  
Four cups, with the handles all broken,  
A bodice that's minus a cord,  
But they all go into her basket,  
They'll bring a few cents for the Lord.

And so the gleaning goes forward,  
For milady is fired with zeal  
To sell to the poor of the parish  
What a thief would not trouble to steal.  
And the price of the wornout garments  
(The sweat of the poor who buy)  
Is set aside as an offering  
To the Lord of Hosts on high.

Comes a time when milady's translated,  
To mansions not made with hands,  
And St. Peter, who knows all her record,  
Shall say to his angelic bands:  
"Go, look, in the dimmest of corners  
Of the closet under the stair  
Is a dented crown that has lost two stars,  
But t'will do for this woman to wear."

"And here are some wornout sandals,  
A robe and other old things,  
And take down from their hooks on the wall  
That pair of second-hand wings;  
They are rusty, I know, in the hinges,  
To use them she may demur,  
But—her trash was good enough for the Lord,  
So we'll hold a rummage for her."

—Sarah Beaumont Kennedy, in the Memphis Commercial Appeal.

### LETTER FROM THE BORDER.

Member of Light Infantry Tells of Regulars Meeting Their Waterloo on a Hike.

"We took the long hike Friday and only lost three men out of the entire regiment. Captain Scott has been telling us what the regulars can do, and Friday they led our hike. The Fourth and Thirty-sixth regiment went. One regiment marched with out "heavy marching orders" and their ambulance came back filled. We certainly did show them up. When we returned Captain Scott stopped at the gate with the Colonel and his staff, and he came in singing, "Hail, hail the gang's all here!" The Colonel laughed and Captain Scott turned red as a beet. He had met his Waterloo!

Mr. Richard C. Williams has returned to this city after spending his vacation with relatives in Maryland.

In the Circuit Court today, the will of Quales Boyd was admitted to probate, and Julian Boyd, qualified as administrator with the will annexed.

Miss Blanche Stansbury who has been visiting Mrs. J. L. Savage in Fredericksburg has returned to her home in north Columbus street, accompanied by Mrs. Savage.

Last night at the parsonage of the Second Baptist Church, Mr. Walter D. Dove and Miss Bessie Butler both of this city were united in marriage by Rev. O. W. Triplett.

Lieutenant McLean, who has been here enjoying a furlough, left today for Richmond and from there will proceed later on the return trip to rejoin his company.

At the parsonage of St. Mary's Church, yesterday afternoon Eugene Finch and Miss Mozelle Gertrude Dunn, both of this city were married, Rev. L. F. Kelly, performed the ceremony.

## TO TAX MONEY IN THE BANK

State Board So Directs Examiners and Boards of Review

## MOORE WINS IN FIGHT

Attorney General Holds That Salary Begins With the Term of the State Officer

Richmond, Sept. 14.—"Shelling the woods" is the policy of the State board of taxation in the determined position of forcing taxpayers to surrender to the state taxes on money in bank, or which they may have had in bank for several years and then withdrawn, on which they have paid no taxes. This is known by reason of a letter which Christopher B. Garnett, of the state tax board, has sent to all examiners of records and local boards of review, demanding that they call on the banks for information that will enable them to make up corrected lists of persons who have failed to furnish address to books, accounts papers and records makers the offending bank or officers subject to a penalty. And each individual case is, under the law held to be a separate offense.

What is of more vital importance is that the laws under which the state tax board is acting provide that the examination shall extend back to 1903. All these "dodgers," those who will be caught in the dragnet of the state tax board, were afforded a chance to settle with the state on easy terms last summer, the time expiring August 1, and many of them did make full return for three years, that being the agreement on which the state would declare settlement in full. There are many more, however, who, used to dodging, were willing to make another effort to get by, but this time they have overplayed the game.

They will be brought to book, and instead of paying for three years they will have to pay back to 1903, in addition to the penalty for failure to settle. Mr. Garnett tells the examiners of records that "should any bank fail to furnish such information" you should then summon the officers of the bank to appear before the local board of review and answer under oath what amount of money, if any, the persons whose names are listed had on deposit February 1 of any of these years."

Auditor C. Lee Moore is receiving the salary which was allowed to him at the last session of the legislature—\$4,500 per annum. These payments are being made on advice of the attorney general, to whom the question was submitted, and he ruled that the intention was to provide the increase of pay; that the salary fixed by law was as of March 1, though the appropriation bill did not pass till a later date. Auditor Moore had entered on his duties as required by law, and that fact, together with the fact that the legislature had a right to fix the salary for the term for which he was elected, were construed in keeping with the decision of the supreme court of appeals in the cases of the superintendent of the penitentiary, the superintendent of public printing, and the labor commissioner, a mandamus issuing to compel the payments at the advance provided by the legislative act.

### An Appeal.

There are many who by reason of age, infirmity or otherwise, are prevented from attending the Gypsy Smith services. Will not those Christian people who own automobiles open their hearts and offer their machines to bring them to some of the meetings. If so, write or phone the secretary of the committee (Bell Phone 489J), and he will give you the names and addresses of those who would not otherwise be able to attend them.

JOHN W. HERNDON,  
215-1t. Secretary G. C. E. C. Com.

## PETERS ASK LEGAL ADVICE

Calls on Attorney General Pollard For Ruling on Points

## SECTION QUESTIONED

May Citizen Import One Quart of Whisky and Three Gallons of Beer or Be Limited?

Richmond, Sept. 14.—In a series of official communications to Attorney-General Pollard, Prohibition Commissioner Peters asks for rulings on apparently obscure provisions of the prohibition law in order that he may properly dispose of troublesome objections that have been brought to his notice. It is the commissioner's first appeal to the Attorney-General's office for guidance in the discharge of the new law, and will be referred to Mr. Pollard when he returns to the city.

"It is seriously contended by some people," Commissioner Peters writes, "that, under chapter 146 of the Acts of the Assembly, 1916, a person may order and receive, and a common carrier may carry, within one month, one quart of distilled liquor and three gallons of beer and one gallon of wine; by others that they may not order all three of the above in one month, but only one of the three above-named kinds of ardent spirits. I will thank you to construe the act in this particular for my guidance."

Mr. Peters seeks advice also on the construction of the first section of the prohibition law relating to malt liquors. Manufacturers of malt beverages made without fermentation and containing absolutely no alcohol are proceeding on the assumption that their product will be allowed to be sold after November 1. Some of them have already launched extensive advertising campaigns to popularize their temperance drinks. Mr. Peters asks the Attorney-General to rule on their admissibility under the law.

A ruling is requested also on section 19 of the prohibition act prohibiting the advertising of intoxicants in this state, except in the columns of newspapers and periodicals published beyond the confines of the State for which an obligation has been incurred or money paid. Mr. Peters wants to know whether this section permits "paid newspaper advertising, even though the advertising be printed in the State of Virginia." Apparently, the question has been raised by periodicals that have a publishing office out of the State but which are printed in Virginia.

Representatives of the Southern and Adams Express Companies, Mr. Peters reports, have complained to him that in large centers like Richmond and Norfolk, it will be practically impossible for them literally to carry out the provisions of the act requiring each of their agencies to keep books alphabetically arranged in which to record liquor shipments made to individuals.

### Fish! Fish! Fish!

Fish Day tomorrow. We will have sea bass, stake, silé fish, white perch, butter fish, salt water croakers, crab meat and salt water trout. Sanitary Fish Market, Stall No. 2, City Market, Phone, No. 795

### Notice.

Miss Bessie Arthur Marks, begs to announce that she will reopen her Piano Studio on Monday, September 18, 1916, Studio, 220 north Royal St. 215-3t.

FOR SALE—Farm of 21 1-2 acres; good truck and poultry farm; 6 miles from Alexandria; 8-room house; good barn; and all necessary outbuildings. G. H. Route 4, Box 47, Alexandria, Va. 215-3t

### Notice

The Misses Rotchford will reopen their studios for instruction in Vocal and Instrumental Music, September 18th. For further information address 1009 Queen St. 212-4t.