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CLEAR, CRISP AND CLEAN

AT THE THEATERS

AUDITORIUM—"On the Quiet."
BELASCO—Dark.
HAMBURGER'S MAJESTIC—"The Substitute."
MASON—"Brewster's Millions."
BURBANK—"Janice Meredith."
GRAND—"The Toymaker."
ORPHEUM—Vaudeville.
LOS ANGELES—Vaudeville.
PEOPLE'S—"Shamus O'Brien."
FISCHER'S—"The Arch Schemer."
EMPIRE—"College Days."
UNIQUE—"A Trip to Coney Island."

"PROTECTION" EXPOSED

ACCORDING to Andrew Carnegie, an annual statement of the steel trust shows it has made the amazing profit of $158,000,000; equal to a profit of $15.50 a ton on all steel produced. These amazing figures, quoted primarily to show how ridiculous it is to continue to talk of steel manufacture as an infant industry which must be protected, should make every intelligent citizen of the United States realize exactly what he has done by giving assent to a system for which his support was asked on the plea it would be of value to the wage earners and would bring prosperity to the American workingman. Every intelligent citizen who voted for Republican political candidates must now realize he was also (albeit unconsciously) voting for the steel trust and all the other trusts, and putting money by the million dollars into the pockets of affluent and ungrateful gentlemen who did not even recognize the fact of his existence and would have thought and acted as if they were bestowing a special favor on him by deigning to receive him and talk to him if at any time he had sought audience with them.

These gigantic infant industries were protected—by whom? By the people. They were protected by the man who cast a ballot. In turn did they protect the people? What reward have they given to the man who cast the ballot? Disgusted with their hypocritical greed one of their own chief beneficiaries has turned informer against them.

The revelations of Andrew Carnegie will deprive Republican spellbinders of all their stock arguments in any future campaign at which the tariff issue may be revived, or in which the Republican party may seek favors on the ground it has "protected" American industries. The bottom has fallen completely out of all the high tariff pleas. Protection is on trial for its life. It looks as if it were about to be condemned on the ground it is a special privilege of a particularly offensive and un-American nature, inasmuch as it does not provide the greatest good for the greatest number, but the greatest good for the few at the expense of the greatest number. It cannot even be said that high tariff results in high wages, for Mr. Carnegie admits the cost of labor used in producing steel in this country is less than in other countries. He might have added the labor cost of other protected industries is less than in other countries. When cost of living is taken into account, wages in Great Britain, France and Germany can no longer be used by pro-tariff orators in an endeavor to show the superiority of the American wage scale. Protection to American trusts may be a highly satisfactory exhibition of statesmanship for the trusts, but "protection" for the American industrial wage earners and for the public at large has been proved beyond reasonable doubt to be a delusion and a snare.

If gambling in stocks is ended in New York it won't linger long in other parts of the country.

LAW

PRESIDENT GOMPERS, Vice President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor have found it is impossible to run counter to the "constituted order of things" when that order is enforced by law. Disobedience to an injunction brought the labor leaders to their present plight. From time to time reforms or attempted reforms are stultified by the fact that their agitators, in defiance of advice, pass the danger mark and come within influence of a law or of a court order. Strict obedience to law is one of the essential requirements of good citizenship, if for no other reason than this, if Mr. Gompers is allowed to defy a court injunction, Mr. Somebody Else might follow his example in a case where the matter at issue had nothing to do with public or social policy. In the United States, when a law is manifestly unjust in its operation, it may be amended or repealed. Our laws are not like those of the "Medes and Persians—unalterable."

When President Gompers made known his intention not to obey an injunction he was merely inviting the proceedings which resulted in his sentence to imprisonment. The first principle of good citizenship is to be lawabiding.

When reformers obey a law they place themselves in a position to fight it later, if it can be proved it is unjust. It may be good policy to protest when existing conditions are opposed to the constitution of the United States; but when constitutional rights are interpreted judicially it becomes the duty of the citizen to defer to the judicial interpretation; and defiance of it, or refusal to obey a court order or injunction, puts the protestor in the wrong.

This is the hard common sense of the Gompers-Mitchell-Morrison incident. Americanism allows of no other comment.

SCHOOL TEACHERS

TWELVE teachers are being selected by readers of Los Angeles Herald to visit the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition as guests of The Herald. By the votes of readers of The Herald six teachers are being selected from Los Angeles county—three from the city of Los Angeles and three from the county at large outside the city—one from San Bernardino county, one from Orange county, one from Santa Barbara county, one from Riverside county, one from Kern county and one from Ventura county. Readers of The Herald are asked to vote for twelve school teachers in the territory described.

It is easy to vote. The conditions are described on the page of The Herald on which the contest announcement appears.

These conditions are not difficult to fulfill, and results already show that when a teacher has friends who will organize and conduct a campaign for her she can easily become one of the leaders in the contest. The school teachers' tour should attract especial attention at the present time, when many school teachers are in conference in Los Angeles. And we must again emphatically call attention to the fact that teachers are assembled here for consultation and for hard work at a season which is supposed to be vacation time.

In how many other professions could men and women be found who would turn holiday time into a time of labor for the public good? Votes for the teachers' contest should reach this office in big batches while the teachers are here. This would show the community takes an active interest in the welfare of these untiring, self-sacrificing public servants, the school teachers. As our announcement says: "No opportunity has been presented whereby so much pleasure and benefit may be derived at no cost to these great workers who are shaping the destiny of the nation. Our whole public should and doubtless will respond to the opportunity to pay the debt of gratitude due our teachers."

The exposition will be well worth visiting. It will cost $10,000,000 and will be the greatest enterprise of its nature the western coast has ever attempted.

AUTOMOBILOMANIA

"DOUBLE double toil and trouble if you don't own an automobubble." Los Angeles is becoming known to fame as the automobubble metropolis. Why? Because no city official is completely equipped without an auto. The auto is not a perquisite of office, but a requisite of office. Soon the tourist in Los Angeles may find the police patrolling the streets in automobiles. The chiefs of the various departments will conduct business in automobiles. In one respect this will give them an advantage. Instead of summoning witnesses when it is necessary to conduct investigations they will go out in swift autos, lassoo the witnesses and take down their statements in shorthand at the rate of sixty or seventy miles an hour. Henceforth no one will be able to say there is anything slow about justice or to complain of the law's delays when municipal affairs are concerned.

By and by the tourist may see a procession of speedy autos streaming down Broadway like a flock of wild geese. The man in the first will wave a hammer and gesticulate. The occupants of all the others will do gymnastic stunts and howl hoarsely. This will be the city council, in what used to be called session, but is now known as progression. In the course of time, after every department official from the mayor down to the city bootblack has his automobile, other reforms will be introduced. The city jail will be put on wheels and offenders will be sentenced to terms in the autobastile. While automobilomania has seized the city government and all the officials are provided for, it will be easy to distinguish between the common, ordinary taxpayers and the bloated taxophagists. The taxpayers will plod afoot. The taxophagists will loll in the cushioned recesses of the latest model of forty elephant power Dunderundblitzen.

CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS Eve! We have reached the point at which the preacher says, "Finally, brethren," but, according to a well-founded belief, after "finally" there is always "one word more." Not much time is left in which subscriptions may be sent and contributions made to The Herald's dinner and entertainment for poor children of Los Angeles.

Applications should be made at once by children who wish to be guests at The Herald's Christmas dinner at the Y. M. C. A. building and the entertainment at Simpson auditorium. Application blanks will be furnished at The Herald's depot, 323 South Hill street.

The Herald's Christmas festivity is worth all the plans made for it and all the trouble it involves. It is a practical way of showing Christmas is not all sentiment, and that in addition to good will to one another, people are ready to do good deeds to their poorer neighbors, from whom no "reward" may be expected. According to the Founder of Christianity, the kind of giving which expects nothing in return is the kind which in the long run brings the greatest reward to the givers. This is one of the eternal laws, and its accuracy in operation may be depended on.

We thank not only subscribers and contributors, but friends who are volunteering to help in the actual work of the festivity.

In order to be of the greatest service, volunteers should report at the Y. M. C. A. building at 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. We can assure all volunteer helpers they will have a "Merry Christmas" and a memorable one. The Herald festivity illustrates the practical celebration of Christmas. It is a demonstration of Christianity. We know it will be a success, and we wish all who take part in it, all who have given money, all who have sent gifts, all who have helped with the preparations, all who will assist at the dinner and entertainment, and all the little folks—boys and girls who will be entertained—a right Merry Christmas.

REDWOOD RAID

CALIFORNIA Redwood park should be preserved, and the state forester should not be allowed to let private contracts for cutting timber in it. That the state forester has acted like the state vandal is the most astounding news of the more or less Merrie Yule Tide. We are told this official has consented to the cutting and removal of "not less than forty living redwood trees within the area of the park, some of which were not less than nine feet in diameter and of great age." The plea was made, in behalf of the state vandal and his assistants, that the trees had been stripped and practically destroyed by fire, but the experts of the Sempivirens club of California have sent Governor Gillett, the state board of forestry and the state legislature a memorial in which it is said the trees which had been denuded by fire were still alive and vigorous, were putting forth new life, and in the course of a few years would have been as beautiful as ever. This fact, knowledge of which must be vexing to every patriotic Californian, gives point to the recommendations of the club, that preservative foresting should be conducted under the direction of those only who are in full sympathy with the original purpose for which the forest was acquired; and that such removal of living, dead and down timber as may be imperatively necessary shall be done only under the direct supervision of the state itself, by which the expense may be borne and the profit, if any, received.

The attempt to commercialize the noblest trees in the world is mercenary and disgusting. One shudders to think what might be the fate of the Egyptian pyramids if they should ever pass into the control of men of the type of the redwood forest raiders.

Joseph H. Call characterizes, or rather, denounces the circulation of a petition asking the Southern Pacific to grant terminal rates to San Pedro as an illegal proceeding, based upon the false hypothesis that the Southern Pacific is a law unto itself and may grant or refuse terminal rates regardless of the provisions of the interstate commerce act. It is important that the public should become accurately informed as to its rights with regard to harbor traffic, otherwise it is liable to be worsted by the cunning of an astute corporation.

Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans has published a magazine article in which he describes his visit to Los Angeles with the fleet. Fighting Bob is enthusiastic over this city and its inhabitants. And Los Angeles is still enthusiastic over Fighting Bob and will welcome him heartily if he should make up his mind to return here without fleet or bands or fuss and feathers. Merry Christmas, Bob!

Horace White will investigate Wall street by request of Governor Hughes. We suspect the governor's request merely licenses Horace to unburden himself, without fear of libel, of what he already knows concerning Wall street. Mr. White is the foremost living authority on the subject.

Ng Poon Chew says the only trouble with China is it is behind the times. As soon as China has a powerful and efficient navy, a huge army, a few thousand dynamite factories and a vast fleet of flying machines the world will agree that China has overtaken it and is down to date.

There is every prospect that Los Angeles chamber of commerce will take an active part in fighting the railroad freight rates gouge. The report of the chamber's committee will be awaited with great interest.

Members of the board of education are certain the school bonds will carry by a large majority. This forecast is gratifying to all who believe "we WANT more schools."

The State Press

Cut and Dried

Champ Clark of the ways and means committee, where the tariff hearing is now going on in Washington, says the only object of the hearing is to let everybody have his say. That's just what we thought. A western judge growing tired of the arguments of opposing counsel finally said to them, "Gentlemen, this is a fine day. I am not feeling very well and I think I'll go fishing. When you are through with your arguments you will find my written decision here in the left-hand drawer of this desk."—Woodland Democrat.

Jawn D in Society

They do say that John D. Rockefeller has purchased a large estate in the fashionable portion of London and is preparing to build thereon a great marble palace. No doubt that John is going in for society in the shady parts of his life and it would not be at all surprising to see the old man going about with spats on his shoes and his pantaloons turned up at least four inches.—Berkeley Reporter.

Why "Extraordinary?"

At a church meeting in behalf of labor in Philadelphia, Rev. Charles Stelzle made this extraordinary statement: "Some day," he said, "war will cease, but it will not be because of peace conferences, but when organized workmen declare they will no longer shoot down their fellow-workers in order to satisfy the avarice of their rulers."—Fresno Republican.

Charleston Brunettes

Some knowitall writes to a Boston paper that the people of Charleston are three-fourths blonde. According to the enumerators who took the last census, more than 50 per cent of the people of Charleston were ultra brunette and their dominating characteristics were large feet, flat noses and kinky hair.—Houston Post.

Political Parties

Political parties are a growth and they do not become powerful at the behest of any one man. He who would advance a reform movement must do so through one or the other of the existing parties.—Bakersfield Californian.

Free and Independent

Mr. Roosevelt is not studying stage effects. He doesn't seem to care whether he gets a complimentary recall or not when the curtain goes d n.—Long Beach Telegram.

We Could

An exchange advises all men to live within their income, as Mr. Rockefeller does. If we had Mr. Rockefeller's income, by jing, we believe we could do it.—Pasadena News.

Airy Heiresses

But as long as there is an American heiress with more money in her purse than brains in her head, there will be titles for sale and women sold.—Sacramento Union.

Far and Wide

Gentle Language

Recent stories of the president's narrow escapes from accidents of various sorts are branded by the White House as "pure inventions." That is not nearly as warm language as the president would use if he found a grizzly bear or a wildcat being lied about.—Syracuse Herald.

Good Business

John D. Archbold is said to be a good business man, but it is astonishing how little he knows of his own business, according to his own admissions on the stand.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Eh?

Such power as the speaker has is necessary, but it is also necessary that it be used more wisely. The real argument is not for better rules, but for a better speaker.—New York Post.

Evils of Smoking

The death of Mrs. O'Brien of Philadelphia at the age of 104 shows that the life of the inveterate smoker ultimately ends in death.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Original and Merry

The Boston Globe mentions the "Original Merry Widow." That's it exactly. The originality of the critters is what catches.—Houston Post.

Caution Necessary

The kaiser is now expected to be as cautious in his utterances as if entirely surrounded by press censors.—Washington Star.

Virtue of Sleep

Philadelphia is celebrating her 225th birthday. Sleep is a wonderful preservative as well as restorative.—Detroit Journal.

Pin-Sticking

Austria seems to have stuck a pin in the royal chair of each of the European monarchs.—Milwaukee Journal.

Conundrum

When is a treaty not a treaty? When one of the signatories feels like tearing it up.—Providence Journal.

Always Seasonable

You can put your New Year resolutions in force at any time.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

German Tag Days

They have had several tag days recently in Germany—reichstag.—Salt Lake Deseret News.

Help "Old Whiskers"

Get busy early in giving first aid to Santa Claus.—Chicago News.

IF WE BUT UNDERSTOOD

BY ADDISON H. GIBSON

If we but better understood
Our brother, erring, weak,
A kindlier trend would govern thought,
More guarded we should speak;
Could we but see the uphill road
That he must feebly tread,
Quick would we lend the aiding hand,
And love's bright flowers would spread.

If we but better understood
How heavy is his load,
To our own back we'd shift his cares,
For us should be the goad,
And should he stumble, aye! and fall,
We'd gently lift him up,
And to his thirsting lips would press
The wine from love's pure cup.

If we but better understood
What led our brother wrong,
We'd be the last to cast a stone,
The first to win by song.
We'd censure less and trim our light
A better way to show,
And warm his shivering, starving soul
In love's celestial glow.

If we but better understood
Our brother's human need,
Swift would we leave our shell of self
And to him kindly speed.
We'd give him sweet compassion's cheer
As taught by One above;
From us no more the careless word,
But Brotherhood of Love.

The Public Letter Box

TO CORRESPONDENTS—Letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer. The Herald gives the widest latitude to correspondents, but assumes no responsibility for their views. Letters must not exceed 300 words.

TAKES EXCEPTION TO VIEWS ON PURITY STATED BY SENEX

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—[Editor Herald]: Senex, judging from his letter in The Herald of Dec. 19, can see little good in anything; he should sign his letter "Cynic."

He admits there is good in individual men and women, then declares we do not know what purity is. How can one recognize good if he doesn't know purity? He says it is an unknown quantity except in some shriveled and dissipated old maids.

Senex must be one of them, for if purity is confined to them and the rest of us know it not he could not know it otherwise. He suggests the inference that purity is undesirable because manifest in contraction and disappointment.

I advise you to speak for yourself, Senex, and don't presume to judge your neighbors—you who condemn indiscriminately every effort to offer help.

Byron, who lived a notoriously immoral life, is a poor authority to be quoted in this connection, and if the world relied on such ill-informed teachers as yourself it would stand a poor chance of learning ethics.

Purity has been discovered and most of us learned it at our mother's knee, but some have need of a rediscovery.

Righteousness cannot be forced into our lives, as you suggest; such a method would corrupt; but "Blessed are those that hunger and thirst after it, for they shall be filled."

"To the pure all things are pure," and it is well to be reminded that "Charity suffereth long and is kind; vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, thinketh no evil."

Take courage, Senex. God's in his heaven; all's well with the world.

R. N.

WOULD EXTEND GREETINGS TO ENGINEERS AND MOTORNEERS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—[Editor Herald]: At this happy time of the year, when everybody is wishing everybody a Merry Christmas, why not extend the hand of fellowship to our engineers and motorneers.

They stand at their posts all day and all through the cold, dark nights, some of them; and it is by their strong arms that we are saved from peril oftener than we know and brought safely to our homes.

We hear trains passing in the night, and perhaps are awakened or annoyed by them, and exclaim, "Oh, that old train again!"

Yes, that "old train" again, plowing its way up the valleys and over the hills or through them, skirting the mountain side, where danger lurks, the engineer standing with his eyes strained on the distance in front of him, his hand on the throtle, ready to slow up or go faster as his judgment dictates.

Often the storm beats in his face, or his fingers are numbed by cold, his body shivering, but he must be steady and not lose his "nerve," for then all might be lost.

He thinks of all those passengers back there sleeping comfortably, with no care or anxiety, knowing they are in good hands, and so he carries them to their destination.

While they are shaking hands and greeting dear friends, do their minds ever go back to the sooty engineers and firemen who have brought them safe home again?"

They are a class set apart from us; no one is allowed to talk to them for fear of distracting their attention from their duty. And this is right, but when the car or train stops then you can speak to them and let them know you thought of them; you can even hand them a bag of "goodies" for a "Christmas gift."

B. W. WYMAN.

ASKS IF CANNON IS DIVINELY FAVORED IN HIS ELECTION

LONG BEACH, Dec. 21.—[Editor Herald]: Whatever the people of this country may think of the doctrine of the divine right of kings they can hardly deny that the Hon. Joseph G. Cannon enjoys a divine right to his seat in the sixty-first congress, to which he has just been duly elected. We must arrive at this conclusion from the fact that so goodly a number of righteous men, or at least men who were supposed to be righteous, filed their objections to the election of the famous pigeon-holer with the Great Arbiter above and notwithstanding he was returned with a majority that no one will think of contesting. Now, if we are not willing to admit that Providence was in favor of the election of the aforesaid J. G. C., then we are compelled to hold to one of two other propositions, to wit, that there is little reality in the long-cherished belief in the efficacy of prayer or that none of the petitioners, located in different parts of the country, who sought his defeat through the medium of prayer, were really first class righteous men.

But, as it is not reasonable to suppose that none of those men who sought divine help to encompass the defeat of Uncle Joe were not able to line up as righteous men, whose prayers the Scriptures say availeth much, and as we are not yet ready to relinquish our faith in the doctrine of the efficacy of prayer we are compelled to admit that Speaker Cannon will not only occupy the unique position in the sixty-first congress of being duly returned by the votes of a majority of his constituents, but that he was divinely favored in his race for re-election.

THOMAS J. EDGERTON.

DECLARES LABOR NEVER CAN CO-OPERATE WITH CAPITAL

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—[Editor Herald]: I want to direct my critic's attention to that part of my letter in which I say: "When a man has capital he can co-operate in enterprises according to that amount."

Here it is stated plainly what I mean by co-operation, as to capital. As to labor I do not believe it can be pooled successfully, nor can labor be its own capitalist.

State Socialism is impracticable, the more so that it wants to do away with personal property, and to build on the rotten foundation of Proudhon that "las properiete, c'est le vol" (property is theft).

I know enough of Latin to understand what co-operation means, and because I do I know also that labor never can co-operate with capital, as they are antagonistic and must feed on each other. Consequently they cannot go hand in hand, and if they do it is like a band of robbers, for the porpose of fleecing the people.

State Socialism never can initiate enterprises to develop the resources of the country, as is done by private enterprise. Consequently there would be less work, and when that should fail the state would have to provide food. So the Spartan soup kitchen would be close at hand.

I am persuaded that Socialists who now clamor for equal distribution would be the first to rebel at the first application of the arbitrary rule of the majority, if that did not happen to fall in with their views, and they would be the first to cry "Tyranny!"

C. F.

WORK AS FREE MEN AND NOT IN OBEDIENCE TO ORDERS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17.—[Editor Herald]: George M. Downing appears as a champion of "obedience to orders." Of course he knows that was all slavery was—"obedience to orders." All the slave driver wanted was "obedience to orders." The greateset tyrant that ever lived only asked "obedience to orders."

This is what Mr. Downing stands for, and I thank him for his straightforward defense of authority. He is the only consistent State Socialist who has written for the Letter Box. The rest of them try to stand on both sides of the question of Liberty vs. Authority, but Mr. Downing stands for "orders," like a man who believes in giving or taking them.

Of course he does not believe that a liberty-loving people could run a railroad or anything else without being "ordered" to do so. While I, for my part, think a free people will go into the railroad business, not because they are ordered, but because they desire it.

When they agree on a plan or timetable, it will be for their best interests, and not because they were ordered to do so.

If the engineer learns from the telegrapher where he is to meet the next train, he will govern himself accordingly, because his own life and that of others depend on it, as well as his other personal interests, and not because he was ordered.

On the other hand, if it is not to their interest to co-operate in this free manner, it will be a hard job for Mr. Downing and other authoritarians to compel them to do so.

Karl Marx and Frederick Engels tried giving orders from London as to how the Paris Commune should be run, and even their communish followers rebelled. If they could not stand for it, how would people who believe in liberty accept orders how to run their business from politicians who know nothing of that business?

G. T. SPRADING.

OLD SOLDIER MERELY LIVED UP TO ETHICS OF CALLING

PASADENA, Dec. 21.—[Editor Herald]: Certainly steps should be taken at once for the commutation of the sentence passed on the old soldier. And this should be done not merely for his sake, but our own. For one of the things that we must face, sooner or later, is that the outside world has not nearly the good opinion of us that we, in our exclusiveness, find it pleasant to hold.

I am in a position to meet many cosmopolitans, who have traveled the globe, as I myself have, and there is one criticism that is universal among them—namely the "hardness" of man and his institutions out west. There is no country, they say, where wealth can sin with such immunity and poverty is so harshly treated.

The conditions of western development, conducted as it has been on a colossal scale, always have been exceptionally hard on the worker. He finds himself enlisted in a huge industrial army, engaged for the moment on some colossal job. The job over he is flung aside like a broken shovel. He is homeless and the rapacious world that clothes, feeds and amuses him soon cleans him out of his scanty savings.

This old soldier was in want. His country had used him for a lifetime in an ocupcation the fundamental ethics of which is that "might makes right." What more natural than that he should help himself?

VETERAN.

CORNER STONE OF SOCIETY RESTS ON THE INDIVIDUAL

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—[Editor Herald]: In your issue of December 19 a Long Beach correspondent deplores the immoral condition of society and is of the opinion that there is no cure for it in the several systems striving to correct this state of affairs. Among these systems he mentions "Eddyism," by which he presumably means Christian Science, as there is no such thing as the former.

Our critic is mistaken, however, in his conclusion that Christian Science cannot cure the wrong conditions of society as they exist today.

This is the mission of Christian Science and it is accomplishing it through the regeneration of the individual; the corner stone upon which all society rests.

Christian Science is teaching the individual that his health, happiness and prosperity depend upon his character, upon his right thinking and living. When this postulate is realized by the individual, his object in life is to cultivate righteous thought, which expresses itself in righteous conduct. When the individual is right society is right, and all of its abnormal conditions have no place.

It is thus that Christian Science, the panacea for all discord, is redeeming mankind from the bondage of the flesh into the freedom of the sons of God.

W. E. BROWN.

EXPLAINS HIS VIEWS OF MANIFEST EVOLUTION

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—[Editor Herald]: I approve the letter of "R. N." all but the last paragraph, where he puts an extinguisher on all he said before. He says: "God is life eternal, the same yesterday and forever, and is therefore not manifest in evolution." Now, evolution is life progressively active, not stagnant or inactive. Genesis is nothing else but the evolution of Adam earhy into Adam spiritual and celestial, symbolically described in a natural way, having a spiritual meaning, not every man, but the chosen few. That same evolution is going on now, "many are called but few are chosen." The Bible takes notice only of spiritual man, and those that cannot receive the spirit are called the natural or dead man, which explains the paradox: "Let the dead bury their dead." God, the universal source of life and of all forces active throughout nature is well described in the following lines by an American poet. I cannot give his name. Maybe our editor can:

UNIVERSAL LOVE

It warms in the sun,
It refreshes in the breeze,
It glows in the stars,
It blossoms in the trees,
It lives throughout all life,
It extends through all extent,
It spreads undivided
And operates unspent.

C. F.

MORAL INSTRUCTION OF BOYS HAS BEEN NEGLECTED

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—[Editor Herald]: Answering the question of "Young Man" in The Herald of Sunday, December 20: My reason for dwelling on the moral instruction of boys is, not that I think it more important than that of girls, but because it has been, in the past, more neglected, but happily this is changing as we become more enlightened.

VERA FIDELIA.

CHURCHES PLAN XMAS SERVICES

SPECIAL EXERCISES HAVE BEEN ARRANGED

ROMAN CATHOLICS WILL CELEBRATE EARLY MORNING

Episcopal and Other Denominations Will Give Congregations Opportunities to Commemorate Birth of Nazarene

Christmas day will be marked with many and elaborate services in the Roman Catholic and Episcopal churches. Masses from 5 o'clock until long into the morning will be celebrated in every Catholic church, and early communion will be observed in the Episcopal churches.

At St. John's Episcopal church a midnight service will be held tonight and tomorrow morning service will be held at 6:30 o'clock, also at 11 o'clock, in charge of Rev. L. G. Morris, rector. Early services will also be held at St. Paul's pro-cathedral and Christ church.

Five o'clock will be the hour of the first morning services in the Catholic churches. At the Cathedral of St. Vibiana solemn high mass with sermon by Monsignor Harnett will be celebrated at that hour, followed by low masses each half hour until 9:30 o'clock. At 10:30 o'clock solemn pontifical mass will be celebrated by Bishop Conaty, followed by the papal benediction.

Bishop Conaty will preach at the solemn vesper service in the evening at the cathedral.

St. Vincent's Church

At St. Vincent's church the program will be as follows:

5 a. m.—First solemn mass, Rev. Dr. J. S. Glass, celebrant; Rev. J. J. Martin, deacon; Rev. T. A. Lilley, subdeacon; low masses, 6:45, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 8:45, 9:30, 10 a. m.

11 a. m.—Second solemn mass, Rev. A. A. Malloy, celebrant; Rev. D. A. Duggan, deacon; Rev. G. J. George, sub-deacon.

Dr. Glass will preach at the first solemn mass, 5 a. m. Rev. D. J. Hurley will preach at the second solemn mass, 11 a. m. Rev. Thomas J. Devine will preach in the evening at 7:45 o'clock at solemn vespers.

The choir, under the direction of T. W. Wilde, organist, will render Dvorak's grand mass in D. During the offertory Glorza's trio, "Jesus Redemptor Omnium," will be given. The soloists will be Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Whitehorn, Miss Blanche B. Bisbee, F. T. Powers and A. G. Pfannkucken. There will be a chorus of thirty voices, assisted by an orchestra under the leadership of Professor Edwin H. Clark.

St. Patrick's Church

The Christmas program at St. Patrick's Catholic church will be as follows: Masses at 5, 7, 9 and 10:30 a. m. The 5 o'clock and 10:30 o'clock will be high masses; 5 o'clock mass will be celebrated by the pastor, Rev. P. J. O'Reilly. The 10:30 services will be a solemn high mass, Rev. Father O'Donohue, the assistant pastor as celebrant.

Louis I. Finn will have charge of the music, as follows: "Kyria," "Gloria" and "Credo," Leonard's mass in E flat, chorus of Gounod's "Sanctus" and "Benedictus" and A. Durand's "Agnus Dei" will be given. The soloists in the "Kyria" will be Messrs. O. T. Helpling and F. DeWilde, in the "Gloria" Miss Olga Harrangue and Mrs. Fitzgerald, in the "Credo" Misses Nell and Margaret Keefe. The "Et Incarnatus Est" will be sung by Mrs. O. T. Helpling, violin obligato by Charles Robinson. The "Benedictus" will be sung by Lewis I. Finn and chorus; tenor solo, "Agnus Dei," B. Hopkins; Novello's "Adeste Fidelis" will be sung for offertory, Mrs. Matt Heinan soloist.

Holy Cross Church

Mozart's ninth mass will be sung at the 5 and 10:30 o'clock masses at the Holy Cross church under the direction of Rev. T. F. Fahey, the pastor. In the afternoon the Sunday school children will enjoy a Christmas tree and a visit from Santa Claus.

Grubel's "Missa Solemnis" will be sung at the 5 o'clock service at St. Joseph's church and at 10:30 o'clock Goller's "Missa Immaculata" will be sung by the choir. A full orchestra will assist at both services.

Other Celebrations

Christmas festivities planned by the City Episcopal Missionary society will begin Christmas day when the 150 prisoners at the city jail will be given gifts and the 300 inmates of the county farm will be remembered in a like manner. In the evening a Christmas tree will be given for the children of St. Mark's church. Next Tuesday an entertainment will be given at 2 o'clock for the sewing school at the Neighborhood settlement house at 1428 East Fourteenth street.

Wednesday evening the boys' club of the Church of the Neighborhood settlement will give an entertainment at the headquarters, Ninth and Wilson streets. On the same evening an entertainment will be given for St. Phillips negro congregation at Scott's hall, Central avenue.

Next Thursday a celebration will be given at the Church of the Neighborhood for the negro industrial classes.

New Year's day the Girls' Friendly society will enjoy a party at the Church of the Neighborhood. Saturday the sewing school will enjoy a like entertainment and Tuesday, January 5, the kindergarten children will be given a Christmas tree.

ONE HUNDRED ADDITIONAL CARRIERS FOR CHRISTMAS

Postmaster Will Try to Have All Holiday Parcels Delievered—Other Arrangements Made for Yuletide

Persons expecting holiday gifts from out of town who do not receive them today need not entirely despair, special arrangements having been made by Postmaster Flint whereby one hundred auxiliary carriers will be added to the regular delivery force to deliver parcels Christmas day. These auxiliary carriers will work the entire day, but the regular carriers will only make one delivery.

The general delivery department also will be open all day and the stamp window will also remain open. Unless the demands of the public require the registry division will be closed at noon for the remainder of the day, although if necessary this division will remain open longer. The money order division will not open at all tomorrow for the transaction of business.