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Mayor Chambers As a Pension Advocate

Mayor C. M. Chambers of San Antonio was a Labor Day orator in the shadows of the Alamo. In the days gone he was a state senator and represented the people of the Red River country district.

He journeyed from the upper country to the lower and when John Tobin died his lieutenant became the mayor of the then first Texas city. He appeared before union labor at its 48th annual celebration in San Pedro park and urged "a law to give labor a saving wage and old age pension."

The latter, he declared, would be no more expensive than city and county poor farms. Then the mayor went all the road. He declared union labor "can get what it wants by all cooperating to a single end and voting only for candidates who stand for the things that labor wants."

There are two political machines in the county of Bexar. Mayor Chambers is the head of the old city-county machine. Yale Hicks, Frank C. Davis, John Boyle and William C. Wurzbach are the heads of the new machine which cracked the old machine in the July primary and captured seven important county offices.

San Antonio is said to be an organized labor town. Mayor Chambers is not sleeping at the switch. He unfolded his program for the future on Labor Day.

Henry Ford in the Lookout Chair

"Conditions were worse two years ago and last year than today and it looks now as if things were coming back," remarked Henry Ford to a New York press representative an hour before he sailed on the liner Bremen for a six weeks' trip to Europe. Then he said something else: "All depression would not end in October but that a good start to return to prosperity would have been made by then."

Henry Ford has made \$1,000,000,000 in 30 years. Before he made the \$1,000,000,000 as a manufacturer of automobiles and tractors he received a wage of \$2.50 a day as a machinist. He began in the ditch and tumbled in the sky. In the business world he is one of the wizards. He knows that America is coming back. He knows that the world is coming.

Business slumps. Then comes depression. Business revives after readjustment. Then comes prosperity. This is the record as the historians have chronicled it from the beginning.

Georgia Governor Favors A Conference

Gov. L. G. Hardman of Georgia, in a wire to Gov. Moody of Texas, suggested a conference of governors of southern states and business men and farmers to discuss the cotton situation. He favors some plan that would give to the farmer a better price for his cotton but he thinks 15 cents is too low. However, the Georgia executive will be glad to cooperate in any plan designed to aid cotton growers of Georgia and the South. Removal from the market and storing of 100,000 bales for an indefinite period along the lines suggested by Gov. Moody would be placing the surplus of 1930 where it would do the least harm until there is a brisk demand for cotton in the markets of the world.

Safety at Bathing Beaches

The heat wave that has been sweeping the middle west lately has brought with it the usual toll of drownings. Hot weather drives people to the beaches to cool off, and makes them forget the elementary

rules of safety that should be observed at such places.

First and foremost, probably, comes the rule that it is not safe to go swimming, alone, in a pool or river where there are no qualified life guards. It is safer to stick to the public beaches. They may be crowded, but at least there are people there to give help if help is needed.

On top of that is the necessity for remembering that it is always dangerous to go in the water too soon after a meal. The man who bolts a heavy lunch and then rushes to the bathing beach is running a big risk. The readiness with which people run that risk on an unusually hot day probably goes far to explain the increased number of drownings during the last hot spell.

Nye on His Vacation

Sen. Gerald P. Nye of North Dakota has gone on a short vacation to the lake regions of Wisconsin. Vacation over he will continue his investigation of the Illinois primary expenditures "no matter how unpleasant it may be." Speaking of the shadowing of members of his committee the North Dakota senator declared he had been shadowed "to exasperation" and added, "obnoxious as the whole business has been, it has not been without its humorous side and I am now more amused than annoyed." Yes, quite true but what about the McCormick interrogatory? This is what the lady said, "What is Sen. Nye going to do about it?" All this recalls the story of the British officer who was fond of tiger hunting in India. He was asked if the sport was dangerous. His reply was to the point, "It is fun to hunt the tiger; it is hell when the tiger hunts you." Sen. Nye is a tiger hunter.

Economic Conditions in Mexico

Former State Senator A. P. Barrett of Fort Worth, president of Southern Air Transport company, found economic conditions in Mexico better than in the United States. He reported on his return to his native land that Mexico seems to be very busy, especially in aviation circles. While there he discovered many employed at the airports and hundreds studying aviation in the schools. Living conditions of toilers in Mexico would not appeal to Texans who believe in high standards, fair wage scales, educational facilities of the best, modern housing, up-to-date raiment and many of the luxuries as well as all the necessities of life.

American Machinery for Mexico

More than a hundred carloads of American machinery are being shipped through Laredo at this time for the installation at the Rio Mante project, about 80 miles west of Tampico, which is being constructed by the Mexican government. President Rubio is an engineer. He is doing his level best to keep Mexicans in Mexico. A constructive brain, in high office is worth a thousand destructive brains in office holding circles. If given time Rubio may pull Mexico out of the dumps. Men who know him best say he is a thinker, a developer, a builder and not a demagogue or a hell-raiser. If so, happy Mexico.

Ambassador Morrow Ready To Resign

Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow will return to the United States Sept. 16, after three years of diplomacy in the Republic of Mexico. Dwight W. Morrow has made history in the field of diplomacy. In November the indications are that the voters of New Jersey will elect him to the office of United States senator. There are republican leaders who would be pleased to bring about the nomination of Morrow as a presidential standard bearer in 1932. He has made a success of every venture in life. If elected to the senate will his lucky rabbit foot lose its charm?

Santo Domingo a Graveyard

Santo Domingo, ancient and historical city, is a graveyard. It is said the hurricane was the worst in the history of the Caribbean. Loss of life, 2000; injured, 5000; property loss, \$20,000,000; 90 per cent of the buildings of Santo Domingo were wrecked. Food supplies practically exhausted. All this recalls the Galveston horror, where the lives of thousands were snuffed out and property loss staggering to the mind. Will Santo Domingo come back? Chicago came back. Baltimore came back. San Francisco came back. Nearer home Galveston came back. Corpus Christi came back. Why not Santo Domingo?

Senator Witt's Resignation

Senator Edgar E. Witt, democratic nominee for the office of lieutenant governor, will send his resignation to the governor on and after the November election. Wise man. There may be a special session of the Texas legislature and the Waco senator who is a veteran lawmaker would be on the job all the time.

Sunday School Lesson

Responsibility of the Individual



Text: Jer. 1:4-10; 31:27-34

Then the word of the Lord came unto me, saying: Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, a prophet unto the nations.

Then said I, Ah, Lord God; behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child.

But the Lord said unto me, Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak.

Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee. Then the Lord put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the Lord said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.

I see, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build and to plant.

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast.

And it shall come to pass, that like as I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, so will I watch over them, to build and to plant.

The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for September 14. Responsibility of the Individual. Jer. 1:4-10; 31:27-34.

BY WM. E. GILROY D. D.

Editor of The Congregationalist

From one of the so-called minor prophets, Amos, as we have seen, a man great in character and service, we turn now to a major prophet, Jeremiah, sometimes noted for the dolefulness of his message, but more noted for the courage with which he refused to use honeyed words in a tragic time and for the poignancy of his rebuke to his people and the clearness of his message concerning the way of life and hope.

The core of Jeremiah's message is in his emphasis upon individual responsibility. It begins with himself. He is conscious of a call of God that came in the very purpose of his life. He has the assurance that he was sanctified even before birth and that he has been called as a prophet. In spite of this call he feels his weakness, and he assures the Lord that he knows not how to speak. But with all his hesitancy he heeds the call and goes to do and say the thing given him. It is a great picture of a man with a consciousness of a mission and with the determination to fulfill that mission even though he feels so little qualified for it.

Individual Responsibility. So, in the name of the Lord, he speaks to those who were hiding behind the law of heredity, and he reminds them that they are responsible for their own iniquity, and that it is possible for them to make a covenant with God as directly and powerfully as any that their fathers had made. He turns the mind of the people from the outward aspect of religion to its inward aspect. The law of God is in the inward parts, and it is written in the hearts of men.

Here we see Jeremiah striking a note very similar to that of Amos. Religion does not consist of form and observance; it has a deeper reality. It is an ideal picture that Jeremiah draws of a people with that law in their hearts determining their obedience to everything good. In the ideal kingdom that he thinks of and knows, he pictures a time when every individual will have his part in the true society, when none shall say to his brother, "know the Lord," for all shall know him from the least unto the greatest.

It is not quite easy to grasp the significance of the work of these prophets. We read so much of the ideas and impressions of a later day into a record, and we fail to see the extent to which the prophet was a man far ahead of his time, with strong individuality and with magnificent daring, expressing to the world the vision of his own soul in love and in righteousness.

The prophets of Israel stand as sublime figures in the records of history as unique in relation to their age, as great artists or authors whose personalities have become supreme above their environment.

The deepest message that these prophets themselves would have en-

forced is that prophecy was not limited to themselves, or to any particular time or place. Prophecy is not so much foretelling as forth-telling.

The prophet was, and is, the preacher. Sometimes he is a priest ordained to a particular calling and service. Sometimes he is a farmer, or a herdsman, or a man of position and power—but always, he is priest or layman, the distinctive thing about the prophet is his character and his message.

The prophet is the seer—looking into the heart of truth and into the truth fearlessly to the conditions and problems of his age.

Message Often Spurned. The people around him did not always appreciate either his character or his message. Sometimes they stoned him or cast him into prison. Can we discern the prophet more clearly today? Or are we, also, among those who stone the prophets?

Surely there are prophets in the modern world, if we can discern their character and heed their message—men and women whose vision is of a world of tomorrow, progressing in peace and righteousness, moving forward in social welfare through devotion to God and the service of man.

Companion Charged In Houston Murder. HOUSTON Sept. 13.—(P)—Charged with murder, Clinton Kinney of New Orleans, sailor, was held in jail here today while officers endeavored to communicate with relatives of H. H. Myers, also a sailor, whose body was found near here yesterday in a roadside ditch. Myers had been beaten over the head and shot through the chest.

Kinney appeared at the police station here yesterday, disheveled and appearing excited, and told officers that he and Myers had been held up by two white men and a negro. The men, he declared, took Myers away and returned a short time later in the automobile in which he and Myers had been en route from New Orleans to California. The car was blood-stained.

Letters among Myers' belongings indicated he had a niece at Richmond Beach, Calif., and a sister at Oakland, Calif.

In the Churches

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA

7:30 p. m. prayer service. Prayer meeting weekly at 7:30 p. m.

MEXICAN METHODIST

(Taylor and 13th Sts.) 9:00—Graded and departmentalized Sunday school, J. de la Paz Garcia, superintendent. You are all welcome to the house of God.

Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.—Prayer meeting.

D. J. de la Garza, pastor

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH 9:30 Sunday school. All the departments will meet in the auditorium of the church and a Sunday school day program will be rendered. W. W. Underwood, Supt.

10:50—Morning worship service. Prelude: "Fantasia" (J. S. Stainer), Hymn 545, "Apostles Creed", Hymn 544, Scripture reading from the Psalms, "Gloria Patri", Offertory "Soprano" (Drdia) Solo, selected, Frank Gilmore, Sermon, "All Things Work Together, for Good to Them that Love the Lord," Postlude "Ave Maria" (Frost).

6:45 u. m.—Epworth Leagues meet. 7:45 p. m.—Evening Worship service. Prelude: "Largo" from the New World, Symphonie, Offertory—"Songs My Mother" (Dvorak), Special music by the choir. Postlude: "Pastorale in D Minor" (Hosmer), Hymn No. 135.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY Cor. Elizabeth and W. 2nd Sts. Christian Science Society of Brownsville, a branch of the Mother Church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. Sunday morning services at 11 o'clock.

Subject: "Substance" A Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8:00 o'clock. Reading room in the church building open Tuesday and Fridays from 2:00 to 5:00 p. m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH Cor. 4th and Levee Sts. Bible School at 9:45; Sherwood Bishop, Superintendent. Classes for all ages. If not in some other Bible school, you are cordially invited to attend ours.

Morning worship and communion at 11 a. m. Sermon by Rev. Geo. F. Dennis. Subject: "Man's most important duty."

Evening worship on the roof—assembly. Dr. S. K. Hallam will speak at this service.

Subject: "Always abounding." The services in the morning and evening will close the ministry of Bro. W. H. Havard, which they have given while the new church was being erected. On next Lord's day, brother H. J. Howard, our new pastor, will be here and begin his ministry. So this will be a kind of farewell for them. They will have messages you ought to hear.

Meeting of the Official Board Monday evening at eight o'clock. Christian Endeavor in their room at 7 p. m. Sunday.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the church at 3 p. m. Monday. You are cordially invited to attend these services. Strangers will be welcomed.

C. E. Program Topic: "How Increase Our Membership?"

Leader—Fred Howe. Prayer—Jack Mohle. Song: "Win the One Next to You." Song: "Take Time to be Holy." Scripture readings: Acts 2:47-47. Round table discussions: What does Christian Endeavor mean to you? What is lacking in our Endeavor Society?

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CHURCH OF GOD Tyler and 3rd Streets (Harlingen) 10:00 a. m.—Sunday school. 11:00 a. m.—Preaching services. The church of God is a church of welcome with a message.

Rev. T. H. McNeil, Pastor.

GUADALUPE CHURCH Victoria Heights 6:30 a. m.—Communion Mass. 8:30 a. m.—High Mass. 7:30 p. m.—Evening Services.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Elizabeth St. and Palm Boulevard 9:45 a. m. Sunday school, Cleve Tandy, Supt. We have a class and a department for all ages. Our school has made a forty per cent gain in the last few weeks.

11:00 a. m. Morning worship. We have a cool auditorium and our services are limited to one hour. Theme of morning sermon, "One Book for All People." Musical numbers as follows: Prelude, "Ascription"—Burdett; Anthem, "The Earth Is the Lord's"—Wooler; Offertory, "Serenade"—Chaffin; Postlude, "Postlude in D Major"—Hudson.

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be broadcast over station KWWG. Strangers and visitors in the city, together with the public in general will receive a hearty welcome.

Special attention is directed to the Associated Sunday School Convention meeting at Harlingen Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The principal address will be delivered by Brother Burnett of Memphis, Tenn. Now let our people bestir themselves and be on hand with a crowd.

Here are the names of the members of the orchestra 16 date: Homer Russell, director; David Jost, Isabel Christ, Stuart Christ, Lorene Allen, Juanita Reese, Gertrude Collins, and Mrs. Homer Russell. Come and hear them play at the close both of the Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. assembly in the main auditorium.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH 1218 Jefferson Street Sunday Mass services. Masses at 6:00, 7:00; 8:30 and 9:30 o'clock.

Afternoon services: Rosary and benediction. Weekly services: Masses at 6:30 and 7:00 o'clock. Thursdays 7:30 p. m. Rosary benediction and Holy hour services. Every first Friday of the month masses at six and seven o'clock offered by the Association of the Sacred Heart Apostles. In the afternoon at seven thirty, Rosary benediction and special service.

LUTHERAN CHURCH Rev. H. L. Wiederanders, Pastor There will be no services here Sunday. Mission festival at Harlingen.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT (Episcopal) 7:30 a. m.—Holy communion. 9:30 a. m.—Church school and Bible class. 11:00 a. m.—Morning services and sermon.

R. O. Mackintosh, rector.

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