

How Circus Man Would "Bill" Rev. Billy Sunday

[The New York World has been asking various celebrities to write their impressions of Billy Sunday. In response to this request, Alf T. Ringling, the veteran showman, tells "How I would 'bill' Billy Sunday as an attraction."]

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moment at hand no replica of him has ever been nor ever will be until time shall be no more.

The mold of his making crumbled into atoms when the fiery elements of his being burst into life.

A Pre-eminent Pattern

Providence was prodigal in producing this pre-eminent pattern of persuasive power. She gave him strength, speed, skill, virility, venturesomeness, brawn, bravery, brilliancy, brains, breath, bronchia—she made him of flame and fire, deft and dexterous, devout and daring—danger-defying and devil-defying. And above all she gave him voice and vocabulary, and when he uses these latter he becomes the absolute, unquestioned, inimitable, original antipathy to Bromideism.

He makes wrong write in remorse and Beelzebub's brazen bow bend beaten among the cohorts. He makes wickedness waver like a wraith in the wind, sin seek shelter and old rum run like a rabbit. He makes the burnished bewilderments and bedizened beauties of Broadway look so lusterless that they even become loathsome to the Lothario. His is the absolute perfection and gem supreme in the big world's diadem of celebrated revivals. He is the soul—in fact, he is Sunday's supreme, stupendous, spectacular pageant of piety and propriety.

Also, a Colossal Caravan.

A colossal caravan of all the powers of good—a tremendous, titanic triumph and big outpouring of elevating wonders—a mammoth marvel of morals amazing and mighty. Its feature among features—its marvel among marvels—is Billy Sunday, and his great act is absolutely without an imitator anywhere.

THE FEATS OF DANIEL IN THE LION'S DEN, THE PROWESS OF SAMSON, THE SKILL OF DAVID OVERSHADOWED AND OUTDONE

Billy Sunday exhibits twice daily the four fiercest creatures in all the universe—Moloch, Beelzebub, Baal and Satan—the four fearful, prowling marauders—more ravenous than the lion—more cruel than the tiger—more stealthy than the leopard.

The unconquerable terrors of all mankind now for the first time cowed and coerced into contemptuous, cringing by the bold, brave breaker of the heretofore unbreakable monsters.

Menaces of Men

These mastodonic menaces of man made to maneuver, march and counter-march, obedient to their conqueror's call, in all their hated hideousness.

An exhibition absolutely unique, original and almost unbelievable—placing the rings in the noses of Baal, Beelzebub, Moloch and Satan, and working them by lung reins, snarling, hissing, growling and howling, all to the delighted applause of the assembled thousands.

See the browbeating of Old Baal. See the belaboring of Beelzebub. See the manhandling of the Mighty Moloch.

See the castigation of Satan. An act performed by one man without elaborate props or other paraphernalia and absolutely without a counterpart in exhibition annals.

WAR—BLOOD—WEALTH

Stanton, N. D., April 17, 1917.

"War is hell" and costs money as well as blood. Now that we are at war, it is necessary to provide for the money to buy war supplies and the men to shed their blood. Under existing law, the men may be drafted for this purpose.

Why should we not have a law enacted by congress whereby the money may be drafted to pay the war debt so that the debt of war in money and blood may be paid while the war is being carried on, to the end that when the war is over there will be no debt?

Under our economic system and our laws, and the conditions and opportunities attending the development of the United States, two per cent of the population were able to become the legal owners of sixty per cent of the wealth of the United States. No man is able to give value received to the people for such large accumulations of wealth. It is the opinion of the large majority of our people that the war taxes should be paid by some method of taxation, drafting or commandeering of the large amounts of money owned and possessed by the extremely wealthy.

The excess of one million dollars of wealth of each individual should be by law turned over to the United States for the use of the United States during the war. It is a common belief of mankind that the excessive wealth of the rich is no more sacred, in case of war, than the heart's blood of the common people.

The method of obtaining the necessary money is a proper subject for legislation. We have congressmen and senators in Washington who are abundantly able to draft the necessary laws to carry out the idea. There seems to be a movement on foot to enact a law taxing the incomes of the excessively wealthy, and certainly if such a law would provide all the money necessary to carry on the war, the end would be accomplished.

But if such tax would not furnish sufficient money to carry on the war, then it might be necessary to amend our constitution, and provide for the drafting of the necessary money and property, similar to the present law of drafting the men.

Parties who read this article and who believe in the principle herein enunciated, are requested to write to their congressman and their senators urging the making of such laws.

Now is the time to urge such legislation. No one can fail to see the justice of the principle involved. Constructive legislation is necessary to apply the principle successfully. Write now. H. L. BERRY.

HABITS AND FORCES

Even without considering at all the common "bad habits," just think of the thousand and one little habits that largely determine one's every thought and act. In the commonest things every one is influenced by innumerable little habits that he seldom suspects. Hardly an impression, emotion, opinion, resolution or action is possible to us that is not influenced, directed and colored by fixed conditions within ourselves—habits.

Almost every move in the process of the morning's dressing, for example, is involuntary and calls for no conscious thought. Your mind is absorbed in mapping out the day's work while habit is washing and dressing you.

Habit accustoms us to doing most

of the every-day things in particular ways, and we consciously turn the mind to them only when they chance to be done differently. The dividing line between efficiency and inefficiency is largely right here. Any one who stops to think about it can easily see that innumerable little habits make up a very large part of our lives. It is indeed well worth while carefully to study the host of little habits that breed and hide in the most secret cells of the brain and muscle. None of them is too small to be worth attention.

Bad habits are the little threads with which the weak Lilliputians bound the strong Gulliver in helplessness.

Good habits are like a well-made harness, enabling us to do our work in the world with less friction and waste of energy.

Habits we can not avoid. Nor can we escape being greatly controlled by them. But we have free choice between the habits that are good and helpful and habits that are bad and harmful.—The Christian Herald.

MINISTERS' SONS

A patient investigator has lately taken the trouble to inquire into the old saying that ministers' sons are likely to come to a bad end, and the result of his research leads him to the conviction that a boy is fortunate who is born into a minister's family.

He finds that one-twelfth of all the men whose names appear in "Who's Who" are sons of preachers. Four presidents were sons of ministers—Buchanan, Arthur, Cleveland and Wilson; three of the great Boston group of writers, Emerson, Lowell and Holmes, were of ministerial parentage, so were Parkman and Bancroft, also the remarkable Field brothers, Cyrus W., David Dudley and Stephen J. The influence of the eminent Jonathan Edwards appears to have extended far down in the line of his descendants, for the list includes one vice-president, three senators, thirty judges, sixty authors, twelve college presidents, and not one of the 1,394 who were traced was ever convicted of a crime. The list of clergyman's distinguished sons could be greatly extended, for they are to be found in every line of activity.

This same investigator discovered further that a comparatively small number of minister's sons who reach distinction are city bred, a majority being reared in small towns. The theory in regard to them is that not only have they been under good moral influence at home, but they have lived the simple life, usually one of poverty, yet are at the same time familiar with ideas of culture and often acquire reading habits.

Incidentally there is no better way of giving a child bookish tastes, if he is capable of acquiring them, than to rear him among rural surroundings where he has few of the distractions that waste the time of city children and give him free access to a good library. These advantages ministers' children are often likely to have, and in addition to good parental influences go far to start them well in the world. Few persons, however, give serious attention to the old slur upon ministers' sons, realizing that it grows out of the tendency to criticize their shortcomings more than those of other boys because more is expected of them and that such criticism is often unjust.—Indianapolis Star.