

BISHOP WILLIAMS' LETTER

Spiritual Head of Episcopal Church in State Has Lenten Pastoral.

NEED OF PERSONAL RELIGION

Fredate Urges a Renewal of Baptismal Vows and a More Earnest Consecration in Service of God.

Bishop Arthur L. Williams has submitted the following Lenten pastoral to be read to the Episcopal congregations of the Nebraska diocese at the services today:

"My Dear Brethren—Lent, that most solemn season of the Christian year, marks its approach by more than the ordinary need, or call, for its strict and loyal observance on the part of bishop, clergy and laity alike. We who have received in our sacramental membership in the church the indelible 'stigmata' of spiritual character, and who have promised obedience to her doctrine, discipline and worship, are called by our mother, the church, during these forty days, to turn from all worldly amusements, to observe Ash Wednesday and Good Friday as strict fasts, to follow the rule of such a measure of abstinence from food as is more useful than to extraordinary acts of devotion, on the Fridays and other days of Lent; to seek in penitence the Divine blessing in prayer, in meditation, in the devotional reading of the Bible, in church attendance and at the altar; to be more liberal in our gifts; to multiply our charities and to abound in good works for the glory of God.

Time for Introspection. One blessed object of the Lenten season is to make us reflect, not about our neighbors, but about ourselves; not so much to note the effect of sin upon mankind in general, but the effect which our unrepentant and unchecked sin has upon us; not, first of all, the conversion of the world around us, but our own conversion, our own turning to God and our own determination, by His help, to walk henceforth in the way of righteousness. In other words, self-scrutiny, the seeking of the Lord while He may be found, the calling upon Him while He is near, the forsaking of sin and the devout and penitent pursuit of holiness. These are necessary conditions and characteristics of the Christian life. They are bound up with and are a part of the Lenten season of penitence which has come down to us from the beginning, consecrated and hallowed by centuries of devout usage, weighted with the authority of the whole Catholic church and vindicated as a necessity in the religious life by the universal testimony of human experience.

Need Personal Religion. "What we need above all else in this diocese is a revival of 'personal religion'; the renewal of our baptismal vows, a more earnest consecration of ourselves to the service of God and a more conscientious recognition and practice of those duties we owe to God, to the church and to society.

Blessings of Lent. "Yes, Lent has blessings for us and this diocese if we use it rightly and as the church intends that we shall. It speaks to us through the words and example of One whose forty days of fasting, temptation and triumphs the church bids us to follow.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted. "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

HOW A BRAVE MAN DIED. Headless Man and Hero Both Sacrificed on Grade Crossing. Policeman Patrick J. Conway of the South Park force alighted from a trolley car Sunday night at Cottage Grove avenue and One Hundred and Third street, Chicago. He had done his day's work, had been duly relieved, and was on his way home. Another man, whom he didn't know, alighted just ahead of him.

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"The Immortal Memory of Washington"

Charles Phillips' appreciation of America's first president, delivered at a dinner given on Din's Island, Killarney, Ireland: "It is the custom of your board, and a noble one it is, to deck the cup of the gay with the garland of the great; and surely, even in the eyes of its deity, his garb is not the less lovely when glowing beneath the foliage of the palm tree and the myrtle. Allow me to add one flower to the chaplet, which, though it sprang in America, is no exotic. Virtue planted in it is naturalized everywhere. I see you, you anticipate me—I see you concur with me, that it matters very little what immediate spot may be the birthplace of such a man as Washington.

perfection of every master. "As a general he marshaled the peasant into a veteran and supplied by discipline the absence of experience; as a statesman he enlarged the policy of the cabinet into the most comprehensive system of general advantage; and such was the wisdom of his views and the philosophy of his counsels that to the soldier and the statesman he almost added the character of the sage!

"A conqueror, he was unstained with the crime of blood; a revolutionist, he was free from any stain of treason; for aggression commenced the contest and his country called him to the command. Liberty unshackled his sword, necessity stained, victory returned it. If he had paused here history might have doubted what station to assign him, whether at the head of its citizens or its soldiers, its heroes or its patriots. "But the last glorious act crowns his career and banishes all hesitation. Who, like Washington, after having emancipated a hemisphere, resigned his crown to the retirement of domestic life to the adoration of a land he might be almost said to have created? How shall we rank thee upon glory's page, Thou more than soldier and just less than sage? All that has been reflects less fame on thee, Far less than all thou hast foreborne to be! "Such, sir, is the testimony of one not to be accused of partiality in his estimate of America. Happy, proud America! The temptations of earth could not seduce your patriotism. "I have the honor, sir, of proposing to you as a toast, 'The immortal memory of George Washington.'"

DAHLMAN DECIDES TO RUN

Will Enter Race Against Lobeck for Congressional Nomination.

THAT IS NOW THE MAYOR'S PLAN

Says He Can Carry Omaha and South Omaha, but Will Have to Reckon with Sargy and Washington Counties.

Mayor James C. Dahlman will enter the race for congress from the Second district, campaigning against Congressman C. O. Lobeck, unless untoward events, not anticipated, interfere with his plans. The mayor said if he was as strong in Washington county as his supporters there believed, there would be no question about his entering the campaign for the nomination.

Friends of the mayor say he can carry Omaha and South Omaha and Douglas county without much of a fight, but that Lobeck's strength in Sargy and Washington counties is something to reckon with. While the mayor admits that he would have a "close call" right now he feels confident he could count on sufficient support to elect him to congress, the nomination secured.

Presence of Mind. A tramp called at Mr. Cobb's house one morning. "I've walked many miles to see you, sir," he said, "because people told me you were very kind to poor, unfortunate fellows." "Indeed!" said the old gentleman. "And are you going back the same way?" "Yes, sir," was the answer. "Well," said Mr. Cobb, "just contradict that rumor as you go, will you? Good morning!"—Lippincott's Magazine.

Omaha's Home Builders

TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Building Work is Picking Up with the Coming of Spring.

MANY JOBS BEING FIGURED ON

New Laundry, Apartment House and \$30,000 Metz Residence Among Structures Being Figured by Omaha Contractors.

Building contracting is beginning to pick up in Omaha, and the middle of February has passed and the work is a pretty good assurance that the spring of winter is cracked for sure. For some weeks during the winter the bulletin board at the Omaha Builders' exchange was almost devoid of a word. That was the extreme of the dull season. Within the last ten days the bulletin board has been kept full with announcements of contracts let or to be let.

The plans are in for the new United States National Bank building and bids to be opened about March 2. Twenty contractors are bidding on the job. The excavation for the new Fontanelle hotel is nearly completed, and as the contract for the construction of the buildings has been let some weeks since, it is expected that building will commence with the first break of spring.

Plans are about ready for the what are to be known as the Morehouse apartments soon to be built at Thirty-eighth avenue and Farnam streets. The contract for the construction of a large new laundry, the Hamann laundry, has just been let to A. Hochman, and work is to begin there soon. This will be built at Twenty-eighth and Leavenworth streets.

The bids are in also for the construction of the Arthur Metz residence to be built at 288 South Twenty-sixth street. This is to be a \$30,000 home. It is to be faced with brick and Bedford stone and shingled with white shingles. There are to be three stories and a basement.

Plans are also beginning to reach the Builders' exchange here for bids on contracts in other towns and cities. Bids were on file for the construction of a jail and sheriff's residence at Plattsmouth. This has just been let to a Plattsmouth contractor, Mr. O. G. Larson.

Plans on file for the construction of a public school building at Toledo, Ia. Omaha contractors are figuring on this job. Bids are to be in March 3. State Development Conference. A "get together" meeting as it is called in Minnesota is planned by the land men or real estate men to be held in Minneapolis, March 4 to 5. The invitation is being extended as the circular says, not only to the land men of the state but to every other citizen who is interested in making Minnesota a greater and better state.

No such meeting has ever been called in Nebraska. Local real estate men who have heard of the Minnesota meeting are beginning to wonder who not such a meeting for Nebraska. Many are the problems that could be worked out for Nebraska's interest at such a meeting.

To Advertise Resources. One of the principal problems facing Minnesota is how best to advertise its resources, not only with the object of keeping its present population on the land, but to place before the thousands in other states who are interested in agricultural pursuits the great opportunities the state has to offer them. The regular status that Minnesota has approximately 25,000,000 acres of tillable land in its primeval condition, and in addition many thousands of beautiful lakes to appeal to the lover of nature.

Nebraska at the same time has millions of acres of ground that has never been tilled. Also it has many lakes in the western half of the state where people are inclined to think there is nothing of beauty or value. The Minnesota circular complains that the efforts of the immigration commission of the Northern Minnesota Development association the railroads, the real estate men and all who are advertising the state are not being intelligently applied.

Wanted Views Business. E. T. Hayden, who has just returned from a thirty days' trip to the Pacific coast, stopping at Portland, Seattle, San Francisco, also at Denver, says the general business conditions and the realty market is in a much healthier condition in Omaha than any of the other cities mentioned. "Omaha is a good city, it is not better than most other cities, it is a good living and money besides, either in business or on a small piece of land near the city," he said.

"A good living can be made easier on a small piece of land near Omaha than the Pacific coast country, considering the price of land here compared with prices

near other large cities, and what you get for what you grow after all expenses have been paid. This, of course, pertains mostly to small acre farms near Omaha on which you can grow small fruit, such as grapes, strawberries, cherries, gooseberries, currants, raspberries, also vegetables and poultry.

Intense cultivation and some fertilizing is what we need more here in order to get the best results. Our land can't be beat any place. Our prices are very low. The way to get the best results is to go right out on a piece of land and devote your entire time to it, if possible. Our market here is as good as you can get. Chicken raising is just as profitable here as any place. You may be able to get more for eggs in other parts of the country, but the feed is also higher as well as the ground, if you want to be close to a large city. Your net results are not any more there than here. If anything, they are better here.

Wants Interurbans. "Our greatest drawback here is that the street railway system does not extend further out from the city. In nearly all other large cities the street cars extend into the country, which gives the wage earners more opportunity to reduce the cost of living by being able to live close to a car line and still work in the city, until they are able to stay out on their land entirely. "All the coast cities are favored by many interurban lines and the street railway companies of the coast cities build their lines in advance of intense settlement, and have in this way given a helping hand to the wage earning people. If these conditions existed around Omaha our people would not be compelled to walk a mile or two for years until the street railway company sees enough business to justify the extension.

"We find hundreds of people who would like to move from the crowded districts to where they could work their little farms and reduce the cost of living, and at the same time be where they and their children would get all the benefits, more fresh air and good things to eat and be more contented, if they could do so and get to their work within a reasonable time. "I know of a number of people who have moved away to other cities just for the reason that they could buy land near car lines and still work in the city. I find that Omaha in its business district and in most of its residence districts has a most efficient street car service, and it is easy to reach within the limits, any portion of the city of Omaha in less time than in any other city I have been in, but I do not believe that the street railway company fully appreciates what good can be done by extending its lines into the rural districts adjacent to the city in the way of increasing our population in the city, as well as in the country near Omaha."

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