

At Our Churches

God's Measure

Text: Dan. 5:27. Thou art weighed in the balance.

Avordupois does not count with God. Some large bodies are angels of mercy, others are demons in characters. Some little people are bright and shining lights, others are rough and dark. We cannot slip a wife or a mother on the balance, each one is weighed by himself.

Belshazzar, the king of Babylon, was weighed in the balance and was found wanting. He had not lived up to the light of his knowledge. He had known of God's dealings with Nebuchadnezzar, his grand father. God had humbled him and brought him to an acknowledgement of the Holy One.

His conduct was contrary to upright living. Vanity and drunkenness led to his downfall. He called a thousand of his lords and his many wives to a banquet. While in riotous eating and drinking he saw the hand upon the wall writing his doom.

As he drank from the vessels of gold which his grandfather had brought from the temple of God in Jerusalem, he praised the gods. This was evidence of his lack of faith in God. As the frightened monarch saw the work of the hand, he sent for his wise men, but they were unable to interpret the writing. On the advice of his grandmother, Daniel was called. He read the writing on the wall and the king heard these words: "Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting." He was weighed by light, conduct, and faith in God, and so are we.

We are under Christian influences. Mother's prayers and counsel should not go unheeded. The church upholds the truth. Christian ideals are ever about us. With all of this light where is the darkness. Yet Jesus said, there are those who love darkness rather than light, because their deeds are evil.

Our conduct is what we are. We should have plans and purposes. We should consider the realities of life. "Life," says Professor James, "is a bundle of habits." Let us form the best habits and our conduct will be better.

As faith in God is the third weight on our balance, let us ask self,

"Do I believe God?" Our faith is evidenced by our service.

"Faith without works is dead," says the Book. Promises are always based on conditions. Obey the conditions and we become heirs. A large degree of faith is proven by obedience.

We can stand the test if we walk uprightly before God and man. We are being weighed in the balances. May we come before our Lord with the full assurance that all is well.

STEPHEN J. EPLEY.

Church of Christ

The services next Sunday, both morning and evening, are under the auspices of the Ladies' Missionary Society. The minister will preach the morning sermon. A program of great interest will be given in the evening. This is the regular missionary day of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions. The offering goes for their world-wide work. This will be a great day. Come to the church with a message and a welcome. — Stephen J. Epler, Minister.

First Baptist Church

Sunday, December 16th. Bible school, 10 a. m.; morning worship, 11 a. m.; morning sermon, "Bones, Dead or Alive." Evening sermon, "Meaning of a Kiss." Young people's meeting, 6:30 p. m.—Rev. A. A. Layton, Pastor.

M. E. Church

Rev. Dr. Morris will speak Sunday morning at the Methodist church on the "Red Cross and the Universal Conquest." Sunday evening the choir will give a sacred concert. The entertainment will be free and every one is cordially invited.

There will be a Sacred Christmas Concert given at the Methodist church Sunday night, December 18, rendered by the choir, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Selections will be given from the Cantata, "Promise of Fulfillment — Ashford." The soloists will be, Mrs. Stringer, Mrs. Beal and Miss Grassman, soprano; Mrs. Hershman and Mrs. Lunn, contraltos; Mr. LaMon, tenor. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend.

SAMMY 'PARLEYVOOS'

National Security League Issues French Phrase Books to Aid Boys Abroad.

The National Security League has already circulated at the National Guard and National Army camps throughout the country 100,000 copies of the English-French handbook which it announced some time ago it would supply to the American boys who go to France. The book has been highly commended by army officers, including Gens. Wood, Glenn and Kuhn, and another edition of 50,000 copies will be off the press in a few days.

The book, which is of small pocket size with a waterproof cover, was devised by the Security League to assist our soldiers in the rudiments of French conversation. The text was prepared by Professor C. A. Downes, professor of Romance Languages in the College of the City of New York, assisted by Professor Adolphe Cohn, of Columbia University, and Auguste George, President of the National Association of French Teachers. It covers 64 pages, commencing with a simplified explanation of pronunciation; continuing through such terms as numerals, days of the week, articles of clothing, the weather, simple questions, such as asking for a drink of water and directions; and concluding with ordinary military terms and a pronunciation key to the "Marsellaise."

The book is sponsored by a committee headed by Cecil C. Blumenthal, through whose generosity it is being issued. The other members of the committee are—Mrs. Robert Bacon, Nicholas F. Brady, Miss Mabel Choate, Frederic R. Conder, Cass Gilbert, Myron T. Herrick, Phillip M. Lydig, Clarence H. Mackay, Alexander T. Mason, Mrs. Douglas Robinson, S. B. P. Trowbridge, Lloyd Warren, and T. Tilston Wells.

The Disadvantages of Wealth. Somebody figures that to count \$1,000, 300,000 would require 102 years of steady work at the rate of eight hours a day every working day. You can see from this how embarrassed you would be if you had \$1,000,000,000. You wouldn't even have time to count it.—Boston Globe.

Meat Preserved Without Salt. Lean pork strips are sun-preserved without salt in Spain. Deer, buffalo, caribou, bear, goat and tuna meats are preserved in much the same way.

High School

Lieutenant Smith, lately returned from Fort Snelling, visited the high school last Thursday and gave his message to the pupils at chapel formation. His talk dealt mostly with trench life and life in the camps. The pupils enjoyed the talk very much as Mr. Smith's "As He Saw It" was very enlightening.

The weighty correspondence carried on by Professor Stockdale necessitated his buying a new typewriter. We understand that the machine is a late model "13" Remington.

The final work on the high school paper, "The Supd.," is nearing completion. The editor expects to have the paper on the press some time in January.

The basket ball spread now comprises some thirty men, all working hard to make a position on the team. From all standpoints Coach Crawford affirms his team will make

the other squads in the northwest Conference "go some."

High School Christmas vacation begins Friday the 21st, at 6 o'clock. We hope that the good weather continues, as a change would seriously interfere with many of the teachers' plans for enjoying their big mid-year holiday.

While in study period the other day Professor Crawford saw Walter Anderson with a vacant look on his face. Tapping Walter gently on the head with a pencil, the professor was able to arouse Walter from his meditations. "Well, Walter, what were you thinking about?" "Oh," sighed Walter, "about all the work I should do, and haven't done."

In the United States armies, November 7, there were 7,815,000 men, in the navy 271,571. Of the total of 2,087,391, approximately 1,400,000 voluntarily enlisted.

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