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Just three months till the primary election. Plenty of time to get in your work, boys.

---:0:--day for the swatting of flies.

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--:0:---Don't forget the road dragging fails to do this work along his

---:0:----Everything is being put in readiness for the carnival, and it Monday, May 11, and continues What is past is past. one week.

--:0:---We have not heard of any candidates filing on the bull moose ticket in Cass county. But there's plenty of time yet. Brace up, moosers.

--:0:---A great many inquiries are made as to the date of the primary election. It is the firs Tuesday after the first Monday in August-August 4.

My boy, don't get discouraged about your farm work. The boys who are on their way to Mexico will find a number of jobs that are worse than milking cows.

--:0:----Candidates for representative in this county seem to be a little slow about coming to the front What's the matter, boys? There is \$10 a day in it for sixty days.

---:0:----There are at least five democratic candidates for governor and about the same number of republicans, and there is no telling how many bull moosers, but it would seem that none of then but one or two have had the courage to file.

---:0:---And now the packers are using the parcel post. They are sending butter, hams, bacon and other products, and are enlarging their packages. The number of pack ages received from the packer has been noticeable since the first of the year.

George W. Berge gives his op ponents to understand that he is in the race to win the democratic nomination for governor. And we are prepared to wager our las dollar that he comes nearer getting the nomination for governor than Bill Price does for congress.

-:e:---And now it is rumored that Ross Hammond, editor of the Fremont Tribune, and also holding down the revenue collector's office, is a candidate for the republican nomination for governor. It looks now as though Ross would stay in the collector's office for some time yet, awaiting the appointment of some democrat to take his place.

-:0:--democratic candidate for con- Morehead, but we are glad to gress, and withal the most pop- note that the governor is paying ular man that has appeared for no more attention to its "barkthe place for many years. That's ings" than the whimpering of a If those who have professed to be enormous wages it is evident that the reason the republicans up 1-year-old puppy. The governor around Lincoln are trying so is wise in this. hard, with a few disgruntled democrats, to defeat him for the nomination, but they "can't cut formed, apparently, with the pur- more for his employer. Honest backward this spring, but with the mustard." The fact is he is pose of discouraging decent men labor should not be taxed one patience and plenty of water we

### THE PRESIDENT'S CRITICS.

Nagging the president will not help solve the Mexican problem. Denouncing his Mexican policy We would suggest that Gover- will not help solve it. Abusing nor Morehead set apart a special Mr. Bryan will not help solve it. Rejoicing over the defection of Carranza will not help solve it. Cattle firm, sheep 10 cents Calling Villa a murderous bandit higher, hogs a little stronger, will not help solve it. Attacking patriotic, for whenever the and eggs 15 cents. The hobo the administration for what it did organizers will soon be out of a last year or last month or last week will not help solve it, says should lend his unqualified supthe New York World.

It is easy enough to say that proposition. The farmer who the president "blundered into war." Thousands of disinterestown place is certainly a poor ex- ed and honest Americans believe it to be a fact. But we shall not blunder out of war, and nothing is to be gained by finding fault with the president for what no is a sure go now-beginning on human power can now remedy.

> The Indiana republicans a their state convention last Thursday assailed the president's Mexican policy and then solemnly pledged their prectous support to the government in whatever "it may undertake for the vindication of the nation's honor or the nation's rights in Mexico or elsewhere." This represents the cheapest and shoddiest brand o patriotism which can be put upon the market.

The World is by no means convinced that a different Mexican policy in Washington would accessarily have had a different ending. The crisis might have been postponed, but it is not lack of statesmanship and patriotism in Washington which has brought about the present situation in Mexico. It is a lack of statesmanship and patriotism in Mexico.

Whether we like it or whether we dislike it, we are all in this mess together, and nothing re mains but to see it through Criticising the president for what he does or does not do today ; proper enough, but criticising him for what he did or did not de last week or last month or las year is only making the difficul ask more difficult.

As the case now stands, th effect of their nagging is to deude Huerta into the belief that the American people as a whole are not united in support of President Wilson, and that the government at Washington can be bluffed by a coaltion of Mexieans and anti-Wilson Americans Such a delusion might add to the ist of killed and wounded, but it is certain to be exploded what. ever the cost.

-:0:--And still Ross Hammond holds on to the revenue collector's office, drawing the salary that properly belongs to some good democrat. All on account of the contrariness of the powers that sit in Washington and view the discontent they have rendered among the Nebraska democrats in consequence. In less than another year we will see what such work has brought forth.

---:0:----That illigitimate bantling, the Nebraska Republican, seems to Governor Morehead is the ideal have started a fight on Governor

As long as some people see a few dollars in a proposition they are for it. When otherwise, their enthusiasm vanishes.

--:0:----Now it is said that Mayor Dahlman is to be the next postmaster of Omaha. Good enough! This will keep someone else less deserving in the background, where they belong, and have nothing to recommend them for such a responsible position, and whose mitt is always extended for a "soft thing."

There are some people in this country who are opposing the administration in their action in Mexico because the administration is democratic. This is un-American flag is assailed we are all Americans, and every citizen

port to whoever it may be.

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--:0:---We are in favor of a united democracy in Nebraska. And if those fellows at Washington will use a little judgment they should understand what will unite it. But not by allowing republicans to continue drawing salaries that properly belong to democrats. I they keep on with their monkey business a few months longer i will be all up with the party in this state.

We are opposed to the national orimary election scheme. It aleady has proved a dismal failure n some of the states that have he state-wide primary system and unless it can be conducted nore systematically as a measure in the state, how would it be in he nation at large. In this matter we are uniquivocally in favor of states rights. The general government has taken too many rights away from the peo ple already that belong to the inlividual states, and every session of congress they insist on taking more, until after a while they will have none at all.

with the people. Governor Morehead has won the confidence and espect of the people of Ne oraska for the very able manner n which he has administered them. state affairs, and he will no doub have the record of being among he ablest and best governors the state ever had. That is the reaon he is sure of the nomination or congress in the First district After which he will be sure of election, because the farmer, the nerchant, the laborer and voter: in general are sure that he will e a representative on whom we an all look with pride.

It is charged that the miners of Plattsmouth. ausing the trouble in Colorado are for the most part foreigners ireeks and veterans of the Baland that it was robbery for the have no business to run. them for themselves. revolt, which has resulted in the loss of many lives, the destruction of vast amounts of mining as it has done us. property and has brought great distress to the miners themstances there would be more

W. character.

### REMEMBER DECORATION DAY.

Led by the same brave little fife and drum corps that sent them on into the smoke of battle hot with singing death, fifty years ago, we see today the remainder of the Grand Army of the Republic swing down the street, not with the light elastic steps of half a century ago, but with tottering, though proud, footsteps. We watch them as they pass and note with a pang, more or less keen, according to our interest, how thin are the ranks that still face the grim batteries of all destroying time.

The Grand Army of the Repubie is marching on, guided by the spirit of Father Abraham, which led them out "three hundred thousand strong" back in '61. For four years they faced sudden death and swift destruction before the cannon and musket and saber, giving the sacrifice gladly to preserve the Union of states they loved as their nation. For ive decades since then they have faced to the front, facing whatever has threatened that same nation just as bravely and in a nanner no less creditable.

An all conquering army, they puer, one redoubt they will never earry. Marching on, faces to the ning the ranks.

We of a younger generation hink, mayhap, we would have the courage and the patriotism to give ourselves to a cause like un-Grand Army into existence. We hope it is true, and if the neces- the principal cities of the country. sity ever arises trust that we will not be found wanting. But we also hope and trust that we shall self, take up his cross and follow Me." not be put to the test.

coats of blue did meet the test and came forth worthy to be trance of sin and its penalty of death. honored for the part they bore. they have earned as they still whole human family. A good man is always popular march on, until the last of the Grand Army of the Republic

proaching, and that it is the duty the authorized King and Priest, recog- had first come upon Jesus the Head, of every citizen to assist the few nized as such by the Almighty God. remaining old veterans in re-It is a duty you owe to the few remaining old boys who fought to save the old flag, as well as those who sleep their last sleep. Let's make this Decoration Day one Jesus made a consecration of Himself long to be remembered, within the spirit of the patriotic citizens later, "I came not to do Mine own

We are very sorry that we are and that the majority of them are not publishing the Journal in accordance with the desires of an war. Agitators have brought some people. The business of these people to the point of re- running the Journal is our busivolt by preaching discontent and ness, and if we were to run it pay the Ransom-price for the world, press faithfully on to the end of their revolution. They have been told the way some of these critics and thus to set aside legally and justly course, will become the real kings and that the mines are by right theirs would have it, we would soon owners of the mines to work have been successful by attend-Such ing to our business, strictly, and preaching naturally brought we would suggest that they these warlike elements into open take a few doses of the same kind of medicine and await the results It might benefit them, the same

Henry Ford, the automobile selves and their families. The man, has notified his employes Calvary He cried, "It is finished," He case shows plainly enough that that they must not live in squalid referred to His demonstration of loyal- God's Plan. there are too many agitators try- tenaments or rooming houses. ing to stir up trouble where la- Married men who keep boarders the Father's service, His work as Purborers have been contented and in their homes and single men at peace with their employers, who live in insanitary crowded There is too much oratory by quarters will lose their jobs. people who ought to be at work. Since he has engaged to pay them

the only democrat that there is from the exercise of the franany show to elect.

Child to walking like a man-until we all come to the full stature of a man
this special class which God is selections any how.

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## Eloquent Discourse on the Special Gall of Christ's Church.

Jesus the Head-The Church the Body. Special Training For Office -- Who May Qualify For Election-Terms and Conditions to Be Met-Patient Con-Three Classes That Enter Race For Prize-Only One Will Be Successful.



May 3.-Pastor Russell was at home today, and in pied the rostrum of his Temple Theater on West

charmingly instructive Story of the Bi- later prove to be a blessing, and the gins-between the wise and the foolish, ble in Moving Pictures was launched child of God will learn to rejoice in between the Great Company and the last January, and it is still being ex- what once seemed to be tribulation. front, the scythe of the grim hibited to large audiences, every aftreaper Time is ever busy thin- erason and evening, Sundays included. meant by following Christ. This sigable assistants.

wide, syndicated sermons are familiar to the principles of righteousness. with the rapid increase of productions o the one which brought this of the Story of the Bible in films, panoramas, etc., as exhibited in his Creation Drama, it being produced now in

Pastor Russell's theme this forenoon was based upon the text: "If any man will come after Me, let him deny him--Matthew 16:24.

But we know that these totler- dation of the world, said the Pastor, to ng, gray haired men in the shiny establish a Kingdom for the blessing dom the Almighty had foreseen the enwhereby He would set aside this curse

at the same time. His anointing with of the Head of the Church.

membering their dead comrades, any one to the office of King and Priest was this: The one accounted demonstrate his obedience to the Fa- Christ, related to Jesus as New Creather even unto death-an obedience tures in Christ, to whom old things that would respond to any requirement that the Father might please. When at Jordan, He offered Himself to meet the conditions. As He said of Himself

will, but the will of My Father." The work to be done was first to prove Himself worthy to be the great King, the great Priest; and thus He | the Paster thinks, will not be alto-Himself, by which He would demon- on probation will prove to be un- are privileged to suffer more than do strate His worthiness to be the great | worthy to be members in that glorious | others. In presenting this thought, the Priest upon His Throne would be a Body. Only those who, after having Pastor used the diamond as an illustra-Sin-offering on behalf of humanity, to been begotten of the Holy Spirit, shall tion. A large diamond requires much the penalty which God had pronounced priests of the future. He then exagainst Adam and which affected all plained why some will fail to make We his posterity.

the age of thirty years our Lord conse- two classes. One class who fail to erated Himself to do the Father's will, make their calling and election sure saying, as foretold by the Psalmist, to membership in the glorified Body of it is written of Me, I delight to do Thy | the holy commandment, who return to will, O My God?' (Psalm 40:7, 8.) wallowing in the mire of sin. For this Then for three and a half years the Master was thoroughly tested to demthat He said when He made that con- These have had all their share of the ty and obedience to the Father's will. His fulness of laying down His life in chaser of the world, was finished. The Gospel Call.

Continuing his argument, the Pastor declared that God raised Jesus from

ing-this "Body of Christ, which is the

The Pastor then stated the terms and conditions upon which any one is eligible to membership in the Body of Christ: The Father gives the invitation while the High Calling of this Age s open. He nominates those who accept the call, but each must elect himself by compliance with the terms and conditions. The speaker explained that the call is a drawing toward God-a desire to come near to Him. Some have it from birth, others get it at their mother's knee, others through a hymn, a book, through hearing the Beriptures, etc. Whatever thus points to Christ as the Way to God consti- their lifetime subject to bondage betutes a call, an invitation.

Walking In the Narrow Way. Those who have heard the call, continued the Pastor, must learn that the first step is to turn away from sin. Next they must learn that God has made provision through the death of His Son whereby sins may be forgiven. timuance In Well-doing-Character- To those who take these two steps the likeness to Christ the Necessary Savior says, "If any man will come Qualification-Suffering With Christ. after Me, let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow Me." The speaker explained that to deny one's self is to give over one's self-sufficiency, one's desire to do his own will, and to accept instead the Divine will, It is just as if the person had died; he is no longer his own. He has died to all earthly ambitions, hopes, aims and desires, and receives in their stead new

ambitions, hopes, aims and desires. The Pastor next showed what it is to take up the cross. One just starting Sixty-Third street, in the narrow way to life will not just off Broadway. know what his cross is to be. But The Temple is gradually he will perceive that it is the the headquarters crossing of self-will with the Divine decision yet as to the two classes. All of Pastor Russell's will. This will be manifest in various who receive the Holy Spirit are one increasingly fa- ways, which may not be fully undermous Photo-Dra- stood at first; but if the consecration ind but one for they cannot con- ma of Creation. It was here that this was genuine, every trial will sooner or vision between the two classes of vir-

Then the Pastor explained what is When the Pastor is absent from the nifles patient continuance in bearing of Christ. But after the division shall city on Sundays. The Temple pulpit is the cross. The one walking in the naroccupied in the forenoon by one of his row way must demonstrate to Divine satisfaction that the character is fixed Recders of Paster Russell's world. for truth, loyalty to God, to His Word.

This does not mean that the flesh is to be perfected, the Pastor claimed. but the New Creature-the new will. God well knows that in fallen human nature there dwells no perfection. Whatever is done in spite of one's endeavors to do right results from fleshly weakness, and is not counted as sin. But whatever wrong is done willingly is sin. The weaknesses of the flesh, of God purposed from before the foun- robe of Christ's righteousness. Therefore it is the New Creature's privilege coming more and more a copy of God's dear Son, our Lord and Savior.

He also knew His own great Plan The Church, Which Is Christ's Body. According to the Pastor, all who have So let us give them the honor of death and bring in a blessing to the taken these steps have come into the Body of Christ, the Church, which is This Kingdom, the Pastor explained, composed of all begotten of the Holy s to be different from any other in Spirit. These were begotten of the Old Guard has fallen and the that its Monarch will be not only a Spirit at the moment when they pre-King, but also a Priest. For this rea- sented their bodies living sacrifices in Son, but that in the great Divine Plan son, he declared. Christ is said to be Jesus' name. Then they were immediate seemed wisest and best that He marches on only in the memory a Priest after the Order of Melchize- diately accepted of God and became should subject the Son to severe tests of those who knew and loved dek, who was a priest upon his throne. members in the Body of Christ, all of in order that both angels and men. Christ is to be both King and Priest whom have the same anointing as that looking back at Jesus' experiences

favor where in due time He would be of Pentecost. The Holy Spirit, which on that day flowed down upon the The Pastor then showed that the con- shoulders, so to speak, the Apostles dition upon which God would appoint being the first members of the Body. Since then, all who come into the Body come under the same anointing, as worthy of this high honor must first members in particular of the Body of have passed away and all things become new. We are not to speak nor to think lightly of any one whom God accepts into this Body and who has, through consecration, received the begetting of the Holy Spirit.

The Glorified Body of Christ.

would be given authority to bless the gether the Body of Christ in glory, worthy to be members of His Body. world. Secondly, this very sacrifice of He believes that some who are now their calling and election sure to per-The Pastor next pointed out Jesus' manent membership in the Body of steps in fulfilment of God's Plan, At | Christ. These, he declared, will be of "Lo, I come: in the volume of the Book | Christ are those who turn away from class, St. Peter says, there remains only the blackness of darkness-the onstrate that He had really meant all | Second Death. (2 Peter 2:17, 21, 22.) secration Vow unto God. When on | blessings and have misused them; and so there is nothing further for them in

The other class who also fail to reach the goal of membership in the glorified Body of Christ are those who have neither denied the Lord that bought them nor returned to wallowing in the mire of sin, but who have lacked zeal. These have failed to perthe dead on the third day in order that | severe so faithfully in the narrow way Me might be a Prince and a Savior. that the Father could count them cop-(Acts 5:30, 31.) But although more ies of His Son Jesus and receive them leaders for labor would let the he means to have them improve than eighteen centuries have passed to the Heavenly Throne and glory. laboring man alone in many in- their scale of living accordingly, since then, the world is still unsaved. These are variously pictured in the The speaker then showed that during | Bible. In one of our Lord's parables this time God has been calling a class | they are designated "foolish virgins." Too many election laws are money for the laboring man and Dandelions have been a trifle out of the world for a special purpose. The Pastor then explained briefly the This special call of the Gospel Age is import of this parable. The word virto the effect that as many as hear this gin means pure one. The entire Church to knowledge, from creeping like a

ly that they will make their calling and election sure. They will be wise enough to lay aside every weight and besetting sin, and run with patience the race set before them. The foolish virgins are those who, after having given up the world and having accepted Christ, will nevertheless try to hold on to the world, while walking slowly toward the Lord. If this class keep on in the narrow way at all, they will eventually be conquerors, yet they will not be those "more than conquerors" to whom abundant entrance into the Kingdom will be granted.

These foolish virgins have been all cause of their fear of death of the flesh-the old nature. They are not courageous enough to follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth, although they are loyal, faithful. These, the Pastor believes, will get the secondary prize Instead of being on the Throne with our Lord, they will be before the Throne; instead of wearing the crown,

they will have only a palm branch. When the foolish virgins shall have passed through the great tribulation mentioned in Revelation 7, they will be a grand class. But they might be in the highest class if they were more zealous. It remains with themselves to make their calling and election sure. God nominated them, but they fail of election because they fall to have sufficient zeal, love and earnestness to gain the great prize of joint-heirship with Christ in the Messianic Kingdom.

These different classes, the Paster declared, are all one Body at the present time; for all are called in the one hope of their calling, and there is no company now. But at the end of this Age the great Master will make the di-Little Flock. At the present time, however, all who are begotten of the Holy Spirit belong to the probationary Body have been made, only the Little Flock will be of the permanent Body of Christ-the Church in glory, clothed with glory, honor, and immortality.

Suffering With Christ.

Next the Pastor discussed various texts which declare that all the followers of Christ must suffer in the flesh, even as Jesus suffered. He pointed out the nature of our Lord's sufferings, who was misunderstood, slandered, misrepresented, etc. While the followers of Jesus cannot possibly expect to suffer in all the ways that the Master suffered, nevertheless they have simthe fallen nature, are covered with the ilar experiences to His. It is a mistaken idea, the speaker maintained, to believe that suffering is a sign of Divine displeasure. No Christian thinks that the Father was displeased with our Redeemer; on the contrary, as the Scriptures say, Jesus was holy, harmless and separate from sinners. And yet our Lord suffered much-it pleased God to bruise Him, to put Him to grief, to put Him to shame.

The thought is not that the Father took pleasure in the sufferings of His from Jordan to Calvary, could see that Bear in mind that another the Holy Spirit at Jordan was to rep- In the case of the Apostles there was He was faithful unto death; and in or-Decoration Day is rapidly ap- resent His induction into the place of a particular manifestation on the day der that the reward of Jesus' obedience might be manifest-that all might see the condition upon which God gives His choicest blessings. To all eternity this will be an incentive to serving God; such will know that whoever renders service to Him and endures suffering for righteousness' sake will have the spirit of glory rest upon him and will be amply rewarded.

The Pastor then dwelt at length upon

the privilege of suffering with Christ. He quoted Scripture to demonstrate that only those who suffer with Christ shall reign with Him. Those who are dead with Christ shall live with Him on the spiritual plane, partakers of His Divine nature, sharers of His glory. The Spirit-begotten Body of Christ, All these blessings are conditional upon their demonstrating that they are and are actuated by His spirit. Some more polishing than does a small diamond; yet a large diamond is worthy of much polishing. Our Lord and St. Paul were large diamonds. Therefore they were subjected to much affliction. much difficulty, in order that they might show forth more fully the praises of Him who called them to His marvelous glory.

The Pastor concluded his discourse by calling attention to the wonderful blessings and privileges that are coming to the world today and to the increased knowledge and light upon all subjects, but especially upon the Word of God. He declared that God's people see as never before the lengths, breadths, heights and depths of God's character and Plan; and that even the world are coming to see something of His goodness and His wonderful arrangements. The eyes of the world are opening more and more widely. and the delusions that have been upon the world are rapidly disappearing.

This is the dawning of a New Day. But with the increase of light comes increased responsibility. When God gives us a certain amount of the light of Truth, it is for us to demonstrate whether or not we appreciate it, and whether or not we have been loyal to what we have received. If we take the steps of appreciation and obedience, we thus evidence our readiness for more light. And so we may go Message are privileged to become, of Christ is pure. The wise virgins are child to walking like a man-until we in Christ Jesus.