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LAND FOR SALE.

The heirs of the late Gertrude M. Wiley propose to sell about 82 acres of timber land belonging to said estate and situated opposite the Lewistown church and adjoining the cemetery, two and one-half miles southeast of Murray, Nebraska, Nebraska, until noon Saturday, August 4, 1914.

Mrs. A. Dove Asch, Murray, Nebraska.

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LOUISVILLE. Courier.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Voightman Saturday, July 18, F. E. Hiber, of Plattsmouth, has accepted a position as druggist with the Blake-McCarthy drug store.

Joe Kelly writes the Courier from Torrington, Wyoming, that he has been appointed assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Mitchell, Nebr.

Miss Emma Gakemeier is at the Emmanuel hospital in Omaha, where she underwent an operation for appendicitis. We are glad to state she is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Fred Masters was at Omaha where she went to see her husband who is undergoing treatment for stomach trouble at the Clarkson hospital. He expects to be there two or three weeks.

A ten pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Pankoun Thursday, July 23. July 23 was also the date of the arrival of an eight pound boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Delezenne.

Mrs. Jacob Lohnes was in Omaha this week where she had an operation on the bone of her nose which is diseased and which has caused her to suffer severe pain in her head. In a few weeks she expects to undergo another operation for the same trouble.

Miss Ella Hoover is at the St. Joseph hospital in Omaha, recovering from an operation for appendicitis which she underwent about two weeks ago. Her friends will be pleased to learn she is getting along nicely and will be at home again in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarty and Mabel Ossenlof left Tuesday via the Burlington for a few weeks' outing in Denver and other Colorado points. While there they expect to visit the family of John Burns, former Louisville resident, who are now conducting a hotel at Sagnache, Colo.

Cut the Weeds.

Now is the proper time for all farmers to mow the weeds along their farms. The law provides for a penalty for failure to do between the 15th of July and the 15th of August.

Walter Byer, Overseer.

Notice to Cut Weeds.

All residents of road district No. 27 are notified that it will be necessary to cut the weeds along the highway in that district at once and they should see that their part of the roadway is cleared of all weeds.

Walter Byer, Overseer.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PLATTSMOUTH LOAN AND BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

Of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on the 30th day of June, 1914. CERTIFICATE No. 25

Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES, listing various financial items and their values.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES for the year ending June 30, 1914

Table with columns for RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES, detailing income and expenses for the year.

Notary Public, E. P. Lutz, E. W. Cook, R. A. Bates

UNION. Ledger.

Miss Gussie Robb, of Plattsmouth, came down Tuesday morning to spend the day with her brother, Hugh Robb, and wife on the farm southwest of town.

Mrs. George Johnson arrived last Friday night from Elgin, Neb., to make a visit with her mother, Mrs. C. D. Stine, and other relatives and friends in her childhood home.

Roy Niday is able to be out again after spending about two weeks in close quarters at home on account of an attack of fever. He is feeling very well, but is not yet in the heavyweight class.

Col. W. H. Moore, of Denver, who has been transacting business here and other parts of the state the past few months, came in Saturday to spend a few days looking after his business affairs here.

J. M. Patterson and wife entertained some of their Plattsmouth friends on Tuesday, their guests being: Mrs. Wm. Schmidlman, Mrs. Joseph Fetzer, Mrs. E. H. Heitzhausen and Mrs. Fred Goss.

James Holmes and wife and A. M. Holmes of Murray, accompanied by their guest, Mrs. David Churchill, of Kimberly, Idaho, came down by auto Sunday afternoon and made a short visit with some of their friends.

Ben R. Frans, of Kingfisher, Oklahoma, who has been visiting his Union relatives and friends, departed on Monday for Auburn to visit relatives there, then will go to St. Joseph for awhile before returning to his Oklahoma home.

John Melvin, now residing in Michigan, was here Tuesday and Wednesday, visiting John Chalfant and other early settlers whom he knew forty years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lehman departed Sunday evening for Colorado, where they expect to remain for the next sixty days or more.

A. H. Vanlandingham accompanied a carload of cattle and hogs which he shipped to South Omaha market the fore part of the week.

Elton Snoko is the proud owner of a new five-passenger Overland touring car which he purchased of H. A. Williams, the Elmwood dealer, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde West, who reside southeast of town, are the proud parents of an eight-pound daughter which arrived at their home Monday morning, July 20.

We understand that Roy Jones has resigned his position as agent for the Missouri Pacific at this place and that the station is now open for bids. We have not learned what Roy intends to do in the future.

Fred Spahnle, E. P. Belts and Geo. Oberle, autoed to Ashland Monday afternoon to try their luck at fishing. They returned home Tuesday evening with a good catch of fish and report having had the time of their lives.

Claud Benz was called to Red Cloud, Neb., Tuesday morning on account of the serious illness of his father, J. C. Benz, who is visiting relatives there. Word was received from Claude today (Thursday) stating that his condition is much improved.

Paul, one of the twin boys of Jim Smith, got a revolver and going off by himself he began to investigate the weapon, when it was discharged, the bullet passing through the fleshy part of his left hand. He was taken to town where medical attention was given him, and at this writing is doing fine.

Only a few more days until our Seventh Annual Picnic will be here. All the plans have been made and we are now ready to entertain the people of this vicinity and surrounding country in a most royal manner. For full particulars read large ad and program elsewhere in this issue.

EARTHLY WEALTH HEAVENLY RICHES

Love and Benevolence Integral Parts of Righteousness.

GOD'S BLESSINGS IMPARTIAL

Ours the Wealthiest Period of History. But Faith and Godliness Are on the Decline—Great Increase of Selfishness—An Integral Part of Sin—Lesson to the Church of Christ—A Good Foundation Against the Time to Come—Changed Conditions Under the Messianic Kingdom—Removal of the Stony Heart—Substitution of a Heart of Flesh—Rich in Character—Likeness to Our Heavenly Father.



PASTOR RUSSELL

July 26.—Reports from more than one hundred cities indicate great public appreciation of THE PHOTODRAMA OF CREATION. This noble effort to turn attention back to the Word of God is having the desired effect wherever it is exhibited. No one can see it without having his heart irresistibly drawn toward the Giver of every good and perfect gift, who so loved the world as to give "His Only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him might not perish, but have everlasting life."

The speaker then preached from the text, "So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."—Luke 12:21.

The Pastor began his discourse with the declaration that ours is the day of Wealth. Nothing to compare with it has ever been known in the world's history. Not merely have we discovered rich deposits of gold, silver and precious stones; not merely are these being mined in a provident and successful manner, with which nothing in the past could compare; but additionally the world is growing richer in every conceivable way.

This statement was illustrated by reference to the growth of our cities in size and beauty, in sanitary conveniences, in paved streets and boulevards; and to our industries, which are multiplying machinery perfected within the last fifty years and turning out products of convenience and value. These add greatly to the world's comfort and material wealth, and are not merely perishable articles such as clothing and bric-a-brac, but substantial edifices, etc. Vast libraries, both public and private, are being acquired. Many former luxuries are becoming almost necessities, because of the facility with which they are produced. All these things, and many others, constitute riches, one glance at which would amaze our ancestors.

The speaker then asked a series of questions such as: appeal to all thoughtful persons. Are we as a race, he inquired, growing rich toward God? Is not the very reverse true? Are not faith and godliness on the decline? Is it not true that within the last fifty years the love of money, which the Apostle declares is "a root of all evil," has intensified? Is it not true that financial greed has become so strong as to make necessary Pure-food Laws for the protection of the lives of the people—because life and health were in jeopardy?

Attention was then called to the fact that, although we are better housed, better fed and better clothed than were our forefathers, yet there is a general condition of unrest, due to trust in riches. Despite all our modern safeguards of police and detective systems, despite our telegraph, telephone, etc., human lives and property are still in peril because of the hunger for wealth everywhere prevalent.

"Whose Shall These Things Be?"

The Pastor next discussed the parable from which his text is taken. In our Lord pictures a man whose fields were fallen in pleasant places. The smiling sun and the genial showers prospered his undertakings, and his wealth grew apace. To him came opportunities for helping friends, neighbors and relatives less favored—opportunities for turning his material wealth to good account in the cultivation of the generous traits of his nature and thus for developing more and more the Divine character; for God scatters His blessings of sunshine and shower upon both the evil and the good.

But instead of growing richer in character through the cultivation of noble qualities, this rich man permitted selfishness to dominate him. He pulled down his barns in order to build better ones. Instead of dispensing the wealth which Divine providence permitted to flow into his lap, he accumulated more. Many, alas! today are following his example. These say to themselves, "I will accumulate wealth, and then will say to my soul, You have plenty; 'eat, drink and be merry.' Think not particularly of your less favored brethren and neighbors, nor of the hopelessly poor; live for yourself." Thus in the parable the Master has drawn a picture of practically every man in the world, some of whom are really doing these things, and oth-

ers of whom are longing for the opportunity to do so.

Hear the Lord's Estimation.

Commenting upon the Master's estimation of the foolish rich man, the Pastor asked, if the Lord declared that the rich man of the parable was a fool, what may we suppose is His estimate of the masses of humanity today—blessed as men never before were, privileged as men never before were, and therefore responsible as men never before were for the use of money? Alas! he declared; we fear that the Lord is not well pleased with the world in its scramble for wealth, witnessed today on every hand. In our text the people of God of today have a reminder that all have the opportunity to cultivate the Christ-like spirit of generosity, helpfulness and brotherly-kindness.

The speaker then demonstrated that the Lord does not address His reproof and admonition to the world, but merely to His Church—the consecrated few. The world, he declared, is about to learn a great lesson along this very line of selfishness. Having sown to the wind the seed of selfishness, it is about to reap a whirlwind of trouble, the fruitage of selfishness, in which the interests of rich and poor will clash in the conflict between Capital and Labor, between those who have secured wealth and those who will strive to take the wealth from them—"A Time of Trouble such as was not since there was a nation."

Are any so blinded as not to see the awful growth of anarchy, he asked, which is gradually settling down upon the highest type of civilization to which the world has ever attained? Are there any so blinded as to be unable to perceive that the conflict will be along the lines of selfishness—desire to hold on the one part, and desire to acquire on the other?

The Pastor explained that according to the Scriptures God is not now appealing to the world; for well He knows that so intense is the spirit of avarice that such an appeal would be unavailing. God is therefore permitting the world as a whole to learn its great lesson, that selfishness is an integral part of sin, even as love and benevolence are integral parts of righteousness.

There is no doubt, he declared, that by the time the poor world shall have fully learned its lesson of the terrible results of selfishness it will be ready to cry out for Divine assistance. When that time comes, the speaker claimed, God's means of assistance will also be ready. The Messianic Kingdom will be inaugurated, and a Reign of Love will be established which will contrast sharply with present conditions, and which will bring blessed results of peace, love and good will amongst men. Since God is both loving and wise, we may reasonably assume, he believes, that there is no better way than this whirlwind of trouble for teaching the world its needed lesson on this subject.

The Lesson to the Church.

It was then shown that God's lessons are now for the Church—not the church nominal, which is merely a more civilized section of the world, but the Church real, the saintly people of God in and out of the various sects and parties, and of every nation, kindred and tongue. Anxious to know and to do the will of God, these receive special instruction such as the world is not prepared to receive. To these saintly footsteps followers of Jesus the Lord says, Let not your treasures be of an earthly kind. Rather, go to the opposite extreme, and spend and be spent in the interest of others, in the service of God, in the service of His Message of Love; and thus, along the lines of the Divine promises, seek for a share with the great Redeemer, not only in the sufferings and self-denials of the present life, but also in the glory, honor and immortality of the life to come.

In support of his argument, the Pastor quoted many familiar passages of Scripture, such as: "Therefore take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, neither for your body, what ye shall put on. The life is more than meat, and the body than raiment." "Your Father knoweth what things ye have need of." "Therefore, 'Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.'" "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom. Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the Heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

"Charge Them That Are Rich."

A new light was thrown upon a familiar Scripture commonly applied to the worldly rich, but mistakenly so, by the Pastor, who is a most able Bible scholar, is correct in his opinion. He declared that when St. Paul wrote to Timothy, "Charge them that are rich in this world that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God who giveth us richly all things to enjoy," the Apostle very evidently referred to some of the consecrated people of God who had wealth. This wealth these were to consider merely as a stewardship, not to be disposed of according to their own worldly caprices, and surely not according to the dictum of friends, neighbors and relatives. Whoever has given himself to the Lord must have consecrated all he has; else he is not accepted as Christ's disciple.

The Pastor showed that the Apostle's charge to the brethren who possessed wealth is stated in the verses following:

"That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life." This he interprets to mean that those possessing wealth should be willing to share with others of a community, somewhat along the lines of Christian communism. The word foundation, he declared, is here used in the same sense as when we say that a wealthy man gave a foundation of a million dollars for a college. His gift constitutes the basis for the carrying out of the college plans.

Thus, the speaker explained, a Christian who generously uses in the Lord's service his financial stewardship is laying a foundation for the future—a foundation for spiritual wealth; and the more of time, influence and wealth any one can lay up thus in doing good, in forwarding the interests of the brethren and of the Lord's work, the more is that one piling up treasure in Heaven. The advantage of this procedure, he asserted, is that it helps to center the heart's affections on the things above, and to wean them from the things of earth; for where our treasure is, there will our hearts be also. And thus, says the Apostle, we shall be able to "lay hold on eternal life," now proffered to us.

At first many are inclined to say, What difference does it make to the Lord what I do with my time, money, influence, talents? He is able to supply the needy without in the least impoverishing Himself. Why, then, should He desire His children, who are far from rich in the world's estimation, to sacrifice their little all of talent, money, time, influence? And why should He make this a test to determine whether or not they shall attain the Kingdom? What is the philosophy of it?

The philosophy was declared to be this: As originally created in the Divine likeness man was tender-hearted, sympathetic. But after sin had entered the world and the strife for a living began, selfishness gradually became the predominant influence, producing hard-heartedness—carelessness of the interests of others—self-love.

"Take Away the Stony Heart."

The speaker pointed out that during the thousand years of Messiah's Reign Satan will be bound, his allurements ended and the curse lifted. Then the earth will yield its increase. The stress being removed, it will be easier for mankind to learn the lessons of love and brotherly-kindness, and to rise out of their present condition of meanness, hard-heartedness and selfishness—back to the glorious image of God. This will mean the dissolving of the stony-heartedness of the human race; or, as the Scriptures put it, the Lord "will take away the stony heart out of their flesh, and give them a heart of flesh"—a heart of sympathy. All who then refuse to return to harmony with God will be destroyed in the Second Death, as set forth in Acts 3:19-23.

"We Walk by Faith."

Several differences were pointed out between the Lord's dealings with the Church at the present time and His dealings with the world by and by. These differences are due to the fact that the Church are called to so high an honor; and correspondingly it is appropriate that they should manifest more love and zeal than will be expected of the world.

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