

Pastor Who Saw Passion Play Tells of Spectacle

Omahan Declares Natives of Oberammergau Stage Gigantic Production for Extremely Low Price.

By GEORGE MILLER.
 Pastor First Christian Church.
 One of the most marvelous things in all the world today is the Passion Play of Oberammergau. This is not a mere performance but a wonderful demonstration. It is pre-eminently a religious demonstration.

It is not for the purpose of making money, but in fulfillment of a vow that made by the people of this village nearly 300 years ago. Oberammergau is a beautiful little village of about 1,500 inhabitants, nestled among the mountains of Bavaria.

It was on Ascension Thursday, May 25 last year that we attended this wonderful performance. At that time the apple blossoms were just in bloom for the village is 2,600 feet above the level of the sea. Immediately upon entering the village one is impressed with the religious atmosphere of the place.

The people have lived so long with this one purpose in view that the thought of Christ and Christianity permeates all the life of the people. The history of the beginning of the Passion Play at this place is as follows. In the year 1633 a great plague visited southern Europe. This village guarded itself against the plague by not allowing any stranger to enter it. But one of their own number, who was working across the mountains, knowing a secret trail, came home to visit his family at a feast time. He did not know he had been exposed to the plague but in three days he was dead. About 30 persons died in three weeks time. The people met in the church and prayed to God to stay the plague and made a vow that if He would do this they would forever show forth to the world the suffering and death of the Lord. Not another person died of the disease though many were ill at the time.

Stage Play First Time.
 In the following year, 1634, in order to fulfill the vow, the Passion of Christ was played for the first time. From 1680 it has been performed every tenth year. On account of the world war it could not be given in 1920, but was in 1922, although it was under many difficulties as the village had suffered greatly by the war, about 60 of its young men who had been killed in battle and more who died from famine.

It required a great deal of courage and faith to put it on last year and nothing but a deep abiding religious motive could have prompted the people to undertake it.

The official name is not the "Passion Play" as it is known to the world, but "The Great Sacrifice of Reconciliation on Golgotha."

Some think it is a mere money making institution but this is entirely wrong. There was no great deal of false propaganda in this country and Europe last year about the overcharging and the exorbitant prices in Oberammergau. When we were in Italy we read repeated warnings in the Paris editions of the American papers not to go to Oberammergau, that we were literally robbing the people. We think now we know the purpose of this and who were back of this false propaganda. We arrived in the village at 4 o'clock on the evening of May 24. There are no hotels and the visitors are accommodated in the homes of the people. Great crowds were coming from all directions as they always did the evening before the 60 performances that were given last year.

The tabernacle will seat over 4,000 people and every seat taken and some stood. It is said that 300,000 people of whom 50,000 were Americans, visited the play last year. We had a good place to stay as every one

did, for the people though poor are the cleanest people I have ever seen. We had a comfortable room, a good bed and most excellent meals.

Total Cost.
 We were there for five meals, two nights lodging and had the very best served seats in the tabernacle. The seats are included as a part of the home entertainment. For all of this when we left on Friday morning, May 26, we paid 500 marks which was less than \$2 of our money.

They did not increase the price during the whole season although on account of the cheapness of the mark in the latter part of the season the price was ridiculously low. When we consider the play lasted continuously every minute from 8 to 6 except a two hours intermission at noon and the price of admission to the best seats was about 35 cents when we were there in May, it is easily seen there was no overcharging. In August the price, because of the fall in value of the mark, was 4 cents. Still they did not increase the charge.

There were more than 750 people in the performance at one time. It is said if they had been compelled to buy their costumes this year all the money that was taken in during the whole season would have paid for the material used in them.

I was told a moving picture corporation offered them \$1,000,000 if they would be allowed to make a film of the play but this was refused. I read since returning to this country that on account of their deep poverty and fearing lest the temptation might be too great to withstand, as soon as the last performance was given, the men shaved off their hair and had their hair cut so it would be impossible to give another performance.

Whether this is true or not, I am sure from the facts stated above no one can truthfully say there was any holdup about it or that it is a mere money making institution. It is a purely religious performance. It would be far different if it were by professional and unsympathetic actors.

To those who attend this demonstration with a pure motive, it is the greatest day of one's life, and can never be effaced from the memory.

Way Clear for U. S. to Carry Sugar Case to High Court
 New York, May 12.—An agreement eliminating a long drawn-out attempt by the government to obtain an injunction by the federal court restraining the New York coffee and sugar exchange and its clearing associations from dealing in futures was reached today between counsel for the government and the defendants.

David L'Esperance, special assistant to Attorney General Daugherty, announced that it had been agreed to treat the affidavits and pleadings on the temporary injunction petition, rejected by the circuit court, as though they had been taken in the final hearing of the case.

As a result, he said, the circuit court had dismissed the government's petition for a permanent injunction and the way was now clear for the government to appeal the case at once to the United States supreme court.

Police Hospital Unable to Care for Wounded Man
 When Police Commissioner Dan Butler learned Saturday that Walter Lawrence, who more than a week ago shot and killed Sebastiano Manganello, proprietor of a soft drink parlor, was lying in Lord Lister hospital, his head swathed in bandages, and accumulating a hospital bill, he ordered him taken to the police emergency hospital.

Detectives Killian and Davis made the transfer. Lawrence complained of the cold air on his head.

When he arrived at the police emergency hospital, it was discovered the institution had no facilities to care for him.

Commissioner Butler ordered him returned to Lord Lister.

Dancing Duce Coming for Blue Grass Frolic
 Wayne Howorth, who will appear with Adelaide Kellstrom in the "Blue Grass Frolic," to be staged here May 28 for the benefit of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, at the Peony park, is a professional singer, having toured the Graham circuit for many years.

Another member of the cast, Roy Francis, formerly with the Neil O'Brien minstrels, and became famous as the "Dancing Duce."

In addition, the cast will include Kavvi Gau, the Keno Four, Don Moore and Heryl Burton.

Free State to Return All Debts by Britain as Wanted
 Dublin, May 12.—Kevin O'Higgins, Irish free state secretary of home affairs, stated at the press today that he would deliver to the British Art O'Brien and all other persons deported from England to Ireland when they were demanded. The agreement under which the prisoners were obtained from England included a compliance with successful habeas corpus motions. A writ of habeas corpus was obtained for O'Brien.

Auto Traffic Cases to Be Heard at Court Opening
 After a conference Saturday morning with Dennis O'Brien, city prosecutor, and Police Commissioner Butler, Municipal Judge Baldwin Saturday decided to try persons charged with violation of traffic rules at the opening of the court hereafter.

Creighton Glee Club to Give Concert



The Glee club of Creighton university will give its annual concert Tuesday night at the Brands theater. The singers in the club are as follows:
 Top row, left to right: J. J. Foley, E. A. Kildebe, P. Brutsche, W. E. Christman, F. H. Heaton, J. B. Otte, J. H. Schinstock, J. T. Gannon.
 Second row, left to right: C. L. Stone, C. A. Rain, F. Beaumont, H. M. Every, L. E. Chastki, Henry G. Cox (director), W. B. McTaggart, P. H. Burke.
 Third row, left to right: P. J. Kehoe, A. J. Rettenmaier, D. Cavanaugh, L. J. O'Neill, F. R. Bryne, G. H. Hammill, L. H. Brown, G. J. O'Donnell.
 Bottom row, left to right: G. Richmond, W. J. Beacon, F. J. Condon, P. Fitzgibbons, C. L. Kline, C. Moran, B. Brown, R. Brit.

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List of Bulletins.
 Q. How can I secure a list of the Farmers' Bulletins which are available for free distribution by the government?
 A. Write to the Division of Publication, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., and ask for a "List of Farmers' Bulletins available for free distribution."

Ford's Religion.
 Q. What is Henry Ford's religion?
 A. Mr. Ford has a special religious connection, although he declares he believes in God. Ford is building a Methodist church in memory of his mother and his father was a worshiper of the Episcopal church at Dearborn.

Highest Balloon Altitude.
 Q. What is the highest altitude a balloon has ever ascended?
 A. Men have ascended seven miles in the air with a balloon, but there was considerable suffering due to the thinness of the air. A balloon without men has been sent up as high as 22 miles.

Biblical Question.
 Q. Where in the Bible is a parable of a hedgehog?
 A. In Luke 6, verse 48.

Cornmeal Puff.
 Q. Could you give me a recipe for cornmeal puffs?
 A. The following recipe was furnished.

Stop Rheumatism before it attacks your heart!

Miss B. Aiken Tells How Cuticura Healed Eczema

"When I was about fourteen years of age my face, arms and scalp broke out with eczema. It started with little pimples and blisters which spread rapidly. I could not stand any clothing on my arms, and my face was disfigured. My scalp itched and burned so that I could not sleep, and my hair became dry and lifeless and fell out in handfuls."

"I read an advertisement for Cuticura Soap and ointment and sent for a sample. It helped me to purchase more, and after using three cakes of Soap and three boxes of Ointment I was healed." (Signed) Miss Burniss Aiken, Lyndon, Kansas.

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positively no longer any excuse for suffering the agonies of rheumatism! Especially in the autumn of your life when the vital organs weaken, impurities multiply and linger in the muscles and joints, as never before. It is now, just now, when you cannot afford to guess. No day returns! And whatever you take, it must also protect and aid your stomach.

Here is a joyous fact which can mean to you a fond farewell forever to all the miseries, the tortures, the body-twisting pains that you have suffered from the demon of rheumatism. It is a fact that rheumatism means "blood-poverty."

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New Girls' Home in Operation

Institution at Lincoln Cares for Members of Families Suffering Bereavement.

New interdenominational home for girls was opened 30 days ago on East Holdrege street, Lincoln, Neb., and is now in operation. In charge of J. A. Murray, superintendent.

Already three girls are being cared for. The object of the home, according to its founder, is particularly to aid families in moderate circumstances, with several children, during times of bereavement until the family can reorganize.

Officers of the institution include Dr. Charles H. Arnold of Lincoln, president; A. W. Lowell, University Place, vice president; Rev. C. A. Norlin, Unadilla, Neb., secretary; M. B. Myers, University Place, treasurer.

Mrs. George H. Brehm is matron. Postoffice address is Box 527, Lincoln.

The home was purchased last October. It has 12 rooms and between one and two acres of ground.

Equitable Trust Company Reports \$235,000 Sales

The real estate department of the Equitable Trust company, of which Theodore W. Metcalf is manager, reports sales for the past 90 days totaling more than \$235,000. Some of the sales are in building contracts, but the company reports a good demand for ready-built homes in the last 30 days. Last week an average of one sale a day was made, with a total of \$57,800. The week before last the total sales amounted to \$43,250.

The following sales were made since February 15: 2849 Whitmore avenue, \$7,000; 3202 East street, \$25,000; 4511 North Fortlieth street, \$3,350; 4615 Wakely street, \$4,600; 5747 Rees street, \$7,000; 3336 Baywood, \$3,500.

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S. S. S. is one of the most powerful blood cleansers in existence. Its results in thousands of rheumatic cases have been nothing short of amazing! It contains absolutely pure vegetable medicinal ingredients. What can be more inspiring, more wonderful than to see the shackles of pain released from your straggling body, swellings, lingering pain, stiffness of joints and muscles, all disappear, your stomach made strong, your face pink with the old sweetheart glow, your blood enriched and your cheeks more plump, as they used to be! You can do it. Use S. S. S., the great destroyer of rheumatic impurities. It is sold at all drug stores, in two sizes. The larger size is more economical.

Action on Biggs' Parole Deferred by State Board

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.
 Lincoln, May 12.—The state board of pardons and paroles deferred action on the application of Manford Biggs, hero of an attempted Douglas county jail break, for a parole and refused to act on the second application for a parole filed by Herbert Barge, former Hoskins banker.

Two foreigners, Felipe Lopez, convicted of assault to rape, and Juan Corral, murder, were paroled for parole.

Douglas county prisoners paroled are: Roy Woodward, forgery; Mike Trakomovitch, stabbing to wound; Harry Miller, forgery, and Earl Kline, grand larceny.

Wool Growers Holding Clip.

Washington, May 12.—Wool growers in western states are reported by the Department of Agriculture to be holding their clips for higher prices, although some states report 75 to 90 per cent of their clip sold or under contract at prices ranging from 35 to 55 cents a pound.

Sales have been made of approximately 50 per cent of the Arizona clip, 75 per cent of the Oregon, 66 per cent of the Washington and 55 per cent of the Wyoming wools. Sales in other range wool producing states are reported at 30 per cent or less of the estimated clips.

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Cured Her Rheumatism

Knowing from terrible experience the suffering caused by rheumatism, Mrs. J. E. Hurst, who lives at 508 E. Olive St., C 585, Bloomington, Ill., is so thankful at having cured herself that she is so grateful she is anxious to tell all other sufferers just how to get rid of their torture by a simple way at home.

Mrs. Hurst has nothing to sell. Merely cut out this notice, mail it to her with your own name and address, and she will send you the name of the medicine entirely free. Write her at once before you forget.

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"I have received wonderful improvement from Adierka (intestinal antiseptic). I can sleep ALL NIGHT now, something I could not do for years." (Signed) Cora E. Nohlet, Necedah, Wisconsin. An effective remedy for gas and sour, decaying food in the system, which should be brought out.

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was poisoning you. In slight disorders, such as occasional constipation, sour stomach, gas on the stomach and sick headache, one spoonful Adierka ALWAYS brings relief. In more serious conditions, however, it is necessary in case of obstinate constipation and long standing stomach trouble, preferably under direction of your physician.

Reports From Physicians.
 "I congratulate you on the good effect I had from Adierka since I prescribed it." (Signed) Dr. L. Langlois.

"I have found nothing in my 18 years' practice to equal Adierka." (Signed) Dr. James Weaver.

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Her Dream Realized -

EVERY young woman like Mrs. Houk before her marriage dreams dreams and has visions of her ideal home with her husband, and healthy, happy children to make her joy complete.

But as time goes on her dreams are not realized, she has no children, her life is embittered and it is hard for her to be reconciled to the conditions as they exist.

To every young woman who is in this condition the following letter should bring hope and encouragement, as we know of numberless homes that have been blessed with children, just as this home was, after all hope had been abandoned.

Here Follows Mrs. Houk's Personal Letter:
 "I was of a nervous disposition and always had a tired, worn-out feeling. I would get sharp pains in my side when working too hard or when walking too much and sometimes I would have those awful dragged down feelings. I have had such troubles since I was a very young girl and had got very little result from all the medicine I had taken, and now that I would never have children unless I had an operation. I had heard a great deal about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound so I thought I would try it. By the time I had finished the fourth bottle I noticed a change in my health. We took a trip to California at this time and I kept on with the medicine. My health continued to improve and I now have a big, healthy baby boy six months old. I am not doing my own housework as I want to get out and strong first as it means a lot to my baby for me to be well while he is nursing. I have spoken highly of the Vegetable Compound to my friends, and I am more than willing for you to use those facts as a testimonial."—Mrs. JACK HOUK, 1315 Tennessee St., Lawrence, Kansas.

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