

Divinity of Christ Subject of Sermon in Omaha Church

Rev. J. W. Savage of People's Church Declares Question Is Very Profound One.

"Does it make any difference if Christ is divine or not?" asked Rev. J. W. Savage in his morning sermon at People's church, 515 North Eighteenth street, Sunday. And then he proceeded to tell why Jesus was a God, not a man.

"Many of our most cultured ministers now are engaged in an interesting controversy," said Rev. Savage. "The battle between modernists and fundamentalists is likely to split the Episcopal church from top to bottom in membership and money."

Rev. Savage based the proof of Christ's divinity upon three principal factors. "The Bible says He was divine," declared the pastor. "It is mentioned in the books of the prophets in the Old Testament, and in the New Testament. He is described in the Book of Revelation, 1:14.

"Secondly, the work Christ had to do required a God. None but a God could have created the work of creation, that of redemption, or perform the coming judgment." He characterized Christ as the son and representative of God, carrying out and executing His wishes.

"Thirdly, the great men of the church who stand above the others like snow-capped mountains, support the divinity of Christ," continued Rev. Savage. He named the names of Ignatius, Polycarp, Justin Martyr, Syrian of Carthage, John Huss of Bohemia, and Jerome of Prague. "Most of them suffered martyrdom for their beliefs," he said.

Pastor Frozen on Xmas Mission

Priest Victim of Cold Trying to Carry Presents to Alaskan Orphanage.

Nome, Alaska, Dec. 24.—An Eskimo mushed 75 miles in two days to tell Nome today that the Rev. S. J. Ruppert, pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church in this city, had risked his life to the cold while trying to take oranges, apples and Christmas greeting cards to the Hot Springs orphanage, near the Pilgrim river, north of here.

Over Father Ruppert's body, when it was found eight days ago on the bank of the river, four miles from the orphanage, stood Mink, the leader of his dog team. Mink ferociously repelled those who came to carry his dead master to the orphanage, and had to be captured first.

Search for Father Ruppert had been started when one dog appeared at Iron Creek, 15 miles from Hot Springs, soon after another arrived at the orphanage. Father Ruppert, who won the love of the north by the way he worked for others, without thought of himself in an influenza epidemic that wasted the Eskimos and took many whites in this district several years ago, was buried Wednesday at the orphanage.

Carrying his Christmas cheer for 50 persons, including sisters and brothers of the orphans at the institutions, Father Ruppert was continuing his journey alone from Duffy O'Connor roadhouse, which is on the route to Hot Springs from Nome. It is believed that reindeer frightened his team and caused his dogs to scatter.

Indications on the trail were that Father Ruppert had followed the road to the orphanage for two miles after his dogs broke apart, and that, growing over-weary, he left the stormy trail six miles from the orphanage and went into the brush on the Pilgrim river. A temperature of 50 degrees below zero was prevailing in that region. Father Ruppert seemed to have lain down to rest. He had taken off his park, or fur hood, folded it neatly and clasped it between his body and one of his arms.

After Church Truce, War. New York, Dec. 24.—Indications were today that after the "Christmas truce" in the Protestant Episcopal church the controversy between modernists and conservatives would rage with renewed vigor.

Bishop William T. Manning's request for the "truce" was generally observed yesterday, but reference to the controversy was made in copies, circulated yesterday, of the sermon delivered by the Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks at St. Bartholomew's church yesterday and by the Rev. Dr. William Norman Guthrie, pastor of St. Mark-in-the-Bowdoin, in discussing the Bible.

\$17,000,000 on Strike. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—The International Typographical union has spent \$17,000,000 in benefits in furtherance of its strike for the 44th week, it was announced today by William J. Gibbons, president of the local branch, who added that the 1,200 St. Louis members contributed \$2,500,000. He said that the strike, which began in May of 1921, virtually was won.

Hotch Cleanses. Camden, N. J., Dec. 24.—Hooh cleanser, is the discovery of John Shiner, janitor at police headquarters, who finds that moonshine taken by police will remove acid stains after ammonia, carbolic acid, and patent cleaning fluids failed. Sister today proposed that the hooch be bottled and sold as a new patent cleanser.

Two Hurt in Train Wreck. Waco, Tex., Dec. 23.—Houston and Texas Central passenger train struck a broken rail while going about 30 miles an hour, the engine and nine coaches rolling down a 15-foot embankment. Two persons were injured, neither seriously.

200 Lives Feared Lost. London, Dec. 24.—It is feared that 200 lives have been lost in the wrecking of many fishing boats in the Mediterranean sea, said a dispatch from Madrid to the Daily Telegraph today.

England Turns to Winter Sports



England has turned to winter sports and most of the younger set are vigorously pursuing all the traditional pastimes of the English country estates. Photo shows a merry tobogganing party at Buxton, the English sports center.

Beginning With Smooth Dime, Rome Miller Retires on Income

Forty-seven years ago last month Rome Miller arrived in Sioux City from St. Louis, with one thin dime in his pocket. He had been a newsboy in St. Louis and had dreamed of the west.

Last week he leased to E. C. Eppley the Hotel Rome property for 30 years and sold the furniture and fixtures. He also leased the Fontenelle to Mr. Eppley for 30 years. As soon as he can arrange his other business affairs here, he will journey to his home in Hollywood, there to enjoy the fruits of half a century of perseverance.

Mr. Miller was 68 on December 5, and he avers that he has not even thought of beginning to be old. Hard work, he asserted, never made anyone old. He advises every young man to have a clear conscience and to save money, which combination he insists will win, nine times out of 10.

Works on Farm. Soon after he arrived at Sioux City he went to work on a farm. His first real promotion was to the position of butter and egg buyer for a concern in Vermillion, S. D. He went to Fremont in 1882 and established a grocery store and restaurant for himself. During the next year he operated a railroad eating house under his own management. He went to Norfolk, Neb., where he succeeded in directing the operation of seven railroad eating houses along the North-

Dr. Cutter Back From Europe

Nebraska U Medical Dean Says Taxes High in England.

Dr. Irving S. Cutter, dean of the University of Nebraska college of medicine, returned Saturday from a two months' stay in Europe. He left Omaha late in October for London to attend the international conference on medical education.

Dean Cutter addressed a meeting of physicians and surgeons from various points in Europe and America, telling them of the Nebraska University hospital and its work.

"While in England you are grateful that you live in America," said

Dr. Cutter. "Taxation there is heavy and poverty in the crowded quarters of the cities is distressing. In some ways the medical schools and hospitals in England and Scotland are ahead of those in America and in other ways we are ahead of them in medical instruction, so it is difficult to say which nation leads."

Dr. Cutter came directly from France to Omaha in order to spend Christmas with Mrs. Cutter and their son Richard. While in London, he visited Dr. and Mrs. Leroy Crummer, who returned to Omaha several weeks ago.

Fox Asks New Trial

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 24.—Motion for a new trial for Phillip E. Fox, former Ku Klux Klan editor and publicity chief, convicted on a charge of murder for the slaying of W. S. Coburn, Klan attorney, and sentenced to life imprisonment, was filed by his counsel in superior court today.



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7 Autoists Die in Two Crashes

Danville, Ill., Dec. 24.—Three persons were killed and one was probably fatally injured last night when an automobile car struck an automobile about six miles south of here.

Margaret Payton, Madge Spencer and Robert Henry were killed. Harold Hatfield was taken to a hospital, believed to be in a dying condition.

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 24.—A family of four persons was wiped out as the result of an automobile accident at Hartsville, near here. Those killed are Michael Somolov, 35; Josephine, his wife, 25; Theresa, a daughter, 4, and Albert, 6, a son.

The Somolovs were driving to Oak Glenn, Ill., to visit Mrs. Somolov's brother for Christmas when the accident occurred. Somolov, according to witnesses, drove the machine on the tracks directly in the path of an approaching Pennsylvania passenger train.

Avalanches in Switzerland. Paris, Dec. 24.—Avalanches were reported today from many points in Switzerland and in French territory bordering on Switzerland, and in the Pyrenees. Three snowslides occurring within a few hours of each other did considerable damage around the hotel at Leysin, Switzerland. Several of the open-air clinics for lung patients were damaged, and some of the Sisters of Mercy were injured. Several chalets were carried off.

An avalanche near Chamberg buried a man. The garage of the military hospital was damaged.

The snow which covered the Paris district has disappeared.

Damages for Trees Asked. Damages amounting to \$13,530 are asked by Oliver Ames, Charles F. Adams and Charles E. Perkins of the East Omaha Land trust in a suit against Woods Brothers, alleging that Woods Brothers cut 1,706 trees from their land on the banks of the Missouri river, that the trees protected the banks from the inroads of the river and that they were worth \$5 a tree. The trees were cut in June of 1922, according to the petition.

Gold and Black Diamonds. New York, Dec. 24.—Dr. Oliver C. Farrington, curator of geology of the Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, returned yesterday from the wilds of Bahia, Brazil. He brought back an almost complete skeleton of a megatherium a prehistoric sloth. Dr. Farrington also brought back specimens of gold and black diamonds.

Just Frost at Chicago. Chicago, Dec. 24.—Dense fog and a hard frost, so heavy as to lay a sprinkling of silver over Chicago's roofs, were the city's nearest approach to snow for Christmas today. Snow flurries, mixed with rain, were predicted for the holiday itself.

Hotel at Kobe Burned. Tokyo, Dec. 24.—The Oriental hotel at Kobe was partly destroyed by fire. All of the occupants are believed to have escaped. Many of them fled to safety in their sleeping garments.

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