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SUNDAY SCORES VARIOUS ISMS IN VERBAL HOT FIRE

Christian Science Declared to Be Ninety-One Parts Humbug in Morning Address of Evangelist.

PEOPLE DAFFY OVER UPLIFT Need of Present Time is Revival of Doctrines of Salvation and Hell.

TAKES RAP AT SCHOOL BOARD "Billy" Sunday started his Sunday morning audience of 5,000 persons three times. This is what he said and did:

Predicted the near approach of the end of the world, saying, "If I read the signs of the times aright, and I know I do, we're living in the end of the big toe of the existence of the world."

Interrupted his prayer which began, "Well, Lord," with the exclamation, "Whew—gosh, I'm getting tired; seized a water pitcher and drank from it and finished the prayer holding the vessel in one hand and a sweat-soaked handkerchief in the other.

Remarked in a discussion of Christian Science: "If old Mother Eddy crawls out of her grave before the resurrection, I'll eat a polecat for breakfast and wash it down with whisky."

The prediction of the end of the world was interpolated in a discussion of present-day evils. "I will preach to you some time about it and show you," he said.

It was a hot time. It was fearfully hot in the tabernacle, perspiration drops fell in tiny showers from "Billy" Sunday's face when he leaned from the rostrum toward the audience. His clothes were soaked with moisture, although he put but little acrobatic exercise into the sermon.

It was only at the close of the sermon after he had mounted a chair, and had begun his prayer that he gave any indication that he felt the heat.

Sunday assailed vigorously ministers and church folk who are willing to compromise on differences in beliefs and attacked churches which, he said, denied the divinity of Christ.

Attacks Christian Science. He aimed a severe verbal assault against Christian Science, which, he said, was made up of three parts mental suggestion, three parts Hinduism, three parts of religion and ninety-one parts pure humbug.

Sunday's opinion of social reforms which, his critics have said, he has failed to give proper consideration in his work of saving souls, was expressed as follows: "Some of us are going daffy over welfare work and uplift schemes which are all right, but are all wrong when they try to be a substitute for salvation. The pressing need of the times is a revival of the doctrines of repentance, salvation, heaven, hell and a personal devil."

Who Are Heathens? "A man that doesn't believe in God in Omaha is a bigger heathen than a black man in Malaya," declared Sunday. "So you old heathen, listen to me," he continued, addressing whosoever might take the title to himself.

A remark which was interpreted as a criticism of the Omaha school board, by many who recollect the opposition of a majority of the members to work by the evangelist in local schools, was made in connection with a discussion of immigration.

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Gives Birth to a Child Soon After Leaving Tabernacle

Mrs. B. V. Landon, Glenwood, Ia., was removed from the tabernacle at 11:30 Sunday morning to Lord Lister hospital and gave birth to a baby boy that died a few hours later.

Mrs. Landon came to Omaha on an early train with her husband, intending to return after hearing the morning service. She is 22 years of age and has two children at home.

When Mrs. Landon grew faint in the tabernacle she was taken to the hospital department and attended by Dr. J. H. Vance, who realized her serious condition and suggested removal to a place where she could have competent care. Her baby was born an hour after she was taken from the tabernacle.

The Weather

Table with weather data for Omaha, including temperatures at various times, precipitation, and comparative local records.

"BILLY" GRABS THE WATER PITCHER—It was hot in the tabernacle yesterday and the speaker just "ran with sweat." In the midst of his prayer he stopped to take a cooling drink out of the pitcher.



SIN SCARS MAN LIKE LEPROSY

"Billy" Sunday Describes How Evil Scars Souls of Those Who Yield Lives to It.

OMAHANS FINE, TELLS GOD

No meetings in Omaha. It is the weekly rest day of Mr. Sunday and the party. He and Mrs. Sunday and Homer Redheffer and G. A. Brews will go to Lincoln in the morning, where the evangelist will preach twice.

Completing the first week of his Omaha campaign, "Billy" Sunday was at his very best Saturday. He "called a spade a spade," he took off his coat, when his shirt was sweated through and his collar had given up in despair and wilted down to his shirt band. He gave the expectant audience all the slang it could possibly want and he related one of the finest Bible incidents in decidedly modern language.

This was the fine old story of Naman, who went down from Damascus to Jerusalem to be cured of his leprosy. "Billy" told it like this:

"When Naman came to King Joram and showed him the letter, the king ripped it open. Then he began pacing the floor very excited and he said:

"They're trying to put one over on us. Don't fall for it, boys. This is a military ruse." Then he sent him to Elisha, who lived in the suburbs of the city."

Acts Part of Elisha. "Billy" acted out his conception of the bowing servant coming into Elisha's hut and telling him his master's mission.

Then he took a chair to his pulpit and sat on the chair back with his feet on the seat to represent Elisha sitting on a high stool "writing with a reed pen on papyrus." Elisha, according to the "Billy" interpretation, stroked his whiskers and spat before answering the servant. Then he said, "What's the matter with you? What do you want to let a little thing like that get your goat for?"

What answer the servant made, "Billy" said not, but the servant went out and told Naman "Elisha is home, but he's a queer duck."

Here "Billy" injected some sarcasm on Christian Science, which amused him as much as it did the audience. He rolled with laughter as he pointed out that Elisha didn't tell Naman that he didn't have leprosy and didn't offer to give him absent treatment.

New Deal for Naman. Next he depicted Naman at the Jordan, where the prophet had commanded him to wash seven times. "Naman wasn't used to this thing," said "Billy." "At his home up in Damascus he had a porcelain bath tub and soap and Ivory and Cuticura and one of those crooked-handled dipper-ranuncians that you scratch your back with."

U. S. WILL ACCEPT CARRANZA TERMS

American Allies Will Meet According to Wishes of Constitutionalist Chief.

HIS RECOGNITION MAY FOLLOW

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—General Carranza's counter proposal to the Pan-American diplomats for a conference with him over international phases of the Mexican problem probably will be approved, according to opinions expressed here tonight by officials in touch with the administration.

Although Carranza refused to yield to the appeal of Secretary Lansing and representatives of Latin-American republics that he join his adversaries in a peace conference, it was pointed out here that military conditions in Mexico had undergone marked changes in the last few weeks and in some quarters it was contended that Carranza's claim for recognition was entitled to investigation.

Since the Pan-American appeal was issued Carranza's armies have pressed pacification of territory in central and northern Mexico, while some reports to the State department have declared that Villa's forces are disintegrating. From authoritative sources advice has reached Washington that it would be difficult to conduct a convention to select a provisional government in Mexico without the participation of Carranza and his military commanders, who claim now to control nearly all Mexican territory.

Secretary Lansing would not indicate today how the Pan-American conferees would act on Carranza's proposal. It was understood that would be determined at a meeting next week. It has been learned that some of the Latin-American diplomats are inclined to give Carranza a hearing.

PAWNEE COUNTY FAIR POSTPONED FOR MONTH

TABLE ROCK, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Announcement has just been made by the management of the Pawnee county fair that it has been postponed from September 15-16-17, until October 12-13-14. The change was necessitated by the fact that twenty-two Nebraska counties are holding their fairs next week, which made it impossible to secure entries for the races and other amusement features.

At a special election held in DuBois for the purpose of voting bonds for the construction of an electric lighting system the proposition carried by a vote of 14 to 11. It is said a transmission line is to be from the Pawnee City plant, and work will begin as soon as the bonds can be disposed of.

Fred Hayek of Table Rock and Miss Gladys Johnson of Pawnee City were married at the court house in Pawnee City Wednesday afternoon, County Judge McNair officiating.

LOOKS OVER REGAL AGENCY FOR OMAHA AND VICINITY

J. H. Reeve, assistant manager of the Regal Motor Car company of Detroit, Mich., in charge of eastern territory, has spent the last week in this territory taking care of the state fair exhibit and completing the details of the arrangement with Phil McSiane for the handling of Regals in this territory.

CONSIDER PLAN TO TAKE SUBSEA CASE TO HAGUE

Issue with Germany Becomes Less Acute During Day as Proposal to Arbitrate is Discussed.

TWO FACTIONS IN WASHINGTON One Set of Officials Opposes Move as Surrender to Kaiser, While Other Favors It.

FEEL MUCH MORE OPTIMISTIC WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The issue with Germany has become less acute during the last twenty-four hours through consideration of the proposal to take the dispute in the questions of fact in the Arabic case to the Hague.

One set of officials believes to do so would amount to arbitrating the principles for which the United States has been contending and would open the way to practically unlimited submarine operations, with disputed questions of fact and arbitration in each case.

Another set of officials believes that without taking in the principles involved, The Hague might properly be allowed to decide, not whether the submarine commander thought he was justified in sinking the Arabic because he believed it was about to ram him, but whether the liner actually was attempting to resist or escape, and if so, whether that justified the commander's action in international law.

Lansing Is Silent.

Both sets of views are being urged on President Wilson, who will decide what shall be done. Secretary Lansing refused today to indicate his view. The course to be pursued may not be determined for a day or two. Generally the indications in official quarters were more favorable.

Despite the fact that all officials considered the German explanation unsatisfactory and disappointing, there appeared to be more of a prospect for finding some ground on which the two countries could meet.

Another note reported to have been delivered to Ambassador Gerard by the Berlin foreign office last night failed to arrive today. Secretary Lansing said he would not officially acknowledge or intimate that another communication was coming or what it contained.

At other sources it was reported that the note is Germany's explanation of the unsuccessful attempt to destroy the Cunard liner Orduna on July 3, when a submarine sent a torpedo within ten yards of the ship's stern, then unsuccessfully shelled it until it was out of range. The Orduna was on its way to the United States and had twenty-two Americans on board when attacked.

Not an Issue. In the Orduna case there is a conflict of statements, whether the ship had warning or was trying to escape. It is not an issue between the United States and Germany, and is not likely to become one.

The German note is in response to inquiries made by Ambassador Gerard at the direction of the State department. It is not regarded as having any bearing on the present situation unless it contains some declaration of principle not to the contrary.

The view of the closest observers here is that in the Arabic case the danger of a break grows less as the hours pass without action.

In the case of Dr. Dumba, Captain Frank von Papen, the German military attaché, and Alexander Nuber von Perlek, Austrian consul general in New York, there was no change. The United States still is waiting for Austria's reply to the request to withdraw Dr. Dumba. Whether the other men are sufficiently involved in Dr. Dumba's offense to make their remaining in the United States impossible will be decided later.

Dumb—Promises Statement.

LENOX, Mass., Sept. 12.—Dr. Constantin T. Dumba, ambassador of Austria-Hungary, whose recall has been requested by President Wilson, arrived here today from New York, accompanied by his secretary, Prince Alfred Zu Hohenlohe. Dr. Dumba told newspaper men that he would give out a statement in two or three days.

After luncheon with Mrs. Dumba at the ambassador's summer home, Dr. Dumba and Prince Zu Hohenlohe drove to the embassy at Lenox village, where they were met by Baron Erich Zwielinck, counsel of the embassy, and Stephen Henry de Hedri, one of the secretaries. Later the ambassador returned to his residence.

All Russian Army Lacks Officers Guns, Ammunition

BERLIN, Sept. 12.—(By Wire) to Tuckerton, N. J.—Travelers who have just returned from a trip to Russia, contribute to the Neue Zeitung of Zurich articles concerning their impressions of the conditions under which the Russian army is fighting. These articles are summarized as follows by the Overseas News agency: "Russia has enough soldiers in the field and sufficient food supplies, but has no arms, officers or ammunition. The army units vary. Some of them are equipped excellently and make a good impression. Others are just to the contrary. The men appear unwilling to serve, and enthusiasm is seldom noticeable. The soldiers are interested only in the prospects of peace. "The lack of officers is particularly noticeable. "The scarcity of ammunition is still more marked. Only three small munition factories have been operating since the largest Russian plant was destroyed by an explosion. "Economic conditions are very bad. Large stores of grain are decaying in warehouses while the people go hungry. The famine in coal is simply a calamity."

Sunday Preaches on the Evangelistic Church and Knocks Fads and Isms

In his sermon yesterday morning "Billy" Sunday handled the new thought people and those who have deviated from the evangelistic church without kid gloves and called a spade a spade. Mr. Sunday's text was II Timothy, 11, 15: "Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." He said: "We seem to be living in a new era. A great political, moral, social, economical era. Whether we have been separated or combined in our advancement I am not going to discuss in detail, but I think it behooves the church of God workmen not to forget that we are facing the powers of darkness and opposition as never before in the history of Christ."

There never has been a time when the people were more self-satisfied, self-complacent, self-centered than they are today. Some imagine God Almighty will condone what evil they do. The average man as soon as he gets a bank account, puffs up like a poisoned pup and thinks he can do anything he likes if he goes to church on Sunday and sings hymns and puts collection in the plate. I tell you the man's a fool who thinks he can square himself by appearing good on Sunday and cheat his neighbor the rest of the week. Why, all the good you can do can't counterbalance one bit of evil you do.

Some people think that a man who lives a fairly good life, goes to church is true to his marriage vows, will stand just as good a show of going to Heaven as the man who has been on the firing line and has been bullet meat and has worked and fought against the stoical indifference of the people of today. "And then there's a whole lot of nonsense being passed around these days. They say that a man should think good thoughts, read good books and be with good people if he will go to heaven. They convey the impression nowadays that no man will ultimately go to hell. I tell you that all the good books, and good thoughts in the world, taken alone, will not send you to heaven, but to hell. Say, God knows his business."

Don't be a fool and try to tell him how to run his business. Assault New Thought People. We have been getting away from spiritual things. The spiritual seems so unreal. We want gold we can touch. And these new thought people have transformed the devil into an angel of light with their lems and schisms and me without all made to fool the elect. And the devil likes it. It doesn't always suit his purpose to be painted black. It hurts him. The devil's a pretty smooth guy. He knows his business.

I think one of the biggest curses that ever came to America was the congress of religions, held in Chicago during the World's Fair. There were these Christian men sitting in with motto like Hindu, followers of Zoroaster, Shintolam, Parases, Confucius—they had their pagodas and joss houses and temples, and there were sun worshipers in Chicago, who built a high wall around a little joint—they built the house with glass and went in there to worship so that the sun would eliminate sin.

Cannot Improve on God. Any man that thinks he can improve on God is a fool, as big a fool as the man who thinks he can make honey better than the bees. And we have all these lems. There is the crowd that tries to drive the devil out by some sort of a hypodermic needle. And then there is Biavatskyism, which holds that life is a dreamlike, cosmic progress. And they're all trying to keep men and women away from Jesus Christ. And I tell you it is my business to fight anything that is against Jesus Christ, and I'll do it in the light of anybody this side of hell.

Now this Biavatskyism tries to find in everything on earth the reincarnate form of an earlier existence. They see you on the streets of Omaha and they say it is somebody else who lived long ago and in another form called you. They tell you not to shy a shoe at the tomcat causing the night on the back fence, for that tomcat is the daughter of your neighbor who used to take music lessons. We got Eddyism; they label it Christ.

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MAGNATES SWING AXE ON O'NEILL

Club Owners Demand that Prexie Tip Resign and Turn Funds Over to Hanlon.

NEW BOARD OF FIVE SELECTED

Six club owners of the Western league meeting at the Fontonelle hotel yesterday afternoon decided to demand the resignation of Norris L. O'Neill, present president of the Western league, and written notice of this demand which orders O'Neill to turn over all money, records and the like of the league to Ed Hanlon, vice president, will be served immediately. The magnates who attended the Omaha meeting were Ed Hanlon of Sioux City, Pa. Rourke of Omaha, Jimmy McGill of Denver, John Savage of Topeka, Hugh Jones of Lincoln and Buck Ebricht of Wichita.

The club owners announced that the demand for O'Neill's resignation was due to his lack of interest in Western league affairs. It was asserted that O'Neill was requested to call a meeting this month so that the club owners could assemble and tentatively consider what might be done in the way of planning for 1916 so that that season would not be a failure. This O'Neill refused to do, declare the magnates, on the grounds that a meeting should not be called until after the National association meets. This refusal to obey the wishes of the owners prompted the demand for his resignation, say the magnates.

New Board of Governors. A new board of governors was also chosen. On the new board are Hanlon, Rourke, McGill, Savage and Jones. Hereafter the board of directors has consisted of but three owners. The present board is Rourke, Frank Isbell of Des Moines and Jack Holland of St. Joseph. Isbell and Holland were not re-elected because of their opposition to the meeting suggested by a petition. The petition was signed by the six owners who met here yesterday. Holland and Isbell refused to sign it. Then last Thursday the call went out for the meeting by order of Hanlon, as vice president; Rourke, as director, and Savage as a club owner. Holland and Isbell did not attend, so they were frozen off the board.

Tom Chivington, president of the American association, was suggested as a possible man to succeed O'Neill. No other man was considered.

The club owners believe that a proposition could be made Chivington which he would consider more favorable than his present job. Also Chivington is at present encountering several difficulties as executive of the association, and it is thought he would welcome a chance to become president of the Western.

Auxiliary of the Letter Carriers Endorses Suffrage

Mrs. Mary Carrivick, acting president of the City Central Suffrage organization, addressed the Ladies' Auxiliary of the National Association of Letter Carriers at the Hotel Fontonelle Friday evening and secured the endorsement of woman suffrage by the convention. The resolutions committee was made up of the president, Mrs. Caroline H. Stein of Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Anna Callahan of Pittsburgh, Mrs. Minnie Scoggins of Oakland, Cal., and Mrs. Elizabeth Johnston of Columbus, O.

Mrs. E. M. Fairfield, president of the local suffrage organization, is expected some Monday from the east, where she has spent the summer in conference with eastern suffragists.

VIENNA ADMITS FORCES HURLED BACK BY SLAVS

Austrian Official Report Tells of Armies Withdrawing in Galicia Before Superior Enemy Troops.

SKIDEL TAKEN BY GERMANS

Western Front Scene of Much Activity, Presaging Beginning of Important Fighting.

2,500,000 TEUTONS IN EAST

VIENNA, Sept. 12.—(Via London.)—Austrian forces that have been engaged with the Russians along the Sereth river, south of Tarnopol, in eastern Galicia, have been withdrawn to the heights east of the Stripa river "before superior enemy forces." It is stated in the official announcement of the Austrian war office today.

Western Armies Active.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—The western front, with continuous artillery engagements, occasional infantry attacks and the probability that important events now pending, will soon begin, attracts almost as much attention as the eastern battle fields, where the Russians and Austro-Germans are contending for the mastery of railway lines, the possession of which will make the victors more secure when the time comes to go into winter quarters.

Russ Offensive Strong.

For some time yet, however, the east is likely to be the scene of the more sensational actions. The Russians are putting forth a strong offensive on either wing and are making an equally stubborn defensive in the center, where Austro-Germans, although gaining ground daily and coming closer to the Vilna-Rovno railway, are meeting with increasing opposition.

Fighting in Streets.

Each village street and road is proving the scene of a sanguinary engagement. For example, Skidel, a town immediately east of Grodno, which last has been captured by the Germans, was the center of a battle lasting several days with alternating success. The Germans attacked the town again and again, missing heavy artillery for the purpose, and, according to the Berlin official statement, did not succeed in overcoming the Russians until last night. Throughout the great marsh district from this point southeastward to Rovno, similar contests are taking place. The Austro-Germans are trying by every means in their power to force their way through to the Vilna-Rovno railway before the heavy rains set in, and put an end to the fighting for the time being.

In the narrow strip of Galicia between the Sereth river and the Besarabian front, the Russians have been strongly reinforced and are apparently well supplied with guns and ammunition. They report their third victory here over the Austro-German forces, bringing their total of prisoners captured during the week up to 22,000, without mentioning the loss of men and guns.

Austrians Admit Setback.

The Austrians admit that they have suffered a setback in this region, in the statement that they withdrew their front on the Sereth to the heights east of the Stripa river "before superior enemy forces."

On the northern end of the line, southeast of Riga, the Russians also are on the aggressive, with the result that the Germans have made no further progress against the river since the east of the line.

Nebraska Hard Hit In Call for Teachers

KEARNEY, Neb., Sept. 12.—President Dan Morris of the State Normal board expressed deep regret today when interviewed relative to the possibility of increase in salary of State Normal faculty members, that the board could not meet the salaries offered in other states in order to retain instructors who were needed from the Nebraska schools.

"Nebraska has built for itself an enviable reputation for schools and the Peru, Chadron and Kearney schools have developed an efficiency which placed them among the best in the country," said Mr. Morris.

"The schools have been benefited by extensive legislative appropriations for buildings and equipment and they are of the most modern in every respect. But the one greatest essential, that of the selection of instructors of proven ability, has suffered because of the lack of meeting salaries offered in other states. After Nebraska has developed her faculty members many are called to other states where they 'make good' at a great increase in salary. The result is that Nebraska is hit in the most vital spot in the seat of learning."

"The fact has been pointed out on various occasions, but now with the loss of Professors Neale, Benson and Richardson, three of the most capable instructors in the Kearney school, all of whom have been called to other states, the fact is felt more keenly than ever."

VILLA CHIEFTAIN FLEES OWN TROOPS FOR THE U. S.

DEL RIO, Tex., Sept. 11.—General Silva, in command of the Villa garrison at Las Vaca, across the river from here, fled from his own men last night and today was interned.

Tuesday night 300 of Silva's men deserted, leaving his command reduced to 600. Yesterday Colonel Carlos Filla is said to have mutilated and declared for Carranza. Silva's court martial is said to have sentenced Filla to death, but the majority of the troops supported Filla and Silva became a refugee. Filla is now in command at Las Vaca.

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