

service was a grand success, and we hope shall bear fruit to His glory. We do not know the exact number but there were over one hundred at this service and the Sunday School attendance was swelled to ninety-one which was a grand attendance for Crystal. We hope that as a result our Sunday School attendance shall be increased in the future, and that there shall be a greater spirit of cooperation both in the Sunday School and the regular church services.

At Belvidere in the afternoon Mrs. John Prescott gave a very profitable reading on the words of Jesus, "Behold thy Mother." We covet the prayers of God's people.

Yours in His service,

HELEN A. P. MULLEN

THE BRING ONE MOVEMENT

Some of us have hoped for a great mass movement, or perhaps a revival, in India and in North America, in which tens of thousands might be swept into the Kingdom of God. But Jesus had time to spend an evening with one man, teaching him the way of life, and make a disciple of him.

Some of us have wished that we might have opportunities with many people, and these persons of quality whom we should be able in a big way to make followers for the Lord. But Jesus sat upon a well and uttered some of the most sublime sayings of all His ministry to one woman, and she an outcast and unpromising. But He made a believer of her.

After all, did not Jesus over and over again call men one by one? Why do we fail to follow Him in this?—Sel.

AN INFIDEL'S SERMON

Never shall I forget the remark of a learned legal friend who was at one time somewhat skeptical in his views. Said he:

"Did I believe as you do, that the masses of our race are perishing in sin, I could have no rest. I would fly to tell them of salvation. I would labor day and night. I would speak it with all the pathos I could summon. I would warn and expostulate and entreat my fellow men to turn unto Christ and receive salvation at His hands. I am astonished at the manner in which the majority of you ministers tell your message. Why do you not act as if you believed your own words? You have not the earnestness in preaching that we lawyers have in pleading. If we were as tame as you are, we would never carry a single suit."

Years have passed away since that remark was made. I bless God that it was addressed to me. It put a fire into my bones which I hope will burn as long as I live. God preached a stirring sermon to me that day by the mouth of that infidel lawyer.—Peter Stryker, in the Gospel Banner.

ANTICIPATION

One has said, "Let me, so far as possible, judge myself today as God will judge me finally." That is good. How dreadful it is to go along excusing our misdoings and especially our neglects, satisfying ourselves and perhaps our friends with the "reasons" we give, only to awaken shortly to the fact that our defences before God are but as ice before torrid sun!

You know what His requirements will be of you at the last. Why fool yourself into perdition? Why not meet your responsibilities now?—Free Methodist.

SOCIAL SINS

The pageant of twentieth-century civilization . . . has profound disillusionment, for moral progress has not kept pace with the advances. In scene after scene of this pageant perils and defects occur:

Politics without principle.

Diplomacy without honor.

Promises without fulfillment.

Nationalism without love.

Wealth without work.

Pleasure without conscience.

Knowledge without character.

Industry without homes.

Marriage without sanctity.

Science without humanity.

Worship without sacrifice.

Sundays without worship.

Religion without God.

Christianity without the Cross.

As we look at this pageant we cry, "Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord," and He will and does. For each of these perils and defects there are men and women humbly and honestly trying to counteract and repair . . .

In their hope there is no disillusionment. God is the reality, the God and Father of all; He alone can satisfy; He is fully revealed in Jesus Christ.—The Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem.

REPEAL HAS FAILED

The City of Dayton, Ohio, has 729 restaurants and beer gardens. 227 of which sell 3.2 beer and are allowed to remain open Sundays and holidays. 500 sell beer and hard liquor. The average income from each one is \$700.00 per week, a total of \$350,000 per week. Eight liquor stores in the city have a total income per week of \$48,000. The total spent for beer and hard liquor in the city per week is \$389,000. The city has 440 independent groceries and 121 chain stores, 570 in all. The average receipts for each grocery are \$500.00 per week, or a total for all of \$285,000. This gives \$113,000 more per week spent for beer and liquor than for groceries.

Including all the subdivisions, the city has a population of 300,000. This gives \$1.32 per person spent for beer and liquor each week.

The Independent Merchants Assoc.

The Liquor Investigation Committee.

The Dayton Chamber of Commerce.

—The Searchlight

RECORD OF CRIME

The magazine "This Week" is quoted as stating that America's current annual crime bill is fifteen billion dollars. Stated simply, that amounts to \$120.00 a year, or \$10.00 a month, for every man, woman and child in the United States. Every year our prison population increases by 25,000 inmates. Felonies now number 5,000 a day, or more than 1,500,000 annually. The federal government records 5,000,000 persons in its criminal files, and estimates that 500,000 professional criminals are at large. According to one authority, 135,000 murderers are at large, or more than all the policemen in the land.—Selected.

Trus taste is forever growing, learning, reading, worshipping, laying its hand upon its mouth because it is astonished, casting its shoes from its feet because it finds all ground holy.—Ruskin.

"CALLED OUT BY THE LORD, AND CAST OUT BY THE WORLD"

He called me out, the Man with garments dyed.

I knew His voice—my Lord, the Crucified. He showed Himself, and oh, I could not stay; I had to follow Him, had to obey.

It cast me out—this world, when once it found

That I within my rebel heart had crowned The Man it had rejected, spurned and slain; Whom God in wondrous power had raised to reign.

And so we are "without the camp"—my Lord and I.

But oh, His presence sweeter is than any earthly tie,

Which once I counted greater than His claim: I'm "out" not only from the world, but 't' His name."

—HyP., in The Witness

THE BILL

In 1936 the brewers and distillers spent \$16,000,000 for newspaper advertising, \$4,000,000 for radio publicity, and enough for billboards, signs, etc., to bring the total up to \$25,000,000. The consumption of distilled liquors increased from 38,000,000 gallons in the first year after repeal of prohibition, 1934, to 75,000,000 gallons in 1935, and to 100,000,000 gallons in 1936; and to the perfectly appalling total of 449,000,000 gallons of distilled liquor produced in 1936 as contrasted with 181,000,000 gallons produced in 1914.

The cost of this liquor bill to consumers is conservatively estimated at \$3,500,000,000. Other estimates place the cost as high as \$5,000,000,000.—The Searchlight.

HE IS MY NEIGHBOR

"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." This is indeed a high standard. First it is negative. There will be no slander of him—not even backbiting. There will be no stealing from him—or any unjust advantage-taking. There will be no discounting of his property in order that we may sell our own.

But there is the positive side, too. We will do the good, ministering to his temporal welfare, comforting him in trouble, bringing to him the knowledge of his need of salvation and the good news of the salvation provided.

And "who is my neighbor?" Anyone, near or far, who is in need of what I have and could bring to him. He is my neighbor.—Free Methodist.

THE PIETISTS ARE ACCUSED

Richard Rothe accused a certain religious sect of his day in these words. "You Pietists have set before yourselves no work of world-wide importance to accomplish for Christ! Does it not startle you to hear it?"

Well, this accusation could be made against others. It is great to be very much concerned for personal piety (too few care about this), but it is bad to forget a wide world and its need.

You have been saved, you have been cleansed. Very well. That is good. It is fundamental. But all this has come to you, not that this blessedness should die with you, but that it might happen to many others. You are to pass on the good news. And you are to cooperate with others in works of importance to the Kingdom.—Free Methodist.