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## EDITORIAL.

The conference on Disarmament at Washington, is one of the most important gatherings that has ever met in this country, from several points of view. No other Conference in this or any other country has ever been held where so many of the nations of the earth have been represented. No other Conference was ever held where there were so many men of world wide experience and reputation as this one; and no other conference was ever held for a more worthy object. What will be done at this meeting for the peace and safety of the world is not yet known, but may we not expect that at least it is the beginning of great things for the nations of the earth.

The "wise men" of the past have busied themselves in preparing both defensive and offensive munitions of war until they have well nigh brought the world into a state of bankruptcy.

During the past month the student bodies of most of our colleges have taken action in favor of disarmament, and the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, has made a strong appeal to the 150,000 churches in America to use their strongest influence for the cause and bring the weight of their influence to bear upon the delegates to the conference to so act that soon a substantial reduction in armament may be made, and a long step be taken toward universal peace.

The prophets Isaiah and Micah, both had visions of that time that seems to be near, when the nations shall not learn war any more.

The influence of the churches is essential to the success of this movement, for they represent Christ Jesus, the Prince of Peace whose dominion is destined to extend from "Sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth." The very nature of this kingdom is such, that all weapons of destruction of flesh and blood, and property and peace and happiness must be destroyed.

The burden that war has placed upon the people in dollars and cents in recent years should cause us to stop and think seriously. Cost of the Great War. Direct cost not counting interest, \$186,000,000,000. All costs, direct and indirect, including loss of shipping, damaged property, loss of production etc. \$355,291,719,815. Cost of all wars between 1793-1910 \$23,000,000,000. Cost of world war 1914-1918 \$186,000,000,000.

How long can the world bear such an increase of burdens? After all have the nations not been slaves to militarism?

The process of disarmament will be no doubt slow, but it is coming. It must come by and by. Let the power of the churches assert itself now at this critical time and help save the world from further destruction and final ruin.

Lloyd George has the following to say of the Conference;

"This conference comes none too soon. So far, the war has not had the effect which every sane man anticipated from it in arresting the growth of armaments."

"Man is the most unteachable of all animals, if you inflict punishment upon any other animal he quickly learns the lesson. But, take the late war; it was the most terribly destructive in the history of the world. For that devastation competition in arms is largely responsible. That lesson was scourged deep into the flesh of the world, and yet no sooner are we out of it than the nations spend their substance in devising and amassing fresh engines for war; fresh subjects spring up everywhere to justify war. You might imagine that the one purpose and glory of national organization was human slaughter.

"Armaments today are thrice as expensive in men and material as they were before the great war; at the present rate they will soon be a hundred times as destructive and terrible. In peace the burden was crushing; in war the effect will be too terrible to contemplate.

Disarmament is the only road to safety for the human race. Suspicions, fears, misunderstandings, even quarrels, are as inevitable among nations as among individuals, and, if a deadly weapon is ready at hand, one day they will strike. The American conference has the future of civilization in its charge; therefore I earnestly pray for its success."

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#### A TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA

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On the first of November the annual meeting of the Philadelphia Presbytery was held and the editor of the Advocate attended the meeting. It was a pleasure to meet the old acquaintances again especially those of the Seventh Church, where we spent two and a half years as pastor. We called on as many as time would permit, and spent Wednesday evening with them at their mid-week prayer meeting. Rev. Mr. Montgomery of the Synod has been preaching for them and was present and led the prayer meeting that night.

The people are down cast because they have lost their pastor, but we hope they will soon get another one to carry on the work among them.

The meeting of Presbytery was at the Third Church, Front and Ontario Sts., Rev. Thos. Whyte, pastor. The officers elected for the coming year are: Moderator Rev. R. W. Chesnut of Duaneburgh, N. Y.; Clerk, Rev. Thos. Whyte, and Treasurer, Rev. John Parks of Philadelphia.

Two days were spent in the city and then we returned home again, having enjoyed the trip there and return, as well as the meeting of Presbytery.

The churches there are already making preparations for the meeting of General Synod in the Fifth Church next May.

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#### LETTER FROM KENTUCKY

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Houston, Ky., Nov. 4, 1921.

Dear friends,

I am glad to have the privilege to write to you again from our mission here in Kentucky.

Mr. Duncan and I arrived at Oakdale, on Saturday the 15th of October, and the last stage of our wedding trip was made in a wagon over this rough Kentucky highway. We enjoyed our four hour ride, and although we did almost slip off the seat several times.

It was a beautiful moonlight night, and it seemed to us especially so, as we came over the hill by the river.

Miss Cunningham, Miss Creswell, and one of our girls were waiting to welcome us home.

The next morning we attended Sabbath School and meeting, and everyone who spoke to me told me that they were glad to see me again.

And I, too, was glad to be among these friends of ours once more, and I hope that I may be able to help serve them in some way.

Several of our neighbors have been helping Mr. Duncan on the school building, and the work has been progressing very rapidly. We hope we can teach in it next week. I have been teaching my boys and girls here in the living room of the dormitory. They are a lively bunch but very interesting, so that I enjoy my work very much.

The people are gathering in their corn and preparing for the winter.

Officials of Louisville and Nashville railway have been surveying for a road over on Four Mile, just over the hill from here. It would certainly be a help to this section of the country, should they decide that this way was better than another proposed way, for, our nearest railway station is at Oakdale, eleven miles from Houston.

There are large deposits of coal in these hills, and it would mean much to the people if they had an easier way of transportation.

Next Tuesday is, as you know, election day, and is usually very exciting here in Breathitt county. So many of the officers are afraid to prosecute the moonshiners; consequently there are many stills on this and the adjoining creeks. We hope that the voters of this county, as they go to the polls on the 8th of November, will stand for what is right, and put in those men

who may help to make our state dry as it should be under the Eighteenth Amendment.

We have received the clothing sent by the Missionary Society of Cedarville, and also a few articles of clothing from a member of our church at Cutler. All these are very much appreciated by the people.

We are all looking forward to a pleasant winter's work here, and we ask that you may remember us each one in your prayers.

Sincerely,

Edna S. Duncan

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"WISDOM IS BETTER THAN WEAPONS OF WAR." Eccl. 9:18.

Samuel M. Ramsey

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This would be a good motto for the Disarmament Conference. This is what God says. The nations have not been ready to accept this truth. Many of them have been led, through this experience in late war, to believe there is some truth in these words. If the nations which meet in this Conference are truly wise, they will succeed in devising some plan for disarmament, and for assuring the peace of the world. But this quotation does not refer to human wisdom. We have had a great deal of this, and what has it brought forth? Wise men have given their counsel, and much of it has been followed. We had political wisdom, Congressional wisdom, Senatorial wisdom, the wisdom of Cabinets and Presidents, and what has been the result of it all? This wisdom has produced great armies, numbering millions of men. It has produced great navies, composed of dreadnaughts and battleships, with their 16 inch guns, sending shot and shells with amazing force and to amazing distances. Also destroyers, and submarines, and airplanes, to drop great death dealing booms on defenseless cities. Also Gibraltars, and land fortifications which are impregnable. The nations have been so busy piling up these means of warfare and defense, that their people are groaning under the taxation necessary to secure and maintain these "weapons of war." And all this has not secured peace. It has rather been the means of

bringing on one of the most terrible wars the world has ever seen. And now it is dawning on the minds of these wise men, that there may be a better way of securing peace, viz that of disarmament, rather than greater armies and navies, better than battleships and submarines, than airplanes and torpedoes, than forts and 16 inch guns. This wisdom does not mean human wisdom which has been tried and found wanting, but divine wisdom "the wisdom that cometh down from above," the wisdom whose beginning is "the fear of the Lord." This wisdom includes the Bible, it includes the Golden Rule. Now if the members of this conference can only set aside their own wisdom, and seek wisdom from above and endeavor to apply the teaching of the sermon on the Mount, they will no doubt arrive at the conclusion that "wisdom is better than weapons of war." How much better it would have been for the world, if nations had only received and acted on this divine teaching, thousands of years ago? How many wars would have been averted, how much agony and misery would have been prevented! The reign of the Prince of Peace, will be one of wisdom. Then might will give way to love, jealousy and hatred, to good will, greed and selfishness, to helpfulness. Then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written.

"All ends of the earth remember shall  
 And turn the Lord unto.  
 All kindreds of the nations,  
 To him shall homage do.  
 Because the kingdom to the Lord  
 Doth appertain as his,  
 Likewise among the nations all  
 The Governor he is."

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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR THE CHURCHES.

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January 1—7, 1922.

TO THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA.—

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we again invite you

to unite in the fellowships of prayer and intercession during the first week (January 1st to 7th) of 1922.

A world situation of great complexity still must be faced.

A new world is being born. East and West the nations of the earth are in turmoil and trouble. There is deep social unrest, severe economic difficulties and widespread distress.

Nation has risen against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there have been famines and earthquakes in divers places.

At such a time we need to come very humbly to our Lord with the petition that He will "teach us how to pray," We cannot be content with words and forms; we need the right spirit and the gift of power. It has been sorrowfully said, not by an enemy, but by a friend. "The Church has not yet discovered, still less begun to realize, the limitless possibilities of intercession." Can we pray as Elijah did on Carmel, or the Lord in the garden? Can we pray so that Heaven is opened, the Holy Ghost descends, and the voice of God is heard? Let us not be content until we have discovered the secret of prevailing prayer.

During the past year there has been world wide enquiry amongst the disciples of Christ as to the possibility of closer outward and visible unity. We have found that many practical difficulties beset the path of those who are most anxious to find the right way, but prayer will be answered.

Meanwhile we rejoice that we can unite whole heartedly in bowing at the Throne of Grace. We remember that special promises are given with respect to united prayer. We live busy lives, but careful husbandry of our time will give us full opportunity not only for secret waiting on God, but for coming together with one heart and one mind to make our requests known to Him. On all such assemblies in the Name of Christ, whether large or small, in whatever land, may the power of the Holy Spirit be richly poured forth.

We are,

Yours in the fellowship of Christ.

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES  
OF CHRIST IN AMERICA.



## The Week of Prayer

### Suggested Topics for United Prayer.

Sabbath, January 1st, to Saturday, January 7th, 1922

#### Sabbath, January 1st, 1922.

##### TOPICS AND TEXTS SUGGESTED FOR SERMONS OR ADDRESSES

1. From whom to learn. "Lord teach us to pray." Luke 9:1
2. Co-operation. "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven." Matt. 18:19
3. Faith. "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." Mark 9:24
4. Conditions of success. "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." John 15:7
5. Persistence. "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint." Luke 18:1 (Read Luke 9:5-13; Matt 15:21-28).
6. Intercession. "All prayer and supplication for all the saints." Eph. 4:18 "I exhort that intercessions be made for all men; for kings and all that are in authority." I Tim. 2:1-2

#### Monday, January 2nd, 1922

##### THANKSGIVING AND CONFESSION

THANKSGIVING-- For the possibilities of prayer.

For all who are serving Christ in all lands.

For the opening of the world to the Gospel.

For the desire of unity of the Churches.

For signs of spiritual awakenment and revival at home and abroad.

CONFESSION-- Of the unworthiness which mars the lives of Christ's disciples, and the inadequacy of their service.

Of acquiescence in spiritual weakness and defeat.

Of conformity to the world, and love of money, or pleasure, or ease.

Of unbrotherliness amongst men and nations.

SCRIPTURE READING-- Psa. 140; Isa. 64; Mat 24:2-14; Col. 1:9-23

**Tuesday, January 3rd, 1922**

## THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL

**THANKSGIVING--** For the abiding witness, in spite of much frailty, of the redeemed Church

For all whom, in our own day, the Lord is adding to the Church.

For the noble army of martyrs.

**PRAYER-** That our corporate sins may be forgiven.

That all, who profess and call themselves christians may have a transforming experience of God in Christ.

That all preachers of the Gospel may be endued with power from on high.

That the Bible may be given its rightful place as the authoritative and all sufficient voice and Word of God.

That to the Church there may be given a clear message to the age, with the spirit of power and love in making it known.

That the influence of the Church in all matters social and political may be for the glory of Christ.

That clearer light on the path toward fuller unity may be granted.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS-** Isa. 55 Col, 1, 14-23, Acts 2: 37-47; Heb. 9:32 12:3.

**Wednesday, January 4th, 1922**

## NATIONS AND THEIR LEADERS

**PENITENCE-**For all arrogance, covetousness, injustice, or falsehood, in international affairs. For all failure of Christian nations to realize the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

**PRAYER-** For the time when there shall be war no more, and for the coming of the Kingdom and reign of Christ in all the affairs of men.

That God will strengthen and guide all movements toward the fellowship of Nations.

That America may lead the way for world disarmament.

For nations where new conditions have arisen, particularly the new nations of Europe, India and China, and the Near and

Friday, January 6th, 1922.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND THE CHRISTIAN HOME

PRAYER- For universities, colleges and schools, that all learning may be subservient to the Will of God and be dedicated to His service.

For all families, that they may be homes of pure love.

For the increase of the practice of daily family worship.

That the sacredness of marriage may be upheld.

For young men and women facing the call of the new age, and all agencies seeking their moral and spiritual welfare.

For all Sabbath School teachers they may seek the early conversion of the young.

SCRIPTURE READINGS—Ruth 1:1-3, 14-17; Mal. 3. Mat. 19.

Saturday, January 7th, 1922.

HOME MISSIONS

PRAYER- For all home missions, and for more workers who in the power of the Holy Ghost can teach of Jesus Christ, the Mighty one to save.

For increased realization of the duty of personal evangelism.

For those seeking the suppression of national vices and the laying aside of besetting sins.

For the uplifting of the fallen and the conversion of the heedless.

For the maintenance of the Lord's Day as a day of rest and worship.

For the carrying of the spirit of Christ in every phase of our social life.

SCRIPTURE READINGS—Ps. 2 Isa. 61 Luke 14:12-24 Rom. 9:33-36

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“O teach me, Lord, that I may teach  
The precious things Thou dost impart;  
And wing my words that they may reach  
The hidden depths of many a heart.”

Middle East that they may be delivered from all racial hatreds and class pride.

That the hearts of the nations that have been to war may be cleansed from the passion of revenge.

That famine stricken lands may again be blessed with plenty.

That in the economic reconstruction of society the law of Christ may be fulfilled.

For all employers and employees, and all labor movements and democracies of our day, that they may own Christ as Lord.

That the press of the world may be used to establish truth and justice.

SCRIPTURE READINGS- Psa. 24; Jonah 3.; Acts 17:22-31  
Rev. 21:1-7.

**Thursday, January 5th, 1922.**

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS

THANKSGIVING-For mass movements in India and West Africa and for all who have turned to God in Christ.

For the gifts of Christian people, and for the dedication of young life to missionary service.

PRAYER-For all missionary boards of administration that they may combine courage with wisdom.

For missionaries, that both by their life and doctrine they may let their light shine before men: that they may be preserved from danger, and may be helped to understand the spirit of the people amongst whom they labor.

For all educational, medical, and industrial missions, that in all things Christ may have the pre-eminence.

For the Moslem world, and for all who have not yet come in to the Light of Jesus Christ.

For all Bible Societies and their agents.

For increase of understanding of, and of spiritual sympathy with, the missionary movements in all Churches.

For more offers of service, and for more indigenous preachers full of the Holy Ghost and of faith.

SCRIPTURE READING-Jer. 10:1-16; Isa. 35; Luke 4: 16-30  
Acts 16:9-15

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 RESIGNATION.
 

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THERE is no flock, however watched and tended,  
 But one dead lamb is there!  
 There is no fireside howsoe'er defended,  
 But has one vacant chair!

The air is full of farewells to the dying;  
 And mournings for the dead;  
 The heart of Rachel, for her children crying,  
 Will not be comforted!

Let us be patient! These severe afflictions  
 Not from the ground arise,  
 But oftentimes celestial benedictions  
 Assume this dark disguise,

We see but dimly through the mists and vapors;  
 Amid these earthly damps  
 What seem to us but sad, funeral tapers  
 May be heaven's distant lamps.

There is no death ! What seems so is transition;  
This life of mortal breath  
Is but a suburb of the life elysian,  
Whose portal we call Death.

She is not dead--the child of our affection--  
But gone unto that school  
Where she no longer needs our poor protection,  
And Christ himself doth rule.

In that great cloister's stillness and seclusion,  
By guardian angels led,  
Safe from temptation, safe from sin's pollution,  
She lives, whom we call dead,

Day after day we think what she is doing  
In those bright realms of air;  
Year after year, her tender steps pursuing,  
Behold her grown more fair.

Thus do we walk with her, and keep unbroken  
The bond which nature gives,  
Thinking that our remembrance, though unspoken,  
May reach her where she lives,

Not as a child shall we again behold her;  
For when with raptures wild  
In our embraces we again enfold her,  
She will not be a child;

But a fair maiden, in her Father's mansion,  
Clothed with celestial grace;  
And beautiful with all the soul's expansion  
Shall we behold her face.

And though at times impetuous with emotion  
And anguish long suppressed,  
The swelling heart heaves moaning like the ocean,  
That cannot be at rest---

We will be patient, and assuage the feeling  
We may not wholly stay;  
By silence sanctifying, not concealing,  
The grief that must have way.

Henry W. Longfellow.

Special attention is called to the fact that many of the Subscriptions expire with this month. We hope that there will be prompt renewals.

Those who are already in arrears will receive an Expiration notice during this month.

Thanking you for your support during the past year, we will try to furnish you the Advocate for another year.

Yours Sincerely, The Editor.

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#### CEDARVILLE COLLEGE NOTES.

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The work in the College so far has been the best in its history. The largest attendance of students that the College has ever had is to be reported. In Athletics, Coach Blackburn, has organized classes in gymnasium work and has trained a splendid football team which won in its recent game 2-0 over our near rival, Antioch. The team takes a trip to Defiance College next week. There will be at least three Basket-ball teams, and they will begin practice soon after Thanksgiving: the first game scheduled is with Cincinnati University, December 14th. About fifteen other games for the boys' teams and twelve games for the girls' teams are scheduled between the 1st of December and the first of March. A manager for baseball has been elected, and the team will be organized in the near future.

The total of the Endowment and Building Fund is now \$144,664.50. The following persons have contributed the amount opposite their names since our last report to the Advocate:-

Andrews, Elbert R. Jamestown O.	25	Collins, W, R. Jamestown O.	125.
Anderson, Horace Xenia O.	5.	Cummings, W. A. Cedar'lle O.	10.
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Donaldson, Mrs. A. R. Detroit Mich.	5.	Cedarville, O.	50.
Darlington L M S Dar'ton Pa.	40.	Lee, Mrs. Alice "	5
Duncan, Mattie E, "	10.	McKay, Welden N.	
Elder, J. S, & Son "	100.	New Burlington O.	25.
Eavey Grocery Co, Xenia O.	500.	Morton, Grace Xenia O.	25.
Eldredge, C. W. Columbus O.	10.	Marshall, Jeasie Carl "	100.
Findley, Kate O. Pittsburgh Pa.	10.	McDorman, Lester Cedar'le O.	25.
Finney, Carl Cedarville O	15.	Nuttall, Josh. Detroit Mich'	5.
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Fairview, W M S Smith Ferry, Pa.	50.	Parker, Mrs. E. Dayton, O.	5.
Griffith, Walter Xenia O,	5.	Rife, Mar'et B. Phila. Pa.	50.
Glass, G, W, Cedarville O,	125.	Ramsey, Martha Los Angeles Cal.	15.
Graham, G. I. Xenia O.	25.	Shane, Stella Cedarville O.	5.
Galloway & Cherry "	50.	Shaw, Walter R. Brooklyn N. Y.	100.
Hutchinson; Dr. C. Dayton O.	25.	Spencer, Phoebe Plain City O.	5.
Anonymous Xenia O.	10.	Smith Lulu Ravenna O.	75.
Harper G. A. Winnetka Ill.	100.	Siehl, C. W. Cincinnati O.	50.
Hubbell F. C. Dayton O.	250.	Friend, Xenia O.	400.
Hutchison, J. F. Xenia O.	10.	Savage, Rev. A. New Galilee Pa.	1000.
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Hillsboro, Ill	153.	Cedarville O.	4000.
Hickok, Mr. Sidney O.	100.	Turner, D. B. "	15.
Imbrie, W. J. New Galilee, Pa.	1000.	Warren, Wm. Detroit Mich.	2.
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A splendid Thanksgiving service for the College was held by the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Associations on Wednesday preceding Thanksgiving Day. The Orange and Blue Club has been having special programs of great interest and profit. Miss Flory, the new professor in Science, has been adding equipment to the Science Department and bringing that department up considerably since she took charge. Miss Brand of the English Department, is training a group of students to give a play in the Cedarville Opera House December 13th, the proceeds of which will go for contingent expenses of the College. The day of prayer for Colleges will be observed Friday February 17th, the Rev. Dr. Barrett, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Bellefontain will preach sermons on that occasion.

The College will close for the holiday recess December 15th at 12 noon, and resume work on Wednesday January 4 at 8 A.M.

With best wishes to all our friends for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am,

Yours sincerely, W. R. McChesney.



CHURCH NOTES FROM KANSAS

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Earl A. Henry and J. McKinley Chesnut, were among those who attended the Legion meeting in Kansas City recently.

Rev. L. A. Benson, recently attended the meeting of the Western Presbytery in Coulterville, Ill. and reports the licensure of Mr. R. W. Stewart, of our Seminary to preach the gospel.

The communion was dispensed in the church of which Rev. Benson is pastor, Nov. 6.

The W. M. S. held a box social, Nov. 18.

Note- This congregation lives and thrives because it has a faithful and efficient pastor whose time is taken up in ministering to the needs of his people, instead of being ministered unto. Ed.

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SIXTY SIXTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Golden wedding anniversaries are rare in this world and it is fitting that such, at event should be celebrated. To Mr. and Mrs. John Henry of Clay Center, has been given the opportunity not only to enjoy a half century of happy years together but Sabbath Oct. 30 marked their sixty sixth wedding anniversary. Saturday this event was celebrated at their home, 539 Clark St., Clay Center

They were married in Ulster, Ireland, Oct. 30, 1855. They landed in New York in 1858 and after a few months settled on a farm at Cedarville, O. They moved a few years later to Eden, Ill., and finally to Clay County, Kans., in 1869. They raised a family of seven sons and four daughters, who have grown to manhood and womanhood and have taken their places in the service of life. Three sons and four daughters are here at home. Four sons are away; one, Rev. Albert Barnes Henry, in Phila Pa., pastor of one of the largest Presbyterian churches in that city. The other three are in the west. The youngest daughter, Miss Susie Anne Henry is employed in Topeka, but was at home for the memorable occasion.

In addition to the members of the Henry family Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Benson were invited and letters and telegrams brought the greetings and words of loving appreciation from members of the family too far away to be present.

A splendid dinner was served, and the bride and groom were able to enjoy it with the rest. Neither of the two seemed to be nervous. The entire affair was managed with skill and everyone seemed happy to have the privilege of helping to celebrate a sixty sixth anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry are known and highly appreciated all over this community. They are both charter members of the Republican City church and Mr. Henry was one of the first to be elected to the session, an office which he still

holds. Few persons have a record for fidelity to a precious cause which transcend the record of these lives. May they long be spared to us.

The same peace and cheerfulness that has marked all the years of their lives radiates from their home and a kindly greeting is always extended to their legion of friends.

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### OBITUARY

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Died- On Friday, September 30, 1921, Miss Martha Vaughan, of New Galilee Pa., in the 74th year of her age. Her death was caused by a fall, which broke the right femor bone and after suffering for a period of ten weeks and two days, she passed home to her Father's house in heaven.

Miss Vaughan was the last member of the family of Mr. and Mrs. John Vaughan, of Darlington township, Beaver county, Pa., who many years ago preceded her to the rest which remains for the people of God. Martha was a beautiful Christian woman. Her pleasure was to honor her Saviour constantly, and to do good to others, in which service she had special delight. She was a true friend, a lover of peace, of hospitality and of good works. Miss Vaughan was a faithful member of the R. P. Church, Darlington, Pa. In all that pertained to the welfare of the congregatioa she was deeply and constantly interested. She was an honorary member of the Woman's Missionary society and aided in carrying on that important work. In the welfare of the children she was constantly interested. The children all loved her. She always had a good and kind word for them wherever she met or sojourned with them, and taught them the good and right way. Her many relatives will miss her very much, as they all enjoyed her company and counsel. **But most of all she is missed by her cousin, Mrs. Mary. Harrison with whom she made her home for some years. We commend Mrs. Harrison for her constant kindness to Miss Vaughan.**

On the day of the funeral a large number of relatives, friends and neighbors attended the services, which were held in the White R. P. church. The funeral services were in charge of her pastor, assisted by Rev. Rose, of the U. P. church. After the close of the services, her remains were placed in the grave in the White R. P. church cemetery, beside her parents, where she will rest until the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised up in glory, and mortality shall be swallowed up of life. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.

We commend her relatives and friends, and she had many, for consolation to the covenant care of our precious Saviour, who has said: I will pray the Father and he shall give you another comforter that he may abide with you forever even the spirit of truth, whom the world can not receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knowth Him; but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you.

A FRIEND.

## O B I T U A R Y

Mr. Joseph Neely, died on Oct 2nd 1921, after being confined for a long time, at his home 1511 Palmer St., Philadelphia. He lived to a good old age. He became a member of the Fifth Reformed Presbyterian Church October 13th 1882, and was ordained an Elder March 8th 1885. For many years he was active in every department of the church, a faithful teacher in the Sabbath School, he was a mighty man in prayer, and took a great delight in visiting among the members of the church, especially where there was sickness, he was faithful in attendance at the meetings of Presbytery, and on several occasions was a delegate to General Synod.

The Psalms had a very dear place in his heart, a great many he had memorized, and when he came to a sick bed and eyesight was failing what a treasure these were to him, and gave him great comfort.

He is survived by his wife and one son. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, they rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

Presbytery, also the Session and the Congregation extends their sympathy to the bereaved.

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TOPICS

Bible reading quotations from C. E. Manuel by R. P. Anderson.

December 4, 1921

Topic: "Thy will be dony; VI With my plans." Matc. 6:7-15. Consecration meeting

## BIBLE READINGS

1. A godless plan Gen. 11:1-9.
2. Plans that fail Jer. 32
3. Plan with God Jas. 4:13-17.
4. Seeking God's will. 2 Sam. 7:10.
5. Paul's purpose delayed Rom. 1:8-13.
6. God's plan for us. Eph. 2:10

## COMMENT

Man proposes, God disposes is a true saying. The apostle James says, "Ye ought to pray, if the Lord will, we shall live, and do this or that." Yet we must lay our plans, but subject to the will of God. Our aims should be high. Aim to do God's will, at any cost. He has a life plan for each of us. We should seek to know what this plan is.

## PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. Do we seek God's guidance in planning for life?
2. How may we know God's plan for us?
3. Have we consecrated our lives to God regardless of worldly consideration?

December 11, 1921

Topic: "Points in the pledge we are likely to neglect." Luke 9:54-62.

**BIBLE READINGS**

1. Neglect of trust. Matt 13:22-33
2. Our covenant with God. Jer. 31:31-34
3. To imitate Jesus. John 10:22-30
4. To read the bible. Jas. 1:21.
5. To pray daily. Dan.6:1-11
6. To do our part. I Cor 16:10-18

**COMMENT**

The C. E. pledge is not a hard one to keep, but of all the pledges we have ever known, it seems to be the most flagrantly broken. There is neglect to trust, to strive to do our part, to read the bible daily, to be at the regular meetings, to take part in them as we have promised, and all this without any apparent concern. Why is it thus?

**PERTINENT QUESTIONS**

1. Do we really value the pledge?
2. Do we believe that it is wrong to break the pledge?
3. How are we going to answer to God in the judgment day?

December 18, 1921

Topic: "Conscience; Teaching it; quickening it, obeying it. Prov. 20:27 Acts 4:13-20.

**BIBLE READINGS**

1. Exercising conscience. Heb. 5:12-14
2. Teaching by parable. 2 Sam. 12:1-10.
3. A living conscience. Gen. 42:21
4. A guilty conscience. John 8:7-9.
5. The heart's imperative. Acts 5:29
6. Supreme obedience. Dan 3:1-18

**COMMENT**

Conscience is not always wise. It is often so very ignorant that it is not a trusty guide. However it is that light of Knowledge that is usually ahead of our practice. We are strong when we obey the inner impulse enlightened by the Word of God. Abraham had to learn that it was wrong to offer human sacrifices. This truth was taught to his descendants. The heathen with an ignorant conscience sacrifice human beings.

**PERTINENT QUESTIONS**

1. To what extent should we obey conscience?
2. How may we know that our consciences are enlightened?
3. What is the value of a clear conscience?

December 25, 1921

Topic: "Following the star; what do men find? Matt. 1-12, Christmas meeting.

#### BIBLE READINGS

1. The star to follow. Rev. 22:16.
2. The star of truth. Pas. 43:1-5
3. Humanity's servant Luke 4:16-21
4. A great leader. Matt 23:1-12.
5. A great service, Matt, 4:18,19.
6. Perfect rest. Matt. 11:25-30.

#### COMMENT

The wise men of the east followed the star. That star was seen throughout all their journey. Christ Jesus is our spiritual pole star, our Cynosure, ever shining as the most precious gem in all the heavenly world. Christ Jesus changes the whole world. Nothing is the same as it was after he once casts His life giving rays of light upon it.

#### PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. Why is he called the bright and morning star?
2. Do we know this star from all others?
3. Are we still seeking this star?

January 1, 1921

Topic: "Better Christian Endeavor Societies" I Cor. 15:57-58. Consecration meeting.

#### BIBLE READINGS

1. When we are in earnest like Jacob. Gen. 32:24-32.
2. When we are brave like Caleb. Num. 14
3. When early on duty like Joshua Josh. 3:1
4. When zealous like Elijah. I Kings 19
5. When patriotic like Nehemiah Neh. 1
6. When prayerful like Daniel Dan. 3

#### COMMENT

Our text enjoins steadfastness on the part of every Christian. We are not to be moved to carelessness by the cares of this world. We are to abound in good works, that is in the work of the Lord. Such service is never in vain. Even apparent failures are better than worldly successes. If everyone in the society will do his part the society will be better as it grows older.

#### PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. Do we realize the meaning of Christian Endeavor?
2. Do we really try to improve our meetings?
3. Are we conscious of negligence?

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