CHURCH NOTES

RADIANT LIVING

Light Shall Triumph

By Rev. C. M. Griffeth
Pastor Calvary M. E. Church
Sudlersville, Md.

It is most interesting to note how far back in history we can trace the spiritual ideas that mean so much to us today.

Many of the spiritual concepts in the writings of the Apostles can be traced back beyond Judaism. The use of light and darkness as figures of good and of evil can be traced back to Zoroaster, the founder of the religion of the Medes and Persians.

The problem of evil weighed heavily upon him. At the door of his mountain cave he wrestled with the problem of evil. The struggle was so intense that it seemed to him that evil took on a personal shape and became a personality. He came to the conclusion that all trouble and suffering is the work of a malignant spirit.

Zoroaster struck a viatorious note of faith however when he declared: "The great demon of darkness will be conquered by the God of light!"

With that conviction Zoroaster determined to go forth preaching that the time would come when the god of darkness would be completely vanquished by the God of Light and Truth.

The message of Zoroaster was that Light shall conquer. So declared the Christ when in a vision He saw Satan falling from heaven.

Is the power of darkness making your life unhappy? Do not become discouraged. Seize the faith of the ages! Make it your personal faith. There is no darkness in your life that stand in the light of the Christ!

Light shall triumph!

ROCK HALL M. E. CHURCH
F. Charles Leuhoff, Jr., Pastor

Services Sunday, Sept. 26—

Church School at 9:45 A. M. Stanley Grant, Supt.

Next Sunday is the last Sunday for the contest. Several classes have competed for the prizes to be given Be sure and be on hand.

Do not forget that Sunday, October third, is Rally Day and Home-Coming.

Morning Worship at Eleven o'clock. Mrs. Robert Shallcross, organist. Special music arranged by the choir under the direction of Mrs. Frances Taylor. Sermon by the Reverend E. C. Hallman, District Superintendent.

Epworth League at 7 P. M. Let us encourage the young people by attending this service. Good leader. Good singing. Good topic.

7:30 P. M. Evening worship. Beginning with song service, followed with sermon by the pastor.

EMMANUEL P. E. CHURCH
Chestertown, Md.
Rev. Charles L. Atwater, Rector

Sunday, September 26—

8 A. M.—Holy Communion.

10 A. M.—Church School.

11 A. M.—Morning Prayer, with Sermon by the Rector.

7:30 P. M.—Evening Prayer, address by the Rector.

Wednesday, September 29—

10 A. M.—Holy Communion. St. Michael and All Angels' Day.

7:30 P. M.—Litany Service, followed by choir rehearsal.

For Thursday, September 30, the Rector wishes to call attention to the Women's Auxiliary Service, at 11 A. M., in the Cathedral at Easton, when the Women's Thank Offering of the Diocese of Easton will be presented. After the Service there will be a dinner served in the Children's Home, not only to the members of the Auxiliary, but to the people generally, when an offering is asked for the Support of the Home. The Rector hopes many will attend the Service, and also the luncheon, so that Chester Parish is well represented.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Chestertown, Md.
Paul E. Reynolds, Pastor

The pure in heart see God in all His creatures and His plans. This is the source of their happiness.

9:45 A. M.—The Church School, Mr. W. E. Griffith, Supt. A welcome to all. Miss Martha Loud, a missionary, will address the school on the subject of missions.

11:00—Morning Worship, sermon by the pastor.

7:30—Evening worship, sermon by the pastor.

7:30—Wednesday evening meeting at the church for spiritual refreshing and Bible study.

Friday, Oct. 1st, our Quarterly Conference will be held at the church, Dr. E. C. Hallman in charge. This will be a county meeting with an afternoon session at 2 o'clock and an evening session at 7:30. Dr. Frank Cartwright, a noted missionary, will be the speaker. The public is cordially invited.

WORTON UNION CHURCH

Sunday, Sept. 26—

Owing to the Big Home-Coming Day at Fairlee Church, there will be no Sunday School or preaching in this church today.

Notice To Creditors

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent County letters of Administration on the personal estate of

LAVINIA S. BOWERS

late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 4th day of March, 1938, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

All persons indebted to this estate must settle at once.

Given under my hand this 31st day of August, 1937.

LINDA M.. STARCHER,
Administratrix.

SHREWSBURY CHURCH
Near Kennedyville, Md.
Rev. Chas. L. Atwater, Rector

Friday, September 24—

8 P. M.—Card Party in the Rectory. This Party is given by the Young People of Shrewsbury, and they hope that it will be well attended, as they are trying to raise money to have the organ properly repaired. See advertisement in this paper.

Sunday, September 26—

2:30 P. M.—Evening Service, with sermon by the Rector.

Attention is called to the Notice under Emmanuel Church notices of the Women's Auxiliary Service at Easton, on Thursday, September 30, and the public luncheon at the Children's Home on the same day.

GALENA M. E. CHURCH
Walter G. Barlow, Pastor

Services Sunday, September 26—

Sunday School at 10:00 A. M.

Morning Worship at 11:00 o'clock. The District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Walter G. Gunby will be present and preach at this service.

Evening Service at 7:30, consisting of song service and message by the pastor.

Prayer Meeting each Wednesday night in the Chapel. Come.

LOCUST GROVE M. E. CHURCH
Walter G. Barlow, Pastor

On Sunday afternoon, September 26, service will be held from three until four o'clock in charge of the Pastor. Come worship with us.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
701 W. High St., Chestertown, Md.
The Rev. George Horn, 41 E. Division St., Dover, Del., Vacancy Pastor.

Sunday, Sept. 26, 1937—

7.00 P. M.—Divine Worship. Sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Otto Burhenn, of Baltimore, Chairman of Eastern District Mission Board.

Everyone cordially invited to worship.

Please note the changed hour.

PINEY NECK GRACE CHURCH

Sunday, Sept. 26—

Sunday School, 2:00 P. M., in charge of C. S. Vansant, Supt.

Owing to the Home-Coming at Fairlee Church there will be no preaching at night, in this church.

CHRIST METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH
Chestertown, Md.
W. P. Roberts, Minister

September 26, 1937—

10 A. M.—Sunday School. T. D. Bowers, Supt.

11 A. M.—Worship. Subject, "Harps without Music."

7:30 P. M.—Worship. Subject, "A Prescription for Happiness."

Tuesday—The Woman's Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. W. R. Huey at 7:30 P. M.

Wednesday—Prayer meeting at seventy thirty.

Next Sunday—The public is cordially invited to hear the sermon, "There is no sliding scale in the wages of sin."

STILL POND M. E. CHURCH
Raymond W. Hallman, Pastor

September 26, 1937—

9:30 A. M.—Church School. F. B. Harper, Jr., Supt.

11 A. M.—Morning Worship with sermon by the pastor.

7:30 P. M.—A musical will be the feature of the Epworth League service. Every one is invited to attend.

On Sunday, October 17, we will have our Harvest Home and Home Coming. Plan to make it a big day.

BETTERTON M. E. CHURCH
Raymond W. Hallman, Pastor

September 26, 1937—

10 A. M.—Church School. Mrs. Archie Crew, Supt.

8 P. M.—Evening Worship service with sermon by the pastor.

This will be the last of the Sunday evening services for this season. Next Sunday, October 3rd, we will begin on our Fall and Winter schedule.

Our annual Harvest Home service and Home Coming will be observed on Sunday, October 10. Let us remember the date.

The Third Quarterly Conference of the Fairlee Charge will be held Thursday next the 30th of September at the Worton Church, 2:30 P. M. Rev. Dr. E. C. Hallman, presiding.

Rev. O. B. Rice, Pastor.

There will be a big Home-Coming Service held in the Fairlee Church on Sunday, 10:30, 2:30 and 7:30.

Fine speakers and music.

O. B. Rice, Pastor.

Bond Chapel

Frederick H. Truitt, pastor.

Sunday School 10 a. m. Elmer M. Starr, Supt.

Worship service 11 a. m. sermon by the pastor. Theme, The Unconcerned Spectator.

Epworth League 8 p. m., leader Mr. Bob Goodman.

Mowbray Chapel

Frederick H. Truitt, pastor.

Sunday School 2.30 p. m. Ida V. Kirby, Supt.

Epworth League 7.15 p. m. leader Alice Slagel.

Worship service 8 p. m. sermon by the pastor, theme, "The unconcerned spectator. Let us worship the Lord together.

St. James M. P. Church

Rev. J. Lee Marker,, Minister.

10 a. m. Sunday School, Superintendent, George Carroll. Lesson, "God in the making of a Nation."

11 a. m. morning worship, sermon by the pastor.

Special music. All welcome.

7.30 p. m. evening worship. Service in charge of Mrs. L. A. Sutton, Mrs. Vincent Mench and Louise Clark using the topic, "Following the practices of Jesus."

Lynch M. P. Church

2 p. m. Sunday School, Mrs. Harry Jewell, superintendent. Lesson, "God in the Making of a Nation."

3 p. m. afternoon worship, sermon by the pastor. 7.30 p. m. Christian Endeavor.

Kennedyville M. P. Church

Rev. W. F. Bauscher, minister.

10 a. m. Church School and Men's Bible Class.

Lesson Topic, "God in the Making of a Nation."

11 a. m. sermon, theme, "The Wheat and the Tares."

Special Music.

7.30 p. m. Christian Endeavor, topic "Following the Practices of Jesus" led by the Misses Sara Scotten and Betty Jean Groves.

Rally Day Service will be held here Sunday, October 17th in the evening.

BUSINESS CYCLE

(BY GERSON BONNETT)

(Continued from last week)

In the foregoing discussion of the phases of the business cycle, the characteristics of the depression era were given and illustrated. It is realized that the depression quadrant of the cycle has by far and away the most drastic effect on our economic system, and its abolition is one of the principal concerns of economists. In order to abolish anything, it is first necessary to have a thorough understanding of it. A summary of the causes of depressions will help greatly in doing this. As has been said before, depressions are caused by the inability of the consumer to buy the goods produced and still enable manufacturers to make a high rate of profit.

There looms one big reason why the goods cannot be bought and the necessary profit yielded. Lack of coordination and profit-seeking cause certain articles to be overproduced. Firms over-estimate the amount of goods that they can sell and flood the markets. The amount of goods produced is also determined by the amount of money that has no purpose but to be re-invested in capital goods. Since a large portion of our wealth is amassed in the hands of a few, this money has to be invested in some enterprise; hence, it is invested in factories and in capital goods.

Banks with their funds have a relationship to the business cycle especially when the upward movement is approaching a critical stage. "By virtue of their control of the purse strings, the managers of commercial banks are in a position to exercise a restraining influence—to control in fact the rate of business expansion and to prevent a continuance of the upward swing to the stage of acute crisis which ends in financial panic and collapse."

If the Federal Reserve System, which could control business by controlling rediscount rates, would exercise its power, panics and depressions could be prevented. But the idea that the government should not regulate business prevents this.

If bank reserves were kept up to a certain level, the depression or panic stage of the business cycle may be eliminated. That is, if there is not a means of obtaining more loanable funds, many business failures and a general derangement of our financial construction is inevitable. If, however, there can be enough money raised, or in reserve, to tide business over the period of crisis, panics may be avoided. Here again is an opportunity for the Federal Reserve System to require banks to maintain a cash reserve large enough to tide us over periods of crisis, and here was an opportunity that was taken advantage of by the government. Recently a bill was passed by Congress requiring banks to keep a certain reserve at all times; this all goes to show that the government is trying to alter the unfavorable aspects of the business cycle.

As has been pointed out several times before, there are certain parts of the business cycle that are not at all conducive to the welfare of the people of this country. Many alterations and reforms for these undesirable conditions has been suggested and experimented with, but it is unfortunate to note that none of these has met with complete success. A brief resume of the remedies that have already been attempted and a study of these may be of assistance in making a suggestion that would aid in relieving some of the less desirable aspects of the topic under discussion.

One reform that was used in the depression that the world is now recovering from was direct relief to the workers who most need it in times of depression, and the effort to help these laborers is by handing money out directly to them.

This plan has several material defects that have been responsible for its failure as a remedy for the business cycle. In the first place, this will not work because there isn't enough relief money raised to ever replace the pay envelope, and industrial recovery cannot be hoped for without the restoration of purchasing power. Secondly, this plan has a certain moral degrading effect; when men begin to have money handed out to them, they often lose their self-respect, the feeling that they are masters of their own destinies. Lastly, and probably most significant, it will not cure or curtail depression because it operates after the catastrophe has occured. Since charity is given by people with moderate incomes, their consumption power is reduced, and we find another minor reason why direct relief fails to accomplish the desired results.

Another unemployment remedy is the unemployment insurance plan. This provides in general for people taking out insurance to protect themselves when they are out of work. This plan is inadequate because the total benefits paid out in times of distress would not be enough to restore purchasing power to the necessary level. A depression extending over a number of years (as did the last one) might exhaust reserve funds of the insurers. The money spent by employees in securing insurance would hasten depression by taking that much money out of activity and production.

Still another suggestion for the prevention of the downward swing of the cycle is public works. The principle upon which this is based is the creation of work by the building of public projects in which unemployed men would work. This tends merely to create an abundance of public buildings which are unnecessary. Furthermore, there isn't enough money provided for this remedy to restore the necessary purchasing power. To date, not enough money has been alloted to give the plan a successful chance. This, however, comes closer to the solution of the problem than does any of the other remedies, because the experimnets that it has undergone show that it does restore purchasing power.

The best way, probably, to relieve the business cycle is to coordinate industry—to give consumers the purchasing power to buy goods that has been produced. Coordination is seriously hampered by competitive profit-seeking; this keeps wages and consequently consuming power down. Factories, in order to make a profit and meet competition, are compelled to operate as economically as possible. They go about this in a number of ways; sometimes, the quality of the product is lowered in order to meet price. More often, though, wages are reduced so the profit may be maintained. To have proper coordination, the correct amount of a given commodity must be produced. Competitive profit-seeking often prevents this, because producers think they can gain a larger portion of the market by underselling their competitors.

Thus far, we have regarded direct relief, unemployment insurance, public works, and coordination of industry as alterations to the business cycle; none of these plans has been completely successful. In the opinion of this writer, depressions and other unfavorable conditions can be prevented only by government regulation of business.

This could be done by the use of two distinct methods, the increased usage of public works and the control of government over competitive profit-seeking. We have noticed that public works has already been of considerable help in changing the course of depressions; increasing this might also increase the benefits derived from it.

One of the causes of depressions and the downward swing of the business cycle was lack of coordination, and poor coordination is caused by competitive profit-seeking. It seems logical, therefore, that if we curtail competitive profit-seeking we will also relieve one of the undesirable conditions of our economic structure. The only possible way to reduce competitive profit-seeking is through the control of some omnipotent power, which in this case would be the federal government.

In concluding this discussion, a few words of comment are necessary. The forces that are at work in producing the fluctuations in business are embodied in the very warp and woof of our financial structure. It may be expected, therefore, that the ebb and flow of business will be continued as long as the present industrial and financial systems, with its profit making motives, is maintained.

Gerson Bonnett

(THE END)

THOSE WHO REMAIN

When death visits a home, the first concern is to perform the last service to the loved one in a becoming manner. What ever is done must express all the reverance and affection that is felt at such a time. But in addition to this a further responsibilty rests upon the funeral director. It is his privilege and duty to lessen as far as lies with in his power, the burdens laid upon those who remain. By countless little acts of thoughtfulness he can make the way easier for them.

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The local votes in New York City are received over sixty lines from the Murray Hill exchange and are handled by thirty recorders. Another recorder receives the reports from the honor city over a long distance line especially reserved for the purpose. A chief operator, supervisors and messengers together with the recorders and tabulators complete the organization.

Somewhat similar arrangements are made for the recording of listeners' votes in each week's honor city.

Once the question of the number of lines to be provided is settled, temporary space for the recording equipment and personnel is obtained. A vote recorder is provided for each line and the number of lines varies from twenty-five in the smaller cities to 200 in the largest.

The number of calls from the honor cities has run as high as 41,000 in Indianapolis and 30,000 in Birmingham and Jacksonville.

In studying the telephone results of the various broadcasts, many evidences of the workings of human nature have come to light. Apparently there is more local pride in the smaller cities for the number of telephone votes is usually greater in proportion to the population than in the larger ones. In several cases this has reached the point where cities of 15,000 residence telephones will make more vote calls than cities of double or triple that number of telephones.

Local interest naturally is always vastly increased by the appearance of a native son or daughter on the program. Bad weather also has been found to stimulate the number of calls. If the weather is good or some local activity of major importance is planned, the number of votes is sharply reduced.

A striking instance of the responsiveness of listeners to Major Bowes' program occurred last February 4 when Indianapolis was repeating as the honor city. The Ohio River flood was at its height and all available plant men of the Indiana Bell Telephone Company were concentrated in the southern part of the state. To have set up and supervised the necessary facilities for telephone voting that evening would have been extremely difficult.

Informed of the situation, Major Bowes showed his humanness by paying tribute during the program to the telephone men and women and to other workers in the flood area. He especially asked that no telephone votes be cast in the honor city of Indianapolis. Instead he requested that listeners in New York City and vicinity come to his assistance by casting a heavy vote for their favorites on the evening's program. As a result the number of calls placed to Murray Hill 8-9933 in New York that night exceeded the average of previous weeks by about 700 per cent.

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