

BREAD AND BUTTER CHRISTIANS FEW IN CHINA, SAYS DR. LEW

Dean of Pekin Theology Department Convinced of Sincerity of 2,000,000 Native Converts.

There are very few "bread-and-butter" Christians, those who have accepted Christianity for any material gain they may get out of it, among the 400,000 Protestants and 1,500,000 Roman Catholic native Chinese, according to the Rev. Dr. Timothy Tingfang Lew, dean of the department of theology in Pekin University, who discussed present conditions in China at the morning service yesterday in the First Presbyterian Church, Henry st., near Clark st. Dr. Lew came to America a year ago for a lecture tour of universities and seminaries. He was a delegate to the conference on Christian Unity at Lausanne last summer, where he coined the phrase, "Let us agree to differ but resolve to love."

Dr. Lew based his sermon to the Heights congregation on the text, "As the Father has loved you, so I love you." He said in part:

Greatness of United States.

"The United States of America is endowed with greatness and her people are the product of the best peoples of the earth. Her greatness, however, does not rest there. Your experiment in democratic government is an inspiration to people over the whole world.

"America, more than any other nation, has been given opportunities to achieve greatness. The greatness of America lies, not in her material greatness, educational advance or democratic government, but in her heart, and that heart is essentially Christian.

Achievements of Missionary Movement.

"Has the missionary enterprise failed in China? What has the missionary movement achieved in China? It has not failed but has four distinct achievements to its credit.

"First, the missionary movement in China has helped the people to lay the foundations of the future Christian Church in China. Today, there are 400,000 Protestants and 1,500,000 Roman Catholics among the native Chinese. I say foundations because a real church can only be built by nationals themselves.

Second, the movement has resulted in the introduction of modern methods of social service and hospitalization work. You have applied modern and efficient business methods in China through your missionaries.

Third, you are working to help the Chinese to become Christians. I say help because only God can make a person a Christian. To become a Christian in China often means to give up everything and to be socially ostracized. Notwithstanding all this, there are only a few bread-and-butter Christians, people who have embraced Christianity for what they can get out of it materially.

"The fourth is the greatest achievement of all. It is the effort of American missionaries to make friends of the Chinese. The essence of Christianity is to love. China and the world today need friendship.

Civil War in China.

"Today the Chinese people are waging a civil war, not, as has so often and erroneously been stated, between the North and South, but between the new idea and the old, between democracy and autocracy, between liberalism and reaction. China is fighting for democracy, to improve her relations with other people and to achieve her rightful place in the family of nations. We ask you to help China in the spirit of brotherhood but to keep your hands away from exploitation."

Waits Reopening of Field.

Miss Helen Clark, missionary of Central China and a graduate of Pratt Institute, was the speaker at the Bushwick Avenue Baptist Church last evening when she told graphically of her work in China and the opportunity that the Christian missionary has in that land.

Miss Clark is waiting the re-opening of her field in China and hopes to return there next year. At the present time, owing to unsettled conditions, no new missionaries are allowed in the country, nor will unmarried missionaries who have been stationed there be allowed to return.

Her seven years of work has netted her some rare experience and some of

Life of David Written in Slang Produced at Commencement

The Biblical story of the life of David, written in contemporary slang, was a feature of the commencement exercises of the school of religion at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Clinton and Montague sts., which were held yesterday afternoon. The play, in three acts, was written, staged and produced by children in the fifth primary class. Ten-year-old Adele Walker was the author of the play.

The exercises were conducted by the Rev. L. Bradford Young, acting rector of the Heights Church during the absence of the Rev. Dr. John Howard Mellish, who is in Europe. The address to the graduates was delivered by the Rev. Charles H. Ricker,

chairman of the Board of Religious Education of the P. E. Diocese of Long Island. He developed his address around Nathaniel Hawthorne's story of "The Great Stone Face." The speaker stressed the need of religion in life and urged the pupils and graduates to pattern their lives after Christ.

Certificates in recognition of creditable work performed during the term were given to 70 pupils and diplomas were awarded to nine boys and girls who had successfully completed the prescribed course. The graduates were Dorothy Allen, Bertha Brown, Virginia Duryee, Jean Fairervis, Anais Kaltenborn, Blair Williams, Herbert Bugle, Algernon Wills and Richard Young.

these she re-told. She has been at work in a town called Sungtao, some 1,300 miles inland in the mountainous district of Western China and at one time spent seven months as the only foreigner in the town.

Evangelist Expects Christ's Coming.

"It is my firm conviction that we are living in the most critical days of human history. Every sign points to the near-coming of Jesus Christ, and don't be surprised to see all Jews turn to Christ." This was the statement made by Miss Dora Yu, Chinese evangelist, in an address before members of the congregation of the Greene Avenue Baptist Church, Greene and Lewis aves., last night.

Miss Yu has recently arrived from Shanghai, where she conducts a Bible school, and terms herself a "traveling evangelist." As the principal speaker at last night's services held in the

church, she pointed out that due to the unrest prevailing in the world today, with the wars prevailing and the rumors of further wars, coupled with the movements of atheism, Communism and modernism, civilization is already tottering to its fall.

GREATEST MEMORIAL.

"The greatest memorial possible to give a man is to carry on his work to a higher state of completeness," said the Rev. Dr. Joseph Frederick Berg to the congregation of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, Church and Flatbush aves., last night in a sermon on "The Springtime Memorial." He explained that life is lost in order to gain life and that while men are dying others are carrying on their work, just as plants die and others rise in their places.

ASK FEDERAL WAR ON GYPSY MOTHS

Albany, May 28—The campaign against the gypsy moth must be conducted more aggressively and extensively if this destructive insect pest is to be suppressed, it has been announced here.

For five years New York State has prevented the westward advance of the moths from New England, where they have destroyed millions of dollars worth of forest, fruit and shade trees.

In 1923 New York established a barrier zone in that portion of the State east of the Hudson River and the New Jersey and Canadian Governments co-operated in extending

this zone a short distance into Canada and into northern New Jersey. Since the establishment of this zone not a single new infestation has been found west of the zone.

At a conference of conservation and agricultural officials of eight States at Hartford on May 21 the seriousness of the situation was considered and it was brought out that more Federal assistance is necessary to check what will become a menace to the entire country unless it is stamped out in the territory already infested.

Read W. Somerset Maugham's "Mrs. Craddock" in Today's Eagle. Two Novels Each Month in The Eagle.

Holy Eastern Church Consecrates Bishop

Using an apostolic ritual that has continued unchanged since the First Century, the Holy Eastern Orthodox Catholic and Apostolic Church in North America consecrated its second assistant bishop, the Rt. Rev. Archmandrite Sophronios Beshara, yesterday morning at St. Nicholas Cathedral, 345 State st. With the title of Bishop of Los Angeles, the new dignitary will supervise missionary activity west of the Mississippi River for the American unit of Eastern Orthodoxy.

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This doesn't mean that I won't be glad to receive more—so if you haven't looked for extra bottles in your home, won't you do so now and send back every one you can find?

But, more important than this—won't you co-operate by returning all the empty milk bottles every day? That's going to reduce the loss more than anything else.

Remember, milk bottles always remain the legal property of the milk distributor. It is actually against the law to refill them for other purposes. And every milk bottle that is lost adds that much to the cost of delivery.

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