

ETERNITY IS NOW, LECTURER ASSERTS

Only Mortal Man Speaks of Time; God Knows No Time, Says Science Speaker Here

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"Salvation Belongs to Man; Peace Is Inherent"

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A free lecture on Christian Science, entitled, "Christian Science and the Repairable Past" was delivered Monday evening, March 6, by Rev. Andrew J. Graham, C. S. B., Member of The Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., under the auspices of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Wilmette, Illinois, in the church edifice, Central Avenue at Tenth Street.

The lecturer was introduced by Mrs. Campbell, second reader. Mr. Graham spoke in part as follows:

Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, and the Author of its textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," gives, on page 595 of that volume, a definition of the word time, as understood in Christian Science.

"Time, mortal measurements, limits, in which are summed up all human acts, thoughts, beliefs, opinions, knowledge; matter; error; that which begins before and continues after, what is termed death, until the mortal disappears and spiritual perfection appears."

It is fundamental to the truth of Christian Science that God knows neither time nor the so-called history of time. He inhabits eternity. Eternity is the never-ending NOW.

Only mortal man speaks of time, and he divides it into past, present and future.

But when he considers the matter carefully he realizes that most of the time, he is living, that is, is thinking, in either the past or the future. There is the belief that the past is irreparable; that it has power to reach forward and blight the present; and that the future, like the sword of Damocles, is always threatening disaster. Troubles and discords are chiefly in retrospect or prospect; they are in the field of memory or they are in the field of anticipation.

Christian Science by inducing right thinking, and through its compassionate, healing ministry, releases the human mind from fear of the past and in this way open the door to health, happiness and peace.

The world needs this gospel, for mortals seem to have inherited an oppressive mental burden from some of the thought of philosophy, poetry, theology and materia medica.

As an example of the suppositious power of the past and its destruction through Christian Science, we cite the case of the Prodigal Son.

The Prodigal's disease is a belief of wasted opportunity. The religious teaching to which he has been accustomed promises him forgiveness in this life but not renewed opportunity. He sees the past as irreparable.

"He has lost his opportunity." This grievous burden of discouraging thought fetters him as with iron chains.

There is no past that is irreparable, but let no one think he can lie supinely down in the far country and without any hunger or striving of his own, be brought back to the land of renewed opportunity and peace. He must himself arise. The renewal of opportunity, through Christian Science, that is, salvation, is not something tacked onto the outside of a man. It is a well of life springing up from within.

Through Christian Science, many men, happy and blessed today, have come up out of a bitter past into their Father's house.

We would note a difference between the case of the prodigal son and that of the straying pilgrim. The prodigal son made a deliberate break. He openly spoke of his departure from the parental home.

On the other hand the straying pilgrim does not openly repudiate; he betrays.

He who betrayed Jesus, need not have committed suicide. The repairable past belonged to him on this plane of existence, that is, in so-called life. He might have knelt at the foot of the cross, a redeemed man, with peace in his heart. The example of the betrayer of Jesus is a forever-warning to all of us.

Mary Baker Eddy, through years of

patient activity, learned such a measure of obedience to God, good, that she became the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science. She appears to have been so single-minded in her search for truth that self-will, self-importance, self-love, and self-interest were markedly eliminated from her daily life.

Mrs. Eddy was driven through deep waters by the betrayal of men and women whom she had befriended, healed, trusted, and honored.

It will always be true that for the disobedient, straying pilgrim, there is an open door for return. For all self-willed, disobedient students there is a healing, but each straying pilgrim must seek the blotting out of the past and the renewal of opportunity, in the right way.

Time, mortal mind and its history, the past with its mistakes, rejected opportunities, sins and sicknesses should go—and go now, for they are unreal. All that is good, true, and beautiful is imperishable. It has always belonged to us. Only discord can be destroyed.

Christian Science teaches with logical and spiritual exactness that it is utterly impossible for any child of God to be lost eternally; that peace and harmony are inherent in the real man; that salvation from all error belongs to him all the time.

Christian Science is exact. We must trust it absolutely, if today we add just a little to our stock of love and obedience we shall experience so much the less suffering and so much the more joy.

It is our priceless privilege to return to our Father's House, here and now. No belief of old age, chronic disease, sin, sickness, or even death; no sense of discord in the so-called past, should be permitted to grow in thought. They have no place in eternity.

"To repudiate the tyranny of the past is the privilege of every child of God." "Forgetting those things that are behind," says the apostle.

The word for-get means to get something else in the place of, that which one now seems to have. Forgetting is a mental operation entirely. You are therefor capable of performing it.

Have you a belief of and fear of old age? Are you weighted down by a belief of chronic disease? Are you distressed by thought of wasted opportunity and deliberate desertion from the Father's Love? Are you inwardly

sorrowing over betrayal of the trust and confidence reposed in you by the great Master and our beloved Leader? FORGET IT. Put something else in the place of it. What shall it be? What better than that which our Leader recommends on page 326 of the textbook;

"The purpose and motive to live aright can be gained now. This point won, you have started as you should. You have begun at the numeration-table of Christian Science, and nothing but wrong intention can hinder your advancement. Working and praying with true motives, your Father will open the way."

Royal Arcanum Basket Men Trounce Winnetka Tigers

The Royal Arcanum's newly organized basketball team won a bitterly contested game in its first encounter last Monday at the Community house gym. The victim was the Winnetka Tiger outfit. F. Eckart and A. Eckart were the stars for the R. A.'s while G. Fahey and H. Cadenhead sparkled for the Tigers. The final score was 38 to 34.

The lineup:		Baskets
R. A.		
F. Eckart, r. f.		6
W. Wismon, l. f.		2
H. Arbin, c.		4
A. Eckart, r. g.		5
W. Blasius, l. g.		1
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W. Carey, c.	2
G. Frahey, r. g.	6
H. Cadenhead, l. g.	6
	18

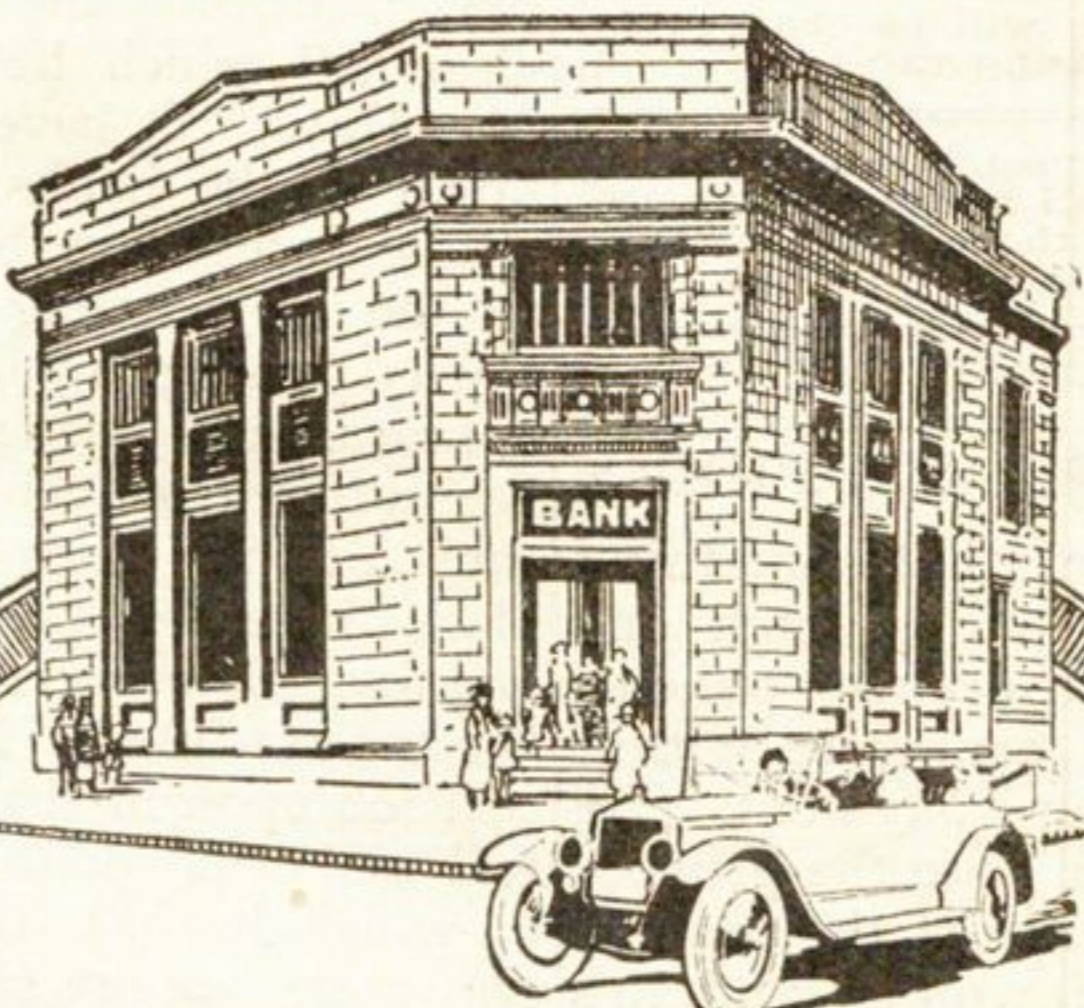
Free throws, G. Fahey, 3; Bartz, 1; F. Eckart, 2.
Having won from such a fast five the R. A.'s hope to schedule some fast games for the future. For games call Winnetka 844 or 525-R.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stone, who have been guests at the Trumbull home, 390 Linden avenue, returned to their home in Peoria, on Wednesday.

Cosmic Baseball

In the course of a long poem, Stabs of the Sunburst West, Carl Sandburg, has the following in The Dial for March.

Eighteen old giants throw a red gold shadow ball;
they pass it along; hands go up and stop it; they
bat up flies and practice; they begin the game, they
knock it for home runs and two baggers; the pitcher
puts it across in an out-and an in shoot drop; the
Devil is the Umpire; God is the Umpire; the game
is called on account of darkness.



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