

PASTOR SEES BRIEF WOING AS REEF ON MARITAL SEA

Longer courtships before marriage are urged by the Rev. D. L. Woodward, pastor of the First Baptist Church in his sermon on marriage without understanding Sunday night. Love at first sight usually proves to be an empty gesture that does not endure, he declared.

Rev. Woodward said in part: "Marriage without understanding is the most prolific cause of marital unhappiness, and lies therefore at the root of the problem of divorce. No sensible person would advocate that love and marriage be made simply a rational process or a cold business proposition, as one would buy a cow or a horse, because there is something about love and marriage that cannot be analyzed or rati-

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

Dr. O. O. Beck, local physician: "One of the bad things about the proposed capital punishment bill in Michigan, or any other state, is the objection which jurists manifest to finding a person guilty, when they know his or her life will pay the penalty. I grant that capital punishment, when resorted to, may, and probably does, result in fewer convictions because of the tenderness and emotionalism of the average jurist."

of young people who marry these days do so without an understanding of the principles and responsibilities of married life. Such a thing as the 'ethics of marriage' is an unknown subject to many. Moreover, they not only lack a knowledge of the underlying principles of marriage, but most of them do not even know or understand another. When all these things are taken into consideration, the wonder is not that there are so many divorces, but that there are not more. It is a compliment to the greatness of marriage as an institution that more marriages do not end at the divorce court. As it is, in the U. S. A., one marriage out of every seven ends in divorce.

Hits at Divorce
"Divorce threatens the institution of monogamous marriage and the home which is founded thereon, and anything that hurts or tends to destroy the home as an institution threatens the very life of our nation. All kinds of remedies have been suggested to eliminate the divorce evil. But the problem of divorce and unhappiness in marriage is a deep-seated and complicated problem and can-

not be solved merely by legislation, but it ever so constructive. This can be brought about only through the processes of education and religion. Any couple who enters a continuous and happy marriage must have, or acquire, much of the spirit of Christ, coupled with a great love for one another and a sympathetic understanding of human nature. There should be an understanding of the principles of partnership and fair play, with a realization of the need of self-control, tolerance, forbearance, patience, and in short, the Golden Rule; and a sympathetic reference to habits, disposition, taste, ideals, character, and the mental, moral and physical condition of one another; understanding of the adjustments to be made and things to be expected from one another, work, finance, children, living conditions, etc.

"Such an understanding may be reached through one's instinctive understanding or intuition. One's intuition is very important and is good as far as it goes, but by itself alone it may not always be safely relied on.

Oppose Love at First Sight
"One's understanding should therefore, be supplemented by the exercise of good common sense in frankly facing all available knowledge and information concerning the facts of each other's life and character. In order to do this one must resist any tendency to 'fall in love at first sight,' and insist on a thorough acquaintance for when one falls in love there is a tendency to ignore or close one's eyes to the real facts. For this reason, love should be preceded by a good long period of friendship. Besides, do not believe in 'love at first sight.' In nine cases out of ten it proves to be nothing more than a passing infatuation.

"Time will tell! Therefore I believe in the principle of a long courtship and short engagement. Time is necessary in solving the problem of marriage without understanding. How can a couple understand one another unless they take time to really get acquainted and to know one another? The old adage still holds true: 'Marry in haste and repent at leisure.' Many engagements would never be consummated if more of the time element were allowed. In speeding up our modern life we have not only speeded up the processes of marriage but likewise the processes of divorce.

Asks Character
"A salesman may show me a beautifully painted car with the finest upholstery and the most splendid furnishings and equipment, but before I purchase it I want to see it and I want some very definite guarantees or assurances as to what I am to expect of it. If to do less were foolish, then surely to use less precaution in making the most important contract in life would be the height of folly and inconsistency. Every one contemplating a marriage should apply the religious test both to himself and to the 'future intended.' For, what good will wealth, social position and the luxuries of life do if the partner is lacking in the finer and more enduring things that money cannot buy, such as character and personality? Surely, if one exercises better judgment he will want his helpmate to have those finer fruits of the spirit—love, joy, peace, goodness, gentleness, meekness, faith, temperance and self-control. But you must know that these fine qualities come only as a result of the work of the spirit of God in the life of the individual.

"By their fruits ye shall know them." Men do not gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles. See that the tree of life is good and you won't have to worry about the fruit thereof."

After the death of Miss Eleanor Ballou, 79, of London more than 70,000 pencils of all kinds used and unused, were found in her home.

MORTGAGE SALE
DEFAULT having been made for more than thirty days in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Wilbur W. McAlpine and Mary Belle McAlpine, his wife, to Pontiac Commercial and Savings Bank of Pontiac, Michigan, a Michigan Corporation, dated the 15th day of July, A. D. 1926, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on the 16th day of July, A. D. 1926, in Liber 422 on Mortgages, on pages 107 and 108, and the amount secured by said mortgage to be due and unpaid as of the date of this notice, to-wit: \$1,000.00, together with the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Dollars (\$1,890.00) and an attorney's fee of Thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) and costs, as provided for in said mortgage, and so entitled to recover the same, the undersigned, a duly qualified and sworn sheriff, do hereby give notice that he will sell at public auction, to-wit: by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of July, A. D. 1929, at one o'clock in the afternoon, Central Standard Time, the undersigned, at the Eastern Entrance of the Court House in the City of Pontiac, that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland is held, well at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so advertised due on said mortgage, with seven per cent interest, and all legal costs, together with said attorney's fee, to-wit:

Property situated in the Village of Birmingham, County of Oakland and State of Michigan, described as follows, to-wit: Lot Numbered Twenty-two (22) of Block A, Standard's Addition to the Village of Birmingham, located on the northeast quarter of Section Thirty-six (36), Town Two (2) North, Range Ten (10) East, according to the recorded plat thereof. Dated: April 15th, 1929.
PONTIAC COMMERCIAL & SAVINGS BANK, of Pontiac, Michigan, Mortgagee.
PATTERSON & PATTERSON, Attorneys for Mortgagee, Pontiac, Michigan.

FIVE GIRLS WIN CONTEST

High School Students in Sewing Meet To Have Chance At Awards

Nine Baldwin girls of the advanced sewing classes who entered the contest sponsored by M. C. D. Borden of New York, for the best dresses made from cotton fabric products, displayed their wares before the judges at Mulholland Dry Goods Store yesterday. Of the nine dresses entered five were chosen by the judges at Mulholland Dry Goods Store yesterday.

The frocks that were chosen were made by Bernice Kreeger, who took first place; Gertrude Rieckley, second; Roberta Meeker, third; Violet Prentice, fourth, and Sarah Patterson, fifth.

The first prize will be \$300 in cash, the next seven prizes will be \$200 each; the next seven will be \$100 each. There are seven \$50 and seven \$25 awards.

Mr. Mulholland also gave prizes to the first four girls. The first was a silk dancing set; the second a pair of chiffon hose; the third a pair of silk hose and the fourth two hand embroidered linen handkerchiefs.

The judges of the contest were Mrs. E. H. Laird, Mrs. Lillian McQuater, and Mrs. Eva DeVilger all of Birmingham.

honest man, would have been delighted with Reuben H. Donnelly of Chicago, who died a few days ago. Donnelly went bankrupt at the age of 40, owing \$700,000 more than he could pay. He started anew, and in 22 years paid all creditors in full, although he was not legally obliged to pay anything.

If the Oakland County board of supervisors find petitions now on file with the county clerk, asking that Royal Oak, Ferndale and Hazel Park be merged, an oral vote will be taken in the fall. Filing of these petitions is the first step in the movement for the proposed merger.

Little Chats About Your Health

No. 17


Picking Up The Pilot

Though he spends his life on the open sea, yet every good sailing master engages a pilot to steer his vessel safely into port. The pilot is familiar with shoals, bars, currents and dangers of every kind and by his aid a safe landing results.

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