

Christian Science Lecture Attended By Large Group

A lecture on Christian Science entitled "Christian Science: Its Divine Origin and Operation," was delivered Monday night at First Church of Christ, Scientist, here by Elizabeth McArthur Thompson, C. S. B., of St. Louis, Mo. The auditorium was filled.

The lecturer was introduced by Mrs. Adele Fisk, second reader. The message was substantially as follows:

Tonight, you are invited to journey in thought to a "city four square," whose gates open wide to all who seek a spiritual and divine practical understanding of God and His work for man. You are called to give consideration to His word, which is the divine Truth, to be valuable, must be useful and helpful. The attainment of good admittedly should be the aim of every sincere thinker. Surely no one desires a continuance of fear, hate, or destruction. We can be grateful for every evidence of mankind's effort to find God, to express His love, power, government, and control.

The most important thing in the world is to know God. A practical Christianity, as demonstrated by Christ Jesus, appeals unceasingly to those who are in the shadow of evil thoughts and deeds. Eventually all must find "the secret place of the most High," where God is revealed, and where His love, law, and government hold unending sway. Christian Science has come to this age to show the path which leads mankind out of false beliefs, sickness, and sin. Christian Science reveals the city foursquare as infinite divine consciousness, the complete understanding of God and His work. To that city, the new Jerusalem, mankind can go to find refuge from all ills of the flesh. The way of understanding is straight and narrow. Why? Because it leads, di-

rectly to Truth, and excludes all but the good. Unknown to those who reject the straight and narrow pathway is available to all who are longing for a true understanding of Truth.

The Import of God's Word Studying the writings of the Old and New Testaments, one must be helped to understand the meaning of God's city. The Psalmist sang of it as he metaphorically illustrated the idea of longing for it in his words: "There is a river, the streams whereof shall not fail; the city shall be established on the most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God shall help her, and that right early." Let us spiritually view the river or stream which continues to offer refreshing, cleansing, and healing thought. Let us see that we, too, can bathe in the waters of pure Christianity, the perfect Science of Life, Truth, and Love. Following the right path which ever winds upward, we shall express more and more clearly the city of God, which shall reflect the divine Mind at all times. To human sense the manifestation of this city does not appear as character building, and the resurrection of mortals from ignorance, fear, and sin. As we keep on praying, working, and watching, we shall eventually attain a spiritual understanding as to see ourselves as we really are—children of the one Father, united, protected, and saved by His love. Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer, Founder, and Leader of Christian Science, by the divine word of revelation, reason, and demonstration, discerned the truth of the city of God. Her understanding in the teachings of Christ Jesus. In her textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," Mrs. Eddy gave to the world the perfect Science, Christian Science interprets the law of God, which is teaching us the eternal verities we need to know. In her textbook, Mrs. Eddy writes (p. 174): "Truth is revealed, and sin is to be practiced." Jesus went about doing good. Mary Baker Eddy followed in His footsteps. Her spirit of gratitude for Christ and Christian Science, we recommend to those who desire to follow the path which reveal the perfect ideas of Truth and Love.

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Christian Science Reading Room Chester and Willets Hours are 10:30 to 4:30 Daily Except Sundays and Holidays Science and Health With Key to the Scriptures By MARY BAKER EDDY The original, standard, and only Text-book on Christian Science Mind-healing is published in the following editions: Sunday School Edition, park, 25c; etc. Use of brown cloth \$2.00 Pocket Edition, black, blue, brown maroon, \$5.00 French and German Editions, 10c; books edition, cloth, \$2.50 This book and other works by Mrs. Eddy, and all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed, or purchased (including the Braille for the blind), at the Reading Room. These books may also be read or borrowed at the Baldwin Public Library.

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To reflect divine, infinite consciousness. Evidently, we would do well to include the realization that no thing of human invention, no matter how good, can be as good as traditional, hereditary belief or so-called influence of evil can keep man from possessing, expressing, and enjoying "the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him." Can these "things" be less than health and true substance? Can they bring to men peace, harmony, and joy? Would the works of God be good if they did not meet the human need? Divine Mind, the perfect Science as revealed to this age by Mrs. Eddy, is repeated: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

In Mrs. Eddy's discovery, the Scientists have found rest in the revelation of Truth, which never fails. The individual who accepts the Science never, for its Principal is God, its rule perfect and divine. The individual who accepts this Science. We urge you to accept the new-old order of Life and the glorious message of Christian Science in full faith and hopeful expectation, for much is to be gained by an increasing understanding of Truth. The city of God, which Christian Science reveals in its true nature, the nature of infinite, divine consciousness, is offering, at all times, refuge, loving welcome, and abundant joy.

Adore His Word, Accept His Law A wholesome regard for constitutional Science, by the divine word of revelation, reason, and demonstration, discerned the truth of the city of God. Her understanding in the teachings of Christ Jesus. In her textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," Mrs. Eddy gave to the world the perfect Science, Christian Science interprets the law of God, which is teaching us the eternal verities we need to know. In her textbook, Mrs. Eddy writes (p. 174): "Truth is revealed, and sin is to be practiced." Jesus went about doing good. Mary Baker Eddy followed in His footsteps. Her spirit of gratitude for Christ and Christian Science, we recommend to those who desire to follow the path which reveal the perfect ideas of Truth and Love.

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People's Column

The Eclectic is pleased to receive communications for this column. All communications must be signed, but signatures will be kept confidential upon request. Letters must be limited to 100 words, and must be in the office by Tuesday noon for publication the following Thursday.

"Democracy at Armageddon" To the Editor: "The Eclectic," Well, peace was to be Finland, such as it is. It was, of course, inevitable that the overwhelming power of Russia would conquer unvanquished Finland. This fatal condition was stated to me when recently I asked Baroness Wrangle, daughter of General Wrangle leader of the White Russians, "Have you any inside news about the Russo-Finnish war?" "No," she said, "Not specially; but Finland can't fight Russia with aspirin."

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money, materials and men to fight a superior enemy. Alarming Condition That the Western Powers considered themselves unable to interfere is a demonstration of an alarming condition of weakness of the democracies. For fear of offending the dictators, Russia and Sweden would not permit troops to pass over their lands to the relief of Finland dem-

onstrates that their unalienable right to independence had already been violated and that the Baltic is already now a Russo-German sea into which no foreign power can enter against the interests or wishes of Russia and Germany.

Yes, the Scandinavian countries already have lost their independence. Everybody knows that their hearts and minds revolt against the ruthlessness of Russia and Germany and are in favor of Finland, but their initiative for acting upon their conviction, they are now deprived, never to regain it unless a miracle happens.

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I am struck by the fatuity of the following quotation from President Roosevelt's remarks on the Russo-Finnish peace treaty: "The ending of this war does not clarify the inherent right of small nations to the maintenance of their integrity against attack by superior forces, and further he says: 'The people of Finland... have won the moral right to live in everlasting peace, etc.'

These are fine sympathetic words, but is there such a thing as inherent or moral right anywhere in the world—except, of course, where there is power successfully to defend it.

Must Have Power Is it not true in all walks of life, in peace or war, that to be independent, one must have the power to maintain it. Is it not true that the moment one's independence, in order to be maintained, must be guaranteed by others, already lost? The guarantor will thereafter limit your actions.

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land, Why? Because such an invasion would be considered inadvisable to the interests of Germany and Russia and they would resist it. But does that leave Scandinavia independent? On the other hand, what would France and England do to prevent Russia or Germany from invading Scandinavia? Apparently nothing or at most, make a shamble of Russian or German harbors and a battle ground of these splendid peaceful lands."

Talk of joint Scandinavian action now in case of future enemy invasion is mere wishful thinking. Anybody fool enough to believe that Russia or Germany will fail to prevent such efforts "It is too late" is always "too late!" said Lloyd George.

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The moral: Right is might only if one has the might to make it right. The lesson: Be right and just, but stronger than your potential adversary. In this I speak only of things as they are and not of the theories of what they ought to be. Democracy is at Armageddon. (Army-get-on.) THEO. H. MILLINGTON 411 East Jefferson, Detroit.

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