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Universalist and Unitarian Sunday School Children Will Nevertheless Have a Good Time

The Sunday schools of the Church of Our Father (Universalist) and Unity Church (Unitarian) are not invited to join in the Anniversary Day parade to-morrow. They will meet in the Church of Our Father, Grand avenue and Lefferts place, and have a good time, notwithstanding. Application for a place in line was made last year or the year before, but it was denied by a vote of the Brooklyn Sunday School Union. The application was not repeated this year, for the reason, as given by Foster L. Backus, superintendent of the Sunday school of the Church of Our Father this morning, that it was voted not to ask again, but abide the time when all children will be asked to parade.

"Unity Sunday School will meet with us to-morrow," said Mr. Backus. "...We have been in the habit of flocking by ourselves on Anniversary Day and having a parade, but we have not decided whether we will go out to-morrow or not. We may have such a good time in the church that we will not want to go out. But if the weather conditions are right and the children desire to parade, why, we will go out.

"I intend to make a brief address to-morrow to the children, and I think I shall emphasize the idea that in view of the fact that the Presbyterians have so recently lifted the ban from the babies it is no more than fair that ours should be included."

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