

JUNIOR CHURCH IS ORGANIZED

Grace Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis has Unique Branch for Youngsters.

(By Associated Press)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Apr. 15.—A junior church, the membership of which is limited to persons between six and 16 years old, with the preacher the only adult present, is being successfully operated in this city. The plan was inaugurated by the Rev. N. S. Siehterman of Grace Presbyterian church.

According to Dr. Siehterman, there are 60 children ranging in age from six to 16 years who are members of the junior organization. They have their own room for services, which are of thirty minutes' duration, and have their own officers. The plan was put into operation in January and Dr. Siehterman is so pleased with the results that he expects soon to double the membership.

Dr. Siehterman said the idea of forming a junior church developed from his experiences in church life while a boy.

"My people came from Holland and settled in a neighborhood of Hollanders in a small Michigan town," he said. "The church I attended as a boy also used the Dutch language and the services sometimes lasted two hours or more. I well remember how tired and restless I would get as the time dragged on, for the sermon, while appealing to adults, was not such as would appeal to the child."

"It was this experience which gave birth to the junior church idea, and last January I started the organization. The results have been gratifying. The children have their own board of elders, board of deacons, and board of trustees and name their own ushers. They also have their own choir. I am the only adult present at the services. The services last only 30 minutes, which I believe is sufficient, for it keeps the children interested every minute. The hymns and text of the sermons are such that will appeal to the child mind."

Dr. Siehterman said he had started the children into engaging in three minute talks and hoped eventually to have some of them take turns at preaching.

CARDS LEAD TO GRAVE
MONTICELLO, Utah, Apr. 15.—Irving Dunham and James Nash, cattlemen, started a friendly game of cards Thursday night. Fifty Nash is dead and Dunham is in jail, charged with his murder. Nash was shot with a .38 calibre revolver.

MOVIE ACTOR A SPEED DEMON

(By Associated Press)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Apr. 15.—Wallace Reid, moving picture actor, who recently filed his entry in the annual 500-mile automobile race to be held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway May 30, will drive car No. 13, it was said here today.

Twelve drivers entered the race ahead of Reid and as has been done for several years, T. E. Myers, manager of the speedway, planned to eliminate the number 13. Reid, however, insisted that he be given the number and the speedway officials consented. Mr. Myers said a car bearing No. 13 had not started in the contest since 1913.

Reid is due to arrive in Indianapolis on May 14 to begin training for the race. He already has been granted a driver's license by the American Automobile association, under whose rules the Indianapolis race is conducted. The only other requisite for competing in the local race is ability to drive a racing car to the satisfaction of the speedway officials.

The executive of a motion picture concern for which Reid has been acting has declared, it is said, that he will not permit the actor to compete in the race if it is "humanly possible to stop him." Reid, however, is said to have asserted he intends to go through with his plans.

MANY ROADS IMPASSABLE
The road conditions of Eastern Oregon as set forth in the weekly report of the state highway commission are as follows:

Old Oregon Trail.
Pendleton to foot of Cabbage Hill: Open, macadamized.
Foot of Cabbage Hill to Hilgard: Road closed by snow.

Hilgard to La Grande: Open but very rough.
La Grande to Hot Lake: Pavement and macadam, good construction.

Hot Lake to Union: Open, short detours necessary. Cross tracks just east of Hot Lake, detour marked to main highway; detour just east of Union at small bridge.

Union to Haines: Excellent macadam.
Haines to Baker: Detour by Wingville road, detour well marked, detour road four miles longer.

Baker to Nelson: Mud holes in places but passable.
Nelson to Huntington: New standard grade; detour 2 1/2 miles in length from Cales crossing to Weatherford bridge; use old road, which is very rough; detour 1-4 mile at Jordan creek, very rough; detour of one mile from Lime to Huntington, overhead crossing; use old road, which is in fair condition; detours of half mile from Pope and Standfield ranch to Hinder, use old road, in fair condition. The detours on this section are well marked, but care should be used as they are very rough. Use chains.

Huntington to Weiser (via Olds Ferry): Fair condition, Oregon side closed.
Weiser to Ontario: Excellent condition.

La Grande-Joseph Highway.
La Grande to Island City: Paved. Island City to Elgin: County road, open but rough, mud holes in places, drive carefully.

Elgin to Minam: Closed by snow and mud.
Minam to Joseph: Macadamized with exception of eight-mile stretch between Lostine and Enterprise, this strip is very rough. Use chains. Take river road, road will be open from La Grande to Wallowa Lake by May first.

SHARKS SWARM IN AUSTRALIA

(By Associated Press)
SYDNEY, N. S. W., Apr. 15.—Sharks are swarming off the beaches of Sydney and four tragedies have occurred thus far in the present surfing season.

The last in the series happened at Coogee Beach, the scene of the others. Mervyn Gannon, 21 year old mechanic, was surfing with about 30 other persons when a shark suddenly charged at him from the crest of a wave. Gannon strove to beat it off with his fists and the shark tore off his right hand at the wrist. The blood which flowed from the wound reddened the surf and seemed to infuriate the shark, which attacked Gannon again and bit off the fingers of his left hand.

John Brown, a life saver, went to Gannon's aid, accompanied by Ernest Carr, a noted swimmer. When they reached Gannon he still was struggling with the shark. They seized Gannon and bore him away toward the beach. The shark was six feet away from the trio and made another rush, grasping Gannon by the shoulder and tearing open his back to the waist. Then he was beaten off, only to return and lacerate Gannon's thigh.

Brown and Carr eventually reached shore with Gannon who was hurried to a hospital, where he died. Surfing for the day was abandoned and beach resort proprietors report that there has been a heavy decrease in the number of surfers since the accidents.

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BANDITS SWEEP SOVIET RUSSIA

(By Associated Press)
MOSCOW, Apr. 15.—Soviet Russia has been swept by a wave of street banditism that rivals recent crime epidemics in the United States.

Until a few months ago, Moscow surprised foreign visitors by the safety of its streets, even late at night, but now is no safer than New York or Chicago and the list of crimes is growing steadily. While Petrograd, Odessa, Kiev and other cities are reported to be even worse.

Holdups, burglaries, murders in the principal streets and battles with the Moscow police have occurred in such great numbers that the Moscow soviet has decreed that immediate steps shall be taken to "liquidate" the situation. "Liquidation" of such situations in Russia generally means shooting on sight of persons caught in the act of robberies, or speedy execution after conviction.

One issue of the newspaper Pravda reported some 5 holdups, burglaries and the discovery of two bodies, apparently of persons who had been robbed, killed and thrown into cellars. Some of these affairs have occurred in the principal streets.

Russian highwaymen generally take not only the money, jewelry and watches of their victims but also their outer and sometimes inner garments, leaving them to run home naked or nearly so. Clothing is worth more than money in Russia.

Some of the highwaymen, according to reports, adopt quite polite manners. At Petrograd one bandit is said to have stopped a number of men in the street, asking them, politely, after pointing at their overcoats if they wished to buy the garments. "Why buy. It is mine already," the victims would say. "No," the robber replied, "it is now mine."

revolver the robber generally "sold" his victims' coats back to them for 7,000,000 rubles.
At Kiev one robber accepted his victims asking: "Have you seen a policeman around here?" Receiving assurances in the negative, he said: "Well, then, give me your overcoat."

OLD BILL

HARRISBURG, Pa., Apr. 15.—The commonwealth of Pennsylvania Friday was presented with a bill for 100 pounds sterling for two head of sheep purchased for the use of the American revolutionary army under what is termed the "army" act of June 1, 1780.

DIAMONDS STOLEN
(By Associated Press)
CLEVELAND, O., Apr. 15.—Diamonds valued at \$50,000 were taken from the office safe of Max Karjan company, jewelers, in a downtown office building Friday morning by three bandits, who entered the store with drawn revolvers, drove David Gimp, office manager, and a friend into the safe and seized the diamonds and escaped.

Discouraged.
"Don't you consider bridge an intellectual game?" said Miss Pepper. "Too intellectual," replied Miss Cayenne. "After reading the books of instruction I haven't the courage to attempt it."

Ernest Shipman
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400 yards 42 inch Pile low fluting, value 55c yard, for 39c	200 yards 36 inch Sateen in white, red, black, blue and rose colors, per yard 33c	300 yards Imported Or-gandy in white, peach, green, pink and yellow, values to 89c yd., for 59c	

One lot ladies' fine Cotton Yarn Hose, black only, 25c values, for 15c

One lot ladies' fine Lisle and Fiber Silk Hose in black, white and cordovan, 75c values for 50c

One lot ladies' Pure Silk and Fiber Silk Hose in black, white and cordovan, \$1.49 values, for 98c

One lot Aluminum ware, pie tins, cups, sauce pans and pudding pans, values 23c, for 15c

One lot two-coat Granite ware, values to 49c, for 15c

One lot Kitchen Brooms, 4 sew, values to 75c for 49c

One lot Star Out Tumblers, value \$1.23 per set, for 90c

One lot pure Nippon China Tea sets, value \$1.50 per set, for 90c

One lot 7 inch Yellow Mixing Bowls, value 19c, for 39c

No. 1. Galv. Tub, value \$1.23, for 89c

No. 2. Galv. Tub, value \$1.33, for 93c

No. 3. Galv. Tub, value \$1.43, for 98c

ANDREW'S VARIETY STORE

La Grande Oregon

One lot Ladies' Easter Hats, \$1.25 to \$7.00 value, now \$2.75

One lot Ladies' Easter Hats, \$7.00 to \$10 values, now \$4.90

One lot Ladies' Easter Hats, \$10 to \$15 values, now \$6.85

42 piece Gold Band semi-porcelain dishes, value \$14.49, for \$9.75

42 piece set Mayfield semi-porcelain dishes, \$18.95 value, for \$14.65

42 piece set Vernon English semi-porcelain dishes, value \$24.50, for \$18.45

No. 10. Galv. Pails, value 45c, for 35c

No. 12. Galv. Pails, value 48c, for 43c

No. 14. Galv. Pails, value 55c, for 45c

14 quart, two-coat Granite Rolled Rim Dish Pan, values 98c for 69c

One lot Baby Sweater Jackets, made in fine all white wool yarn, hand embroidered in fancy designs, values to \$2.45, for \$1.89

All men's, ladies' and nasses' Sweaters, 25% Discount

Men's Blue Wrist Canvas Gloves, per pair 10c

One lot ladies' Unions, fine cotton, lisle in bodice and low neck, loose knee and tight knee, values to \$1.23, for 89c

One lot ladies' fine lisle Union Suits, values to 98c, for 69c

Ladies' fine cotton Under Vests, a large assortment of values 15c and up