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LOOKING FOR CAPITAL FOR ROAD

Edgar Hafer, manager of the Low a Lumber & Box Co., left Medford Wednesday morning for Council Bluffs, Iowa, for a few weeks' visit with his parents and to talk over business matters with members of his firm. It is quite probable that his visit to Council Bluffs will be the means of the investment of a considerable amount of additional money by this firm in timber lands of Jackson county. J. D. Olwell will leave Medford within the next few weeks for the east, going by way of Council Bluffs, where he will be joined by Mr. Hafer and the two will go to New York City, where they have an appointment with capitalists to discuss matters appertaining to the construction of the Medford & Applegate Valley Railroad. Some weeks ago The Mail made mention of some of the results to be attained by the construction of this road, and it seems the proper time now to reiterate some of those statements. The road will open up a practically virgin country, and one rich in everything that goes to make a prosperous community. The route leads through the Applegate valley, the second largest in the county, noted for its rich and productive soil. Farming has not been carried on to the extent possible in this valley, owing to distance from market, but the residents have turned their attention to stockraising with such success that the beef from the Applegate section is much sought after by buyers and is always prime. The building of the M. & A. V. road would result in an increase of over fifty per cent in the cultivated area of the valley and proportionate increase in its population and wealth.

Nor is this the only source of wealth which will be developed by this road. On either side of the proposed route—for the whole thirty-five, miles the hills are covered with timber, a greater part of it being as fine as any that grows. The mountains are seamed with mineral-bearing ledges and in nearly every little gulch placer gold can be found. At Joe Bar the temporary terminus of the road, one of the greatest copper deposits in the United States will be tapped. This is the famous Blue Ledge, and its development is one of the main objects of the road. Everything points to the speedy construction of this road and its promoters are sanguine that with the showing they are able to make as to its being a paying enterprise they will have little difficulty in interesting the necessary capital with which to build it. It will mean much to Southern Oregon in general and to Medford and the Applegate country in particular.

Coming Musical Event.

Medford music lovers are assured of a treat in the coming concert to be given under the direction of Mrs. Helen M. Brown at the Baptist church on next Tuesday evening, January 16th. The recollection of the recital given by Mrs. Brown and the Misses Brown last September has not entirely faded from the minds of those fortunate enough to be present on that occasion and this concert promises to be all that could be wished. Mrs. Brown will this time be assisted by the best home musical talent in addition to her two talented daughters, and beyond doubt the concert will be one of the principal events of the season. The concert will commence at 8:15 o'clock p. m.

Admission 35 cents, and tickets will be on sale at the several drug stores and at the door on the evening of the concert. Following is the program:

PART I.

Symphonic Op. 21, Beethoven, two pianos, Miss Brown, Mrs. Edwards.
Double Quartette, "Song of the Triton," Molloy, Mrs. Brown, Miss Grace Brown, Misrs. McMillan, Mrs. Edwards; Messrs. Muller, Savage, Isaacs, Thierolf.
Quartette, "Beauty's Eyes," Tosti; Mrs. Brown, Miss Brown, Miss Grace Brown, Mrs. McMillan.
Piano Solo, "Caprice Espagnol," Moszkowski; Miss Brown.
"Sweet and Low," Barnby; Double Quartette.
Valse Brillante, Moszkowski; eight hands, Miss Brown, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Brown, Miss Grace Brown.

PART II.

Solo, Invocation, (violin obligato) D'Hardelot; Miss Grace Brown; violin, Mr. Miller.
Quartette, "Farmer and the Scarecrow," DeKoven; Mrs. Brown, Miss Brown, Miss Grace Brown, Mrs. McMillan.
Ballet No. 6, Tschaikowsky; eight hands.
Solo and triple chorus from "Pirates of Penzance," Sullivan; Mr. Isaacs and Double Quartette.
Trio, "Tell Her I Love her So," DeFave; Mrs. Brown, Miss Brown, Mrs. McMillan.
"Good night, Beloved," Pinsuti; Double Quartette.

These pianos kindly furnished by the Elers Piano House.

—If you have not left your order at this office for extra copies of the special edition of The Mail, you should do so at once, as only enough for the advanced demand will be printed.

KELLIHER FOUND GUILTY.

A. T. Kelliher, a wealthy Chicago capitalist, who has handled thousands of acres of public land in this state, was on January 4th found guilty at Salem upon a charge of forging a signature to an assignment of a certificate of sale of state school land. The jury was out three hours and found a verdict upon the second ballot. There was one dissenting vote on the first ballot.

The act of writing the signature was not charged against Kelliher, but it was alleged that H. H. Turner wrote the ficticious name at the suggestion of Kelliher while in Kelliher's employ, and the latter was therefore indicted as principal in the commission of the crime. The verdict was a complete surprise to Kelliher, who had the utmost confidence in his acquittal. The case will be appealed to the supreme court upon various grounds of error. Sentence will not be passed before next Monday, when a motion or a new trial will be argued.

The confession of H. H. Turner, corroborated by the records showing that Kelliher was the chief beneficiary of the crime, and by the evidence showing numerous instances of similar transactions., together with the testimony of experts that Turner did the writing, constituted the basis of the verdict. To those who heard the testimony the verdict was somewhat of a surprise, for many anticipated a hung jury and some expected an acquittal.

H. H. Turner, upon whose evidence Kelliher was convicted, testified that in March, 1900, Kelliher came to him and asked him to go in with him in a scheme to secure state school land. Turner at first refused, but later agreed for a consideration of $7 each to procure signers to applications.

He secured three or four, but could not get any more. Turner had trouble to secure people to sign the application, and finally he signed them himself. He admitted that he wrote the name of G. I. Rice, signed to the application and certificate, on which Kelliher was indicted, also the assignment of Rice to Kelliher, and he further admitted that he signed all the names to the applications with Lennon's name attached as notary, and that they were all fictitious.

On cross-examination Turner admitted that he had denied connection with these cases to Lester Davis, of the Telegram, and A. W. Prescott, of the Oregonian, and when asked why he did so he said he did not propose to admit his guilt to the newspapermen when the grand jury was investigating the case.

The closing arguments were listened to with close attention by the jurymen, the court and the crowd gathered in the court room. P. H. D'Arcy closed for the defense, giving a review of the jury system from the date of the Magna Charta to the present time, and making a plea to the jury for justice to the defendant. He characterized the prosecution as an effort on the part of State Land Agent West to win public approval for the present Democratic administration, thereby securing the re-election of George E. Chamberlain as governor and the continuance of himself in office. In order to accomplish this end, West was willing to have A. T. Kelliher, an innocent man, convicted of the crime of forgery.

The pleader declared that the purpose of the prosecution is shown by the manner in which news of the land-fraud developments has been furnished to the newspapers, and that West's letter to the governor, detailing the discoveries he claimed to have made was the first gun of the governor's campaign for re-election.

D'Arcy eulogized Kelliher as an honest, industrious man, who came to Oregon to engage in a legitimate business and to help this state by finding purchasers for its land. Turning upon H. H. Turner, he gave vent to all the terms of denunciation he could command, describing him as a self-confessed forger, suborner of perjury and liar. He expressed the belief that Turner had in this case sworn falsely in the hope of pleasing the prosecution by aiding in the conviction of Kelliher and thereby securing immunity for himself.

District Attorney John H. McNary, in closing for the defense, created a ripple of amusement by his ridicule of D'Arcy's eloquence. He said that when a boy D'Arcy committed to memory a declamation upon the subject of human liberty, and ever since then he has been delivering that declamation whenever opportunity presents, at Fourth of July celebrations, in political campaigns, and, in recent years, when opportunities are scarce, he inflicts the Magna Charta declamation upon juries.

Monday Judge Burnett sentenced Kelliher to the penitentiary for five years. By stipulation of the attorneys the court granted the defendant ten days to file a bill of exceptions, and thirty days to perfect an appeal to the supreme court. The judge signed a certificate of probable cause, and granted a stay of execution pending the appeal. Under the law the sentence could not be less than two years nor more than twenty.

DIRECT PRIMARY LAW FEATURES.

Several features new to the voters are introduced in the direct primary law adopted at the last session of the legislature. In the first place if a voter wishes to participate in the primary election for the purpose of nominating candidates for office he must, at the time of registration, declare with what political party he affiliates, otherwise he cannot participate in the primaries. On the day of the primary election when he enters the polling place he is handed a ballot upon which is printed the names only of those candidates for nominations who belong to the party with which he has declared his affiliation. That is if he is registered as a Democrat he is handed a Democratic ticket, if as a Republican, a Republican ticket, and so on.

The feature of requiring the voter to declare his politics is for the protection of the candidate, that is to prevent the nomination of Republican candidates by Democratic vote and vice versa. If there was no such safe guard, a continuation of voters of either party might be made to nominate weak men on the opposite ticket and thus secure an advantage for their own. The old system of nominations by conventions is done away with and the nominations are made by direct vote of the people.

The participation in the primaries of any party does not carry other than a moral obligation to vote for its candidates at the general election. The voter is free to do as he pleases at that time.

Joint Installation.

A joint installation of officers of Banner Lodge No. 135, Fraternal Brotherhood, of Medford, and Mistletoe Lodge No. 149, of Ashland, was held in Medford last Friday night and was made the occasion of an exceedingly enjoyable time by the members of both lodges. Thirty-five members of the order came down from Ashland. Past President H. A. Frenna, of Mistletoe Lodge, acted as installing officer for Banner Lodge and installed the following:

Jo. Hibbard, president; W. Vogeli, V. P.; J. L. Demmer, Sec.; L. A. Howard, Treas.; Minnie Vogeli, Chap.; Emma E. Murphy, Searg't; W. L. Orr, M. of A.; O. O. Hull, I. D. K H. D. Brumble, O. D. K.

The officers of Mistletoe Lodge were installed by Past President J. L. Demmer, of Banner Lodge, and were as follows:

G. W. Crowson, P.; S. E. True, V. P.; M. True, Sec.; Emma J. Walker, Treas.; A. S. Barnes, Chap.; Ida Stewart, Sergt.; N. Harrison, M. of A.; Mrs. Cole, I. D. K.; R. Sterns, O. D. K.

After the installation the members enjoyed an elegant banquet, after which they adjourned to Angle's opera house and spent a few hours in enjoying a social dance.

Lodge Installations.

Talisman Lodge No. 31, K. of P., installed the following officers Monday evening: W. W. Eifert, C. C.; J. A. Perry, V. C.; J. P. Molony, prelate; W. H. McGowan, M. of W.; Mahlon Purdin, K. R. & S.; Louis Warner, M. of F.; Wallace Woods, M. of Ex.; L. L. Damon, M. at A.; A. K. Earhart, I. G.; B. J. Trowbridge, O. G.

Medford Camp No. 90, W. O. W., installed the following: R. R. Morey, C. C.; J. C. Smith, A. L.; F. E. Payne, banker; W. B. Jackson, clerk; W. H Maultby, escort.; J. W. Smiley, W.; J. H. Atwell, S.; B. J. Trowbridge, manager.

Weatonka Tribe, I. O. R., raised up the following chiefs: O. M. Selsby, sachem; J. E. Barksdull, Sr. S.; J. C. Jones, Jr. S.; Jos. Caskey, P.; L. L. Jacobs, K. R.; W. Kennedy, K. W.; John Stewart, H. Fredenburg, sannaps; J. O. Tryler, K. Osenbrugge, Fred Hurst, Paul Goodwyn, warriors; Jacob Wertzell, Harry Young, Dale Hazel, Joe Williams, braves; C. R. McClintock, G. W.; Paul Krutzler, G. F.

Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the copartnership heretofore existing by and between Ray Crystal and Chas. Talent, under the firm name of Crystal & Talent, is by mutual consent dissolved. Mr. Talent has withdarwn from the firm and Clare Morey succeeds him, and the style of the new firm will be Crystal & Morey, which firm will continue the business, that of retail grocery and feed.

All accounts due to and owned by the old firm are payable to and assumed by the new firm.

RAY CRYSTAL
CHAS. TALENT.

Death of Chas. H. Hart.

Chas. H. Hart died at his home on C street, Sunday, January 7, 1906; aged sixty-eight years, four months and fifteen days. Mr. Hart was a native of Vermillion county, Indiana, and had been a resident of Medford for about two years, coming here from California. His remains were taken to Redding, Calif., for interment.

A GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION.

The most complete and graphic description of Crater Lake that we have ever read is that written by W. Estill Phipps and published in the December number of "Outdoor Life." Comparisons are made between this and other great scenic wonders of the United States. Yosemite, Niagara, the Colorado Canyon, the Mammoth cave, of Kentucky, the Natural Bridge, of Virginia, Yellowstone Park, the writer says are but types, each the greatest of its class, it is true, but types nevertheless. There are other canyons, cataracts, geysers and natural bridges, but there is only one Crater Lake.

Mr. Phipps proceeds then to describe the supposed origin of this great scenic wonder and to explain the reasons why it has not been so widely known and visited by so many people as have been the other great scenic wonders of the country. The lack of adequate transportation and the fact that the existence of the lake was practically unknown until recently is given as the reason why comparatively so little is known by the outside world of Crater Lake. Anyone who has visited the lake will appreciate Mr. Phipps' description of the route thither and will experience again the sensations produced by the long climb to the summit of the mountain, where each ridge is thought to be the last, and the final breath-taking, are an inspiring sight, then at last one stood on the brink of that great abyss and gazed downward thousands of feet upon the shimmering, placid waters of Crater Lake. The article is illustrated with several views of the lake and is accompanied with an original descriptive poem by the author.

Band Concert.

The Medford band boys have been working over-time for the past few weeks, getting ready for the concert which they will put on one week from tonight, Friday, January 19th, in Wilson's opera house. Under the directorship of Prof. John A. Norling, the boys have attained a wonderful proficiency and having accomplished much that is pleasing to them in a musical way they feel that the public will be interested in their advancement sufficient to buy a ticket and come out next Friday evening and listen to them. The boys realize full well that an evening's enertainment of wholly band music would become tiresome and they have therefore made up their program with a few vocal numbers together with other instrumental music.

In years agone the people of Medford have been asked to contrbute direct for the support of the band, but the boys have now discarded this method, and, while they need the money, they have decided to earn the money thus needed and at the same time give their indirect contributors direct value therefore—and these conditions being as they are they will expect to see all Medford people who have an interest in the band, and also those who enjoy an evening of exceptionally good entertainment, present at their concert next Friday evening.

Following is the program:

March, "Crescent Queen," Band.
Selection from Maritana, Wallace, Band.
Vocal solo, "Happy Days," Violin Obligato, Mrs. J. H. Dobson.
Cornet solo, "Carnival of Venice," John A. Norling.
Descriptive, "The Colored Wedding," synopsis: Introduction, strains from Mendelssohn's Wedding March, more numerous than classical interpreted—the wedding party proceeds on its way to the parsonage—at the parson's—the ceremony—the fatal words "I will"—the kiss and words of advise—return home—the festivities begin, get hotter and hotter—finale "Nigger nebber die."
Piano duet, "Rousing of the Lion," Mrs. Dobson, Miss Osenbrugge.
Two-step, "King Over-all," Scrouton, Band.

Admission, 25, 35 and 50 cents. A dance will be given after the concert.

Good Showing in Mt. Pitt.

A. C. Hoofer was in Gants Pass Tuesday from the Mt. Pitt mine, on Jumpoff-Joe, says the Courier. Mr. Hoofer stated that he was having development work steadily carried on and there is now 1100 feet of tunnels on the property. The mine is showing up in fine shape, both in extent of the ore body and of its high values. Recently a carload of the high-grade ore was shipped to the Tacoma smelter and it netted $1 a ton. A large quantity of low-grade ore is on the dump, which will be worked when a mill is put in.

Manager Hoofer stated that next month he would install a compressor and power drills. The power will be had from a water wheel which was installed last year to run a two-tub arrastre. This wheel will afford 30-horse-power, which will be ample for all development purposes. If the mine continues to show up so well, Manager Hoofer states that it is the plan of his company, which is composed of Portland men to put in a mill in the spring and put it in permanent operation.

—Call at Eads' second hand store for good oak wood. $2.25 per tier. 41-t

S. O. DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE.

At the Southern Oregon mass meeting held at Grants Pass Saturday for the purpose of organizing a Southern Oregon Development League, the following officers were elected: R. L. Coe, Grants Pass, president; O. Winter, Ashland, first vice-president; F. Colvig, Gold Hill, second vice-president; L. L. Jewell, Grants Pass, treasurer; J. H. Beeman, Gold Hill, assistant secretary; W. B. Sherman, secretary, Grants Pass; executive committee—F. H. Carter, Ashland; H. L. Gilkey, Grants Pass; J. D. Olwell, Medford; Frank E. Alley, Roseburg; Wm. Carter, Gold Hill.

The evening session was especially well attended by an enthusiastic crowd. (Ashland, Medford, Jacksonville, Gold Hill and Merlin being well represented). The constitution and by-laws as adopted, provides that the executive committee appoints and directs all committees. This League was organized for the purpose of fostering all commercial and industrial interests of Southern Oregon.

The League is to encourage the organization and maintenance of local organizations, to be formed in each town of Southern Oregon and such organizations to compose the membership of the Southern Oregon Development League and it is to be hoped that local organizations will be formed in Ashland,, Medford, Jacksonville, Central Point, Tolo, Gold Hill, Woodville, Merlin, Leland, Wolf Creek, Glendale, Riddle, Myrtle Creek, Roseburg and Grants Pass. "For in union there is strength."

The by-laws provides that each local organization shall pay a membership fee to the Southern Development League of $5 annually, in advance.

The executive committee needs the support of every individual who is in sympathy with the development of Southern Oregon, and this is work which should be attended to immediately. There should be a committee appointed at once, to solicit the freight payers of Southern Oregon to ascertain their grievances, "if any." The state frieght rate committee requests our co-operation and if any action is taken in the matter it must be done at once. A committee should be appointed to consider the mineral clause in our railroad land deeds, we should confer with the railroad company as to the advisability of placing their land back on the market.

The state tax bill for which the Willamette Valley Development League proposes to invoke the assistance of the initiative and referendum, should have our immediate consideration, therefore it is requested that you confer with each of the executive committees, in person or by letter, to have these matters considered and disposed of at once. Personally "it's up to you." Are you ready and willing to do your part?

A Jolly American Tramp.

A melo-dramatic comedy, replete with striking sensational scenes and startling situations is the attraction at Wilson's opera house January 15th. The play is from the pen of the author of "A Poor Relation" and "Peaceful Valley," two plays that have made Sol Smith Russell famous. It is a portrayal of an American tramp—not a repulsive, ever-to be-shunned outcast, but a man who through misfortune was compelled to wander upon the face of the earth; but whose

heart, well knowing his own distress, still bleeds for others' woes and who offers even his life to help right the wrongs of others even more unfortunate than he. The locale of this drama is laid in rural New England and the motive is greed for gold, a greed with which even a husband is sometimes overpowered, and for which he terribly wrongs his life's partner. The story is complex and will be well worked out by a competent cast of gifted palyers. In the cast are such well known artists as Miss Cora Lee Jefferson, Miss Berline Farnsworth, Miss Virginia Melville, Miss Vera Wilson, Messrs. Clark Ross, Wm. S. Ely, William Lee and Maurice Irvington. Laughter chasing away tears, bright, scintillating flashes of wit dispelling gloom and catchy specialties aiding in making the hours fly like minutes, are promises held forth.

$100 Reward.

There estrayed from my range, on Trail creek, seven head of cattle. Marked with crop and under bit in both ears; branded with figure "1" on left hip—except one mulley cow, which is branded "AH" on left hip—marks unknown. A reward of $10 will be paid for information leading to recovery—payment of reward made in proportion to number recovered.

2-4t W. T. HOUSTON.

Old Cast Iron Wanted.

The Medford Iron Works is prepared to pay cash for any amount of old cast iron. 47-tf

LAND OFFICE NOW OPEN.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 11.—After being closed exactly one year, the Roseburg land office was today fully re-opened for business in all departments. Its closing was caused by the suspension of Register Bridges and Receiver Booth, January 9, 1905. The new register, B. L. Eddy, assumed his duties several days ago, but not until the arrival of Receiver J. M. Lawrence was business fully resumed.

The year's suspension of business has been very detrimental to business interests in this land district, and some newly-seittled neighborhoods have been practically depopulated because settlers were unable to acquire titles to their claims, many abandoning them during the year.

CITY ELECTION.

Tuesday's city election, while a quiet one—owing to the absence of vital issues, was very closely contested on some offices. Workers for the different candidates were numerous and active, and in spite of the rain, the vote was up to the average. The result was the election of W. H Bradshaw as mayor, F. Osenbrugge,. councilman in the first ward; J. C. Smith, in the second ward; J. L. Demmer, in the third ward; J. E. Toft, recorder; L. L. Jacobs, treasurer.

The new city council will be comprised of W. H. Bradshaw, mayor; councilmen: First ward—R. H. Whitehead and F. Osenbrugge; second—D. G. Karnes and J. C. Smith; third—Edgar Hafer and J. L. Demmer.

Following is the vote cast:

For mayor—W. H. Bradshaw, 174; J. A. Perry, 160; E. B. Pickel, 151. Recorder—J. E. Toft, 306; Carl Nagregan, 164. Treasurer—Chas. Strang, 108; L. L Jacobs, 360. Councilmen—1st ward, F. Osenbrugge, 79; J. U Willk, 68; 2d ward, J. C. Smith, 98; J. R. Wilson, 60; 3d ward, J. L. Demmer, 91; G. L. Schermerhorn, 70.

Choir and Choral Society Organized.

A number of the young people of the Methodist Episcopal church have united and organized a choir and choral society with Mrs. Chas. T. McPherson as leader. They will furnish special music each Sunday morning and evening. Their excellent work in the recent past indicates that the music will become one of the most attractive and helpful features of the church services. New music has been ordered. The choir will meet each Friday evening at 7:15 for a two hours' drill with a brief intermission Last Friday evening the members were pelasantly surprised in the shape of a little treat of hot cocoa served by the leader at intermission. Miss Myrtle Lawton is acting as treasurer. The committee on members consists of Miss Ida Redden, Miss Rose Fielder and Mr. Clarence Meeker. Eligibility of new members will be considered by this committee. Other officers and committees will be provided as needed.

At the last rehearsal the choir began laying plans for a patriotic entertainment to be given on the night of May 30th, which promises to be a very popular affair. The choir may undertake a short oratorio this year also.

The present members are as follows: Sopranos, Misses Ida Redden, Nola Redden, Rose Fielder, May Roberts, Minnie Core, Helen King, Grace Lawton, May Phipps, Mabel Jones, Myrtle Roberts, Gladys Foss, — —Foss, Bertha McPherson, Mrs. Wylie; altos, Misses Myrtle Lawton, Stella Duclos, Echo Nason; tenors, Messrs. G. R. Lindley, D. T. Lawton and Dr. Ira Phipps; basses, Messrs. Clarence Meeker and Wylie; organist, Miss Julia Fielder.

A New Discovery in Gold Hill.

The old Gold Hill district, the district in which the first gold-bearing ore was discovered in Jackson county, is likely to be the means of causing another sensation in the mining world, if the specimens brought to Medford Wednesday by one of the pioneer miners of the coast are an indication of the wealth deposited beneath the earth at the point where the discovery was made. It is some five miles south and a little east of the town of Gold Hill where this discovery was made and there are a good many big, round dollars represented by the ore already taken out. The pocket, if such it be, was found about twelve feet below the surface, but the width and extent of the vein has not yet been developed. It is the same district, however, and not a great distance from the famous Gold Hill mine. We have been requested not to publish neither the names of the finder or of the owners of the property, and the indefiniteness of the above may be ascribed to that fact. The find has been made, though, as the specimens show.

BAPTIST CHURCH DEDICATION.

The Baptist church was filled almost to overflowing on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, the occasion being the dedication of the new portion of the church recently constructed. The M. E., Christian and M. E., South, churches all dismissed their congregations and attended the dedicatory services, upon invitation by the Baptist church. The congregation of the Presbyterian church, after holding a short service, did likewise. The sermon was preached by Rev. L. W. Riley upon the subject, "Our Liberty is Christ." The sermon was an able and eloquent one, and held the undivided attention of the large audience.

At the close of the sermon it was stated that it would require $350 to place the church free of debt. This amount was quietly subscribed in a few minutes. All the ministers of the city who were on the platform took part in the services. Rev. McPherson read the scripture. Text—1st Chron., 29:1-22. Rev. C. H. Ferrell, who is an old classmate and friend of the pastor, Rev. Carstens, and now pastor at Eagle Point and Talent, offered prayer. Rev. F. W. Carstens, in a few well chosen words, expressed earnestly and feelingly his appreciation of the work which had been done by the members of the church and congregation toward making the enlargement of the church a success. He complimented his people upon their loyalty and good works—and they are certainly entitled to all praise, as the subscription for building it had been raised almost entirely within the membership of the church. In conclusion he thanked the pastors and congregations of the other churches for their presence and participation in the services. At the close of the sermon by Rev. Riley, Rev. Yacoubi, of the M. E. Church, South, offered prayer, and at the conclusion of the services Rev. Shields pronounced the benediction. The music for the service was under the direction of Mrs. W. I. Vawter and was the occasion of many complimentary remarks concerning its excellence and appropriateness to the occasion.

The Baptist church people and their pastor are to be congratulated upon the energetic and progressive spirit they have displayed in bringing this work to completion, and the harmony which exists between them.

At the close of the services in the evening a dedicatory prayer was offered by the pastor, Rev. F. W. Carstens. The members of the church assembled at the altar and upon bended knees and with bowed heads while the prayer was being offered, dedicated anew their life work to Christ, the church and to the betterment of humanity.

THE NEW CHURCH.

The addition which has just been completed has in reality made a new church of the entire structure, in that the architectural design of the new has in no way detracted from, but has instead added to, the old. The church as it appears completed is a very pretty building to look upon from the outside, while the interior elicits even greater admiration.

The church is of brick. At the west side of the new part, there is a massive veranda, 10x30 feet in size. This is of the latest design in architecture and adds greatly to the appearance of the church proper.

On the inside the old and the new rooms have been made into a large, and very conveniently arranged assembly room, with a seating capacity of fully 450 people. The pulpit is so situated that it is of equal distance from all parts of the church. The pews are so placed that persons occupying them are almost directly facing the speaker in the pulpit. The change has given additional room for the choir, and is more convenient than was the platform formerly in use. At the back of the pulpit is the baptestry. This is very neat in design and is very pretty. It is painted a pure white and upon it is raised lettering in gold. There are two class rooms 13x16 feet in size, from one of which are stairs to the second story where a room, 16x32 feet in size, with two dormer off-sets, has been finished and fitted for the young peoples' society meetings and for business and prayer meetings. The cost of the addition has been about $2000, all of which has been paid in and the church is free of debt—and most of the contributions have been made by members of the church.

The installation of the numerous electric lights and the furnishing of the electroliers and burners, all costing about $100, were gifts of Edward King, Harry Merriman and A. C. Gorton to the church.

The papering of the church, which is a fine piece of work, was part of the pastor's personal contribution. It might be said here that since the work on the church commenced the pastor has come pretty nearly being one of the regular hands, and it is to his untiring efforts that much credit is due for the magnificent house of worship which he and his congregation now enjoy.