

New Church Dedicated; Large Amount Raised

Impressive Ceremonies, in Which All Denominations of the City Unite, Mark Opening of Structure Just Completed by Asbury P. E. Church--Bishop Cooke's Appeal Brings Generous Response.

Under the most auspicious circumstances the new Methodist church was formally dedicated Sunday. At both services the building, which has a seating capacity of about 700, was well filled and the ceremonies which marked the opening of the new church were impressive and inspiring.

Electricity is used for lighting and the indirect system is used, reflectors being encased in large composition pendants, the colors of which carry out the color scheme used in the decorations of walls and ceilings.

The auditorium is well ventilated with ventilators in the windows and there is also a large ventilator placed in the central part of the ceiling and covered with an art glass square.

Both the interior and the exterior of the edifice are decidedly pleasing to the eye and they are also designed to give a maximum degree of comfort and convenience. The structure was designed by R. R. Bartlett, architect.

The church was organized here in October, 1892, with nine members, who formed a separate organization from that of Belmont M. E. Church with which they had been affiliated.

The first church building was known as "The Barracks," as it was built of rough wood and left unfinished.

The morning service opened with instrumental preludes by Mrs. Hazel W. Hinrichs. Rev. H. O. Perry led in prayer, after which Miss Beth Edgington, accompanied by Mrs. Hinrichs and with Dr. Sharp's violin obligato, sang "The Angel's Serenade" very beautifully. Rev. E. A. Harris read the Scripture lesson. The offertory solo, "The Pilgrims," was rendered by Mr. Osgood in a very pleasing manner.

At the conclusion of his sermon the bishop made a strong appeal for contributions with which to pay off the remaining debt on the church. This met with a generous response.

At the evening service the church was again filled and Dr. Benjamin Young of Portland, brother of Rev. W. B. Young, delivered a strong sermon, taking as his text the words "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." Mrs. P. S. Davidson contributed to the musical portion of the program by rendering "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" in her usual effective manner.

All who saw the church were delighted with its beauty and comfort, both interior and exterior being complete and attractive in every way. Chief among the adornments of the building are the memorial windows of stained glass. There are two large windows. One was given by Mrs. O. L. Stranahan in memory of her husband and is entitled "The Resurrection Morn." The other, in front of the church, is entitled "Rock of Ages" and was given by W. S. Nichol in memory of his parents.

When the increasing congregation outgrew "The Barracks" the second church was built in 1895 and this has served the congregation until the present edifice was opened. The church now has 160 members instead of the original nine and the new building is equipped with a seating capacity of 700. The cost of the structure, together with the remodeling of the old one, was \$15,000.

Among the ministers who have been in charge of the church were W. C. and Nathan Evans, J. W. Rigby, J. M. Denison and Messrs. Lathrop, Ford, Young, McOmber, Hines and Spaulding. Rev. William B. Young, at present pastor of the church, has been indefatigable in his efforts towards securing the new building and his congregation has cooperated with him with a degree of zeal and self-sacrifice which has successfully overcome all obstacles.

"BY THE VILLAIN STILL PURSUED"

Pretty Miss Lucille McKittrick, who has been a resident of Hood River for several months went down to Portland recently to avoid Richard Mosley, a rejected suitor from her old home in Oklahoma. In that city the last of the week the interrupted romance was resumed in a dramatic manner which secured for Miss McKittrick considerable newspaper publicity.

The romance started in Oklahoma, it is said, and Miss McKittrick went so far as to become engaged to Mosley. She moved from Oklahoma to Hood River a few months ago, and from here she wrote to Mosley that she had reconsidered his proposal of marriage.

Mosley made no reply but came to Hood River and when the girl heard that he had arrived, she went to Portland and engaged a suite at the Alexandra Court, 53 Ella street, where Mosley located her. He persisted in paying her attentions and Thursday, he is said to have visited her and announced that she would never leave Portland alive unless she married him. Frightened at the youth's determination, Miss McKittrick made hurried arrangements to leave for Los Angeles with a party of friends that were staying at the St. Charles Hotel. Mosley heard of the planned trip and called Miss McKittrick by telephone.

"I am coming to see you," he said, "and if you won't marry me today, I'll kill you." Under the protection of Patrolman Coulter, Miss McKittrick and her friends arrived at the Almsworth dock an hour before the vessel sailed and Coulter took her to her stateroom and cautioned her not to appear until after the boat had left the dock.

At the last moment, just as the crew was hauling in the gangplank, Mosley, hat in hand and running fast, flashed by Coulter before the latter realized that his man was passing, and was dragged aboard by the crew.

MISS NAOMI CARTER WINS THE STOVE

Big girls and little girls, fat girls and thin girls, in fact little misses of all sizes and varieties flocked to the Franz Hardware Store with their mothers Saturday, each and every one determined to bake a pan of biscuit that would be so flakey and fluffy, so delicately delicious and so becomingly browned that they would capture the prize, which was a complete working model of the Quick Meal Range.

From 10 o'clock in the morning until four in the afternoon the cook was kept busy pushing the pans in and pulling them out of the oven, while all the little misses stood around with their hearts in their mouths for fear something might mar the perfection of their product. There were nearly 100 pans of biscuits mixed by as many contestants during the day and they were all so perfectly delicious that the judges were just at their wits' ends in trying to decide which was the very best.

At last they awarded first honors to little nine-year-old Naomi Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Carter and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carter, because they believed that her biscuits were just one mite nearer perfection than those of any of the ninety and nine other little cooks.

DAVID ECCLES IS STRICKEN SUDDENLY

David Eccles, president of the Oregon Lumber Company and owner of a controlling interest in the Mt. Hood Railroad, died suddenly of heart trouble in Salt Lake City last week.

Mr. Eccles and his associates went into the lumber business in Hood River in 1888 and have operated extensively in and near Hood River ever since. Although Mr. Eccles was a resident of Utah, he spent a great deal of his time in Oregon and was well and favorably known in Hood River and around the state. He was in Portland recently and had just advised the management of his Hood River interests that he would be here to visit them this week.

Few men, if any, have contributed more to the development of Hood River county and the State of Oregon than Mr. Eccles and he had many personal friends in this city who feel his death keenly.

Besides his interests here, Mr. Eccles was president of the Amalgamated Sugar Company and of the Sumpster Valley Railroad. He was president of several banks in Utah and was also interested in the Ogden street railway company and other electric lines.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon.

Local Shippers to Aid in Co-operative Plan

Representatives from Hood River Associations Will Go to Spokane for Conference of Northwest Fruit Growers Which Will Undertake to Formulate Plan to Lessen Competition in Marketing.

Local shippers and growers are vitally interested in the conference of Northwest shippers, fruitgrowers and railroad men which will be held at Spokane Monday for the purpose of discussing ways and means for effecting a marketing agreement between the box apple sections of the Northwest and representatives of local shipping organizations will be present at the meeting.

In order to prepare for such an arrangement and with a view to making it effective if consummated, representatives of the local organizations will hold a meeting this week and confer with reference to devising some working basis whereby the competition that has prevailed among the local organizations may be done away with before another season.

Monday's meeting at Spokane is the outcome of the unanimous sentiment manifested at the Spokane Apple Show last month that some such co-operation should be secured if the apple growers of the Northwest are to protect their interests in the markets of the world in the coming years when the output will be greatly increased.

H. F. Davidson of the Davidson Fruit Company was present at the Spokane meeting and, in common with many other leading fruit men of the Northwest, he was impressed with the necessity for some such co-operative arrangement. Since returning here he has given the matter much thought and has advocated that all the local organizations unite in working for some such end as will prevent the ruinous competition between different organizations in the same district and between the competing box apple districts.

Mr. Sieg of the Apple Growers' Union is heartily in accord with the movement and if the plans can be worked out on a satisfactory basis he believes that it will redound to the lasting benefit of the Northwest growers. He is likewise in favor of a similar arrangement between the local organizations.

Mr. Davidson in discussing this vital question said in substance as follows: "One of the purposes of the meeting to be held Monday is to eliminate a lot of duplications in the marketing expenses. For example, all of the local shipping organizations have to maintain their representatives in the Eastern markets and other sections do the same. Through a co-operative marketing arrangement there is no doubt that the cost of marketing could be materially reduced per box. I believe that such an arrangement would result in the saving of approximately ten cents a box and with a crop such as we have this year it would mean a saving of about a million dollars. This can easily be figured out when it is known that the crop of the Northwest this year will be about 15,000 carloads.

"In addition to materially reducing the cost of maintaining our markets as at present established such a co-operative arrangement would also make it possible to greatly extend our system of distribution and in this way two of the things which are absolute-

ly necessary for the maintenance of the apple industry of the Northwest on a profitable basis would be accomplished.

"Another thing--up until this year the production of extra fancy apples in the Northwest was only sufficient to supply the stands and dealers in this extra fancy fruit. With the increased production of the present year, however, a large proportion of the extra fancy stuff must go into general consumption. This brings it into competition to a certain extent with the Eastern apples and a new factor enters which can be dealt with most satisfactorily through some such marketing arrangement between the box districts as is now contemplated.

"In all the apple-producing sections of the Northwest we find the various organizations, both private and co-operative, competing with each other and driving down the prices in an effort to underbid other sections. Buyers use this competition and quote prices, either real or fictitious, from other sections in an effort to force down the prices still further. This is a condition which can be remedied only through co-operation on the part of the growers. By the harmonious working together of these separate organizations a more thorough and economical distribution could at the same time be effected. None of them lose their identity.

"In recent conversations with shippers from the different districts I find that it is the earnest desire of them all that such an organization of growers and shippers be brought about and that their mutual suspicions might be allayed. All are confident that if the competing sections are frank and honest with each other every section will be able to reap the reward of its own peculiar quality and at the same time profit by the co-operative organization in distributing their fruit.

Keep Fruit Off Auctions

"In conclusion I wish to say that not the least important among the things to be taken into consideration is the effect which such co-operation would have upon the auction markets. Producers of barrel apples keep their product off the auction market because they have learned to protect their interests. It is the box apples that are dumped into the auctions early in the season which demoralize the prices. This was particularly true earlier this season and should be guarded against by every possible means."

Manager Sieg of the Union said he was heartily in accord with the movement and that in his opinion the single aim of the local organizations as well as of those throughout the Northwest should be to get together, forget their differences and deal openly and aboveboard in a united effort to protect themselves in the market.

O.-W. R. & N. WILL OIL SAND BANKS

That the shifting sand banks between Mosier and The Dalles on the bank of the river, which are constantly threatening its tracks, may be controlled through the liberal use of sand is now the hope of the O.-W. R. & N. Company. These sand banks are continually shifting as the wind blows, and unless carefully watched, will in a short time cover the rails, causing much loss of time by impeding or stopping traffic. Various methods have been tried to overcome this expensive nuisance, generally with poor success. The company has now decided to experiment with the oil, and it will be sprinkled over the sand for a distance of 250 feet on either side of the track.

Sieg Finds Good Market for Local Fruit Abroad

Order for 50,000 Boxes for Shipment to Australia Next Year Is Received by the Union and Duplicate Orders Come from European Markets--First Direct Shipment of Box Apples Sent to France.

Wilmer Sieg, manager of the Apple Growers' Union, is optimistic over the opportunities which he has discovered for marketing Hood River apples in foreign countries.

Realizing the need of wider distribution, Mr. Sieg has made a specialty of finding and cultivating the foreign field and he has met with a signal and encouraging success. During the past week contracts have been made for shipments to be made to Australia next year of between fifty and sixty thousand boxes. These will be handled by one of the largest commission houses in that province. They have had some experience with other grades of fruit but after investigation decided that Hood River produced the most marketable goods and accordingly placed their order here. Shipments will be made as the fruit is ready for the market. Contracts have already been made for steamer space.

As an indication of the reception which has been accorded Hood River apples in other foreign markets Manager Sieg has just received orders from Genoa, Amsterdam and Christiania, Norway. These are all duplicate orders, shipments having been made to these places for the first time earlier in the season. In every instance they acknowledged that the fruit had arrived in the best of condition.

This week the Union is making a carload shipment to Paris, France, said to be the first direct shipment of Northwest apples ever made to that city.

Hood River at the Head

"Growers of this section must take with a few grains of salt the newspaper stories which occasionally appear from other sections," said Mr. Sieg. "Ninety per cent of them have been published with a view to bolstering up local conditions. In no sections of the Northwest have any pools been divided or any returns made to the grower. In such statements the wish was father to the thought.

"While this will doubtless be a lean year, not only in apples but in all agricultural products, on account of the excessive crops everywhere, Hood River is fortunate in the fact that we have established an identity and will stand well at the top when comparative returns are considered. Indeed, on pears, Gravensteins and Kings

Hood River will exceed any other section in net returns.

"On Jonathans the prospects are poor because Jonathans were poor and of small size. The off varieties--Baldwins, Greenings, Stars, Ben Davis--and other common kinds will bring small returns. However, the finer grades that belong here, such as the Spitzenburgs, Newtowns, Ortleys and Arkansas Blacks, are bound to bring fair returns.

"The time is here when every man who is interested in his future will commence to graft the better varieties onto his common trees because the heavy production in the Northwest, increasing every year, will render it impossible to secure favorable returns for these common varieties. They don't belong in this section and as the output of the better varieties increases they will become more and more a burden to distribution."

LOCAL TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

John Parry to Grace E. Gray, 15 acres near Bloucher, \$1500.

Grace E. Gray to Maggie Howell, north half of same 15 acres, \$750.

R. J. Melsaac to Nicola Bonaduce, lot 3, block 1, Parkdale, \$175.

David D. Brewster to W. W. Harding and E. A. Baker, 7 acres in East Barrett district.

Jeremiah F. Davenport to Carl R. Davenport, 5 acres at Odell.

C. H. Sproat to W. C. Keck, 175 acres at Pine Grove.

E. H. Green to L. F. Parker, lot 59, Riverside Park Addition, west of Odell.

C. R. Masiker to G. F. Purdy, 6 acres at Odell, \$2100.

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L. M. Karstetter to William Horn, 25 acres south of Summit, \$2000.

C. L. Lerry to Clifford M. Rugg, 5 acres in Belmont district, \$7750.

E. T. Folts to G. F. Purdy, lots 5, 6, 7 and 4 acres in Folts subdivision at Odell.

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Keen Interest Taken in Diversified Farming

A strong sentiment in favor of encouraging more diversified farming in the valley was manifested at the annual meeting of the Commercial Club Monday night. The advantage of having some income throughout the year and the need of fertilizing the orchards through the by-products of poultry, cows or other farm animals was emphasized. This topic brought forth an interesting discussion and it is likely that action may be taken to encourage diversified industries among the ranchers of the valley.

That there are important services

which the Commercial Club can play in the development of city and valley despite the fact that the real estate boom is ended so far as his valley is concerned, is the opinion of Secretary Scott as voiced in his report delivered at the meeting.

Manufacturing plants are among the things which Mr. Scott believes the club could get here and he reports that there are now prospects which concern a refrigerator factory, creamery, fir novelty factory, flouring mill, cannery and fir chair factory. He advises that the city council pass an ordinance exempting new manufacturing concerns from taxes for a period of years.

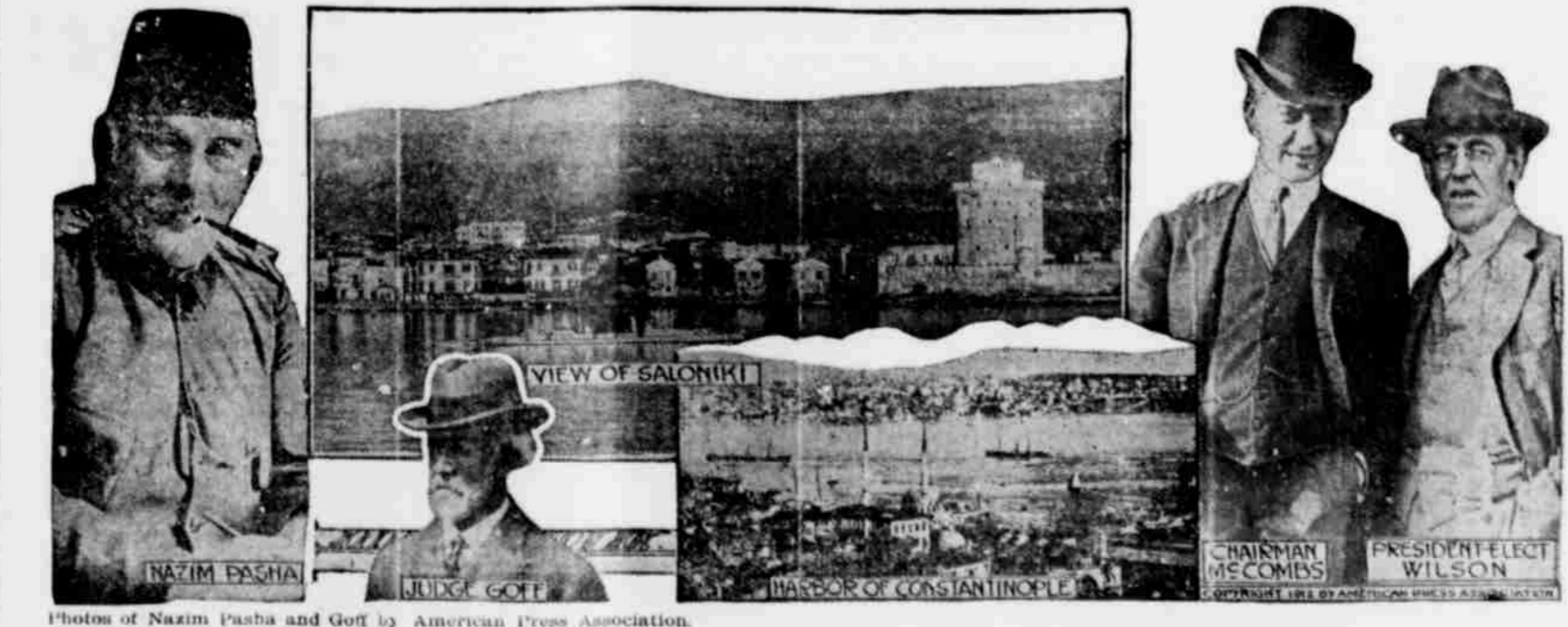
The establishment of one or two summer hotels in the valley when the Hood River-Portland road is opened is another project in which Mr. Scott believes the club could help greatly.

Lack of gardens and chickens in the valley was deplored and he suggested that a public hatchery be established where young chicks could be secured. When the chicken business was broached a lively discussion was precipitated, some declaring that the average farmer could not make it pay and others defending the industry.

Mr. Scott also suggested that the club give a couple of entertainments during the winter.

His financial report showed a marked improvement during the past year. The following were chosen directors of the club: Charles Hall, J. R. Putnam, W. L. Clark and J. H. Heilbronner. The retiring members are Chas. Clarke, R. J. Melsaac and Albert Sutton.

Christmas social and bazaar to be given by the Ladies' Aid of the Valley Christian church at Mr. and Mrs. McCabe's Friday evening.



Photos of Nazim Pasha and Goff by American Press Association. The victorious Balkan allies drove the Turkish troops from Saloniki and Tchataldja, and the fall of Constantinople was expected. Nazim Pasha, the leader of the Turkish sold forces, was reported killed or captured. President Elect Woodrow Wilson and Chairman McCombs of the Democratic national committee received many congratulations for the successful campaign that they had carried out. It is said that Mr. McCombs is slated for a position in the new cabinet. The trial of the four gun men accused of the murder of Herman Rosenthal at the direction of former Police Lieutenant Becker began before Judge Goff in New York. They were all tried together at their own request.