TWO RAYS OF HOPE FOR DEPOSITORS

Receiver Devlin Announces He Will Be Able to Declare Dividend in Sixty Days.

MOORE OFFERS TO HELP

President of Oregon Trust & Savings Bank Will Use Private Funds to Meet Deficit if All Proceedings Are Dropped.

DEVELOPMENTS OF THE DAY IN THE BANK FAILURE.

MASS MEETING AT EMPIRE THEATER-Attended by 400, including 184 registered depositors; permanent organization is effected L. Day, chairman; committee is appointed to interview Receiver Devlin as to ability of bank to pay claims in full, and President Moore as to willingness to make up any deficit: depositors declare against bankruptcy proceedings; adjourn until 7 P. M. today at Empire.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY MAN-NING-Sits as grand jury and hears testimony of depositors; decides that it will require a week's investigation before it is known whether arrests of officials on criminal charges

are advisable. PRESIDENT MOORE - Confident that bank can pay dividend of 20 to 25 per cent in 60 days and eventually pay in full; agrees conditionally to meet any deficit that there may be out of his private funds if criminal and bankruptcy proceedings are dropped; declares that he knew of telephone bond purchases and believes other directors did also.

VICE-PRESIDENT LYTLE-Relterates that he did not know of bond purchases; is not yet ready to say whether he will help meet any def-

DIRECTOR FRIEDE-Declines to may whether he knew of bond pur-chases or whether he will help meet deficit

RECEIVER DEVLIN-Hopes to declare dividend in 60 days; encouraged by prospect of many depositors accepting telephone bonds in pay-

Increased confidence that the cred-

Increased confidence that the crea-itors of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank will be refunded in large part or in whole the money they once passed through the wicket windows at Sixth through the wicket windows at Sixta and Washington streets was the keynote yesterday in regard to the collapsed institution. It arose from two sources: The repeated assurances of Thomas C. Devlin, the receiver, and the officers of the bank, in their hope to liquidate all claims, and the conditional announcement of W. H. Moore, the president, of his determination to advance any deflect out of his private funds in case the affairs of the bank are administered satisfactorily and bankruptcy or criminal proceedings are not invoked. Mr. Moore had here-tofore refused to authorize The Oregonian to make any statement on this subject beyond a brief, qualified expression in yesterday's issue.
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In regard to the satisfaction of ob-ligations, Receiver Devlin says that the first payment will probably be made in 60 days. This statement he does not make positively, but asserts that every indication is that within that time sufficient funds can be se-cured to declare a substantial appor-tionment. As to how large this will be he is not ready at this time to make an estimate, but says that every effort will be made to realize on the securi-

ties with as little delay as possible.

Mr. Moore, however, after careful consideration, said that he believed at the end of 60 days a dividend of from the end of 50 days a dividend of from 20 to 25 per cent would be practicable. In this estimate, he said, no allowance was made for the sale of the telephone bonds and, if within this period any of the bonds should be negotiated, the receipts from that source could be added to the amount distributed. There are, in his opinion, enough bills receivable that can be sollected within ceivable that can be collected within 60 days to make the payment.

Depositors Will Accept Bonds.

The length of time that depositors will have to wait for their money de-pends largely on the willingness of a large number of them to accept the telephone bends in settlement, according to Mr. Moore. This, in his opinion, is the most satisfactory way out of the trouble and he believes that in this way the depositors will ge full satisfaction. If the movement suc ceeds, he says, not only will all obligations be met, but there will be a sur-

My greatest desire is to see all de-sitors get their money in full," he id, "and I think that the quickest and best way is for a large number of them to take up the telephone bonds. On the basis of depositors taking the bonds and a stock premium of 50 per cent. I believe that \$150,000 will be left after all obligations of the bank have been met.

been met.
"The bonds are recognized as good 5 per cent security and it is only be-cause the money market has been tight that the bank falled to sell them. The stock, too, will be valuable as soon as the installation of the Omaha and Ta-coma systems is farther along. Stock of the company in Portland has soon of the company in Portland has gone to 40 and over, and I believe that the Puget Sound stock will reach that fig-ure in four months and the Omaha stock in eight months.

Hard to Refuse Good Loans.

"I do not lay our fallure to the fact ese bonds are not good security, for I believe that they are. We were, however, very injudicious in placing so much money in one line of securimuch money in one line or securinot realize it until too late. We would not have failed, though, had we not loaned too much money after buying the telephone bonds. It is hard to refuse good loans, and we were en-gulfed before we realized it." Just what blame rightfully attaches to

tors, he says, but he believes that the in-judicious investments were due directly to the influence of Mr. Morris.

"It is a fact that I knew of the pur-nases of bonds that were made by Mr. corris," said Mr. Moore, "Nobody but a "It is a fact that I knew of the purchases of bonds that were made by Mr. Morris," said Mr. Moore. "Nobody but a fool could be president of a bank and not know what securities were being acquired.

The first step toward organization of the parish was taken in December, 1898, when there were 30 Catholic families, a meeting being held at the home of John Kelly. The Sisters' school was opened September, 1898, by Sister Alberta, O. S. D. Later a new and modern building was

ay, however, that it was because of stments, and to that extent he is

Directors Not Hoodwinked. "In view of the direct assertion of Mr. Lytle that he did not know of the bond purchases that were being made by Mr. Morris, I would not like to say positively that he did. I want to say right in print, though, that I firmly believe that the di-

though, that I firmly believe that the directors of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank knew exactly where the funds of the institution were being placed."

E. E. Lytie, vice-president and director, is positive in his denial that he knew nothing of the telephone bond transactions. He still holds Morris accountable for these purchases, and reiterates absolute ignorance of the transactions.

"If the telephone bond purchases were done with the authority of the directors, I knew nothing of it," declared Mr. Lytie

I knew nothing of it." declared Mr. Lytle last night "I am willing to take an affi-davit that if there was any such authorization, I was never present when it was

Leo Friede, another director, will not say whether he knew or did not know that the telephone securities were bought. When asked the direct question as to whether he gave his authorization of the purchases or knew of them at the time, Mr. Friede refused to answer.

"On that point I refer you to President Moore," was his reply. "He is in a posi-tion to know, and I leave the matter to Friede knew of the bond transactions, as Mr. Moore says he has every reason to believe that the directors did have this

knowledge. Mr. Mooze's Offer to Help.

As Mr. Moore has considerable pri-

vate means, there is much interest in knowing his exact position in relation to bearing any deficit that there may be after the securities of the bank are exhausted. In reply to a question on this point hope and believe that if the affairs

of the bank are properly managed, the resources will fully meet every claim without any additional funds. If the affairs of the bank are properly managed and depositors are not fully paid, I stand ready to use my private funds in meeting the remainder. In any case, however, I will not pay any such deficit if the affairs of the bank are involved in bankruptcy proceedings or if 1 am made the defend-ant in a criminal suit."

Lytle and Friede Silent.

Neither Mr. Lytle nor Mr. Friede will say whether he will Join with Mr. Moore in liquidating any defleit there may be after the resources of the bank have been exhausted. They do not say that they will not and they do not say that they will not and they do not say that they will be the think that it is a matthey will. They think that it is a mat-ter that should be considered by the di-

rectors later, they say.
"I wish to brand as absolutely false the statement printed in an evening paper. that I would not pay one cent towards whatever deficit there might be," said Church have guaranteed \$2500 to be Mr. Lytle. "That statement was entire- expended on needed improvements to by unauthorized and it depends entirely the building. More than half of the

in his account that I said, but I emphati-cally did not say that I would contribute nothing toward the relief of the deposi-

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on this subject at this time. I believe that the proper way to go about it is for the directors to call a meeting and see how things stand. Then we can decide what can be done."

Mr. Friede also refused to say now whether he would help to meet a shortage. He also was of the opinion that this is something to be taken up and discussed at a meeting of the directors.

Receiver Devlin Is Encouraged.

"I am greatly encouraged today and the situation seems to be getting brighter right along," said Receiver Devlin. "Many people are calling and writing in regard to their willingness to take up the bonds of the telephone company in settle-ment of their deposits. Some banks have expressed their readiness to settle their claims in this way. If the bonds are disposed of in this way, it looks like

are disposed of in this all would be clear sailing.

"A dividend will probably be declared within 60 days and I am anxious to make within 60 days and I am possible. There are large as possible. There are it just as large as possible. There are large assets that we should be able to realize on promptly, although I have no idea now how large the dividend will be. I have found that there is a very good spirit on the part of the debtors of the bank towards settling their accounts. Many have voluntarily informed me that they will pay promptly.'

New Bank in Same Location.

That the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank will have a successor in the same location is indicated by the statement of Mr. Moore that he has already had three applications from people who wish to acquire the lease and fixtures. The lease is considered worth \$50,000 and the bank officials estimate the vaults and other fixtures at an equal amount.

"The men who are another

bank here and who have already applied to me have large resources. In fact it is probable that the bank that will be started will have much heavier backing than did our institution.

"If the other banks of Portland thought by refusing us ald they would rid them-selves of a competitor they are going to be greatly mistaken. There will un-doubtly be a much stronger bank than ours succeed us."

There were no developments yes-terday in the Federal Court regarding the attempt to force the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank into voluntary bankruptey. Attorneys McGarry and Clark, who represent petitioners O. P. Caviness, P. V. W. Smith, Harry A. Start, Lewis C. Smith and J. J. Ashwanden, are waiting for the return of Judge Wolverton, who is spending his vaca-tion at Bann, Canada, before proceeding further.

Improving Oregon City Churches

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 23 .- (Spe cial.)-Members of the First Baptist n conditions whether I shall help meet money is already subscribed. When the work is completed the square on "A reporter from an evening paper which is located the Catholic Church any such claims.

"A reporter from an evening paper came to me and said that he had heard that the directors had met and decided to advance any deficit there might be. I told him there had been no such meet-

CELEBRATE TWO DECADES OF EXISTENCE

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, IN UPPER ALBINA, TO

READY FOR ACTION

District Attorney Says It Will Take Whole Week to Probe Bank Wreck.

EXAMINES MANY VICTIMS

Insists He Will Make an Exhaustive Investigation and Admits Bank Officials Had Criminal Knowledge of Impending Collapse.

District Attorney Manning believes it will require at least another week before he will be able to determine whether or not the officials of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank are culpable under the laws of this state for accepting money for deposit several days previous to the failure of Wednesday morning. He is sitting as a grand jury, investigating the case, which is proving to be a heavy

District Attorney Manning said, after the day's work, that he is satisfied from the evidence submitted to him by 18 depositors, who were examined yesterday, that the officials of the defunct bank had a guilty knowledge that ...e institution was in peril, and that they are there-fore criminally liable for the fallure of the bank in that they accepted deposits from all comers up to the close of business the day before they were forced to make public the fact that the bank was insolvent. He is determined, however, to continue his investigation, and will examine many more witnesses, who have been subpenned to appear before him. District Attorney Manning is deterbeen subpensed to appear before him.

District Attorney Manning is determined to prosecute every official of the bank, if, after his investigation, he finds that they knew of the insolvency of the institution Tuesday afternoon. He is unwavering in his attitude, and says that he will protect the depositors to the full extent of his ability under the laws.

extent of his ability under the laws.

The office of the District Attorney presented a pitiful sight throughout the day. Men, women and children, all of the working class, crowded every foot of space, being present to add their test-mony to assist Mr. Manning in his inves-tigation. All had more or less money tigation. All had more or less mone on deposit in the bank, and sought re dress through him. They were mostly those who made deposits ate Tuesday afternoon—the day before the bank closed its doors and announced its inabil-

ity longer to continue business.

Patrolman James F. Anderson was brought before Deputy District Attorney

in The Oregonian Thursday morning, that he forced Mrs. W. Cooper Morris, wife of the bank's cashier, to make good his wife's deposit of \$7000. The policeman, under oath, denied receiving his wife's \$7000 from Mrs. Morris, and thereby branded his former statement as untrue. Policeman Anderson, on Wedne the day of the crash, said that he to Mrs. Morris and intimated to Mrs. Morris and intimated that, should his wife's money be lost through the closing of the bank, he would "go out and look for Coshier Morris." He further stated, to several newspaper men and a number of his brother officers and to other persons, that Mrs. Morris gave him a check on the First National Bank for the 1700. When the details expressed for the \$7000. When the details appeared

TELLS OF MYSTERIOUS PLOT

denied receiving it.

in The Oregonian Mrs. Morris at on-denied having refunded the amount, ar

Woman Rushes Into Leo Friede's

House and Alarms Director. That three mysterious men were over heard on a downtown street, plotting to dynamite the home of Leo Friede, a di-rector in the defunct Oregon Savings & Trust Company, was the startling tale carried to him at his residence, 791 Everett street, at 10 o clock last night by a woman. She rushed breathlessly to his house and announced that she had overheard the men discussing how best to blow up the building, and hurried to warn him of the impending danger, as she regarded it.

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The tale told by the woman evidently Impressed Mr. Friede, as he immediately communicated by telephone with police headquarters, and sought protection from possible violence by an appeal to Captain Slover for policemen to guard the house. A special officer was already on duty there, but the patrolman on the beat was ordered to give as much attention as pos-sible to the house without neglecting other portions of his district.

No attempt at violence was made, and the police are skeptical as to the alleged onversation related by the woman to Mr. Friede. The police force of this city, it is said at headquarters, is entirely too small to afford cordons of officers for the officials of the collapsed bank, and the best that can be done for them, the authorities state, is to give them the same attention that is given them the same attention that is given any citizen who has been threatened or who has reason to think suspicious characters are loltering about their homes,

DEPOSITORS ARE ORGANIZED

J. L. DAY ELECTED CHAIRMAN, A. RICHMOND SECRETARY.

Committee Is Appointed to Call Upon Receiver Devlin and President Moore for Information.

One hundred and eighty-four out of the 14,000 depositors in the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank registered at the meeting held in the Empire Theater last night About double this number were present at 8 o'clock, when tempor ry Cuairman F. J. McHenry called the meeting to A Richmond acted as temporary Mr. McHenry and Mr. mond with J. L. Day were a committee of three, appointed at a meeting of the depositors held in the Plaza Thursday night, to arrange the meeting last night.
Under the direction of Mr. McHenry
the meeting began by the election of officers, which resulted in J. L. Day being chosen permanent chairman and A. Richmond permanent secretary. The election of treasurer was passed over till next meeting. Mr. McHenry suggested that the dues be five or ten cents a month from each depositor registered.

Although but 184 denositors were regis-

Although but 184 depositors were regis tered, the vote for permanent chairman resulted as follows: McHenry, 52; Davis, 68; Day, III-total, 221. Richmond was declared secretary with no opposition. A committee on bylaws was appointed, nsisting of E. W. White, A. Langguth and F. M. Davis. This same committee was instructed to call on Receiver Dev-lin and President Moore at once, gather what information is could concerning the chances of the bank paying in full, and of President Moore's willingness to make good all losses from his private fortune, and to report at the meeting tonight. On a vote of seven to two the meeting expressed the opinion that the same committee take what steps it could to stop proceedings in the United States courts

or any other legal actions that interfered with Receiver Devlin. But little interest seemed to be manifested by the depositors present, as the meeting took a recess to watch a trolly parade of the Woodmen of the World, after which only about half returned to the theater. During the last hour of the meeting when most of the business was transacted barely 109 were present. Although there was an under current of seriousness, the meeting last night at times resounded with good-natured banter, chaff and laughter.

proceedings were largely in the of a few, and the sentiment expressed by many being that of uncertainty and an unwillingness to take any definite action at the present time. A and meeting will be held tonight in the Empire Theater at 7 o'c'ock.

BANK OF DRAIN CLOSES DOORS

Assets Are Large and Officials Expect to Reopen Soon.

DRAIN, Or., Aug. 23.—(Special.)—Deprived of its Portland correspondent by the fallure of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, the Bank of Drain closed its doors temporarily on Wednesday afternoon, until arrangements can be made for a new correspondent at the metropolis and new correspondent at the metropolis and provision made for a supply of cash from the available assets of the bank to take the place of the funds tied up in the Gregon Trust & Savings Bank. Fortunately for the Drain bank, it had

een drawing heavily on its account in the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank prior o its suspension, and its cash there was ow. The Drain bank was inconvenienced very little, says an official of the insti-tution, and it is expected to resume with-

in a few days.

The Bank of Drain was established . years ago as a private bank and was con ducted in that way until January 2 of this year, when it was incorporated as a state bank. Its capital stock under the reorganization is \$20,000. The Oregon Trust & Savings Bank bought and paid for stock to the amount of \$15,000 in cash. The remainder of the stock is held locally by Drain business men and is all fully paid up. Affairs of the institution are said to be in good shape. Loans and discounts, or bills receivable, amount to \$55,000, say the bank officials, in the bes commercial paper, fully secured. Other securities make the total assets of the bank \$110,000, with deposits of \$85,000.

Woodmen's Relief Funds Safe. Owing to the presence of Head Banke

P. E. Snodgrass, of the Woodmen of the World, in Portland, rumors were circulated to the effect that the order was embarrassed locally by reason of the dif-ficulties experienced by the Oregon Sav-ings & Trust Company. Mr. modgrass announced that his visit had nothing to do with the bank's failure, for the Wood-men of the World's funds, with the exception of the deposits belonging to in-dividual camps, are in other banks, Mr.





Shopping Trips are enjoyable, but

a cup of Ghirardelli's Cocoa for breakfast helps wonderfully, it is so sustaining as well as delicious. Before returning home don't forget to

Ghirardelli's Cocoa

Snodgrass is cashler of the First Na-tional Bank of Eugene, and came to Portland to participate in the Woodmen's celebration last night. He wishes to as sure all the members or the order that the general and relief funds are de-posited in sound banks, and that the order is in the most flourfaming condition

State Cannot Lose.

It developed yesterday that the state had \$20,000 on deposit in the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, and when asked yesterday if this were true, George Steel, State Treasurer, said: "The state has about \$30,000 on deposit in the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, but this is giving me no concern, as it is covered by a \$40 pany. All of the deposits of state money in banks are protected in the same way.

Denial From J. F. Anderson.

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 23 .- (10 the Editor.)—Will you be so kind as to state that it is an injustice to Mrs. W. C. Morris to say that she paid me \$7000 or any part of it. My money is in the Ore-gon Trust & Savings Bank and I have onfidence that I will get II.

J. F. ANDERSON.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

Articles of Incorporation Seaside Light & Water Company—Incorporators, A. Welch, E. W. Hall and John H. McNary. Capital, \$50,000. Business, electric lighting and power plants.

Baker Amusement Company—Incorporators, George L. Baker, Calvin Hellig, Milton W. Seaman and John F. Logan. Capital, \$4000. Business, to awn, organize, control, direct, etc., theatrical property and enterprises.

Marriage Licenses.

NELSON-GEPSON-Charles E. Nelson 42; Line Gerson, 41. ORDWAY-TURNER-Charles G. Ordway. 22; Luen A. Turner, 20.
PENDLETON-PENDLETON-Charles I.
Pendleton, 47; Hermina Pendleton, 43.

Building Permits.

J. R. HALE—To efect a two-story frame building on Fifth street, between Market and Clay; \$500. G. H. CHARTERS—To erect a one-story frame building on Lexington street, between East Fifteenth and East Seventeenth greeis; \$60.

ED. HOLMAN—To erect a one-story frame building on Third street, between Market and Mill streets; \$50.

MRS. A. F. WEBB—To erect a two-story building on Morrison street, between East Fifteenth and East Sixteenth streets; \$10.000.

MRS. J. TEAL—To alter and repair a two-story frame building on Hoyt street, between Fourth and Fifth street; \$250.

J. B. DIMARS—To erect a two-story frame building on East Twenty-first street, between Ivon and Division streets; \$1700.

Births.

MURTON-At 86 East Nineteenth street, august 21, to the wife of George J. Murton, son.
FULLY—At 1880 Exeter street, Aug. 22, to
the wife of Edward Fully, a daughter.
LE VALLEY—At 620 Gantenbein avenue,
the wife of Charles M. Le Valley, a daughter.
WEINSAFT—At 225 Hall street, August
7, to the wife of Max Weinsaft, a daughter.
ZEVEN—At 430 ½ Tenth street, August
7, to the wife of Sam Zeven, a daughter.

risen streets, August 21, to the wife of Axel Kahlin, a daughter, Deaths.

HEPLER—At St. Vincent's Hospital, August 22, Rachel Hepler, native of Pennsylvania, aged 56 years, 3 months, 7 days, STEINIGER—Near Crematorium, August 19, Charles Steiniger, aged about 70, suicide.

AUTOS SHOW PROSPERITY

California Leads in Ratio to Population, Pennsylvania Second.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23 .- One Indication of California's prosperity is seen in the automobile statistics gathered by the California promotion committee. By long odds this state ranks first in its number of automo-blies, considered in ratio of popula-tion. Naturally, New York heads the list among the states, with 46,120 automobiles. Pennsylvania comes second, with 16,981, and California has 12,073. California has one automobile for every 123 people; New York one for every 157; Washington one for every 345; Pennsylvania one for every 371; Oregon one for every 765, and Missouri one for every 1010.

one for every 1010.

In so far as the use of autos bears a relation to the prosperity of a commonwealth, it will be seen that California ranks high among the states in the matter of per capita wealth.

The Chinook Wind. PORTLAND, Aug. 23 - (To the Editor.)-

What is a Chinook wind, and name? NEWCOMER. Almost any balmy wing in Oregon is

alled a Chinook Sixty years ago, and even later, the gentle breeze blowing into the Columbia River from the ocean—the daily wind that prevalls in Summer and tempers the heat-was called the Chinook. It reached the interior from the coast (Ilwaco) inhabited by the

Chinook Indians; hence the name. In later years this name was applied to the warm Winter winds from the south, southeast and southwest. Its use was once confined to the "Oregon Territory," but the name has spread to Eastern Montana, Wyo-ming and the Dakotas—a large region not affected by the ocean breezes. confusion, perhaps, it will be best to forget the original meaning and use "Chinook" to designate the balmy, southerly winds that prevail from October to April.

REDUCED RATES TO ASTORIA.

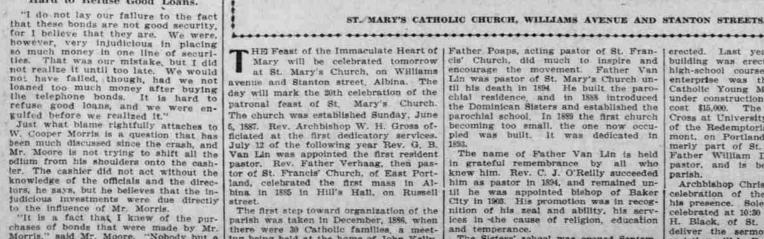
Over the A. &. C. R. R., on Account of the Astoria Regatta.

Astoria Regatta.

For the benefit of those wishing to attend the meeting of the Norwegian Singing Society and the 13th annual Astoria Regatta held at Astoria August 21, September 1, 2, 3, 4, the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad names a round triprate to Astoria as follows: From Portland to Houlton Inclusive, 32, Goble to Rainier, 32,50; Mayger to Quincy, 32,25; Clatskania, 32. Tickets on sale August 31, expires September 5.

Eczema, Skin Diseases Cured by "The Household Surgeon." Drugglets re-fund money if Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Heal-ing Oli falls. 25c.





Lin was pastor of St. Mary's Church un-til his death in 1894. He built the paro-chial residence, and in 1888 introduced the Dominican Sisters and established the parochial school. In 1889 the first church becoming too small, the one now occupled was built. It was dedicated in

The name of Father Van Lin is held in grateful remembrance by all who knew him. Rev. C. J. O'Reilly succeeded him as pastor in 1894, and remained un-til he was appointed bishop of Baker City in 1903. His promotion was in recognition of his zeal and ability, his serv-ices in the cause of religion, education

cis' Church, did much to inspire and building was erected and a four-year encourage the movement. Father Van high-school course started. The latest Lin was paster of St. Mary's Church unenterprise was the organization of a Catholic Young Men's Club, which has under construction a club hall that will cost \$15,000. The parish of the Holy Cross at University Park, and the parish of the Redemptorist Fathers, near Pied-mont, on Portland boulevard, were formerly part of St. Mary's Parish. Rev. Father William Daly is the present pastor, and is beloved throughout the

Archbishop Christle will honor the 20th celebration of the patronal feast with his presence. Solemn high mass will be celebrated at 10:30 A. M. Rev. Father J. H. Black, of St. Francis' Church, will deliver the sermon. The other priests assisting will be Rev. Father Daly, Father Ollivert and others. Ollivotti and others. Special be rendered by the choir.