

METHODIST BOOES  
RAVING AT SALEM

Election of Delegates to National Conference Calls Forth Interest.

PORTLAND MEET INDORSED

Ministers and Laymen Unit in Bringing 1910 Convention Here.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 19.—(Special.)

With an Epworth League rally the annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church opened here this evening. It will continue in session until September 25.

The meeting this evening was held at the First Methodist Church, where the sessions of the convention will be held. Rev. Williams, of the First Methodist Church of Lewiston, Idaho, was the speaker for the evening.

Much interest is centering about the election of delegates to the conference which will be held in Minneapolis in May, and several candidates are named. Hon. R. A. Booth, of Eugene, is one of the strong candidates.

Among the lay candidates mentioned are Dr. Young, of Taylor street church of Portland; Rev. McDougal, head of the Portland district, and Dr. Abbott, of the Eugene district.

A question which will come up before the laymen's meeting of the convention on Friday morning and about which there is considerable discussion is the cutting down of the number of district superintendents from four to three.

CHARGES IMPLICATE PASTOR

I. J. Wheeler Arrives From Alaska to Forward Church Case.

For the purpose of presenting evidence at the Salem conference of the Methodist Church, which meets today, in support of charges which have been made against Rev. John Parsons, superintendent of Alaska missions of the Methodist Church, I. J. Wheeler, of Fairbanks, Alaska, arrived in the city yesterday and will start this morning for Salem. Wheeler charges that while Parsons was pastor of the church in Fairbanks in 1908 he permitted a saloon to be opened on the lot adjoining the church building, though he knew that members of his congregation were opposed to it.

HEALTH BOARD ORGANIZED

Medford Mass Meeting Results in Prompt Action by Citizens.

MEDFORD, Or., Sept. 19.—(Special.)—At a mass meeting of Medford citizens tonight, Dr. E. B. Pickett, member of the State Board of Health, was named to appoint a committee of five local physicians to act as a civic health committee. This action was taken during an address by Dr. J. M. McCormick, chairman of the organization committee of the American Medical Association, who is starting a series of talks through Oregon.

CAR TOLLS ARE DISCUSSED

Power Company Objects to 5-Cent Rate on Hawthorne Span.

Arguments were completed yesterday in the quo warranto proceeding before Judge Gantenbein to determine the rental the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company is to pay for the use of the new Hawthorne bridge and the case was submitted to the judge for decision.

MANY CHANGES ARE EXPECTED

Portland Ministers at Salem Conference on Anxious Seat.

Portland Methodist Episcopal preachers have gone to Salem, where the first business session of the Oregon Conference will be held this morning at 9 o'clock. Bishop Smith will preside. The conference will hold over until Monday, when the pastoral appointments will be announced by the bishop. While holding the other Northwest conferences, the bishop this year has made good many changes in pastors and it is believed that this conference will come in for a large number.

The work in Portland has progressed so well this year that many of the congregations have requested the bishop to return their respective pastors for another 12 months. However, this does not mean that the bishop will be able to do so, even should he so wish. In making up the appointments...

POLICE MAY GROW

Mayor Favors Reorganization of Whole Department.

BEAUTY IS CITIZENS' AIM

Business Clubs See Portland Advantage in Improvement Move.

At the invitation of Dr. J. R. Wetherbee, of the Civic Improvement League, members of the Rotary Club went to the Art Museum yesterday immediately after the close of their weekly luncheon and looked over the plans of "the greater Portland" displays of the Improvement League. Dr. Wetherbee...

WELL-KNOWN OREGON CITY RESIDENT DIES, AGED 93.

EBENEZER WARNER, OR. Sept. 19.—(Special.)—Ebenezer Warner, an old and highly respected resident of this city, died on Monday at Medford. The body will be brought to this city for burial beside his wife, the late Louise Warner, who died March 4. Ebenezer Warner was born at Gallopia, O., April 12, 1818, and on the 5th day of November, 1874, married Miss Louise Barker, at Berlin, Wis. The couple moved to Nebraska and then to Oregon. Mr. Warner is survived by two sons, Henry and Fred, of Medford, and an adopted daughter, Mrs. George Ely, of this city. He also leaves a brother, L. B. Warner, of Medford.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 19.—(Special.)

Under the present organization, there are captains, sergeants and patrolmen, based on modern plans. It is also a fact that we need more policemen; the present number is too small to police a city of the size of Portland. We need at least 100 additional patrolmen.

NEW BANK CONTRACT LET

Merchants National Building Will Be Substantial Structure.

The contract for the construction of the new bank building for the Merchants National Bank was awarded yesterday to the Louis A. Hicks Company. There were about a dozen contracting firms that submitted bids. The cost of the building has not been announced, but the structure, bank fixtures and equipment combined probably will cost more than \$100,000.

JOHNSON-WELLS FIGHT FOUGHT.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—The Times in an editorial yesterday urged that, in the empire's interest, the Johnson-Wells match ought to be stopped, because it has no sporting justification. The spectators, said the Times, ought to be together with the showing of the fight.

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