

METHODIST AREAL CONFERENCE OPENS

Prominent Churchmen From All Districts but Alaska Attend Sessions.

STIRRING TALKS FEATURE

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, D. D., of Boston, Brother of Rev. Matthew S. Hughes, of Portland, Present--Reports Interesting.

SNAPPY EXTRACTS FROM ADDRESSES BY PROMINENT METHODISTS.

It's as pious to pay as to pray, and sometimes it is pious-er. You'll never get and keep converts by the sensational and brass-band method. Earnest personal work is much better. Giving is an act of worship. Education and religion should go hand in hand. Don't make boasts of your Western industries and progress and then hold out your hat and beg for help in the East. In the grammar of God the word "thou" stands out large. Any man who can't look after No. 1 can't take care of others. The best patriot makes the best missionary.

A stirring address by Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, D. D., of Boston, brother of Rev. Matthew S. Hughes, resident bishop of the Northwest, completed a busy day for the prominent Methodists, district superintendents, representatives of general boards and others who attended the three sessions of the general conference that opened yesterday in the First Methodist Church and will continue throughout today and tomorrow.

Although Bishop E. H. Hughes spoke along broad lines, the dominant note running throughout his address was one of personal obligation and patriotism. When he said "the hyphen is a minus sign. The sooner we make it that, the better," he was roundly applauded.

When he said "In my veins there is Scotch blood, and German blood, and Welsh blood, and Irish blood, but I am not Scotch-American, or German-American, or anything like that. I am an American--the way I was cheered. And when he rose to heights of eloquence in praise of the stars and stripes, he was both cheered and applauded and one good minister exclaimed aloud, "That's good stuff!"

Unfaithfulness Is Scored. The visiting bishop made a strong plea for decency and honor in the home circle. Of the man who is untrue to his wife and children, he said "There is no meaner devil this side of hell."

Of friendship and loyalty he said: "The man who is not true to his friends is not to be trusted with public office or the investment of other people's money."

In upholding the tendency men have to take pride in their locality, Bishop Hughes said, "The man who knocks his locality isn't fit to represent it in Congress or anywhere. If you don't like a place, don't live in it. I never lived in a place I didn't love. I never going to, in this world or the next. I was born in West Virginia; went to college in Ohio; entered the ministry in Iowa; was pastor in California; settled in Massachusetts; preached in Maine; assigned to a pastorate in Indiana; was transferred to California; and then back to Massachusetts, where I have been for six months, and in that time have learned to say, 'The parson at least is Scotch!'"

Responsibility Is Outlined. Man's responsibility was divided by the Bishop into circles of the family, one's friends, the locality, the state, the Nation and his obligation to all and to God.

Interspersing the address were frequent sallies of wit and good-natured ribes at his brother the bishop, M. S. Hughes, who in turn, at the close, showed that he, too, had the gift of humor.

The singing of the 100 children of the vested choir of Rose City Park was praised by the visitor. Superintendent W. W. Youngson presided. The auditorium was filled with a capacity audience of Methodists.

Addresses and reports bristling with new ideas, helpful suggestions, honest comment and spiritual inspiration were given yesterday and many more will be features of today. The women of the church will serve dinner and lunch each day of the conference. Thursday afternoon there will be a reception in honor of the visitors, with Bishop and Mrs. Hughes entertaining at the Episcopal residence, 608 East Twenty-fourth street. The business sessions will close at noon tomorrow.

Alaska Alone Unrepresented. Every district except Alaska has its representatives here. Sound, practical advice, straight from the shoulder, was handed the district superintendents and ministers at the morning session which opened the conference yesterday. The two principal speakers were Bishop Matthew S. Hughes and Dr. John Lowe Fort of Chicago.

Bishop Hughes spoke of the difficulties of the area, naming the great distances to be covered in all of Oregon, Washington, Northern Idaho and Alaska, the diversified industries, and the debt that is on many of the churches.

"We talk about our itinerant ministers. I tell you we have an itinerant membership. Don't I know? Haven't I chased them? In a town where there is a mill, the mill may shut down and all the church membership move away," said the bishop.

Church Debt Deplored. "Anything that must be stopped is adding to a church debt. The man who puts big loads of debt on a church or community and then goes away bragging what he has accomplished, while some one else is having to pay the penalty, should be suppressed."

"You talk about your itinerant membership," said Dr. Fort. "Why, in the East we have a lot who couldn't even itinerate."

An arraignment of the present lack of interest in denominational education was embodied in the address of Dr. Edward H. Todd, president of the Puget Sound University, before prominent Methodists gathered at the church house in the afternoon.

"Up to the last few years," said Dr. Todd, "we were too congregational in our educational policy. Methodism should have a system of education that our young people could take advantage of from the secondary school to the graduate school."

"Methodism was responsible for the standardization of the educational systems, yet it has no schools ranking with the highest institutions in the country. The afternoon session was opened by a talk by Dr. Edward Laird Mills, of the frontier department of the board of home missions. Dr. Mills said that there should be a reorganized board, that is staff should be representative and up to date and recommended that a paper be published to give publicity to the actions of the board and the activities of the church in the country. The afternoon session closed after an informal discussion of the needs of the district superintendents for their respective localities, with devotionals led by Dr. T. W. Lane, pastor of Centenary Methodist Church.

MEN OF PROMINENCE PARTICIPATING IN CONFERENCE AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH.



Group, Left to Right, J. C. Harrison, of Olympia; S. S. Sulliger, of Tacoma, Welcomed by Dr. W. W. Youngson, of Portland District. Individual Portraits, 1--Bishop M. S. Hughes, Northwest Area. 2--Bishop E. H. Hughes, of Boston. 3--Robert Brumley. 4--W. F. Hawk. 5--J. M. Cause. 6--G. A. Landon. 7--Andrew Warner. 8--B. E. Koontz. 9--T. E. Elliott. 10--H. G. Perry, District Superintendents.

BOARD IS DIVIDED

Majority of School Directors Oppose Kindergarten.

RESULTS HELD DOUBTFUL

One Member Would Favor Limited Appropriation of \$10,000 Yearly.

Another Says Tendency Is to Shift Responsibility.

Members of the Portland Board of Education are divided in their attitude toward the idea of including kindergarten work as a part of the public school curriculum. The majority of the board, however, refuses to support the plan that is to come before the Legislature involving a huge outlay for kindergartens in this city, and not a single member who has been interviewed comes out in favor of it.

The board members advance several reasons for their opposition to public kindergartens. One reason is that there appears to be no material educational gain from kindergartens and another that the expense is not warranted by the returns obtained.

Of four members of the board interviewed, two are strongly opposed, one is non-committal and the fourth is in favor of a limited amount of money being spent on kindergarten work.

Mr. Lockwood Is Opponent. "I am strongly opposed to kindergartens in the public school system," said S. P. Lockwood yesterday. "I have made very wide and exhaustive investigations for some time and I have found the pupil who has had kindergarten work has little or no advantage over the other pupil."

"I have found that kindergartens have no educational advantage. They are nice as a day nursery and I would be willing to contribute a certain amount for the maintenance of day nurseries."

J. V. Beach thinks that there is "too great a tendency for the parents

BOARD IS DIVIDED

Majority of School Directors Oppose Kindergarten.

RESULTS HELD DOUBTFUL

One Member Would Favor Limited Appropriation of \$10,000 Yearly.

Another Says Tendency Is to Shift Responsibility.

Members of the Portland Board of Education are divided in their attitude toward the idea of including kindergarten work as a part of the public school curriculum. The majority of the board, however, refuses to support the plan that is to come before the Legislature involving a huge outlay for kindergartens in this city, and not a single member who has been interviewed comes out in favor of it.

The board members advance several reasons for their opposition to public kindergartens. One reason is that there appears to be no material educational gain from kindergartens and another that the expense is not warranted by the returns obtained.

Of four members of the board interviewed, two are strongly opposed, one is non-committal and the fourth is in favor of a limited amount of money being spent on kindergarten work.

Mr. Lockwood Is Opponent. "I am strongly opposed to kindergartens in the public school system," said S. P. Lockwood yesterday. "I have made very wide and exhaustive investigations for some time and I have found the pupil who has had kindergarten work has little or no advantage over the other pupil."

"I have found that kindergartens have no educational advantage. They are nice as a day nursery and I would be willing to contribute a certain amount for the maintenance of day nurseries."

J. V. Beach thinks that there is "too great a tendency for the parents

NOISY CYCLES AROUSE

Riders Declared to Speed and to Endanger Lives of Children.

Residents on East Burnside street from Grand avenue to East Twenty-eighth street are up in arms over the fact that motorcycle riders use that thoroughfare for a race course.

It is said that many careless riders tear along East Burnside street with their exhausts and mufflers wide open.

John P. O'Leary, manager of the Oaks Amusement Park, who resides at 747 East Burnside street, is one of the loudest in the movement to have noise nuisance suppressed.

"These riders tear along this paved street and endanger children," he said. "In the morning we are usually awakened by the rattling of the machines."

There is some talk of a petition to the Portland police bureau asking that the law be strictly enforced.

By harpooning a fly to a tiny wagon, an English scientist found it could draw 170 times its own weight over smooth surfaces.

TWO NEW REGENTS SEATED AT EUGENE

C. C. Colt and Henry M. McKinney Take Places of F. V. Holman and W. Smith.

ANNUAL REPORT IS READ

President Campbell Points Out Requirements and Board Wrestles With Problem of Maintenance on Lower Allowance.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 16.—(Special).—Two new regents began their terms of office today when the board met in its annual meeting. The new men are C. C. Colt, of Portland, and Henry M. McKinney, of Baker, who succeeded F. V. Holman, of Portland, and Judge William Smith, of Baker.

With the installation of these new men, the big question was taken up of solving the problem of meeting the big increase of enrollment in the student body with the shrinkage in the income due to the lessening of the regents' salaries. The board met in Johnson hall this morning at 10 o'clock. At the end of the deliberations of the regents had failed to find an answer to the big question, and they adjourned to meet again in about a month, when the Legislature will have adjourned, and it will be definitely known just what will be the income of the university for the coming year.

New Professor Elected. George Turnbull, of Seattle, was elected to the second place on the school of Journalism faculty list in the place of Colin V. Dymond, whose resignation, to go to the University of Washington, was accepted.

The principal business of the meeting, besides the election of officers, was the consideration of the annual message of President P. L. Campbell, who called attention to the wide expansion of activities besides the rapid growth in numbers. He laid stress on the need of more library room and a larger force of attendants.

That the school of Journalism was also in need of more equipment to accomplish the practical work planned for the coming year was also pointed out by the president to the regents.

With an increase in enrollment of more than 75 per cent the school of commerce has successfully carried on in addition, considerable extension work in practical commercial lines, the president said. It was declared that the school of Journalism is in need of the development of the flax industry in the state of Oregon alone justified the expenditure made upon the school during the past year.

Portland Center Desired. "It is the strong desire of the extension department of the university to reorganize its work in Portland into an extension center this year and the general policy is approved by the board," said the president in his report.

"The history of the development of university extension centers in various sections of such educationally developed states as Wisconsin and Minnesota proves that the plan is both practicable and educationally sound. If the recommendations of Governor Withycombe, in his recent message to the State Legislature, are followed, the report declares, the most serious of the university's needs can be met, although the board will have to postpone still longer the erection of a much-needed building for the extension department.

There are now 1421 students in the departments at Eugene, 73 in the Medical School in Portland, and 234 in the extension students and 1894 extension class students.

The regents today accepted from the Oregon-Washington Railroad Navigation Company deeds for 21 acres of land on the hills overlooking the city of Portland, to be used as a site for the extension department of the university. Citizens of Portland have contributed \$20,000 toward the first building and the state has already appropriated \$50,000.

Legislators Are Invited. The board appointed a committee to make arrangements in conjunction with the Eugene Chamber of Commerce for inviting the Legislature to send a committee to inspect the university. The committee consists of President Campbell and Regents Milton A. Miller, of Portland; Charles H. Fisher, of Salem; and A. C. Dixon, of Eugene.

The board decided to ask the Legislature for an appropriation of \$100,000 for the reduction in the original estimates suggested by Governor Withycombe in his message and to call strongly to the attention of the Legislature the pressing need of a dormitory for women as one of the items to be considered in any appropriation which might be made.

The action of officers resulted in the re-election of R. S. Bean, president, and L. H. Johnson, secretary of the board. The same executive committee composed of A. C. Dixon, acting chairman; W. K. Newell, C. H. Fisher, Ray Goodrich, Mrs. Gerlinger and Judge Bean.

RED CROSS WANTS BRANCH

Officials of Society Hope to Get People Enlisted in Relief.

Conferences are now under way between local men and John L. Clymer and William W. Hush of San Francisco, representatives of the American Red Cross, who hope to organize a branch of the society here. Mr. Clymer, director of the Pacific division of the Red Cross, and Mr. Hush, special field agent of the society, announce that Portland is the only important city on the Coast which has not organized a branch.

It is intended to work up extensive interest among Portland people in the relief work of the Red Cross and enlist a large number of members. A committee will be named today for the work of organizing the branch here. Mr. Clymer and Mr. Hush are registered at the Benson.

AUTO HIT; DRIVER UNHURT

North Bank Train Wrecks Car Piled by Robert Knauf.

Robert Knauf, 1423 Meares street, St. Johns, escaped uninjured yesterday when the automobile which he was driving was struck by a Spokane, Portland and Seattle gasoline motor-train at the St. Johns ferry slip at Whitcomb Court. The automobile was wrecked, but Knauf was thrown some distance. The train was one of those running between Portland and Rainier and was going south at the time.

SANDPOINT MAN NOMINATED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—President Wilson today nominated Arthur E. King of Sandpoint, Idaho, to be collector of public moneys at Coeur d'Alene.

So Digestible That Even Babes Thrive Upon It

ASK your doctor what sort of cereal food is best of all for easy and thorough digestion. Answer: A balanced food that is non-constipating, granulated to allow free play of digestive juices, and complete with the natural salines and coarse brans retained. All of these essentials are abundantly provided by

Dr. Jackson's Roman Meal

Even babies may use it freely (from the eighth month) with greatest benefit to not only their health but their development and growth.

When grains are "refined" the brans, salines and nutritive dark parts are removed. Only the highly starchy white parts are retained. These fine, starchy particles pack and clog the digestive tract, and ferment. The poisons thus produced enter the blood—and you feel the nasty, debilitating sensation due to indigestion and self-poisoning.

Roman Meal prevents indigestion, and helps other foods to digest, too. It is porous because granulated. The digestive juices can reach every particle quickly, thus promoting digestion. The brans also help to bring out the digestive juices. Result: Quick and thorough digestion, no fermentation and no self-poisoning, hence the sense of wellness



Roman Meal Co., Tacoma (Washington) and Toronto (Canada)

The Easy Way to Health. Roman Meal Bread At All Grocers.

Baked in Portland only by the Log Cabin Baking Co.

MERGER YET IS AIM

Special Committee Investigates Albany College.

Local business men who are not connected with the church or college have become very bitter toward the New York board and the Portland Presbyterians who are trying to effect the merger.

The Albany people do not question the power of the college board to close Albany College if it desires, for the reason that the board has loaned money to the institution to such an extent that it could be forced into bankruptcy if the board were to resort to extreme measures, but even then the endowment fund and the campus would be immune, according to the opinion of Albany's best attorneys. Their opinion is based on the decision handed down by the Supreme Court when it decided the right of the college to sell one campus and buy another at Albany with the proceeds of the sale.

The committee which made the investigation today was composed of Rev. Carl Elliot, pastor of the Salem Presbyterian Church; J. S. Bradley, Portland; Rev. J. M. Skinner, pastor of Rose City Park Church, Portland, and C. C. Bryant, of Albany.

WILMER SIEG IS HOME

Contract With Hood River Apple Growers at \$6000 Expires Soon.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special).—Wilmer Sieg returned last night from a business trip of several weeks to his former home in Milwaukee, Wis., and other Eastern points. Mr. Sieg's contract with the Apple-Growers' Association, from whom he has received an annual salary of \$6000, will end May 1. When asked if he were considering a severance of his connections with the organization between now and then, he was non-committal. He admitted that he had received flattering offers from other fruit concerns.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

CHICAGO \$72.50 ST. LOUIS \$70.00 ST. PAUL \$60.00

The Double Daily Service Route East

Direct Routes. Liberal Stopovers. Fares Apply From PORTLAND AND ALL POINTS ON THE NORTH BANK ROAD, AND CENTRAL OREGON POINTS, ON THE OREGON TRUNK RY.

Ticket Sale Jan. 20 and 21 Return Limit February 18

"OPEN GAP" CIRCLE TRIP TICKET TO NEW ORLEANS

Go to Chicago, Return from New Orleans; or the Reverse. Ask for details of routings. This allows chance to see the Inauguration. Ticket Sale Jan. 22-23. Return Limit March 23.

NORTH BANK ROAD TICKET OFFICE Fifth and Stark Phones—Bdwy. 920, A 6671