

### CENTENARY PLAN FULLY ENDORSED

Methodist Conference Pledges Entire Support of Proposed Movement.

### COUNCIL MEMBERS NAMED

Steps to Be Taken to Organize All Districts — "World Programme Sunday" to Be Designated. Salem Selected for 1919.

The Centenary movement and its importance were discussed at the sessions yesterday of the Oregon Conference of Methodist ministers and laymen, which is in session at the First Methodist Episcopal Church. Resolutions endorsing the movement and promising support were passed by the conference.

Members of the Centenary Council of the conference who were appointed yesterday are as follows: James Knotts and R. A. Booth, for the Eugene district; C. A. Edwards and Sam Baker, for the Klamath Falls district; J. S. Abbott and J. O. Day, for the Portland district, and E. E. Gilbert and Walter C. Windwell, for the Salem district.

Salem will be the meeting place of the conference next year, according to the selection of the conference yesterday morning.

Resolutions passed by the conference endorsing the Centenary movement are as follows:

**Co-operation Pledged.** Whereas, the world war summons the church to unusual devotion and activity in preparation for the coming of peace, in order to make the world safe for democracy that democracy can be safe for the world.

Whereas, under the order of the General Conference a world programme has been adopted for the purpose of bringing the church into a closer relationship with the world, and of bringing in the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, therefore be it resolved,

That this annual conference strongly endorse the Centenary movement and pledge its full co-operation.

**Council is Created.** That a Centenary Council be organized and hereby is created, to consist of the district superintendents and one pastor, and one or more laymen from each district.

That the District Superintendent be requested to take immediate steps to organize the district, sub-district, and local church councils, in accordance with the action of the District superintendents of the Columbia meeting.

That all necessary arrangements be made by District Superintendents, pastors and the laity of the church for the intensive period of 10 days with the campaign to culminate, and that a day be designated by the District superintendents to be held in all our churches, this day to be known as World Programme Sunday.

We therefore recommend that on this day our pastors and people everywhere give themselves to prayer and to earnest consideration of the facts involved in building the World Programme of American Methodism.

We as pastors pledge ourselves to do our utmost to have our church fully organized in the Centenary campaign within 30 days after we return from conference.

**Movement is Largest.** The Centenary is the biggest forward movement that any church has ever undertaken in advancing the Kingdom of God. It provides for a celebration of the first century of Methodist missions, raising of \$50,000,000 to strengthen existing work in every continent and for the development of mission fields in America.

The Methodist Church has already a membership of 837,000 in foreign lands and 4,996,000 in America. Also participating in the Centenary movement will be the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, another organization with over 2,000,000 members, who have announced for their financial goal the raising of \$35,000,000. These amounts are to be raised in five years.

The Centenary programme was given last night, with Rev. Skipworth presiding. Addresses were given by J. J. Kinham, who spoke on "Christian Stewardship," and Rev. Mark Freeman, who spoke on "Making Democracy Safe for the World."

**Programme Will Be Given.** The Centenary programme which was to have been given yesterday morning will be given tomorrow morning at the Municipal Auditorium. Dr. Kingham will speak on "The Timeliness and Urgency of the Centenary," and Dr. George B. Dean, representing the board of home missions, on the purpose of the Centenary.

This afternoon members of the conference and their wives will be the guest of honor on a motor trip over the highway. There will be a city-wide Epworth League anniversary and rally at the First Methodist Episcopal Church tonight, under the auspices of the district cabinet.

**Bishop Shepard Leaving.** Due to the death of Bishop Shepard's son, the reception and dinner which were to be given yesterday afternoon were postponed. After the business session of this morning, when conference appointments will be announced, the bishop will leave for New York.

Yesterday afternoon was given over to the discussion of the Centenary movement, with Dr. Charles A. Bowers presiding.

**AFRICAN CONFERENCE IS OPEN**  
Bishop T. W. Kyles, of St. Louis, Presides at Opening Session.

The eighth session of the Oregon-Washington conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church opened Thursday morning at the First African Methodist Episcopal Church, Williams Avenue and San Rafael street, with Bishop L. W. Kyles, A. M. D. D., of St. Louis, Mo., presiding.

Devotions were conducted by Presiding Elder Howard D. D., who delivered a short address. Following are the officers elected: Secretary, Rev. C. A. Tearwood, assistant secretary, K. Gray; reporter, Rev. W. W. Howard; marshal, L. C. Anderson.

Dr. J. W. Wood, of Indianapolis, Ind., corresponding secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, was introduced to the conference by the bishop. He is visiting the various churches in the interest of missions and will deliver a missionary lecture Saturday night at the conference. Bishop Kyles delivered the address of last night's session.

Delegates are in attendance at the convention from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and northern California.

At the closing session Sunday night, the appointments for the year will be announced.

**Student Residence Regulated.** UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Sept. 27.—(Special)—All women attending the university, not living with their families in Eugene, are required this year to live under university supervision in halls of residence or sorority houses, according to announcement made today by Miss Louise C. Ehrman, dean of women.

Buy Liberty bonds and keep them.

### MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Scene from "The Fall of Barbary Coast" at Star

**TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.**  
Peoples—Mary Pickford, "Johanna Enlists."  
Majestic—William Farnum, "Riders of the Purple Sage."  
Liberty—Alice Brady, "The Whirlpool."  
Columbia—Margarita Fisher, "Money Isn't Everything."  
Sunset—"Doug" Fairbanks, "The Americano"; Bill Hart, "The Return of Draw Egan."  
Star—"The Fall of Barbary Coast."  
Globe—Marguerite Clark, "Rich Man, Poor Man."  
Circle—Jack Pickford, "Huck and Tom."

**Peoples.** THE never-falling charm of Mary Pickford, who holds her own at the pinnacle of filmdom despite the assaults of other favorites, and the far-flung cry that the tenor of public favor is but brief, scores tremendously in "Johanna Enlists." This new Artcraft production on exhibition at the Peoples Theater is decidedly one of the richest, newest, most delectable comedies dealing with modern days that has been seen in Portland.

**Majestic.** "Riders of the Purple Sage," the seven-reel William Fox picturization of the popular Zane Grey story of the frontier, is the big new feature at the Majestic Theater today.

**Star.** Paul Smith's sensational anti-vice crusade photodrama, "The Fall of Barbary Coast," which has proved one of the biggest drawing cards of the year in Coast cities, opens an engagement this morning at the Star theater.

**ECONOMY IS URGED**  
Commissioner Barbur Talks County Consolidation.

**QUESTION NOT POLITICAL**  
Portland Realtors Told of Success of Other Cities Under Combined Form of Government—Taxes Could Be Less.

Some pertinent reasons why, in his view, the city and county governments should be combined into one were given at the weekly luncheon of the Portland Realty Board at the Benson Hotel yesterday by A. L. Barbur, City Commissioner, who spoke on the subject, "Consolidation of City and County."

Commissioner Barbur emphasized the great decrease in overhead expense that would follow combination of the city and county. "When Portland pays 93.3 per cent of all the taxes of the county," he said in part, "what's the use of paying two sets of officers? This is not a political question, but purely an economic one. I don't believe there is a taxpayer or a citizen of either city or county who would oppose the consolidation when he learns the facts."

**One Tax Budget Possible.** In addition to the cutting down of a big overhead expense in duplication of offices, Commissioner Barbur cited as another argument for the consolidation the fact that it would result in one comprehensive tax budget, once a year, in place of seven separate budgets as at present. He said that a zone system would be arranged under the consolidation, so that taxes outside the present

# COLUMBIA

STARTS TODAY  
FOUR DAYS



**Filmom's Dainty Favorite**  
**MARGARITA FISHER**  
IN  
**"MONEY ISN'T EVERYTHING"**  
Based on Fred Jackson's Greatest Short Story, "Beauty and the Beast." An Amazing Mixture of Drama, Pathos and Adulterated Comedy.

**Screen Gossip.** Conserve fuel by using California sunbaths as a substitute for an idea giving favor with film producers this year.

**BUY MORE BONDS NOW PLAYING**  
**PEOPLES**  
A BRAND NEW SHOW

**MARY PICKFORD**  
**"JOHANNA ENLISTS"**  
BY RUPERT HUGHES  
FUN! FUN! FUN!  
20c, Children 10c--Please COME EARLY!

# STARTS TODAY ALL WEEK



**THE SENSATIONAL FACT PHOTODRAMA**  
Picturizing vividly startling phases of a subject about which the world keeps dumb and the law silent! Not fiction but stark reality!  
**CHILDREN UNDER 16 NOT ADMITTED**

**SAN FRANCISCO'S RED LIGHTS PAINTED WHITE**  
IN PAUL SMITH'S VICE CRUSADE

# THE FALL OF BARBARY COAST

**THE CITY OF SEATTLE**  
Ole Hanson, Mayor.  
Rev. Paul Smith, New Washington Hotel, Seattle, Wash.  
My Dear Sir: I enjoyed very much your great reform picture, "The Finger of Justice." Its message will aid the authorities in their efforts to bring about better conditions in our city life.

# STAR THEATER