Sunday in Portland Churches

BAPTIST.

First, the White Temple, Twelfth and Taylor—Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher, pastor. One-accord prayer meeting in Temple parlor, 10 A. M.; morning service, 10:30 o'clock; preaching by the pastor; subject, "Multum in Parvo"; Lord's supper observed; Bible school, 12 M.; young people's meeting, 6 P. M., leader, Dr. Arnold Lindsay; popular evening service, 7:30 o'clock; sermon by Dr. Brougher; subject, "Home-Rule, or Fighting for Home, Honor and Happiness." Special music by Temple quartet and chorus. Morning: Organ voluntary, "Communion," in E minor (Batiste); anthem, "Crossing the Bar" (Wheeler). Evening: Organ voluntary, "Cantilene Nuptiale" (Dubois); chorus, "Sanctus" (Gounod); quartet, "The Good Shepherd" (Nevins); postlude, "Postlude," in D (Harris).

Central, East Ankeny and East Twentieth streets—Rev. W. T. Jordan, pastor. At 10:30 A. M., "Exalting Him"; Sunday school, 12 M.; young people's meeting, 6:30 P. M.; at 7:30 P. M., "Look Before You Leap."

University Park—Rev. A. B. Waltz, pastor. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; worship, 11 A. M.; sermon, "A Precious Stone for a Believer"; B. Y. P. U., 7 P. M.; worship, 8 P. M.; sermon, "Kneeling to God and Bowing to Rimmon."

Calvary, East Eighth and Grant streets—Rev. I. N. Monroe, pastor. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; preaching, 11 A. M.; 7:30 P. M., "Reflectors."

Immanuel, Second and Meade—Rev. A. B. Minaker, pastor. Sunday school, 11:45 A. M.; B. Y. P. U., 6:30 P. M.; preaching, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Mount Olive—Rev. B. B. Johnson, pastor. Services, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

East Forty-fifth, corner East Main street—Rev. B. C. Cook, pastor. Preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.; Bible school, 10 A. M.; B. Y. P. U., 6:45 P. M.

Arleta—Rev. E. A. Smith, pastor. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; Junior union, 3 P. M.; B. Y. P. U., 7 P. M; preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Swedish, Hoyt and Fifteenth—Rev. Eric Scherstrom, pastor. Preaching, 10:45 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.; Sunday school, 12 M.

St. John—Rev. E. A. Leonard, pastor. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.; B. Y. P. U., 6:30 P. M.

Third, Vancouver avenue and Knott—Rev R. Schwedler, pastor. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.; B. Y. P. U., 6:45 P. M.

Chinese Mission, 352 Oak, near Park—Sunday school, 7 P. M.; preaching in Chinese, 8 P. M.

First German, Fourth and Mill—Rev. J. Kratt, pastor. Preaching, 10:45 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; B. Y. P. U., 6:45 P. M.

Sellwood, Tacoma avenue and Eleventh—Preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., by Rev. John Bentzien; Sunday school, 10 A. M.

Sunnyside (German), Forty-first and Hawthorne avenue—Preaching by C. Feldmeth, 11 A. M.; Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.

Second German, Rodney avenue and Morris—Rev. F. Buermann, pastor. Preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; B. Y. P. U., 6:45 P. M.

St. John (German)—Preaching by Rev. C. Feldmeth 3 P. M.; Sunday school, 2 P. M.

Union-Avenue Mission (Swedish), Skidmore street—Sunday school, 10 A. M.

Highland, Alberta and Sixth—Rev. J. F. Heacock, pastor. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; B. Y. P. U., 7 P. M.; preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Norwegian-Danish, Mississippi avenue and Shaver street—Sunday school, 12 M.; industrial school, Saturday afternoon, 2 o'clock.

Gresham—Sunday school, 10 A. M.; services, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., by Rev. T. J. Elkins.

Lents, First avenue, near Foster road—Rev. J. F. Heacock, pastor. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; preaching, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.

Second, Seventh and East Ankeny streets, Stanton C. Lapham, pastor—Sermon at 10:30, "In Memoriam; a Communion Service"; Bible school at noon; Young People's Union, 6:45; evening sermon at 7:45, "The Creation and Nature of Man."

Grace Church, Montavilla, Gilman Parker, minister—Morning: "Perfect Love Casteth Out All Fear"; evening, sermon by Rev. F. E. Dark, evangelist; Bible school, 10 A. M.; B. Y. P. U. meeting, 7 o'clock.

Woodlawn Church of Christ, Clark W. Comstock, minister—Bible school, 10 A. M. (this will be intermediate class day in the school); Y. P. S. C. E., 6:45 P. M.; morning sermon, 11, "Keeping and Using Our Heritage"; evening sermon, 7:45, "The Philosophy of Christ's Death."

CONGREGATIONAL.

First, Park and Madison streets—Rev. Luther R. Dyott, D. D., pastor. 10:30 A. M., short sermon by the pastor. Holy communion and reception of members; 12:15 P. M.; Bible school; 3 P. M., rally of Congregational young people of Portland; 6:30 P. M., Christian Endeavor; 7:30 P. M., pastor's sermon topic, "The Ethics of Amusement." Special music. Morning: Anthem, "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord" (Garrett); tenor solo, "Gloria Buzzi" (Pecchia), sung by Dr. Ainslie. Evening: Anthems, "Lead Us, Heavenly Father" (Foerster), and "When Winds Are Raging" (Little).

Hassalo-Street, East Seventh and Hassalo streets—Rev. Paul Rader, pastor. Communion and reception of new members. Morning service, 10:30 o'clock; Rev. J. R. Knodell, officiating; Sunday school, 12 M.; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 P. M.; evening service, 7:30 o'clock, conducted by A. H. Cross, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Church of the Strangers, Wasco street and Grand avenue—Rev. S. Earl DuBois, pastor. Morning service at 10:30 o'clock; evening, 8 o'clock; Christian Endeavor, 7 P. M.

Highland, East Sixth and Prescott streets—Rev. E. S. Bollinger, pastor. Worship, 11 A. M.; sermon by Rev. E. C. Oakley, "Pig Philosophy"; 7:45 P. M., sermon by pastor, "Our Fences Around God"; Sunday school, 10 A. M., J. D. Ogden superintendent; 3 P. M., Y. P. S. C. E. rally at First Church; 6:45 P. M., Y. P. S. C. E.

University Park, Haven and Bowdoin streets—Rev P. L. H. von Lubken, pastor. Morning worship, 11 o'clock, with sermon on "Christian Fellowship"; evening service, 7:30 o'clock, "The Empty Wish and the Earnest Will"; Sunday school, 10 A. M.; Junior Christian Endeavor, 3 P. M.; Senior Christian Endeavor, 3 P. M. Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock all the Christian Endeavor societies of the Congregational churches of the city will meet for a grand rally at the First Congregational Church, corner of Park and Madison streets.

Pilgrim Chapel, 540 Second street near Lincoln—9:30 A. M., Sunday school; 7:30 P. M., worship and preaching by Rev. D. B. Gray.

Sunnyside, East Taylor and East Thirty-fourth streets—Rev. J. J. Staub, pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock; subject, "Ambassadors for Christ"; evening service, 8 o'clock; subject, "The Mastery of Self"; Sunday school, 10 A. M., S. C. Pier superintendent; Junior Christian Endeavor, 3 P. M.; Senior Christian Endeavor, 7 P. M.

CHRISTIAN.

First, Park and Columbia—Rev. E. S. Muckley, minister. 11 A. M., "Called to a New Vocation"; 7:45 P. M., a young men's service with address on "The Hardest Fellow to Manage"; Bible school, 10 A. M.; Christian Endeavor, 6:30 P. M.

Woodlawn Church of Christ—Clark W. Comstock, minister. Bible school at 10 A. M. This will be intermediate class day in the school; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:45; morning sermon, 11, "Keeping and Using Our Heritage"; evening sermon, 7:45, "The Philosophy of Christ's Death."

Central, East Twentieth and Salmon—Rev. J. F. Ghormley will speak at 10:45 A. M., theme, "A Little Child Shall Lead Them"; 7:45 P. M., evangelistic services; special music by orchestra and chorus. H. A. Easter chorister.

Kern Park—Rev. E. M. Patterson, pastor. Services, 11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.; Bible school, 10 A. M.; Young People's meeting, 6:45 P. M.; themes, "A Jacob's Ladder for Us" and "The Value and Need of Genuine Christian Worship."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Scottish Rite Cathedral, Morrison and Lownsdale. Services, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; subject of lesson sermon, "Everlasting Punishment"; Sunday school at close of morning service; Wednesday evening meeting, 8 P. M.

Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Elks Temple, Stark, between Sixth and Seventh—Sunday services, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; subject of the lesson sermon, "Everlasting Punishment"; Sunday school, 11 A. M.; Wednesday meeting, 8 P. M.

EPISCOPAL.

Good Shepherd, Sellwood and Vancouver avenue—Rev. John Dawson, rector. Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; holy communion and sermon, 11 A. M.; evening service, 7:30 P. M.

St. Matthew's, First and Caruthers—Rev. W. A. M. Breck in charge. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; holy communion and sermon, 11 A. M.; no evening service.

Trinity, Nineteenth and Everett—Rev. A. A. Morrison, rector. Services, 8 and 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.

St. John's Memorial—Sellwood. Morning service, 11 o'clock, with sermon by Archdeacon Chambers; evening service, 7:30, with confirmation by Bishop Scadding.

St. Andrew's Portsmouth—Morning prayer and sermon, 11. Rev. Francis O. Jones will officiate.

Pro-Cathedral of St. Stephen the Martyr, Thirteenth and Clay—Rev. H. M. Ramsey, vicar. Holy communion, 7:30 A. M.; Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; morning service, 11 o'clock; evening service, 7:30 o'clock.

St. Mark's, Nineteenth and Quimby—Rev. J. E. H. Simpson, rector. 8 A. M., holy communion; 10 A. M., Sunday school; 11 A. M. matins and litany; 7:30 P. M., evensong.

LUTHERAN.

St. Paul's German, East Twelfth and Clinton streets—Rev. A. Krause, rector. Morning service, 10:30 o'clock; English service, 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school, 9:30 A. M.; ladies' society, Wednesday, 2 P. M., at the home of Mrs. G. Brandt, East Eighteenth and Ellsworth streets; Bible lesson and young people's meeting, Thursday at 8 P. M.

Trinity, German, Missouri Synod, corner Williams avenue and Sellwood streets, J. A. Rimbach, pastor—Sunday school, 9:15 A. M.; morning service, 10 A. M.; evening service, 7:30 P. M.

Danish Church, 640 Union avenue, J. Scott, pastor—Services on Sunday, 11 A. M., with communion. Subject of sermon, "The Good Shepherd"; at 8 P. M., "The Cause of Ignorance"; Sunday school, 10 A. M.

Norwegian Synod, East Tenth and Grant streets—Rev. O. Hagoes, pastor. Services, 10:30 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Ladies' Aid meets with Mrs. F. Hollister, 148 East Thirty-fourth street, Thursday at 2 P. M.; young people's society meets Thursday evening at 8:15 o'clock.

St. James' English, West Park and Jefferson streets—Rev. J. Allen Leas, pastor. Services, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. In the evening the pastor will give an address to young women. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; Luther League, 7 P. M.

Reformed, First German, Tenth and Stark—G. Hafner, pastor. Services, 10:45 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday school, 9:30 A. M.

Betania Danish, 640 Union avenue—Services 11 A. M. with communion, subject, "The Good Shepherd; 8 P. M., theme, "The Cause of Ignorance"; Sunday shcool, 10 A. M.; Y. P. M., Tuesday, 8 P. M.; Ladies' Society, Mrs Jensen, Kendall Station; Bible study, Thursday, 8 P. M.; catechists, 9:30 A. M. and 8 P. M., Saturday.

METHODIST.

Grace, Twelfth and Taylor streets—Rev. William H. Heppe, D. D., pastor. This will be the pastor's last Sunday before going East. Morning theme, 10:30 o'clock, "The Royal Privilege of Suffering"; evening, 7:45 o'clock, "Worldliness and Other-Worldliness." Music in the evening by male chorus and quartet. Morning class, 9:30 o'clock; Sunday school, 12:15 P. M.; St. Paul mission, 3 P. M.; Epworth League devotional and praise, 6:30 P. M. Evening service hereafter at 7:45 o'clock. Professor W. M. Wilder, organist and choirmaster.

Epworth, Twenty-seventh and Upshur streets—Rev. Charles T. McPherson, pastor. Parsonage, 783 York street. Phone, Main 4988. Services will be held in the Oregon building, Fair grounds, at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. The pastor will preach. Morning subject, "Power From on High"; evening, "Doing What We Can." Special music; Morning, by Miss A. Crossley; evening, by F. A. Insley. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; Epworth League, 6:30 P. M.

Sunnyside, East Yamhill and Thirty-fifth streets—Rev. T. B. Ford, pastor. Parsonage, 186 East Thirty-fifth street. 9:50, Sunday school, A. O. Ellison superintendent; 11 A. M., sermon by Evangelist Ross, of Los Angeles; 3 P. M., Junior League, Miss Mary Shaver superintendent; 6:15 P. M., Epworth League devotional meeting; W. H. Warren, president; B. A. Arnold, first vice-president; 7:30 P. M., song service and sermon by the pastor; official board meeting Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Swedish, Beech and Borthwick streets—Rev. John Ovall, pastor. Preaching, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday school, 10 A. M.; Epworth League meets at 7 P. M.

Centenary, East Ninth and East Pine streets—Rev. Clarence True Wilson, D. D., pastor. At 10:30 the subject will be "Sympathy and Help," and at 7:30 P. M. the Easter music will be repeated, as by request, and Dr. Wilson's address, "When the East Side Goes Dry, What?" All interested in this timely topic are invited.

Taylor-Street—Dr. Benjamin Young, pastor. 9:30 A. M. classes; 10:30 A. M., sermon, "Two Crises in a Great Life"; 12:15 P. M., Sunday school; 6:30 P. M., Epworth League; 7:30 P. M., sermon, "Into the Far Country." Morning musical programme: Organ, "Prelude" (des Shaye); anthem, "Fear Ye Not, O Israel" (Spicker); offertory, tenor solo, "If With All Your Hearts" (Elijah-Mendelssohn); organ, "Marche Heroique" (Maxson). Evening: Organ, "Melody, "Rheinlander); anthem, "Gloria," 12th Mass (Mozart); offertory, bass solo, "Out of the Deep" (J. C. Marks), A. W. Ledbury; organ, "Postlude" (Mellor). The choir: Soprano, Mrs. E. S. Miller; contralto, Miss Evelyn Hurley; tenor and director, Professor Boyer; bass, Charles Cutter; organ, Mrs. Warren Thomas; chorus of 30 voices.

PRESBYTERIAN.

First, Alder and Twelfth streets—Rev. William Hiram Foulkes, minister. 10:30 A. M., sermon by the minister, "That Ye May Believe"; 12:10 P. M., Sunday school and Bible classes; 6:45 P. M., young people's consecration service; 7:30 P. M., organ numbers by Mr. Coursen; 7:45 P. M., a special song service by the quartet, being a repetition of several of the Easter anthems, after which the pastor will give a brief message upon "Loving the Unseen." Musical programme: Morning — Prelude, "Impromptu-Pastorale" (Buck); hymn-anthem, "Still, Still With Thee" (Foote); contralto solo, "Gently Lead Us" (MacDowell); postlude, "Fugue," in C minor (Bach). Organ numbers at 7:30 P. M.—a, "Andante," from Sonato, Op. 28 (Beethoven); b, "Pictures From the Orient" (Schumann); No. 1, "Andantino"; No. 2, "Tempo di Marcia. Evening—Prelude, "Marche Funebre et Chant Seraphique" (Guilmant); Easter anthem, "Welcome, Happy Morning" (Stewart); Easter anthem, "Easter Dawn" (Hanscom); Easter anthem, "Christ Has Won the Victory" (Burdett); postlude, "Moderato" (Fuehrer).

Calvary, Eleventh and Clay streets—Services, 10:30 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.; Rev. J. R. Wilson, D. D., will preach in the morning; in the evening a prayer service will be held in the chapel. Miss Margaret Lamberson, organist; Mr. Caughey, precentor; Sunday school, 12 M.; Miss Caroline Strong, superintendent.

SPIRITUALIST.

Rev. John Slater, of San Francisco, the distinguished spiritual message bearer, will appear under the auspices of the Oregon State Spiritualist Association, Sunday evening, May 3, at 8:15 P. M., Women of Woodcraft Hall, corner Seventh and Taylor streets; subject, "Mediumship"; Rev. S. B. Seip, president.

M. and M. S. A. Society will hold spiritual services in the Auditorium Hall, on Third street, between Taylor and Salmon. Conference, 11 A. M., led by Rev. Lucas; lyceum, 2 P. M.; test meeting, 3 P. M., led by C. Cornels; lecture, 7:45, by Rev. Mr. Allen, followed by Miss Lyons with tests.

UNITED EVANGELICAL.

Ockley Green, corner Gay street and Willamette boulevard—Rev. J. Riverson, pastor. Preaching services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., on "Spiritual Verities" and "Life's Day"; Sunday school at 10 A. M.; K. L. C. E. at 6:30 P. M.

UNITARIAN.

Church of Our Father, Yamhill and Seventh—Rev. W. G. Eliot, Jr., minister, Rev. T. L. Eliot, D. D., minister emeritus. Service at 11 A. M. Rev. Paul S. Bandy will preach. Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; adult class, 12:30 P. M.; Y. P. F., 6:30 P. M.

UNIVERSALIST.

Church of the Good Tidings, East Eighth and Couch—Rev. James D. Corby, minister. Worship, 10:45 A. M., topic, "God in Nature"; popular service, 7:30 P. M., topic, "Is Battleship Patriotism American?" Music, "As Pants the Heart," E. J. Hopkins; "Look Up, O Heart"; Miss Ruth Whitney, "Hear Our Prayer"; Sunday school at noon

MISCELLANEOUS.

Y. M. C. A., Association Auditorium, 3:30 P. M. "The men's meeting will be addressed by H. E. Mills, pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Church, Spokane, on "Summer Religion." He will also read some of his own poems, such as "Woolley Bill" and "Mamie's Conversion." Mrs. Olga Bartsch Lang will sing a special solo. Some deaf mutes from the Church of the Strangers will sing "Nearer My God to Thee" and read "Jesus Stilling the Tempest" in sign language. All men are invited.

First Spiritual Society, Abington bldg., Third street, near Washington—Conference, 11 A. M., subject "Obsession"; Lyceum, 1 P. M.; mediums' meeting, 3 P. M., conducted by Mrs. Pierce; 7:45 P. M., lecture by Hartson; 8, Barnes, subject, "What Is Truth?" Special music on the violin by Mrs. Frank Northrup.

The Salvation Army, 249 Madison street, Adjutant F. Dean and Captain F. E. Pogue, officers in charge—Sunday 11 A. M., holiness meeting; 1:30, Sunday school; 3 P. M., praise meeting; 8 P. M., salvation meeting; services every evening at 8 P. M. except Wednesdays.

Millennial Dawn—G. A. R. Hall, Second and Morrison. Services at 2:30 P. M.

Divine Truth Center—Chapel, hall 201 Alisky bldg., Third and Morrison. Service, 11 A. M., Thaddeus M. Minard, pastor. Rev. Henry Victor Morgan will speak on "Man and Superman"; H. C. Martin, musical director; solo by Miss Beth Young, "Face to Face."

Church of the Nazarene, 428 Burnside—Rev. A. O. Hendricks, pastor. Sunday school, 10 A. M.; preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Young People's meeting, 5:45 P. M.

Fellowship Circle — Address on "The Greater Fellowship," by Robert M. Wilson, of Los Angeles, 3 P. M., at 501 Yamhill; Rev. Henry Victor Morgan lectures in the Empire Theater, 8 P. M., on "How to Make Life Worth Living"; Mr. Morgan gives his closing class lectures at the headquarters of the fellowship, 81 Selling-Hirsch building, Monday, at 3 and 8 P. M. The Emerson class meets at 501 Yamhill Tuesday evening, Mrs. Clara Bewick Colby, leader.

Soul Culture meeting at Mrs. Mallory's parlors, 501 Yamhill street, Monday evening, May 4, 8 o'clock; subject for discussion, "Spiritual Healing vs. Medicine"; Silence meetings Tuesday and Friday afternoons, 2:30 P. M.

Psychologist A. A. Lindsay, M. D., will lecture at the Ivanhoe K. P. Hall, Eleventh and Alder streets, Wednesday evening, at 8 P. M.; subject, "Success and Contentment."

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT LITTLE FALLS, WASH.

Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, Who Will Preside.

The annual Oregon conference of the Evangelical Association will this year be held in Little Falls, Wash., beginning Thursday morning, May 7, and Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, D. D., will preside. At this session of the conference an elder will be elected to succeed Rev. E. Mauerer, on the Salem district. Action also will be taken on the resolutions adopted by the Portland Evangelical Association asking the Evangelical Association to recognize the Dallas College as its official school on condition that it be given representation on the board of regents; favoring the holding of annual camp-meetings and conventions jointly with the United Evangelical church at Jennings Lodge, and establishing church federation between these two branches of the Evangelical Church as far as possible

Bishop Breyfogel is expected to be in Portland after the adjournment of conference at Little Falls, and will visit some of the Oregon churches. Rev. S. E. Slewert, pastor of the First Evangelical Church, East Sixth and Market streets, is secretary of conference and is preparing for the coming sessions. He reports that many of the ministers will be moved to other charges this year for the reason they have served as long in one place as the rules of the association permit. Fraternal delegates are expected to attend from the United Evangelical branch in the interest of federation and eventual organic union.

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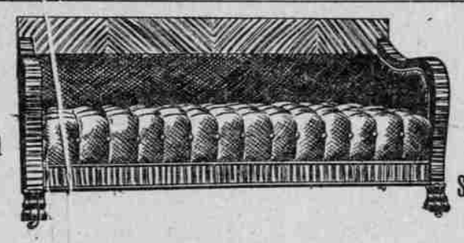

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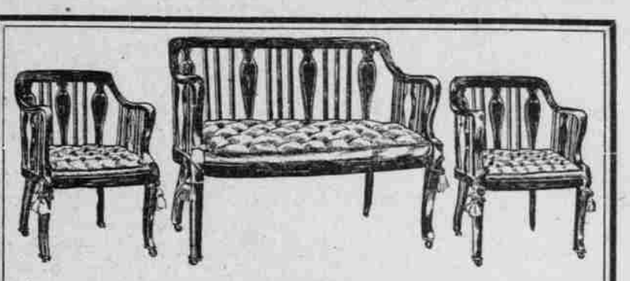

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Preventive Patrol System Organized in Western Washington.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 1.—(To the Editor.)—The earnest attention of the timber-land owners of Western Washington, and the public at large, is invited to the object and scope of the work contemplated by this association, the protection of the forests of Western Washington from destruction by fire.

During eight or nine months of each year, the rainfall in this region is so abundant that to start a damaging fire in the midst of the forest would be an impossibility; but during the Summer months, and even well into September, there is no rain, and from a condition of absolute safety there is a positive one of great hazard—an abnormal period of extreme dryness, during which time the magnificent forest of Western Washington is one vast tinder box. A match calessly dropped by a hunter, a campfire left to smoulder, a spark from a locomotive or a logging engine, or a clearing fire carelessly handled by a settler may start a forest fire that soon becomes uncontrollable.

In September, 1902, after a Summer of extreme dryness, such a conflagration was started in Clark County, Wash., from a settler's fire, and within 24 hours it had burned over an area equal to 66 square miles; burning to death many people and much miscellaneous property, besides burning and killing at least 2,000,000,000 feet of as fine timber as there is in the State of Washington.

There is absolutely no insurance to protect the owner or the community against a disaster of this kind. The Federal authorities are realizing the importance of protecting the forest reserves of the Government and are patrolling the same. The State of Washington, by its legislation, has enacted wise and suitable laws restricting and governing the privilege of starting fires during the dry season; but neither the Federal nor the state regulation is able to take care of the forest, and it is very apparent that the owners of the timber will hereafter have to give more attention to the protection of their property.

It was generally conceded that however great the risk from fire has been in the past, that it will continue to be greater year after year as the country is opened up by railroads, and clearings are made by settlers, and as the timber is cut by the logger. It is a fact which cannot be gainsaid that fire follows the railroad, the settler and the logger.

Fully realizing this, the members of this association are united together for the purpose of making a business of protecting their property. It is contemplated that the entire western part of Washington will be divided up into districts, and in each district there will be a chief, and under him will be patrolmen, whose business it will be to travel through the timber during the dry season, cautioning the hunter, fisherman, camper, settler and logger to be careful about fires; suppressing small fires, and keeping the public mind alert all the while as to the grave hazard there is from a general conflagration.

It is hoped in time to make this organization one of trained men who will know every trail, and every road in the country; and who will know how to fight fires and meet the situation promptly whenever the risk is imminent. This association has been formed under the laws of the State of Washington and proposes to work in harmony with both the Federal and state authorities in the task of protecting the forests of the state from fires.

It is contemplated that an assessment of one cent an acre on all the timber lands of the state will raise a fund sufficient to thoroughly patrol the entire timber area of Western Washington; and it is the intention to invite every timber-land owner, whether he be a resident or non-resident, to join the association and make his contribution and get the benefit of this patrol. The work should be well organized and under way not later than June 1, next. At present, Western Washington is drier than it has been for years, and if this condition continues we will probably have a most hazardous Summer ahead of us, the most hazardous since 1902.

The object of this letter is to prepare people's minds for the consideration of this subject, and we hope soon to send out a copy of our organization papers and our by-laws, and a more detailed plan of the work which is proposed. Unless the project is entered upon promptly by all the timber-land owners in the state, it cannot be made the success that is hoped will be the result of a careful, alert and vigorous organization.

The incorporators represent some of the largest interests in Western Washington, and every other large interest that has been approached has signified its hearty approval and support of this movement. We are entering upon the work with the firm conviction that unless something of this kind is done in the most thorough manner, that the loss from forest fires, both to the timber-land owner and to the community at large, will be incalculable.

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JOSEPHINE COUNTY FRUIT

Damage by Frost Night of April 24 Reported to Be Slight.

GRANTS PASS, Or., April 30.—That water in water pipes became frozen and that there was a cold spell so severe as to freeze vegetation and to kill 25 per cent of the fruit in Josephine County, as stated by The Oregonian's correspondent in yesterday's issue, is a statement not warranted by the facts, and has done a great injustice to the fruit industry of this section of Rogue River Valley.

There was an unusual heavy frost on the night of April 24, but that water in water pipes became frozen and a general killing of fruit ensued, is not so. In many of the districts fruit was not injured at all by frost, and the apple crop of the county will be up to the average. In a few of the apple orchards on the lowlands the trees were thinned of fruit, but enough left to be all that the trees can ripen perfectly. Of course this thinning by frost is not done in a manner that will insure the high-grade fruit had from hand-thinning, as has to be done in ordinary seasons to prevent the trees from being overloaded. On the higher altitudes and in the thermal belt about the hills, not even the strawberries were injured by frost. The only damage was on the lowlands, where the soil was wet and cold, and where there was no air drainage or currents to move the cold air that settled down from the higher levels. In these places, cherries, early peaches, pears, apples and berries were more or less injured. Some of the trees and berry patches had the fruit entirely killed, while others escaped with little injury.

I have interviewed many fruitgrowers and have examined a number of orchards, and the information I am able to get to date is that the apple crop may be cut down a per cent but may not be that much, for owing to this being a late Spring many of the trees were not in blossom when the frost came. As most of the bearing pear orchards are on the very low lands, the yield of pears is probably cut 50 per cent, but it will take another week to even prove that, because many of the pears do not yet show that they were even chilled and are not turned black at the core as they do when frozen. The peach orchards and the berry patches are also mostly on the low lands, so they, too, will probably not yield above 50 per cent. The cherries are practically gone, but as there is very little of this fruit grown here, its loss is of no consequence.

The pioneers of Rogue River Valley all settled along the streams and planted their orchard on the lowest, dampest land they had, and this is why such a large per cent of the fruit of this valley was in the frozen zone and got killed. But this happens years apart, sometimes there being no frost for 10 or more years.

As Rogue River Valley has no hails, nor heavy winds and rain storms to wash off the pollen or beat off the fruit, no sleets and heavy, wet snows to break down the fruit trees, and not one-tenth of the pests that make life a burden and the fruit profits small to the orchardists of the Eastern states—the fruitgrowers of Rogue River Valley can stand a little frost once in a while, or otherwise they would all become millionaires within a few years. With their Bartlett pears averaging high prices on cars at the shipping point here and some of the Comice pears selling f. o. b. the car, New York at prices not realized by pears from any other district in the United States, and their Newtown apples leading on high price for the last five years in the London market—there is profit in Rogue River orchards even should frosts be a regular mishap, as is the case in all the fruit districts of the East. CHARLES MESERVE,
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