

CHURCH CELEBRATES SIXTIETH YEAR

Taylor-Street Congregation to Hold Big Celebration This Week.

HONOR TO THE PIONEERS

Historic Organization of Methodists Will Hold Series of Meetings at Which Events of Early Days Will Be Recalled.

For 60 years Taylor-Street Methodist Episcopal Church has stood at Third and Taylor streets, and this week the congregation is in the midst of a great celebration, which includes historical services Thursday night and morning, afternoon and night next Sunday. The programme is virtually complete for the big occasion, in which pioneer Methodism will figure conspicuously.

Next Sunday will be a day such as Methodism in the Northwest has seldom known. Services of the most impressive kind, with the historic element running through each one, have been arranged for in such a manner as to cover every branch of the church, from the children to the gray-haired patriarchs, who have literally grown old in the work at Taylor street. Among the more conspicuous personages who will participate are Charles W. Smith, resident bishop for Oregon, and Rev. "Father" John Flinn, who preached one of the first sermons ever delivered in the first church edifice erected on the lot at Third and Taylor streets. Bishop Smith will preach his first sermon in the Northwest, at 10:30 A. M., while "Father" Flinn will have charge of the Thursday evening services.

"Father" Flinn a Pioneer.

"Father" Flinn is one of the very few of the remaining original pioneers of Methodism in Oregon, and while he is bent with age, he is nevertheless quite spry and appears at all of the Methodist Episcopal services of note, such as the annual conferences, and special events, and he is full of the fire of the gospel, which he has done as much as any man to spread throughout the Northwest. When he came to this country, it was in a wild state, and real danger and hardships frequently encountered. White men were not liked by the Indians, and it was perilous to move about as he did in the long ago. It is a marvelous growth of the American civilization and development that has sprung up since that time, and "Father" Flinn has witnessed all this change. It will therefore be most interesting to hear him tell Thursday night of things historical, in relation to the church he has served so long and faithfully.

Next Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock, the first service of the day will occur. It will be a class meeting, led by E. N. Barney. All of the class leaders of Taylor-Street Church from the time of its establishment in 1848, who have survived the years, and who can reach the city in time, will participate. Reminiscences will be in order at this meeting.

At 10:30 A. M. Bishop Smith will preach his first sermon to a Northwest congregation, and the occasion will be notable. The only regret of the church is that the building will not hold all who wish to hear the new resident general superintendent. He is scheduled to reach the city tomorrow night, and will attract wide attention throughout the Northwest, and especially in Portland and Oregon. Dr. Benjamin Young, the present pastor of Taylor-Street Church, will preside at the meeting.

Sunday School Workers Meet.

Immediately following the preaching service, the Sunday school will hold its session and will be in charge of A. King Wilson, the superintendent, assisted by C. W. Jones. This will also be reminiscent and all the old superintendents of the Sunday school will attend. Mr. Wilson has secured a large number of medallions, with the picture of the church, on one side and historical dates on the other. He will give one of these souvenirs to each person present at the meeting that day.

The Epworth League services at 6:30 o'clock will be in charge of C. E. Wagner, president of the local chapter. All of the former presidents are to be on hand. This is the young people's service, although it is certain that there will be many "old people with young hearts" present, as many of them have grown old in the service of the church since the league was organized.

At 7:30 P. M. W. D. Fenton and T. S. McDaniel will speak on historical subjects. It was the original intention of the committee to have Harvey W. Scott, editor of *The Oregonian*, deliver an address at this service, but he was unable to be present. The speakers will cover the progress of Methodism in the Northwest and particularly in Portland and Oregon, and therefore their speeches will be full of deep interest.

A novel arrangement as to music has been made. Professor W. H. Boyer will have charge, and there will be a chorus of 50 voices—one voice to represent each year of the history of Taylor-Street Church. The chorus will be in attendance at the morning preaching service and at the evening meeting.

Church Has Vauable Site.

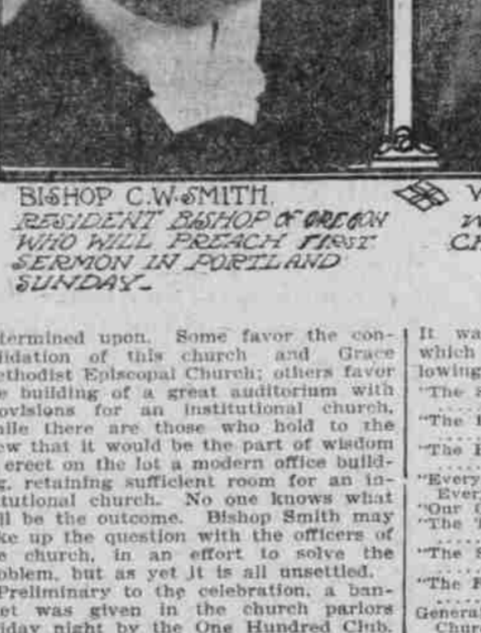
Taylor-Street Methodist Episcopal Church stands on one of the most valuable pieces of property in Portland. The site was selected in 1848 by Rev. J. H. Wilbur, the first pastor. At that time there was nothing whatever to indicate that Portland would ever become a mighty city, a metropolis such as it has grown to be, but by fate and judgment. Rev. Mr. Wilbur selected the lot at Third and Taylor streets, and began the construction of the plainest kind of a frame structure. It was about 30 by 50 feet, and unimposing, but it served the purpose and from its pulpit was preached the gospel by men like Wilbur himself, H. K. Hines, "Father" Flinn, T. F. Royal, James Lee and a host of others. Methodists whose lives have largely shaped the destiny of Oregon, and whose names stand for the best the church has stood for through all its history.

As the years passed, the city grew and it became necessary to build another and more commodious structure. It was put up on the same lot, and stood to this day. No church in the West is more widely known. Its membership has always been representative, and its pastors have been of the highest type. Its influence on the life of the city and state has been wonderful, too vast for anyone to estimate. Every walk of life is represented on its membership rolls, and its members are to be found in every part of Portland.

Problem Before Church.

The growth of Taylor-Street Church has been so rapid in the past few years that its members are again confronted with the proposition of another and larger building. It is a grave question as to what is best to be done. There have been several suggestions, but they

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TAYLOR ST. METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH WHICH WAS FOUNDED SIXTY YEARS AGO.

determined upon. Some favor the consolidation of this church and Grace Methodist Episcopal Church; others favor the building of a great auditorium with provisions for an institutional church, a tiny plantation, or a pen-wiper to the view that it would be the part of wisdom to erect on the lot a modern office building, retaining sufficient room for an institutional church. No one knows what will be the outcome. Bishop Smith may take up the question with the officers of the church, in an effort to solve the problem, but as yet it is all unsettled.

It was a highly successful affair, at which 100 men were present. The following programme was carried out: "The Stranger Within Our Gates," "The Day of a New Member," "The Big Boy and the Sunday School," "The Man in His Place, and a Place for Every Man," "Our Opportunity," "The Trials of the Church Treasurer," "The Soliloquy of a Collector," "The Problem of the Finance Committee," "General discussion," "The Tomorrow of Our Church." Led by Hon. W. D. Fenton.

SHOW IS IN PREPARATION

Spanish War Veterans Will Put On Minstrel Performance at Hellig.

The Spanish War Veterans will present their big minstrel show at the Hellig Theater, two nights, December 18 and 19, for the benefit of the sick and relief fund of Scout Young Camp, Warren Camp, W. G. Sweeney, Jay Dip-ton, George Evans, A. J. Salsbury, Claude Hicks, L. E. Seok, Arthur Peel, L. W. Larimore, Lincoln Hart, Seneca Fouts, Frank Batters, Arthur W. Orton, H. Wells, A. Woolin, E. E. Evans, George K. McCord, J. C. Welsh, A. V. Davidson, Lieutenant Alden, Walter Lynch, W. H. Phillips, J. R. Hulford, H. H. Thomas, C. A. Decker, F. Lutz, E. B. Wright, J. G. Montgomery, E. W. Moore, Frank Beatty, G. E. Boldin, Andy Vaughn, J. L. Huton, G. U. Jensen, C. H. Francis, George Oster-sund, F. W. Hanna, Z. Redman, John Erickson, E. Edwards, E. L. Parker, E. Graves, A. King, George Carr, Ed R. Hellig, A. V. Wells, H. P. Hunter, Ernest R. Taylor, August Kohl, L. F. Dunn, Lee Cooper.

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NEW CLUB HOME OPENED

Portland Heights Club Completes Its New Building on Hill.

The Portland Heights Club opened its new home, Twenty-first and Spring streets, last night, and scores of persons visited the new quarters for inspection. With the exception of the installation of the bowling alleys, the building is completed.

The opening ceremonies yesterday were entirely informal. Mrs. A. C. Fenton, Mrs. A. D. Charlton and Mrs. J. D. Hart were hostesses. Plans on which the club was organized are said to be different from any other club on the Coast. If a head of a family is a member, his membership entitles all the members of the family to all the privileges of the club.

The erection of the clubhouse is the result of the substantial and rapid development of the Heights as a residential section. It is practically four stories high, being built on a hillside. From Spring street the building presents the appearance of a semi-bungalow. On the west side, it is four stories high and is along this side that one of the prettiest features of the club will be installed in the Spring. It is a deep ravine, through which a small stream passes. This stream will be dammed and made to run over a series of cascades and the large grove of maple, alder and fir trees will be made into a Japanese park. The club has sent to Japan for photographs of some of the leading parks and gardens in that country.

The main entrance to the club leads direct to the large living or assembly room, with its 1500 and more square feet of beautiful dancing floor. This room is lighted with large windows from all sides and in the front of the room is a bay window 20 feet wide, with an exceptionally fine view of the snow-covered mountains and the lower harbor. This view looks directly down the Jefferson Canyon, over City Park and down the gorge of the Columbia River.

"Gift Spirit" Discussed. The Mount Taber Home Training Circle met in the Westminster schoolhouse, on Friday afternoon, President R. H. Tate presiding. Children were cared for in the kindergarten department. Mrs. C. A.

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CARD OF THANKS.

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- 250 cut-glass Bowls, regular \$4.00, at
- 100 cut-glass Nappies, 5 and 6-inch; regular \$2.50, at
- 75 leather Shopping Bags, regular \$2.00, at
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- 300 elastic and ribbon Belts, gold-filled buckles, regularly \$1.00
- 200 elastic and ribbon Belts, gold-filled buckles, regularly \$2.50
- Rogers' A 1 15-piece Tea Sets, regular \$4.00 values
- 3-piece Toilet Sets, ebony, sterling mounted, comb, brush and mirror; regular \$6.00 value

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Death of Jacob Schmid.
Jacob Schmid died at the family residence, near Sycamore Station on the Gresham railway, December 4, at 49 years of age. He was well-known in Portland, where he was a member of the Portland Gravel Verein. The funeral will be held today at 10 A. M., from St. Joseph Church, on the Powell Valley road. Members of this organization will attend the services.

THAT WAIST SALE.
Monday at Le Palais Royal net and silk waists, worth \$8.50, your choice, \$2.95, 375 Washington St.
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