

MIZPAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 25 YEARS OLD

Special Services Will Be Held in East Side Edifice Today to Mark Quarter Centenary of Congregation's Accomplishments



Mizpah Presbyterian Church



Rev. Harry Leeds

James E. Martin, First Elder of Mizpah Church

WITH the services that commence today, the Mizpah Presbyterian Church will have completed a quarter of a century of existence, having been organized June 5, 1887, although services were held for four years previously, first, in what was known as the Lee chapel, since used as a schoolhouse, and later still, in the Temperance hall on an adjoining lot.

In the early part of 1888, after much consideration and discussion, it was decided to proceed at once with the erection of a plain, but commodious, chapel. Soliciting and building committees were appointed, with the result that early in March the first church building was begun. After some delay, it was completed and occupied for the first time as a place of worship early in July. At the completion of the building temporary seating only was furnished, but in February of the following year, through the generosity of George M. Markie, Jr., the temporary seating accommodation was replaced by a permanent one, with a platform, and a walnut chair behind the pulpit. A few weeks later Mr. Markie's mother presented a silver communion set to the church.

Mission Grows to Church.
In April, 1887, owing to the growth of the membership and to the fact that more preaching and pastoral work was required, a request was presented to the presbytery at its meeting to the effect that the mission should be organized into an independent church. A committee, consisting of Rev. D. O. Ghormley, Rev. H. A. Newell and Elders A. W. Stowell and O. P. S. Plummer, visited the field Sunday, June 5, 1887, and the organization was effected after a sermon by Rev. H. A. Newell.

The following 29 charter members were received: Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Penumbra Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Howie, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Martin, Mrs. Maria Campbell, with five daughters and one son, Mabel Brooks, Beatrice Ledingham, Mrs. C. B. McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirkham, Mrs. Elder and daughter, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Neely, Mrs. Mary Elder, Miss Frances A. Elder.

James E. Martin, an ordained elder, but then of the congregation, was installed as ruling elder by Rev. H. A. Newell, who offered the prayer of installation. On motion of those present the name of the church adopted was The Mizpah Presbyterian Church of East Portland, and the board of trustees was elected, consisting of Penumbra Kelly, S. B. Markie, Jr., and L. B. Brooks.

S. B. Markie met Rev. William Morrison in Philadelphia May 17, 1887, and induced him to come to this city and take charge of Mizpah Church. Under his care the work steadily grew. Following his resignation in May, 1889, Rev. Calvin R. Shields was sent from the Presbytery of Eastern Oregon, as a supply for the church, upon condition that a building would be constructed, to cost not less than \$1000. This mission work was carried on as such until the year of 1895, when the work was made independent and organized as the Kenilworth Presbyterian Church. Rev. Mr. Wardie resigned on May 2, 1900.

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Mission Work Segregated.
In February, 1905, a plan was adopted for the opening of a mission work, under the care of Mizpah Church, in the neighborhood of Kenilworth. A building lot was secured upon condition that a building would be constructed, to cost not less than \$1000. This mission work was carried on as such until the year of 1908, when the work was made independent and organized as the Kenilworth Presbyterian Church. Rev. Mr. Wardie resigned on May 2, 1900.

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Business House Church.
For several years preceding the coming of the Rev. Mr. Leeds, it was noted that, in comparison to the pros-

perity of the city and the progress of most of the other churches, Mizpah was definitely falling back. Many of the members were moving away from the community and few were coming in to take their places. After a long period devoted to a study of the situation the pastor concluded that in order to maintain the work of the church and to guarantee a future for Mizpah it would be imperative to change the location of the church, where industries were fast beginning to come, and to place it in the midst of a neighborhood where the building of homes was practically assured.

After careful consideration a plan was adopted and in February, 1911, a Congregational meeting was called for the purpose of laying the plan before the people, and to secure their consent and if possible the hearty co-operation of everyone. The agreement to move the church building and to place it in Ladd's Addition was unanimous, and, despite some later opposition, the task was entered upon and the church was standing in the new locality, on Tamarack street, close to Division, on August 15, 1911.

The first service was held in the new locality upon the second Sunday in September, and, though the interior of the building was somewhat dilapidated, as a result of the move of a distance of about 13 blocks, yet the congregation was an exceedingly happy one, because they all felt that the prospect for a healthy growth was assured for the future.

Special Services Planned.
The basement was in readiness for use early in the month of October, and on December 10, 1911, the congregation met in the completed building for a service of dedication. The auditorium was radically changed. A semi-circular chancel platform was built. Mahogany pews were installed. Three new chairs, the generous gift of Mrs. P. Kelly's Sunday school class, were placed upon the pulpit platform, and a modern pulpit of mahogany took the place of the formerly used. Together with these the church is in possession of a beautiful communion table, the gift of Miss Thompson's class. The walls are newly tinted, the woodwork freshly stained, and, with a new carpet upon the floor, Mizpah Church is homelike and attractive.

Special anniversary services will be preached today by the pastor, Rev. Harry Leeds. Attention has been given to the musical programme. The services are at 10:30 A. M. and 7:45 in the evening.

Tomorrow at 8 o'clock, a social in commemoration of the quarter centenary will be held in the church, when all are invited.

TAX DEBATE IS HUMOROUS
Eugene Palmer and Ira Carl Grow Personal at Albina Meeting.

An amusing feature of the single tax debate held in Albina last Monday night occurred between Eugene Palmer, who argued against single tax, and Ira Carl, an attorney who favored single tax. The debate between these two champions was somewhat heated and came to a personal point, each demanding to know how much the other paid in taxes.

"Now, Mr. Carl," demanded Palmer, "will you kindly tell this audience how much tax you pay to support this government, anyway?"

"Oh, I pay taxes, but of course, not very much," answered Carl.

"I want the figures, Mr. Carl," continued Palmer, "and don't beat about the bush."

"Oh, not much," continued Carl.

"Yes," said Palmer, "but how much? Give figures."

"Forty-five cents," said Mr. Carl.

"All right," said Palmer, "I imagined it was about that magnificent sum."

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GRAND OFFICE. A cast of stellar performers will be engaged.

Arrangements have been made to have the rooms open constantly. It is the aim to entertain all visiting railroad and steamship men in the club-rooms and to make them the headquarters for all transportation affairs.

BULL MOOSER IS PIQUED

Hand on Republican Headquarters Sign Points to Him.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 12.—Friends of James P. Stapleton, chief Bull Moose of Vancouver, are having much fun at his expense, and so keenly did their sallies cut that he went to the country for more than a day to get away from his office.

The Republican headquarters were established in the offices of W. W. Sparks, in the Engleman building, across the street from Mr. Stapleton's office, and a huge streamer, bearing the words "Republican Headquarters," with a large hand, was hung across the street, one end being attached to a pole in front of Mr. Stapleton's office. The man who put up the sign turned it around so that the big hand points directly into Mr. Stapleton's office, and he is a Bull Moose. His stenographer, Miss Mildred Henthorne, has been kept busy answering the calls on the telephone from persons inquiring about Mr. Stapleton's conversion, which he says is not true.

MINISTER'S VIEW ASSAILED

"A Mother" Takes Issue With Mr. Bauer on Attitude to Wrongdoers.

PORTLAND, Oct. 12.—(To the Editor.)—In Rev. Bauer's letter of October 5, published in The Oregonian, he asserts that "there was a protest against my plea for the man who had been arrested and was being attached to a pole in front of Mr. Stapleton's office. The man who put up the sign turned it around so that the big hand points directly into Mr. Stapleton's office, and he is a Bull Moose. His stenographer, Miss Mildred Henthorne, has been kept busy answering the calls on the telephone from persons inquiring about Mr. Stapleton's conversion, which he says is not true."

Is it a woman's day? If it is, why do men like this Salem minister class the worthless creature who killed two

as fine boys as Donald Stuart and George Hastings, wantonly and in more than cold blood, with the poor, unfortunate and ignorant young girls, who, because of the wickedness of man, have to be sent to such places as Louise homes?

This man of God, who indirectly rebukes Dr. Young and his brother ministers of Portland because they would give these unfortunate women one more chance, is so tenderly considerate of men, apparently for no other reason than because they are men, that he would have made criminals, even of the Roberts class, and slayers of women's characters turned loose on the bounty of the state, to go blithely on their way, killing and ravishing.

If it were a woman's day, perhaps they would build more penitentiaries and really punish men who need punishing and build more gallows for men who really need hanging. If it were

a woman's day, perhaps there would come a time when places like Louise homes could be abolished. Perhaps, too, we could send our little girls to school and not worry lest they meet the fate of little Barbara Holman.

A woman's day! Oh, what a joke! A MOTHER.

Democrats Hear Cheering News.
Among the callers at Democratic headquarters yesterday was L. M. Travis, of Eugene, chairman of the party's county central committee in Lane County. Mr. Travis brought the report that the chances of a Democratic victory in that county were enhanced from two causes—first, the division of the Republican vote between the regular Republican ticket

and the Bull Moose party, and, second, the formation of a strong Wilson Club by the students and faculty of the University of Oregon. With the divided Republican vote and the activities of the University Club of aggressive collegians, Mr. Travis predicted that the Democratic nominee for President, in all probability, would carry Lane County next month.

Liquor Law Violators Sentenced.
Charles Bennett, charged with selling liquor to Indians on the Umatilla reservation, changed his plea of not guilty to guilty in Federal Court yesterday morning and was punished by a sentence of three months in jail and a fine of \$200. William Patten was given six months and a \$100 fine, and

Phillip Lewis a \$100 fine, for introducing intoxicants on the Klamath reservation.

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