SOUTHERN OREGON PASTORS TAKE ACTIVE PART IN CIVIC ACTIVITIES

One Hundred Ministers of Leading Portland Churches Adopt Plan for Great Evangelistic Meetings.

CHURCH officials, especially the ministers, are branching out into the civic and welfare work of the community. No better proof of this fact is at hand than the report which comes from Medford, Or.

W. T. S. Spriggs, Ph. D., is pastor of the First Methodist church of Medford, and as president of the local ministerial association and moderator of the Rogue River Baptist association takes a prominent part in all religious and civic activities. Mr. Spriggs took an active part in war work and is interested in all matters of social and civic betterment.

Rev. L. Myron Boozer of the Presbyterian church is one of the best known and most popular ministers in southern Oregon. He came here from Grants Pass and immediately took an active part in local affairs, being a members of the War Community Service, the Drama league and the Visiting Nurse association. He has taken the lead in the national prohibition movement and attained state-wide prominence when he sharply criticised President Wilson for his recommendation for the repeal of war-time prohibition of beer and light wines.

Rev. D. E. Millard of the Christian church is only 29 years old but has been in the ministry since he was 19 and is a live wire in every sense of the word. Coming here from the Bremerton navy yard, where he was song leader for nine months, Rev. Mr. Millard has, in addition to establishing church branches at Central Point and Talent, been the leader in organizing community singing in the county. He can play every band instrument from drum to cornet, has a fine voice, and is a composer. He has taken particular interest in garden work for the young people of the church, and considerable money has been raised by selling the produce at the local public market. Rev. Mr. Millard was recently appointed leader of the Boy Scouts in the county.

City Evangelistic Campaign Planned.

One of the most far-reaching plans for the betterment of the City of Portland was made Monday, December 1, when in response to the call of the president of the Portland Federation of Churches and the president of the Portland Ministerial association 100 of Portland's leading clergymen gathered in the Y. M. C. A. to consider Portland's problems. After four powerful addresses by Dr. William T. McElveen, pastor of the First Congregational church; Dr. Byron J. Clarke, pastor of the First United Brethren church; Bishop Walter T. Sumner, Episcopal church; Rabbi Dr. W. B. Hinson, pastor of the East Side Baptist church, Dr. Edward H. Pence, chairman of the department of evangelism of Portland Federation of Churches, presented a plan which had been drawn up by this department for evangelical meetings. After careful discussion the programme was adopted by unanimous vote.

Through this plan, which has been called "A demonstration in Christian unity of the churches of Portland and vicinity," the clergy decided to hold simultaneous evangelistic meetings in their churches during the week of prayer, January 4-10, 1920. The churches will hold meetings individually or by groups in every part of the city on Sunday and the week-days during this week. At the noon hour, each day from Monday until Friday, there will be a downtown meeting when some of Portland's leading clergy will speak. Their names will be announced at an early date.

During the two weeks culminating Easter Sunday, April 4, a similar plan will be followed.

The department of evangelism of the Portland Federation of Churches includes Dr. Edward H. Pence, chairman; G. F. Johnson, Mrs. A. C. Newill, Dr. Wilhelm Pettersen and Dr. William A. Waldo. Rev. Ralph C. McAfee is executive secretary.

"New Era" Plans Made.

The ministers, laymen and women of the Presbyterian churches of the city of Portland and the state of Oregon have been invited to attend a new era movement institute at the First Presbyterian church Tuesday, beginning at 10 A. M.

The institute will be conducted by Rev. Barclay Acheson, field director and associate general secretary of the Presbyterian new era movement; Rev. Thomas G. Koontz, D. D., associate field director; Rev. J. Hudson Ballard, Ph. D., associate field director new era movement; and Miss Mabel Shelbey, associate secretary of the Presbyterian Woman's Board of Home Missions, representing the Presbyterian Woman's boards, foreign and home.

Walter M. Irwin, D. D., new era secretary for the northern Pacific district, reports that similar new era institutes have just been held at Spokane and that the attendance has been representative of the churches of those areas, and that the great outstanding objectives and programme of the movement have been clearly presented. The new era movement is developing a fitting denominational consciousness and is rallying all the resources of the church to perform the great tasks before the denomination.

Interchurch Conference Scheduled.

Delegates to the number of 250, according to present estimate, will gather for the interchurch world movement training conference at the First Methodist church house beginning Wednesday morning, December 10, at 10:30 o'clock and concluding Friday evening. They will include representative ministers, laymen and laywomen of the various denominations, and practically every county in the state will be represented. The importance of this meeting is widely recognized and in it a keen interest is being taken, as it will be preliminary to the enlargement and broadening out of the work of the interchurch world movement in Oregon.

The work thus far accomplished has been along the lines of the survey of various counties, and a separate survey is to be made of the city of Portland. The survey of Benton county was recently completed and a similar enterprise is being carried out in Washington, Clackamas and Columbia counties, while within a few weeks the survey will be set up and probably under way in a majority of the counties in the state. In addition to the state survey council formed last August, a permanent state council has been organized. Dr. A. J. Sullens is the chairman, Dr. W. W. Youngson, vice-chairman and Dr. C. F. Swander, secretary.

The list of speakers for the conference beginning next Wednesday includes men and women of national reputation and some of them are well known on the coast. The list consists of Dr. D. C. Corbin, associate director, spiritual resources department, interchurch world movement; Miss Anna Milligan, educational secretary, United Presbyterian board of foreign missions; Dr. E. F. McCarty, executive secretary forward movement of the Wesleyan Methodist church and president of their Michigan conference; Dr. E. Lincoln Smith, secretary of the Congregational Home Missionary society, former pastor Pilgrim Congregational church, Seattle; Dr. Raymond C. Brooks, pastor Congregational church, Berkeley, Cal., former pastor Walla Walla; Dr. Barclay Acheson, national director new era movement of the Presbyterian church, and Dr. J. H. Ballard, secretary Presbyterian new era movement.

The conference is being promoted by the Rev. E. Guy Talbott, field secretary, of Pasadena, Cal., and the Rev. Ralph C. McAfee, in charge of the Portland survey, and the Rev. John D. Rice, state supervisor of the western Oregon rural survey. The music will be under the charge of Walter Jenkins.

Westminster Church Expanding.

Westminster Presbyterian church, at East Seventeenth and Schuyler streets, has announced a programme of expansion and development aimed to meet the growing needs of the Irvington and other districts adjoining and to this end is conducting a vigorous campaign to obtain a fund of $50,000 for the purpose of installing new equipment, in beautifying the church and increasing space for the Sunday school.

At a complimentary dinner, given by the church and served to a large number of representative men of the communities in the territory surrounding the church, last Wednesday night, the campaign was launched, with O. W. Davidson as chairman of a special committee that is handling the financial end of the programme. These workers have been meeting at the church for dinner every night since, reporting excellent showings in obtaining funds.

The church aims to serve as a community center and called in all men who were interested to suggest how it might better do the work falling to it.

A fine pipe organ will be installed, additional lighting facilities will be provided, interior decorations will be made and a unit to accommodate 200 more Sunday school pupils will be had.

The work among young people is to be featured and a man will be employed who will give his entire time to the direction of this and in aiding the pastor, Dr. Edward H. Pence, in the general work of the church.

Y. M. C. A. States Creed.

Largely through the efforts of H. W. Stone, general secretary of the Portland Y. M. C. A. and executive chairman of the educational council of North American associations, the international convention of the Y. M. C. A., held last week in Detroit, adopted the social creed of the federated churches of Christ.

The text of this creed is as follows:

Equal rights and justice for all men and in all stations of life.

Protection of the family by the single standard of purity, uniform divorce laws, proper regulation of marriage, proper housing.

The fullest possible development of every child, especially by the provision of education and recreation.

Abolition of child labor.

Such regulation of the conditions of toil for women as shall safeguard the physical and moral health of the community.

Abatement and prevention of poverty.

Protection of the individual and society from the social, economic and moral waste of the liquor traffic.

Conservation of health.

Protection of the worker from dangerous machinery, occupational disease and mortality.

The right of all men to the opportunity for self-maintenance, for safeguarding this right against encroachments of every kind, for the protection of workers from the hardships of enforced unemployment.

The right of employes and employers alike to organize, and for adequate means of conciliation and arbitration in industrial disputes.

Release from employment one day in seven.

Suitable provision for the old age of the workers, and for those incapacitated by injury.

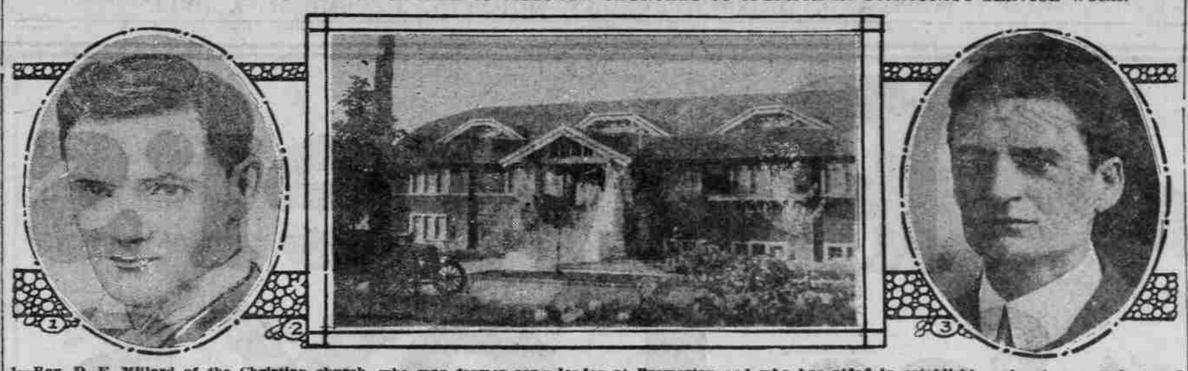
Gradual and reasonable reduction of hours of labor to the lowest practicable point, and for that degree of leisure for all which is a condition of the highest human life.

A living wage as the minimum in every industry, and for the highest wage that each industry can afford.

A new emphasis upon the application of Christian principles to the acquisition and use of property, and for the most equitable division of the product of industry that modern conditions devise.

This particular statement has been selected because it has passed through four careful revisions, namely, in 1908, 1912, 1916 and 1919; and also because it probably represents more completely than any declaration of principles ever made the united convictions of the churches of America.

PROMINENT AND ACTIVE MEN IN CHARGE OF MEDFORD CHURCHES CO-OPERATE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE WORK.



1—Rev. D. E. Millard of the Christian church, who was former song leader at Bremerton and who has sided in establishing churches at Talent and Central Point, neighboring Medford towns. 2—Dr. W. T. Spriggs, pastor of the Medford First Methodist church and moderator of the Rogue River Baptist association. 3—Medford Christian church, which serves as a community center, its pastor being leader of the county Boy Scouts and interested in other activities of the young people of that city.

Communion Service at the White Temple Today.

"The Meaning of Christmas Discipleship," Morning Topic.

DR. WILLIAM A. WALDO, pastor of the White Temple, at 11 o'clock will speak on the subject, "The Meaning of Christian Discipleship." At this service the Lord's supper will be administered, and the hand of fellowship given to new members.

In the evening at 7:30 Dr. Waldo's subject will be "The Winning Side." At both of these services the temple quartet will render special music and in the evening Miss Martha Reynolds will give an organ recital 15 minutes before the regular time of service. The general public is heartily invited. Sunday school meets at 9:50 A. M. and the Baptist Young People's union at 6 P. M.

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Grace Baptist church will observe Christian enlistment week in the regular service of today and next Sunday. This observance is part of the new world movement of the northern Baptist convention. The pastor, F. W. Starring, will take for his theme at 11 A. M. today, "Grace Not in Vain," and at 7:45 tonight, "The Soul's Challenge to Its Foes." The church is located at East Seventy-sixth street and East Ash. Visitors are always cordially welcomed.

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Rev. Webley J. Beaven, pastor of the Third Baptist church, corner of Knott street and Vancouver avenue, will speak at 11 A. M. on "A Communion Covenant" and at 7:30 P. M. on "Moral Courage." The Bible school is at 9:45 A. M. and the Young People's union at 6:30 P. M.

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At the Glencoe Baptist church, corner Forty-fifth and East Main streets, Rev. F. C. Laslette will preach at 11 o'clock on the topic, "The First Adam, or Man, the Masterpiece," and communion will be served. At 7:30 the subject will be "The Second Adam, or the Incomparable Christ." Mr. Laslette has returned to the city and is again ready to enter his field of labor.

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NEWBERG, Or., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—Memorial services will be held here at the Baptist church Sunday morning, December 7, by Lester C. Rees Post, American Legion, J. S. Rankin, commander.

Following is the programme:

Reveille ..... Bugler Foy
Prelude ..... Mrs. Walter Wilson
Hymn—"America."
Invocation and Prayer.
Gloria ..... Choir
"Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" ..... Choir
Scripture.
Prayer.
Response ..... Choir
Hymn 268—"Battle Hymn of the Republic."
Remarks—Tribute to Lester C. Rees.....
..... J. S. Rankin, commander
Announcements.
Offertory Solo—"The Two Grenadiers" (Schuman) ..... W. Y. Arthur
Sermon Meditation ..... Mrs. Wilson
Sermon—"The Ideal American" .....
..... Rev. W. R. Jewell
Hymn 267.
"Star-Spangled Banner."
Benediction.
Taps ..... Bugler Foy
(Congregation remain standing during sounding of taps.)

Dr. Howard Agnew Johnston to Lecture on the Orient.

"China, Yesterday and Today," "Old and New Japan" and "The Shantung Question," Topics.

REV. HOWARD AGNEW JOHNSTON, D. D., of Chicago, will occupy the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church, corner of Twelfth and Alder streets, both morning and evening. The subject for the morning service, which will be at 10:30, will be "The Reasonableness of the Christian Faith," and for the evening service at 7:30 "The Conversion of a Great Scientist to the Christian Faith."

Owing to the illness of James F. Ewing, educational director of the First Presbyterian church, his lectures on the history of Europe during the last 50 years have been postponed. These lectures occurred at 7:30 o'clock Monday evenings in the chapel of the church. The committee in charge has arranged with Dr. Johnston, who is supplying the pulpit of the First church, to give three lectures on the next three Monday evenings, which will complete the course for this year.

Dr. Johnston has announced the following subjects for the three evenings: December 8, "China Yesterday and Today"; December 15, "Japan Yesterday and Today"; December 22, "The Shantung Question." Dr. Johnston has traveled extensively through the far east and comes to the discussion of these subjects with the experience and observation of one who has been in intimate touch with the people to be considered. He will attempt to carry his hearers into the real life of the people of China and Japan, in order that the inner spirit which dominates their life may be understood. Perhaps no burning question of today is more strategic to the solution of the problems of the world's future than the Shantung question and all that it involves.

It has been a decided weakness of much of our economic and political thinking that it has been almost exclusively based on conditions as they have been in Europe and America. We have largely ignored the great races of the orient. One half of the world's population is in Asia, so that until Asia is raised the economic world cannot be. The millions of Asia must be considered before there can be a reconstructed world, with international relationships in its plan for ideal governments. These lectures are most timely and all who have heard Dr. Johnston during the two weeks that he has been in Portland are assured that the lectures will be both interesting and instructive. The public is invited, as these lectures are free to all. They begin at 7:30 P. M. sharp.

There will also be a class in public speaking by Mrs. Helen Miller Senn at 7:15 P. M. and a lecture by Mrs. Helen Ekin Starrett at 7:30 P. M., and a lecture by Professor Franklin Thomas at 8:15 P. M. A general invitation is extended to the public to attend these lectures.

The Woman's Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church will meet Tuesday, December 9, at 2:30 P. M. Dr. Howard Agnew Johnston will give an address on "The World as Our Neighbor." Mrs. Helen Ekin Starrett will conduct the devotional service. The subject will be "The Hand-clasp of Neighbors." Miss Mabel Shelbey, associate secretary of the Presbyterian woman's board of home missions, who is representing the Presbyterian woman's foreign and home mission boards in connection with the new era movement, will tell of the work of the women in the new era movement.

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The services at Calvary Presbyterian church will be: Bible school at 10 A. M., morning worship, including communion service at 11 A. M., topic, "The Atonement." The junior Christian Endeavor meets at 2:30 P. M. The children are enjoying the story by the pastor. Young people's meeting at 6:30 with a Bible and mission study class. Evening service at 7:30.

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An extensive campaign for further service has been arranged for Pilgrim Congregational church, corner Shaver and Missouri streets. The pastor, Rev. Robert Murray Pratt, will take for his sermon topic this morning "Treasure in Earthen Vessels," outlining the general plan. At 6:30 he will continue his class in "World Facts" and at 7:30 will give a chalk talk entitled "A Feast of Figures," including rapid sketches especially for children. A strong working organization was built up at the recent annual meeting.

Dr. McElveen to Preach on "Surviving by Proxy."

Some Questions of the Day Pastor Promises to Answer.

WHAT ought a Christian to do with the stock of and dividends from corporations which bribe legislators and corrupt courts? If he sells that stock he leads others to be partakers in the sin of the concern. Shall a Christian receive wages from a concern that unscrupulously crushes out competitors or corrupts public opinion by distorting the news? These are two sample questions that Dr. McElveen will answer in his sermon this evening on "Sinning by Proxy."

Dr. McElveen's topic at the morning service at 11 o'clock is "The Goal of Man."

The church school meets at 9:45 A. M., with interesting classes for all ages. The Christian Endeavorers meet at 6:30 and will continue a study of the book, "The Ministers of Mercy," under the leadership of Alva Patten.

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"President Wilson's Message to Congress Interpreted" is the topic to be discussed at Dr. McElveen's current events class at the First Congregational church at noon. Dr. McElveen devotes 25 minutes to interpreting its meager reference to the peace treaty, its recommendations about the high cost of living, its discussions of the rights of labor, its rebuke to the minorities, capitalistic and labor, who seek by direct action to force their will upon the majority. After his presentation, 20 minutes will be given for discussion, questions and answers. The class meets from 12:25 to 1:10 every Sunday noon. Last Sunday the large Sunday school room was so uncomfortably crowded that the class decided to hold its meetings in the large church auditorium.

Last Wednesday at the meeting of the Woman's association, Mrs. W. K. Royal was re-elected president. The following women were elected vice-presidents: Mrs. W. L. Johnston, Mrs. W. E. McIlhenny, Mrs. John C. Sturm and Mrs. P. F. Young. Mrs. Royal was authorized to appoint the dozen committees who have charge of the work of this busy organization.

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As a prelude to Christmas, Rev. Elbert E. Flint, pastor of the Atkinson Memorial Congregational church, announces three special Sunday morning sermons. Today he will speak upon "The Coming of Jesus, or The Christ of Prophecy." Next Sunday the subject will be "The Appearance of Jesus, or Christ of the New Testament." The last of the three will be upon the theme, "Jesus Owned and Disowned, or the Christ of Experience." The service tonight will be of special importance because of Rabbi Jonah B. Wise occupying the pulpit. The address of the rabbi will deal with important issues in the present world crisis.

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The 100th anniversary of the birth of Dr. George H. Atkinson was fittingly celebrated at the church which bears his name, on Friday evening. This growing church in a splendid part of the city of Portland is a splendid memorial for this great pioneer worker and noted leader in Oregon. Pastors and representatives from the various Congregational churches of the city and adjacent towns to the number of about 100 met with the people of the church in a dinner at 6:30 o'clock. Greetings were brought from the churches and around the table a pleasant programme of talks was carried out, Dr. Sullens, representing the Congregational Home Missionary society of the state, emphasized the work of the churches in the larger Congregational movement. The company then adjourned to the auditorium, where the principal address of the evening was delivered by Dr. McElveen of the First Congregational church.

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At the Sunnyside Congregational church the third in a series of sermons on "The Kingdom of Heaven" will be delivered by Dr. J. J. Staub at the morning service, in which he will endeavor to answer the question, "Where is the kingdom?"

The evening sermon will treat on the topic, "The Larger Christian Life."

The Men's league of this church invites all its friends to the last meeting of the year in the church parlors Tuesday evening, December 9. An excellent programme has been prepared.

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The Highland Congregational church holds a get-together meeting tonight, during which the pastor, Rev. E. Constant, conducts a symposium on "The Promotion of Brotherliness." There will be short talks by representative men on "The Brotherliness of Jesus," "Brotherliness in the Church," "Brotherliness in the Community" and "Brotherliness Among the Nations." In the morning the topic will be "Jesus at the Treasury." The canvass for the church budget will be made in the afternoon.

CHICAGO MINISTER OCCUPIES PORTLAND PULPIT.

Dr. Howard Agnew Johnston.

During the illness of James F. Ewing of the First Presbyterian church, his Monday night lecture hour will be taken over by Dr. Howard Agnew Johnston, temporary pastor of the First Presbyterian church, according to announcement made last Thursday.

Dr. Johnston is a former Chicago pastor and it so happens that he is temporarily filling here the former pulpit of Dr. John Boyd and that Dr. Boyd is at the present time filling in at the Chicago church of which Dr. Johnston was at one time pastor.

Los Angeles Pastor at Central Presbyterian Church.

Son of Pioneer Minister of Portland to Preach Here Today.

THE Central Presbyterian church announces that Rev. Robert Norris McLean of Los Angeles will occupy the pulpit morning and evening. Rev. Mr. McLean is now engaged in mission work among the Spanish in southern California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. He is the son of Rev. Robert McLean, D. D., a pioneer minister of Portland, who was the first pastor of the old Third Presbyterian church. Special music by the chorus, both morning and evening, under the able direction of Prof. William Belcher.

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Today the Mount Tabor Presbyterian church will hold a special jubilee service in which they will burn a $3000 mortgage, with appropriate ceremonies. Short talks and actual burning by Colonel Finzer, former treasurer; Elder S. W. Lawrence and George Vath, chairman of the board of trustees, will feature the service.

The pastor, Ward W. MacHenry, will preach on the striking theme, "A Blaze of Glory."

The evening sermon, "New Light in Darkest Africa," will be illustrated with stereopticon slides.

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Rev. Ward Willis Long, pastor of the Forbes Presbyterian church, will speak at the morning service, 11 o'clock, on the topic, "Arrested Spiritual Growth," and at 7:30 P. M. on "Pigs and Pearls."

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"The Great Mystery in the Book of Jonah Explained," is the topic of the morning sermon in the Fourth Presbyterian church today. At 7:30 P. M. G. C. Warner will speak on his "Three Years' Experience in the Heart of India." Mr. Warner spent three years in India with the British army in Y. M. C. A. work. He studied the customs and life of the different castes in India and comes back with a splendid interpretation of the life and habits of that people. George Hotchkiss Street will sing Kipling's "Recessional."

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The men of Rose City Park Presbyterian church are undertaking a complete survey of the field by house-to-house canvass, that the church may find out its usefulness and its needs of the community. The subject of the morning sermon in this church today is "The World a Neighborhood" and in the evening, "Caesar's Household."

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At Vernon Presbyterian church, Ninetcenth and Wygant streets, Bruce J. Giffen, pastor, will preach at 11 A. M. on "Every Wish With God Is a Prayer." At 7:30 P. M. stereopticon pictures on Persia will be shown.

The morning sermon will take the congregation into the heart of the series upon the general subject of prayer. The evening service will be in charge of the Women's Missionary society, but the programme is for men as well as women, and will be interesting to all.

An explanation will be made of the uses of the Red Cross seals, that day having been so designated. Rev. Mr. Giffen has been asked to deliver the address at the Elks' memorial service in the First Presbyterian church, McMinnville, next Sunday afternoon.

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Rev. A. J. Hanna, pastor of Marshall-street Presbyterian church, will be the speaker at the men's resort at 4 P. M. A large men's song service will be led by R. Desmond and music will be furnished by the orchestra at 8 P. M. Rev. Levi Johnson will give a Bible lecture, Wednesday night at 8 o'clock there will be another gospel service.

Dr. Stansfield to Discuss Capital Punishment.

"Some Fundamental Laws of Life," Morning Topic.

DR. JOSHUA STANSFIELD will preach this morning at First Methodist church on "Some Fundamental Laws of Life" in the morning, and on "Capital Punishment" in the evening. In the morning he will deal particularly with the laws of sacrifice and of service.

In the evening, Dr. Stansfield will take up the "Capital Punishment" question, which is now agitating the people of Oregon. He will show how, following the great war, and all wars, there appears to be a sad and ominous increase of crime in nearly every country, and will touch upon the homicides and murders lately perpetrated upon citizens of Oregon. He will try to show how the indignation of the people of the state is now stirred to a point beyond that of righteous indignation, and is even now at a point of fiery wrath and intense feeling and passion. He will counsel moderation and coolness until the flame of passion shall die down somewhat and we shall be able to view the situation in perspective. The sermon will be a dispassionate consideration of the whole question from a Christian standpoint. In the present temper of the public press and many of our people, such a presentation of the subject as he may give may not be highly popular, but it is promised to be rational, Christian and true.

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At the Woodlawn Methodist Episcopal church the speaker at the morning service will be Rev. A. L. Howarth, D. D., and in the evening the pastor, Rev. J. H. Irvine, will discuss the question "Is the World Growing Better or Worse?"

Dr. Earl R. Abbett with his fine voice and inspiring leadership in song adds much to these services.

At 6:30 P. M. the Epworth league, with new abounding life, launches its plans for the winter campaign.

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At Sunnyside Methodist church East Thirty-fifth and Yamhill streets, Dr. W. F. Ineson, the pastor, will speak Sunday morning on "The Meaning of Pain." In the evening, 7:45, on "Christianity." He is a new man, a pleasing and forcible speaker.

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"Can the Resurrection be Accounted for Outside of Bible Story?" will be the question that Dr. Francis Burgette Short, pastor of the Wilbur Methodist church, will undertake to answer this morning at 10:30 o'clock. The Sunday school has passed the 150 enrollment mark and is now going after the 200 membership before January 1, 1920. Mr. C. W. Miller, the new choirister for the school, is proving a great inspiration. No evening service.

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Rose City Park Methodist church is to have a real treat in the form of a stereopticon lecture by Dr. John Parsons on the subject, "The Romance of the Eskimo" at 7:30 P. M. Dr. Parsons spent several years in Alaska and had the privilege of studying the Eskimo at first hand. He is a fine speaker and will bring a great message.

"The Power of a Conviction" is the subject of the morning sermon.

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Sermons of particular interest at this time are the series announced by the pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church South, Rev. J. W. Byrd, on the general theme of "What's Wrong With the World?" to be given at the evening service during the month of December. The topic for tonight's sermon is, "Thievery and Thuggery—Its Cause and Cure." Not only Portland but the whole country is being swept with a serious crime wave, and serious minded people should be interested in getting to the real bottom of the matter, as this sermon will undertake to do. The 11 o'clock sermon will be on "The Captain of the Host of the Lord." Communion at the morning service.

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At the Patton Methodist Episcopal church, Michigan and Alberta, Rev. George H. Bennett, the pastor, will preach at 11 A. M. on "Tragedy of Lateness," and at 7:30 P. M. on "Watch Your Step."

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At the Mount Tabor Methodist Episcopal church, corner of East Sixty-first and East Stark streets, Edwin George Decker, D. D., pastor, will hold services at 11:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. The morning subject will be "The Word Without Apology." The evening subject will be "Purchased for Service."

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The Rev. F. A. Glinn, pastor of Lincoln Methodist church, will preach this morning at 11 on "The Incarnation," and in the evening at 7:30 on "How to Become a Disciple of Christ." The Ladies' Aid society of this church met Wednesday afternoon, December 3, with Mrs. J. Robertson, 373 East Forty-second street. At the close of the business session Miss May C. Bliss, national worker for the Woman's Home Mission society, made an address and organized an auxiliary society for the ladies of Lincoln church. The Franklin high school glee club will give a recital at Lincoln Friday, December 12, at 7:30 P. M. The Ladies' Aid will serve refreshments.

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At the First Norwegian-Danish Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Hoyt and Eleventh streets, the pastor, Rev. Elias Gjerding, will speak at the morning service on "The Beauty of Holiness." At the evening service, 7:45, the subject of the sermon will be: "How Many Chances Will I Have?" At this service the doctrine of future salvation will be discussed. Thursday night at 8 o'clock an interesting mid-week service will be held at the church parlors.

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HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—Following the installation of new officers of the Epworth league of Asbury Methodist church, Rev. D. M. Helmick, the pastor, will preach a sermon Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock prepared especially for young people of the city. "Visions" will be the subject of Mr. Helmick. All students of the Hood River high school have been invited to attend the service.

Officers of the Christian Endeavor to be installed are: Earl Shank, president; first vice-president, Frank Norton; second vice-president, Mrs. Naomi Carter; third vice-president, Mabel Brown; fourth vice-president, Miss Mabel Slavens; treasurer, Dr. Carolyn Underhill; secretary, Miss Bernice Robinson; organist, Miss Nellie Brown.

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At the Anabel Presbyterian church, Fifty-sixth street and Thirty-seventh avenue southeast, the pastor, Rev. F. H. Mixcase, will discuss the theme, "Spiritual Values" at the morning service. In the evening at 7:30 the topic will be "Anticipations of the Christ."

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Miss Mary Gamertsfelder, returned missionary from Africa, where she labored for the last 14 years, and who at present is on a furlough, will address the congregation of the Clay-Street Evangelical church, Tenth and Clay streets, at 10:45 in the morning. Miss Gamertsfelder is here in the interest of the woman's missionary society of the Evangelical association, and is collecting funds for the new orphanage of this denomination in Tokio, Japan.

The Sunday school will meet at 9:30, J. E. Keller being the superintendent. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the pastor, Jacob Stocker, will preach at the German Old People's home on Division street. The young people's meeting will convene at 6:30 and at 7:30 o'clock the pastor will speak on the subject "The Gospel for the Hour."

This church is taking part in the general forward movement of the American churches and the pastor is one of the delegates to the interchurch world movement's convention to be held at the Taylor-street Methodist Episcopal church this coming week.

'White Man's Burden' Subject at Patton Church.

Rev. George H. Bennett Speaks on Duties of Race and Tells of Church Accomplishment.

"THE WHITE MAN'S BURDEN" was the topic upon which Rev. George H. Bennett, Patton Methodist Episcopal church, preached last Sunday evening.

"Where justice reigns 'tis freedom to obey," is the slogan of the gospel. Absolutism has clutched the throat of freedom in the political, industrial and religious life of the nations. The divine-right tyrants, the standpat profiteers, and champions of intrigue against the public must be swept aside. This is the era of the common man.

The white man for ages has held dominion over the black, yellow, red and brown races of mankind. He has been supreme in finance, education, invention and military power—and yet, during his supremacy, 40,000,000 have perished in war each century, and most of the race still grovels in heathenism. The door of opportunity now stands open before the white man and his church. If it is not entered, God may give a premacy to a more worthy race.

It is the burden of the white man to save the world from ignorance and poverty, from pestilence, famine and war. He must teach prohibition of narcotic stimulants everywhere; he must found schools to illume the darkened mind; he must establish hospitals and asylums for the world's unfortunates; he must reforest, and reclaim vast areas for coming generations; he must teach mankind the useful arts of making a living; and he must teach all men the brotherhood of mankind, and give them the gospel of heavenly consolation. The mission of the church is not merely religious. It covers every phase of human welfare. Methodism has raised $112,000,000 to be spent in five years for emancipating mankind. Christianity has not broken down. The white man is lifting his burden. Politicians have broken down, but Christian America will lead the world to the realization of Christian ideals.

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During the month of November there were added to the membership of the East Side Baptist church 41 persons and since last Sabbath five have united by baptism, leaving six some others are awaiting baptism at the close of tonight's service.

At the close of this morning's service the hand of fellowship will be given to all the new members. This morning Dr. Hinson will preach from the subject "The Greatest Partnership in Heaven or Earth" and tonight his theme will be "God Judge at the Bar of Man."

The mission classes meet at 6:15, Dr. Hinson conducting the B. Y. P. U. and Rev. Mr. Cash the advanced class of men and women. Sunday school assemblies at 9:30 and the mid-week service is held on Wednesday evening at 7:45.

This church is situated at East Twentieth and Salmon streets and can be reached by Sunnyside, Mount Tabor, Hawthorne and Mount Scott cars.

Christian Churches to Observe "C. W. B. M. Day."

Simplicity of Christian Faith Will Be Subject of Sermon by Rev. Harold H. Griffis.

THE Rev Harold H. Griffis will occupy the pulpit on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the First Christian church, having for his specific topic "The Simplicity of the Christian Faith."

In the evening at 7:45 the congregation will observe what is known among the Christian churches of America as "C. W. B. M. day," when particular recognition is given to the educational, benevolent and evangelistic work that is being done by the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, whose headquarters are at Indianapolis, Indiana. At the evening service a special address will be delivered by Mrs. Louise Kelly, a regional secretary and one of the most gifted speakers in the Christian communion.

The First Christian church of Portland has recently chosen Frank Forrester of Reed college as a delegate to the students' volunteer convention to be held on the first of January in Des Moines, Iowa, the congregation pledging itself to pay the main part of the delegate's expense to the convention city.

At 11 A. M., Rev. W. G. Eliot Jr. will preach at the Church of Our Father, Unitarian, corner Broadway and Yamhill, on "The Love of God." The evening forum, meeting at 7:45 o'clock, will be addressed by C. M. Rynerson, editor of the Labor Press, on "Good Will in the Industrial World"—a theme of universal interest at the present time. Open discussion and questions will follow the address. Church school meets at 9:45 A. M., and a church hour kindergarten meets during morning service. The public is cordially invited to this church.

Advent Season Will Open in Lutheran Churches.

Sermons Will Have Special Reference to Coming of Christ—Church Year Starts.

"THY Kingdom Come" will be the subject of the sermon Sunday by Rev. William E. Brinkman at 11 A. M. at the St. James English Lutheran church, West Park and Jefferson streets. The first Sunday in December marks the beginning of the advent season in the church, or the opening date of the new church year. The sermons of the day will have special reference to the spiritual advent of the Christ, whose coming is patiently hoped for by the waiting and expectant world.

Sunday evening at 7:45 the subject of the sermon will be "How Should We Enter into the New Church Year?"

The Sunday school session is held at 9:50 A. M. The Young People's Luther League meets for devotional exercises at 6:45 P. M. "A Ramble Through the Lotus Kingdom, Japan," an illustrated lecture and a musical entertainment, will be given by the St. James Lutheran brotherhood in the church auditorium on Friday evening, December 12, at 8 P. M. Tickets 30 cents. Everyone welcome.

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Our Savior's Lutheran church, East Grant and Tenth streets, has instituted a regular and systematic plan for gathering sums for the Armenian relief fund. At each service from now until New Year's the congregation will bring special voluntary offerings for that benevolence. The recent drive for the benefit of Poland was very successful and the pastor, Rev. M. A. Christensen, expects to see the unfortunate Armenians treated as well. The Sunday morning service will be in English at 11 o'clock, the pastor's theme being in accord with the advent season: "The Coming Christ Child."

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At St. Paul's Lutheran church, East Twelfth and Clinton streets, the pastor, Rev. A. Krause, will be in his pulpit morning and evening. The subjects will be: "I Believe in Life Everlasting" at 10:30 A. M. and "Christ's Coming to Judgment," 7:30 P. M. Special music by the choir morning and evening. Sunday school meets at 9:30 A. M. The choir rehearses Wednesday at 8 P. M. Confirmation classes meet Tuesday and Friday at 4 and 5 P. M. Bible study and young people's meeting Friday at 8 P. M.

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The Lord's supper will be celebrated in the service for the deaf on Sunday afternoon in Trinity Lutheran church, Graham and Williams avenues. Friends will kindly note that the service begins at 2:30 instead of 3 as heretofore. Rev. Mr. Beyer will speak on "Behold, Thy King Cometh Unto Thee." All deaf are cordially invited to attend.

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At the Lincoln Methodist Episcopal church this morning Dr. Ella J. Welch will sing "God Shall Wipe Away All Tears."

United Brethren Pastor to Return to Series.

Reception of Members and Communion Service to Take Place Today—Special Music Arranged.

DR. BYRON J. CLARK, pastor of the First United Brethren church, Fifteenth and East Morrison streets, announces that Sunday morning he will return to his series of sermons on the fundamentals, using for a subject "The Creation." There will also be a reception of members and communion service. In the evening he will speak on "Evolution and Devolution." Special music by the choir.

At Second United Brethren church, Twenty-seventh and Sumner streets, the pastor, Rev. Ira Hawkley, will speak in the morning on the subject, "Moved by the Holy Ghost." This church is in a special evangelistic drive and the pastor is being assisted by Rev. E. O. Shepherd, who will speak Sunday evening and every evening during the week. Special music, good singing.

"The Saving Ability of Christ" will be the subject to receive the attention of Rev. E. O. Shepherd in the service at the Third United Brethren church, Sixty-seventh street and Thirty-second avenue Southeast, Sunday morning. In the evening Rev. J. E. Connor will preach.

The Transfiguration Fourth United Brethren church will be in charge of the pastor, Rev. C. P. Blanchard, both morning and evening. Subjects: Morning, "The Surrendered Life"; evening, "Why?"

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The choir of the First United Brethren church, East Fifteenth and Morrison streets, put on a musical comedy entitled "Behind the Door of a Hat" Tuesday evening in the church auditorium to a crowded house. Nine members of the choir were selected as the active participants and were directed by W. H. Moore, the choir director of the church. Mrs. Esther Ells and Miss Glenda Sumerlin were the sopranos; Mrs. A. C. Davis and Miss Doris Sumerlin, altos; D. R. McClung and J. B. Long, tenors; George Henderson and E. K. Bartness, bass, and Mrs. J. B. Long, accompanist.

George Henderson took the part of leader and was the one person of excitable tendencies. Each one of the doubles was a comedy in itself, and there were many beautiful and well-rendered duets, quartets and choruses. Frequent encores called for the repetition of popular selections, while the dialogue parts and the acting brought forth peals of laughter.

It will be remembered by a number of the churches in the city, and many who were present at its first rendition declare they will follow it around. The personnel of the play constitute only about one-third of the regular choir, who sing at every service, and on Sunday mornings are active participants in the beautiful ritualistic service put on at this church. On the same evening the Ladies' Industrial circle served a chicken pie dinner that was equally well patronized.

"God the Only Cause and Creator," Scientist Topic.

Evangelist Dickson Will Conduct Services Tonight in Christensen's Hall on Eleventh Street.

"GOD the Only Cause and Creator" is the subject of the lesson sermon in the Christian Science churches in Portland, for Sunday, December 7.

The churches of Christ, Scientist, will hold regular services at 11 o'clock this morning and all except Fifth and Seventh churches will hold evening services at 8.

All the churches will hold mid-week testimonial meetings on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Two sessions of Sunday school will be held Sunday morning in each