SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS MEET FRIDAY IN ANNUAL CONVENTION

Conference Is to Plan Active Campaign Destined to Obtain Maximum Results During Ensuing Year and Try to Solve Important Problems.

SUNDAY school workers throughout Multnomah county will gather at the First Baptist church (White Temple) all day Friday of this week in their annual convention, which will take the form of a conference this year, and will not be the old-fashioned, droll meeting filled with reports of past achievements.

Instead of reading reports of what has been done during the past year, the officers of the association have invited experts to talk, who will endeavor to help Sunday school workers solve their problems. During the morning session a "problem shop" will be conducted by E. C. Knapp of Spokane, secretary of the Inland Empire Sunday School association. Mr. Knapp will be the main speaker at the convention. C. A. Staver, county president, will preside. The convention music will be directed by Walter Jenkins.

The programme follows:

10:15—Song service, Walter Jenkins; keynote message, Harold F. Humbert; special music; "The Problem Shop," by E. C. Knapp of Spokane. How to put enthusiasm into a lifeless school; how to increase attendance and hold members; how to secure teachers; how to maintain order; how to secure hearty co-operation of parents, etc.

11:45—Veterans' dedication service. Five subscriptions to the Oregon Sunday School Outlook will be awarded for one year to the school having present the largest number of members who have been connected with the Sunday school work for more than 35 years. Special music by "veterans."

12—Pot-luck luncheon, directed by the Portland Sunday School Workers' union.

1:30—Song service, Walter Jenkins.

1:35—The Sunday school future in Multnomah county. Report of the policy committee. Report of the nominating committee.

2:20—Demonstration: An adult class in session. Teacher, Dr. W. T. McElveen; president, E. L. Wells; secretary, Richard Coty.

3:15—Address, "Educational Evangelism," by Rev. Howard Agnew Johnston of Chicago.

3:45—Announcement of committee on exhibit awards.

3:50—Divisional conferences: (1) Children's division, Mrs. S. Earl Du Bois, leader. (2) Young people's division, A. F. Bittner, leader. (3) Administrative division, E. C. Knapp, leader. Attendants at the convention will now be given an opportunity of visiting the exhibits of the scholars.

5:30—Luncheon with conference in charge of Harold F. Humbert.

7:15—Orchestra of Mount Tabor Presbyterian Sunday school. Convention sing led by Walter Jenkins. Roll call of Sunday schools: Delegates stand, give number present, average attendance for past month, amount of combined pledge for Multnomah county, international and world's Sunday school work. Recognition of school having largest enrollment at convention in proportion to average attendance for past month. Recognition of school paying in advance largest per capita toward Sunday school association work for the year. Special music. Blackboard demonstration: "World Facts," by E. C. Knapp.

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The churches of Portland are looking forward with great anticipation to the visit of four Protestant clergymen from Northern Ireland, who will be in Portland on Sunday, February 1, and Monday, February 2, 1920. These visitors constitute the official delegation from the Irish Protestant churches to the sister churches of North America. Their mission to America is to tell the people of the dangers and evils of the Sinn Fein movement in Ireland.

The Presbyterian representative is the Rev. William Corkey, M. A., pastor of Townsend Street Presbyterian church in Belfast. He is a graduate in the British army and wears a decoration for his war work. A man of wide experience in various forms of social and religious activity. He will speak Sunday morning in the First Presbyterian church and Sunday evening in the Westminster church. Mrs. Corkey accompanies Mr. Corkey.

The Episcopal representative is the Rev. Louis Crooks, B. A., rector of the historic Knockbreda Episcopal church in Belfast. He is a graduate of Trinity college and also of Dublin university. A speaker of gracious charm and a preacher with all creeds. He will speak Sunday morning and Sunday evening under the direction of Bishop Walter Taylor Sumner.

There are two Methodist members of the delegation. The Rev. Frederick Hastie, M. A., is pastor of the great Donegall Square church. A graduate in philosophy of Queen's university and author of "The Treatment of Divine Personality From Spinoza to Herman Lotze." He is a member of an old Corkonian family and was pastor of Stephen's Green church, Dublin, during the "Easter rebellion" and was an eye witness of Sinn Fein actrocities. He will speak Sunday morning in the First Christian and Sunday night in the First Baptist church.

The last member of the delegation is the Rev. C. Wesley Maguire, who is the son of a famous Irish divine, who was also vice-president of the Irish conference, which is the highest honor in that body. A man of great virility and force. He served as chaplain in the British service and ministered in the hospitals to American boys. His name and accent indicate true Irish stock. He will speak Sunday morning in the First Methodist church and Sunday night in the First Congregational church.

On Monday morning, February 2, these four divines will address the Ministerial association in the Young Men's Christian Association building. Mohday evening at 7:45 there will be a mass meeting in the civic auditorium, when addresses will be delivered on the "Dangers and Evils of the Sinn Fein Movement."

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Forty-two denominations sent 1732 delegates to world survey conference at Atlantic City, January 7-11, 1920. Nothing quite like it has ever before taken place. Its scope, its vision, its programme, its daring, its scientific attitude, its thoroughness, its faith in God and loyalty to Christ, were almost overwhelming, according to Berton A. Bronson, executive for Oregon, who was in attendance.

Difficulties incident to any movement of such gigantic proportions were encountered and overcome. The attitude assumed by the conference was that anything that Christians really desired to do they would find a way of doing.

Dr. S. Earl Taylor, general secretary of the interchurch world movement, said: "The interchurch world movement has passed its rubicon. Now we have solid ground under our feet for the first time. It has heretofore been problematical whether or not we were going to be able to get the churches together. Now we are assured that we will not fight among ourselves, but will work together. We are within striking distance of victory."

Denominational groups met in their appointed places and passed resolutions asking their constituencies to back the interchurch world movement programme. Resolutions similar to those passed by the Presbyterian church of the United States were passed by practically all denominations represented by the conference: "That we, the official delegates to the world survey conference of the interchurch world movement being sufficiently advised of the general proposal of this movement, resolve that it is the sense of this meeting that our church should enter whole-heartedly into the interchurch world movement, trusting in the wisdom of the coming general assemblies and conventions and the guidance of the resident spirit of God to lead us to the best results."

The exhibits of the conference, which occupied the entire first floor of the great steel pier at Atlantic City, afforded a liberal education to those in attendance.

Almost every country in the world was shown up regarding its spiritual needs in the surveys presented at the conference. The conference will be reproduced in replica at the various pastors' state conferences, which will be held in the months of February and March. The Oregon pastors' conference will be held at the White temple, Portland, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 3 to 5, and practically every pastor in the state will be in attendance.

Sunday, February 29, is "Life Enlistment" day, when the need of young men and women entering definite Christian work will be presented.

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Classes for the second term for the Portland church Sunday school workers' school opened last Wednesday with a good attendance.

The education committee of the Portland association of Congregational churches planned a six weeks' institute, held in Sunnyside church during February and March, 1919. An invitation was extended to all denominations of the city and 169 people enrolled, representing 37 Sunday schools and nine denominations.

With the organization of the Portland federation of churches came the opportunity for closer co-operation. The education committee of the Multnomah county Sunday school association and federation in joint session assumed the responsibility for the establishment of a permanent interdenominational training center to be known as "The Portland Training School for Church School Workers." The plan calls for a three-year course, leading to graduation with diploma.

The first semester of the 1919-20 session opened on October 1, 1919, in the First Methodist Episcopal church and continued for eight Wednesday evenings. The registrations numbered 182, representing 39 churches from nine denominations.

The schedule for this semester is as follows:

Every Wednesday evening until March 10.

First Period, 7:30 to 8:20.

Section A—"The Teaching of Values of the Old Testament," Harold F. Humbert. A survey of Old Testament history and literature, indicating the message of the Old Testament for childhood, youth and adult life.

Text: "The Teaching Values of the Old Testament."—Moore-Mack.

Section B—"The New Testament Church in Its Relation to Modern Life," Rev. William A. Waldo, Ph. D. An exposition of the Acts of the Apostles, with its teaching as applied to modern life. A study of the New Testament church in its early organization.

Text: "The New Testament Church."—Conley.

Section C—"Graded Missionary Education in the Church school," Rev. John H. Matthews. A study of the possibilities of missions work in a well-balanced Sunday school programme.

Section D—"The Principles of Teaching," Professor Charles A. Rice. A normal course in lesson building and lesson presentation.

Text: "The Teacher."—Weigle.

Section E—"The Unfolding Life," Rev. Robert Murray Pratt. A normal course in psychology, presenting the development of the soul through instinct, habit and will. A study of the emotions in relation to character.

Text: "The Pupil."—Weigle.

Reference: "The Foundations of Character."—Shand.

(Students in this section who did not take the course in the first semester will receive special assignment at the opening session.)

Second Period, 8:20 to 8:40.

Assembly—The dean's announcements will be followed by special features of general interest.

Third Period, 8:40 to 9:30.

Section A—"Missionary Education of Little Children," Miss Violet W. Johnson. A practical course in ways of developing the spirit of friendship and helpfulness.

Text: "The Sunday School Teacher and the Programme of Jesus."—Trull-Stowell.

"Missions in the Sunday School"—Brown.

Section B—"The Teaching of Juniors," Mrs. S. Earl DuBois. A study of junior lessons, emphasizing methods of teaching, story-telling, memory work and incentives.

Text: "International Graded Lessons for Juniors." "Stories and Story-Telling."—St. John.

Section C—"The Fourfold Development of Young Manhood," Mr. Harold F. Humbert. A study of the fourfold life of adolescent boyhood—physical, mental, social, religious—and how to lead boys into the Jesus way of living, through organization, instruction, worship and service.

Text: Syllabus; "The Fourfold Development of Young Manhood."—Humbert.

Section D—"The Adult Division Organized for Service," Dr. Henry Ess, Mrs. Clara Gee Esson. A discussion of organization, courses of study, service activities of the Bible class, as well as the work of the home department and the parent training.

Section E—"Music Leadership," Walter Jenkins. A practical course in methods of song directorship and hymn interpretation.

Text: "The Hymnal for American Youth."—Smith.

Faculty—Mrs. S. Earl Du Bois, junior superintendent, Church of the Strangers, Portland Or.; Dr. J. Earl Else, superintendent Rose City Park M. E. Sunday school; Mrs. Clara G. Esson, state Bible superintendent, Christian churches; Harold F. Humbert, general secretary Sunday School association; Walter Jenkins, Portland Community Service; Miss Violet W. Johnson, education superintendent Oregon Sunday School association; Rev. John H. Matthews, district secretary Congregational Education society; Rev. Robert Murray Pratt, pastor of Pilgrim church, Portland, Or.; Prof. Charles A. Rice, chairman education committee Oregon Sunday School association; Rev. William A. Waldo, Ph. D., pastor First White Temple, Portland, Or.

Educational committee of the Multnomah County Sunday School association—Robert Murray Pratt, chairman; Mrs. S. Earl Du Bois, J. F. Faust, Miss M. A. Helm, Harold F. Humbert, C. A. Staver, R. R. Steele, Dr. Guy Woods.

Religious education committee of the Portland Federation of churches—James F. Ewing, chairman; Miss Celeste Albin, J. L. Bowlby, Harold F. Humbert, Rev. Thomas Jenkins, Rev. W. T. Milliken, Dr. George B. Pratt, Robert Murray Pratt, acting chairman.

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Bishop Walter Taylor Sumner has announced the convention of the diocese of Oregon from January 25 to January 29.

A big event will be the laymen's dinner at the Chamber of Commerce dining room on Wednesday, January 28, at 6:30 P. M. Reservations may be made by calling the diocesan office, Main 6767.

Two notes are expected to color and mark this convention. A spirit of thanks for great results obtained under the every-name canvass and courage to face the programme of the future.

The convention programme will include:

Sunday, January 25—3 P. M., diocesan Sunday school rally, St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral; 7:30 P. M., young people's pageant of the church's mission, St. David's church, Twelfth and Belmont. Sunday morning the visiting clergy in city pulpits.

Monday, January 26—All-day conference diocesan branch woman's auxiliary, St. David's parish house.

Tuesday, January 27—9:30 A. M. to 4 P. M., annual meeting, diocesan branch woman's auxiliary, St. Mark's church; 8 P. M., diocesan mass meeting, Pro-Cathedral of St. Stephen the Martyr. At this service the bishop will read his annual address to the convention.

Wednesday, January 28—10 A. M., holy communion, St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral. The bishop urges all members of the convention and the laity generally to be present. He desires the clergy to meet in the parish house at 9:45 A. M. sharp and to be vested for the procession. At 11 A. M., organization of the convention and business session; 1 P. M., luncheon; 2:30 P. M., business session; 6:30 P. M., laymen's dinner to clergy and delegates to convention, their wives and friends, Chamber of Commerce, Oregon building, Fifth and Oak streets.

Thursday, January 29—9:30 A. M., holy communion, St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral; 10:30 A. M., business session; 12 M. to 2 P. M., polls open for voting; 1 P. M., luncheon; 2:30 P. M., closing business session.

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The Woodstock Parent-Teachers will give a dance on Friday, January 30, from 8:15 to 11:45, at the Woodstock school. All friends of the school are invited.

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Chapter A of the P. E. O. Sisterhood will meet with Mrs. O. W. Mielke, 630 Knott street, Monday, January 26, at 2 o'clock.

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The current literature department of the Portland Woman's club will have charge of the programme at the club meeting February 13. Tea and cakes will be served.

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The executive board of the Council of Jewish Women will meet Wednesday at 1:30 P. M. in room G, library. All board members are asked to attend. The Bible class of the Council of Jewish Women will meet Tuesday at 2 P. M. in room H, public library. Rabbi Wise will give the address and all who are interested in Bible history are invited.

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YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Yakima high school girls will hold a vocational conference next month in this city. The gathering will take place under the auspices of the Yakima Y. W. C. A. Each high school in the county is to send one or more delegates.

MEMBERS OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION PREPARED FOR ANNUAL CONVENTION SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE FRIDAY IN THE PORTLAND WHITE TEMPLE OR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

1—Mrs. L. C. Phillips, president of the Portland Sunday School Graded union, who will have charge of the noon luncheon. 2—E. C. Knapp of Spokane, who will be the principal speaker at the convention. 3—Mrs. S. Earl DuBois, director of children's division conference. 4—C. A. Staver, county president.

"The Church at a Crisis," Dr. Waldo's Theme.

"Regeneration, or Changed Life," Will Be Subject at White Temple Tonight.

DR. WILLIAM A. WALDO, pastor of the White Temple, this morning at 11 o'clock will speak on the subject, "The Church at a Crisis."

In the evening at 7:30 he will speak on the subject, "Regeneration, or the Changed Life," the third in his series on seven great doctrines of grace.

These evening sermons are creating a deep interest and the study from these foundations of Christianity is making a powerful spiritual impact upon the audiences at the White Temple. The temple quartet will render special music at these services. The general public is heartily invited to attend.

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The pastor of Grace Baptist church, F. W. Starring, will preach this morning at 11 o'clock on "The Way to Win." At 7:45 tonight his theme will be, "Some Things We Do Not Need to Guess About," the sermon being an exposition of one of the most important chapters of the Bible. The choir will provide special music for both services.

Grace church is undertaking to provide two Bible study hours for adults each week, one of which is the adult class hour preceding the Sunday morning preaching service. The other will be each Thursday night as a part of prayer meeting. Chart talks and discussion of "The Person and Work of Our Lord Christ" will be lectured. The church is at East Seventy-sixth and East Ash streets.

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In the east side Baptist church, East Twentieth and Salmon streets, this morning Dr. W. B. Hinson will take the following text: "Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him."—Gen. v:24. The sermon will deal with the best walk, and the best companionship, and the best destination.

Tonight Dr. Hinson's theme will be "Christ on Spiritism." There will be baptism.

That this church is in hearty sympathy with the Armenian and near east relief campaign was shown last Sunday when the collection increased the gift to this cause to nearly $1200.

Preaching will be at 11 and 7:30 o'clock. Sunday school is held at 9:30 with Baptist Young People's union at 6:15. Wednesday night prayer service will be at 7:45.

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Rev. J. E. Thomas at Calvary Baptist church, East Eighth and Grant streets, will speak this morning at 11 o'clock on "Discoveries in the Life of The Spirit."

At 7:30 P. M. a stereopticon lecture on service in Alaska will be given under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U.

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At the Glencoe Baptist church, Forty-fifth and East Main streets, Dr. E. H. East will speak at 11 o'clock this morning. At 7:30 Rev. Mr. Laslett will preach on the twelve apostle series, "Andrew, the Bringer, or, the Hiding of Self." Music will be under the direction of George W. Downs. Next Thursday night a "get-together supper" will be given at 6:30 o'clock. This will be followed by the burning of the mortgage, leaving the church entirely free of debt. A social evening will be enjoyed and Rev. Mr. Laslette will contribute an original poem to be read at this meeting.

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The Realization league meets at 148 Thirteenth street. Rev. H. Edward Mills speaks at 11 o'clock on "The Positive Uses of Denial." At 8 o'clock Mrs. Annie Sprague Smith of Spokane will give a lesson in applied truth.

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At the Church of the Spiritualist center, 412 Holladay avenue, services will be held at 2:30 P. M. and at 8 P. M. lecture and messages. Thursday evening class meets at 8 o'clock. Rev. Perris Willson Moore is the pastor.

Episcopal Sunday Schools to Hold Mass Meeting.

Bishop Sumner Will Address Gathering at Pro-Cathedral This Afternoon.

A MASS meeting of the Sunday schools of the Episcopal church of Portland will be held this afternoon in the pro-cathedral at 3 o'clock. Two-minute papers will be read by a member of each school on the following subjects: "How to Increase Our Lenten Offering," and on the "National-Wide Campaign."

Brief addresses will also be made by Bishop Sumner and the Rev. R. H. White of Roseburg.

Rev. William B. Hamilton of Medford will be the preacher at the Pro-Cathedral this morning. Because of the mass meeting in the afternoon, and the service given at St. David's in the evening, the evening service of the Pro-Cathedral will be omitted.

The Young People's society will serve a light luncheon this evening at 6 o'clock to the new members, after which there will be a short business meeting.

Miss Edna Moore will preside.

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A conference for clergy, churchmen and church women, under the auspices of the diocesan board of the woman's auxiliary, will be held tomorrow at St. David's parish house, East Twelfth and Morrison streets.

The programme will consist of short addresses on the Church Service league, and certain organizations composing it.

A social hour will follow. The women of St. David's parish will serve tea.

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The annual meeting of the woman's auxiliary, diocese of Oregon, will be held Tuesday at St. Mark's church, Twenty-first and Marshall streets.

The programme will be as follows:

10 A. M.—Holy communion, the bishop, assisted by the Rev. J. G. Hatton and the Rev. J. Black. Sermon, Rev. J. Black.
11 A. M.—Business meeting.
12:30 P. M.—Luncheon.
1:30 P. M.—Afternoon session.

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WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—At the annual election of officers for the campus Young Men's Christian association, the following officials were named for the ensuing year: President, Hubert Wilken, Salem; vice-president, Ralph Barnes, Salem; secretary, Sheldon Sackett, Sheridan; Leon Jennison, Salem. The chairmen of various departments will be appointed by the president, and the new officers will assume their duties upon the opening of the second semester.

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The large and enthusiastic number of members and friends of the Young People's society of St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral who were present last Sunday evening were given a literary treat in the form of a paper entitled "Why a young people's society in the Episcopal Church?" by Miss Armanda Wilson, who handled a rather difficult subject in a very able manner to the delight of all who heard it. These papers will become a feature of succeeding meetings according to the programme mapped out last Sunday evening. They are not to be limited to religious subjects alone, but will embrace topics of interest to the community, state and nation, and we are thereby assured that our future meetings will be full of interesting things. Other educational features are being arranged in the form of lectures and addresses by prominent people; there will also be an "Open Forum" at all meetings and social evenings at frequent intervals.

The society is growing by leaps and bounds in spite of the fact that it has only been organized three months, and just as quickly as conditions will permit literary and dramatic sections will be added. A hearty welcome is extended to all. Come and join us next Sunday evening at 6:45 to 7:30 o'clock in the parish house of the Pro-Cathedral at 13th and Clay streets.

"United Reciprocity," First United Brethren Theme.

Dr. Byron J. Clark Will Speak. Christian Endeavor to Install Officers at Meeting Tonight.

THE subject for discussion by Dr. Byron J. Clark, pastor of the First United Brethren church, Fifteenth and East Morrison streets, this morning will be "Divine Reciprocity." The evening service will be a public installation of officers of the Christian Endeavor. Dr. Clark will speak on "The Church Training School." Special music will be given at both services.

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Rev. Ira Hawley, pastor of the Second United Brethren church, Twenty-seventh and Sumner streets, will use for a subject at the Sunday service "His Promise." In the evening Professor P. W. Davis will give a sacred concert on his triple golden chimes.

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"Accepting the Invitation" will be the theme for discussion by Rev. E. O. Shepherd, pastor of the Third United Brethren church, Sixty-seventh street and Thirty-second avenue southeast, this morning. The revival services are still being held and the evening service will be in charge of Rev. Ira Hawley, evangelist. Special music will feature both services.

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The pastor of Fourth United Brethren church at Tremont station, Rev. C. P. Blanchard, will speak in the morning on "Our Men and the Church." The evening service will be in charge of the men of the church, when Harry Melby of the inter-church movement will be the special speaker. The men will also furnish special music for this occasion.

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The Sunday school of the Clay-street Evangelical church, Tenth and Clay streets, west side, will convene at 9:30 with J. E. Keller, superintendent, in charge. This is decision day for the school, when the children will be urged definitely to decide as to a Christian life. The church has held two weeks of evangelistic meetings, and considerable interest has been shown. The special evangelistic meetings will be continued another week. There will be services every night this week at 7:30, except Saturday.

After the usual Sunday school lesson the pastor will preach to the children. The morning service will be in the German language, on "The Relation Between Regeneration and Sanctification." The young people's meeting will be held at 6:30 and the topic discussed will be "The World's Need of Christ." In the evening the pastor will speak on "The Will of God in a Man's Life, and How to Know It."

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The big chorus at the First United Brethren church, corner of East Fifteenth and Morrison streets, will sing Sunday morning the anthem, "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say," by Wilson.

J. B. Long will sing as a solo "Only Today," by Adams. In the evening the chorus will sing "The Lord Is My Shepherd," by Billingsley. At this service will occur the public installation of the new officers of the Christian Endeavor society. The pastor will give a short address on "The Church's Training School."

Thursday evening of next week will occur the annual banquet of the organized Bible classes of the school and the public installation of their officers by Bishop W. H. Washinger, A. M., D. D., Professor O. T. Wedemyer will sing.

Religion on Profit and Loss Basis Is Topic.

Rev. H. H. Griffis to Deal With Appeal to Men on Plane of Everyday Interests.

THE Rev. H. H. Griffis will speak today at 11 o'clock at the First Christian church, corner of Park and Columbia, on Christ's appeal to men on the plane of their common, everyday interests, taking for the subject of his sermon, "Religion as a Question of Profit and Loss." The morning musical offering by the church quartette will include the contralto selection by Miss Nina Dressel, "By the Waters of Babylon" (Howell).

The principal feature of the Sunday evening school of missions will be the illustrated Arctic-Alaskan lecture by George Edward Lewis, pioneer Alaskan entertainer and founder of the first Arctic-Alaskan education exhibit. In this lecture, which will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock, many important phase of Arctic and Alaskan life will be richly illustrated. Mr. Lewis has lived in the northland for 36 years, is naturally gifted as a public speaker, and consequently delivers a highly entertaining and instructive message. There will be no charges of admission to this evening programme and the general public will have a most cordial welcome.

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At Park Christian Church, Forty-sixth avenue and Sixty-ninth street, at 11 A. M., Rev. J. F. Ghormley will speak, taking as his theme, "The Christ Calling and Your Answer." At 7:30 there will be a song and praise service followed by the sermon by the pastor on "The Day of the Young People."

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Two services will be held today in the Comforter center, assembly room of the Portland hotel. The morning service, 11 o'clock, will be given by Florence McFarlane, her topic being "The Child Spirit." At 8 P. M. Florence Crawford speaks upon "Making Truth Practical." Miss Collier will sing, accompanied by Miss Sonneman. Thursday evening the healing lesson will be given by Florence Crawford, the topic being "Instantaneous Healing." All meetings are open to the public.

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The National Holiness association, an interdenominational organization, is conducting a series of conventions from coast to coast. The association has put its very best men into the field, hence they are meeting with marked success all along the line. The company of workers is made up of the following named persons: Rev. C. W. Ruth of Indianapolis, Rev. Will H. Huff of Sioux City and Rev. Bud Robinson of Pasadena as the preaching evangelists, with Rev. and Mrs. Wells as song evangelists. The party is now in Portland conducting a convention in the First Church of the Nazarene, corner East Tenth and Weidler streets.

The convention opened Tuesday night with Rev. Will Huff in the pulpit. He preached a great sermon to a large and appreciative congregation. Ten persons responded when the invitation was given to seekers of Christ. Wednesday night Rev. Bud Robinson preached to a large audience. The convention will close tonight, but evangelistic services will continue in the Nazarene church with Rev. B. C. Dewey as evangelist and Rev. Frank Blackman as leader of song.

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The First Spiritualist church, East Seventh and Hassalo streets, announces a lecture to be given at 3 P. M., followed with a message service, today. Evening services at 7:45 consist of a lecture followed with messages by C. W. Shaw. A noted tenor, Stanley Hicks, will sing "The Holy City." Mid-week meetings every Wednesday at 7:45 P. M. The public is cordially invited.

Methodist Churches Announce Week's Activities.

Rev. Joshua Stansfield to Preach on "Sound Doctrine" at First Church This Morning.

"SOUND DOCTRINE" is to be the subject of Dr. Stansfield's morning sermon at the First Methodist church next Sunday. In view of the religious vagaries of these days and the tangent and extreme unessentials of true religion so much advertised and taught, the sermon will deal with only elemental and essential doctrines of Christian faith.

Every truly essential Christian doctrine has two unfailing marks, says Dr. Stansfield. 1. It may be proven in personal experience, and 2, the doctrine always carries ethical imperatives. This will be true of all the essential Christian doctrines, God, sin, salvation, holiness, immortality.

In any article of belief where these two tests are not met there may be the widest differences of opinion with impunity.

In the evening Dr. Stansfield is to preach on "The Mighty Acts of God," in history and in today, in individuals and peoples and nations.

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The greatest event of the First Methodist church this week will be the city-wide Methodist prohibition jubilation meeting on Friday night, January 30. Bishop Matt S. Hughes is to give the address and Miss Margaret Garrison, who won the national medal in the prohibition oratorical contest at Des Moines recently, will give her prize oration, the only time given in Portland. Miss Garrison is a graduate of Willamette university.

Two services will be conducted in the Wilbur Methodist church today by the pastor, Francis Burgette Short. The morning subject, "The Gospel of the Unashamed" and the evening subject, "The Cup of Life." The offertory soloists for the day are A. E. Davidson and Miss Harriet Leach. William Mansell Wilder has planned an extra musical programme for the services.

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At Mount Tabor Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. E. G. Decker, pastor, will preach for his morning sermon "Willing to Do God's Will."

The evening subject will be an illustrated lecture, "The Mass Movement in India."

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At Central Methodist, corner Fargo and Vancouver avenue, A. R. Maclean, the pastor, will preach at 11 o'clock. Young people from the student volunteer movement just back from the Des Moines convention will have the hour with the Epworth league at 6:30 o'clock.

The evening preaching hour beginning at 7:30 will be given to a sacred concert by a choir of 30 voices. The programme is as follows:

"Prelude in C" (Batiman), offertory (Himmel); anthem, "Arise, Shine, for Thy Light Is Come" (Elvey); soprano solo, "King of Eternity" (Jones), Mrs. Peterson; "Sweet Hour of Prayer" (Jerome), Messrs. Anderson and Abbett; anthem, "The Lord Is Exalted" (West), choir; quartet, "The Blood-Bought Mercy Seat" (Davies), Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Peterson, Miss Oakes, Mr. Abbett; male voices, "The Wayside Cross" (Palmer); anthem, "Seek Ye the Lord" Roberts; piano solo, "Valse Caprice" (Durand); anthem, baritone solo, "Unconquered" (Hahn), Mr. Abbett; anthem, "Appear, Thou Light Divine" (Morrison); postlude, "March of the Priests" (Mendelssohn).

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"What the Missionary Movement Really Is" will be the subject to be discussed at 6:30 by representatives of the student volunteer movement recently returned from the Des Moines conference.

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Rev. W. S. Gordon, pastor of the Sellwood Methodist church, will speak at 11 o'clock on "Modern Canaans, and How to Conquer Them," and at 7:30 on "Secret Sins, and Some Remarkable Exposures."

Professor F. C. Streyfeller is in charge of the music, assisted by an orchestra. The Sunday school meets at 9:45. The chalk talks by D. S. Manny are proving to be of unusual interest.

Earl Cowles will conduct the Junior league at 2:30, and Mrs. H. B. Smith will lead the young people's meeting at 6:30.

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At Methodist church, Rose City Park, located at Fifty-eighth and Sandy, the day begins with Sunday school at 9:45 A. M. At 11 o'clock Rev. D. Leslie Fields' sermon subject is "Joy Among the Angels." At 7:30 P. M. Lieutenant-Colonel J. J. Crossley will speak on the event of the retiring of our service flag. The boys have served us well "over there," so now that they are either back or returning it is only right that we retire the service flag with appropriate exercises. Special music at both services.

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The revival services conducted in the Norwegian and Danish Methodist church, Vancouver avenue and Skidmore street, closes this morning. Rev. C. August Petersen of Seattle will preach. Rev. E. Gerding of First Church, Portland, will participate in the service.

New members will be received into the church.

In the evening the service will be held in First Church, Eighteenth and Hoyt streets.

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"Have We Three Gods or One?" will be the morning topic at the Woodlawn Methodist Episcopal church, when the pastor, Rev. J. H. Irvine, will attempt to explain and rationalize the old doctrine of the trinity.

In the evening the subject will be "Who Are the Ungodly and What Their Destiny?"

A real revival and growth in Sunday school and Epworth league and in the ministry of song and in all departments of the life of this church is noticeable.

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Rev. F. A. Ginn, pastor of Lincoln church, will preach this morning at 11 o'clock on "The Kingdom of God."

The subject for the evening service at 7:30 will be "Hidden Treasure." The service of song will be led by Mr. Prichard. Special music will be provided.

The Epworth league convenes at 6:30. Miss Ethel Hanson is leader. The W. H. M. S. will meet with the president, Mrs. J. H. Secor, 405 East Fifty-second street, at 2 P. M., Wednesday, January 28.

The Ladies' Aid society of Lincoln church has chosen sides and is holding a very interesting contest.

The captains are: Mrs. O. E. Harkness for the Hustlers and Mrs. Eva Glarum for the Busy Bees.

The Bees gave a splendid musical and literary entertainment on Friday evening, serving cake and coffee at the close of the programme.

The rose tea given at Mrs. J. H. Secor's on Wednesday afternoon was well attended and much enjoyed.

Dr. McElveen to Discuss "The Church Efficient."

Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Occupation of Present Church Edifice Will Be Celebrated at Service This Morning.

"THE Church Efficient" will be Dr. W. T. McElveen's topic at this morning's service at the First Congregational church, Park and Madison strets. The service will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the occupancy of the present church edifice. Every person who attended the first service is urged to be present today and to wear a white flower. January 1, 1895, was a bright day, the church was beautifully decorated with ferns, a substantial offering was received and the sermon by Dr. Wallace was greatly appreciated. The celebration of that day will be further carried out in the meeting next Thursday night at 7:45, when some of those present at the first service will tell of it in brief talks.

Dr. McElveen's evening topic will be "Increasing Your Power" and will deal with the power of will and of magnetism as well as of the muscles and mind.

"What Our Congregational Leaders Think" will be Dr. McElveen's topic for the current events class this noon, 12:25 o'clock. What they think about the league of nations, about Mexico, about railroad ownership as well as their thoughts along more strictly religious lines will be discussed.

L. G. Nichols' discussion class for young men will assemble at 10:05 in the pastor's study. The Junior Christian Endeavor will meet at 6:30 P. M. for young people of high school age. The Women's association holds an all-day meeting each Wednesday for sewing and fellowship. The prudential committee will meet Tuesday night for important business.

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"Does the Church Answer the Needs of the Present Age?" will be discussed at Atkinson Memorial Congregational church today. The Wall Street Journal, financial experts like Edward A. Filene and Roger W. Babson, and men in politics like Governor Coolidge turn to the church to bring forth a message of spirit and truth and a programme of service which will save the world, said Rev. Elbert E. Flint, in announcing this as his theme for this morning.

The evening service will aim at the same end, by another method. Whole families who never go to church are now following the "Life of Lincoln" in "The Son of Democracy," shown in moving pictures at this church Sunday nights. "My Father" will be the title of the reels tonight. The pastor will speak on "The Evidence and Defeat of the Devil."

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An interesting and instructive course of Sunday night addresses is in progress at the Sunnyside Congregational church, where the pastor, Dr. J. J. Staub, is preaching a church series of sermons on neglected and ignored themes. Since this church has declared itself on the great fundamentals of the Bible, there has grown a steady demand for the entire counsel which God has revealed in his word, and many important doctrines seldom discussed in modern preaching are being received with great profit and appreciation.

A hearty welcome has been extended to all who desire to improve their store of Biblical knowledge. Dr. Staub's topic tonight will be "A Bible Which Is No More Inspired Than Other Books." At the morning service he will speak on "A Clear Call to the Church of Today."

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At Waverly Heights Congregational church, East Thirty-third street and Woodward avenue, Rev. Oliver Perry Avery will speak this morning on "The Humanity of Christ." In the evening a gospel sermon will be given. Waverly Heights church held its election of officers recently. Although very extensive interior improvements have been made, the year was closed without debt.

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Today (January 25) is remembered by Scotch people throughout the world as the birthday of Scotland's great bard, Robert Burns, a real prophet of democracy. Rev. Edward Constant will speak tonight at the Highland Congregational church, Prescott and East Sixth streets, on "The Religious Teaching of the Cotter's Saturday."

This is one of the finest productions of Burns, a poem full of religious sentiments, which are decidedly applicable to the present day. The morning subject by Rev. Mr. Constant will be "Aspects of Personal Responsibility."

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The Pilgrim Congregational church has released its pastor, Rev. Robert Murray Pratt, for an indefinite period, that he may respond to the call of the denomination for field service in the interests of the Pilgrim memorial fund, the crowning feature of the Congregational tercentenary movement. Arrangements have been made with Rev. F. J. Meyer for the supply of the pulpit during the pastor's absence. All departments of the work are well organized and will "carry on" with enthusiasm.

A motion picture machine will be installed next month. Rev. Mr. Pratt will preach today and will leave on Tuesday night for his new work. The morning sermon will be an answer to the question, "Is Salvation a Matter of Creed or Character?" The topic for the evening service will be "Is Prayer Able to Heal the Sick or Is It Only a Cure for Worry?"

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Evangelist L. K. Dickson will give one of his best lectures on Bible prophecy Sunday night in Christensen's hall, Eleventh street, between Morrison and Yamhill, entitled "666—the Number of a Man." This lecture will be built upon the prophecy of the Revelation, which speaks of the "beast." Undeniable evidence will be produced as to the identity of this power. A big congregational sing will precede the lecture and a special musical programme, which is always a feature of the Dickson meetings, will be rendered. Seats are free and the public is invited.

"The Prisoner's Question," Dr. Johnson's Topic.

Doctrine of Reincarnation to Be Discussed at First Presbyterian Church in Evening Sermon.

AT THE First Presbyterian church, Twelfth and Alder streets, Dr. Howard Agnew Johnston, D. D., of Chicago, will occupy the pulpit at both services today. At the morning service, 10:30 o'clock, the subject will be "The Prisoner's Question." In the evening Dr. Johnston will continue to discuss "Problems of the Future Life," considering especially the subject of reincarnation. Dr. Johnston will make clear the vital distinctions between the religio-philosophy of the oriental peoples who advocate this theory and the very different philosophy of the western peoples. The difference between the pantheism of India and the theism of the west lies at the root of all the different elements that enter into the problem of the continued conscious individuality of each human soul. The claim that Jesus Christ had more than one incarnation will be considered. Moreover, the practical working of two theories will be compared in the results attained by the two classes of peoples holding them. There will be special music. Mrs. Virginia Spencer Hutchinson will sing "Abide With Me," by Liddle. The regular choir will be augmented by a double quartet.

Dr. Johnston will lead the men's Bible class today, the subject being "Standing for Truth and Honesty." Mrs. Helen Ekin Starrett has returned from California and will lead the Bible class for women.

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Monday noon Dr. Johnston will speak at the Woman's Research club at the Benson hotel, discussing, by request, "The Shantung Question." On Tuesday, the 27th, Dr. Johnston will give the inaugural address at Albany college, on the occasion of the inauguration of the newly-elected president, Rev. Alfred Melvin Williams. Dr. Johnston's subject will be "The Challenge of the Christian College to Thinking Men." The charge