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ADVENTIST CONFERENCE.

For 10 days the interests of the Seventh-Day Adventists of the Pacific coast, the Dominion of Canada and Alaska will center at the chapel on East

Alaska will center at the chapel on East Eleventh and Everett streets, where this morning the annual conference of the Pacific union of the church convened. Yesterday afternoon the executive committee held its annual seasion and arranged a program of work and discussion for the conference, besides going over the reports from the various districts of the conference. Should the full representation attend the conference there will be more than 300 visitins lay and ministerial delegates which will present the greetings from 12,000 members in half a dozen states and two countries. President A. G. Daniels of the general conference of the Adventists of the nation and General Secretary E. R. Palmer are among the Adventists of national repute who will attend.

GOD'S CHURCH INSTITUTE

west Gather at Best Side Mome.

There are several east side institutional churches but only one that has progressed to the point of opening head-quarters for the homeless where they can be given work for meals, a clean bed and warm lodging. This is the organisation known as God's church that has a three-story church, lodging-house and home on Hawthorne avenue near East Sixth street. A board of trustees manages the afairs of the institution and Eider G. T. Neal and his wife are in charge. The site was bought and the building erected by voluntary subscriptions and funds sufficient. for the needs of the church are provided by private generosity. Tomorrow the chief workers and elders of this church which has no creed, membership roll nor articles of faith, will open the annual institute in the local home and representatives from northwestern cities will be in attendance, including the chief of the sect, Elder G. W. Bailey of Spokane.



# ARE BROKEN

East Side Contractors Erecting Unusually Large Number of Fine Houses.

FIFTY NEW HOMES ARE STARTED IN THREE DAYS

Betterments Amounting to Nearly Fifty Thousand Dollars Begun in Twenty-Four Working Hours-Apartment Blocks Going Up.

but at present a crew is working on the tunnel system instead of making the complete excavation from the street surface and when the masons are not at work on the main sewer they are set to work building the link which has already been carried half way up one block on Williams avenue. A large amount of extra dirt is left by the crews, this representing the displacement of the big sewer, and several property-owners in the vicinity are using it to bring their low lots up to grade. The dirt being already on the street it can be moved cheaply and the fills are being made at less than half what property-owners had to pay for similar work where the dirt had to be brought by cars and teams from a considerable distance.

In three days building permits have been issued to east side contractors for improvements amounting to \$46,962. As no improvement in the long list is for more than \$6,000, and the vast majority are for houses costing from \$1,000. to \$2,500, this three days' record is probably the best the east side has made in a year or more, and certainly no other three days during the last six months have seen such a building list.

Monday was the record day for several months, when 15 of the 17 permits insued were for east side homes, and amounting to \$18,975 of the days \$22,571. February 10 cast side permits were granted to the amount of \$15,550, and Pebruary 12 to the amount of \$15,550, and Pebruary is sued for east side improvements amounting to more than \$7,000 or \$2,000, and frequently weeks pass when the \$10,000 mark was not reached.

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Some of the buildings being erected and soon to be started are: Four \$1,800 dwellings for G. V. Jackson on East Ash. between Sixth and Seventh streets; a \$1,500 dwelling for S. Morrow at East Lincoln and Seventh streets; residence

\$1,500 dwelling for S. Morrow at East Lincoln and Seventh streets; residence costing \$2,000 for I. A. Feters on Russell, near Commercial street; another worth \$1,500 for Mrs. L. Staver at Broadway and East Ninth street; two \$1,500 residences for H. H. Heide at Mason street and Vancouver avenue, and a \$1,500 dwelling for C. C. White at East Glisan and Thirty-first streets. In addition to these several homes of a more expensive type are building, among them the \$2,500 residence of C. Hansen at Roosevelt and Fairbanks streets, and another of equal value for W. D. Richards in University park. A \$2,000 house is being built for N. S. Brande on East Alder and East Thirty-seventh streets, and a residence costing about \$2,500 is being built for R. F. Dickerson at Taggart and East Twenty-sixth atreets. One of the most costly of the new east side residences is the home of W. J. Hofmann, which is being erected at East Twenty-fifth and Hancock streets. The most pretentious improvement recently started is the S. F. White store and apartment block at East Fifth and Belmont streets, the cost of which will approach \$10,000.

Reveral similar blocks and four apartment flats are either under construction or soon to be started in the central east side district, and the outlook is that each year fewer private houses will be built in the district adjacent to the east approach of the steel and Burnside bridges and the flat dweller will inhabit the land.

## SEWER KEEPS MOVING.

Big Irvington Drain Unwinds at Bate o

Pifty Post a Day. Work on the big Irvington sewer is being advanced at the rate of 50 or 50 fest a day, the new ditch digger making short work of the formerly big contract of excavating and-filling behind the six-foot conduit. The sewer has progressed about four blocks on San Rafael-street and is making a better rate of speed as the crews grow accustomed to the operation of the new machine. Work is also carried on at odd times on the connecting link under Williams avenue. A block was left untouched there to give the newly filled street time to settle



the recent massacres throughout Russia. As a motive, the Russian ambas sador mentioned the desire of the gov

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ONLY BONDS ISSUED WERE FOR INDIAN WAR

These Were Paid Back Many Years Ago-Salem Has Put Ban on Red Light District and Closed Gambling Games, Says Mr. Moore.

"I suppose the statement that Oregon is out of debt is no longer considered news." remarked State Treasurer Charles Moore at the Imperial hotel, but I will tell you something that perhaps may interest you.

"As far as I know, Oregon is the only state in the Union today which practically does not owe a dollar and never had a dollar of bonded indebtedness. However, when I make the latter statement I do so with a slight reservation. Once upon a time, as the fairy story goes, there was an Indian war in the northwest, and the state needed money. Bonds were issued, the proceeds of the sale of which were used to prosecute the war. The bonds were outstanding such a short length of time that It is hardly fair to charge them against the financial record of Oregon.

"Excepting that one time the state has practically always been out of debt. Once in a while a few warrants will get the better of us, for a month or so, but there have always been funds coming in to meet the outstanding obligations. That is a record which I do not think can be equaled by another state in the union. I know I am proud of it, and I guess every other taxpayer in Oregon is, too.

"The only thing new in Salem is the sador mentioned the desire of the government to control the distribution of these funds. Accommittee of prominent lews called upon Count Witte, requesting an explanation of the above, and Count Witte assured the committee that the step was taken through a misunderstanding. Lawyers Schloasberg and Varschavsky, prominent members of the Jewish philanthropic committee, adversed an inquiry to the minister of the interior, requesting an explanation of the government's action in the above matter.

"Mr. Dournovo, the minister, ex-"Mr. Dournovo, the minister, ex-plained that the government wished to exercise its control only over those sums which may come without definite instructions for their distribution. The minister assured the committee that it has full confidence in the latter to per-form its task and took this opportunity of firmly expressing himself that no further Jewish massacres are possible, as all steps have been taken in places

is, too.

"The only thing new in Salem is the movement of the purity people and the building of the Willametre Valley Traction company. I understand the slum district has become a thing of the past, and that gambling has been so cleaned out that there are but isolated games, run on the quiet in the dark.

"I believe that the traction company is sincere in its declaration that it intends to build to Portland. Steel has been ordered, and I have been told by responsible parties that work of laying it south from Salem will begin at once. "Ninety minutes from Salem to Portland is pretty quick time. It will help build up the capital besides benefiting Portland in a hundred ways. Just think of jumping onto a trolley car at Salem at 11 o'clock, running up to Portland, having luncheon with a friend and getting back home the middle of the afternoon. That means much for the two cities and the valley. After the road has made equally good connections with other cities in the valley we can expect the valley to grow faster than it has, and its growth has been remarkable during the last few years."

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