

REV. S. R. HAWKINS TO LEAVE THE MINISTRY TO GO INTO BUSINESS

Central Christian Church Accepts Resignation Tendered Two Months Ago.

FIRST OF YEAR IS DATE

Intention to Exploit Advertising Schemes Which Pastor Has Invented. Regret Expressed by Board.

For the purpose of entering upon a business career, Rev. S. R. Hawkins, pastor of the Central Christian church, east Twentieth and Salmon streets, has notified the church of his intention to close his ministerial labors the first of the year.

The resignation was placed before the board of elders and deacons early in September, but it was not accepted until the regular October meeting. Dr. Hawkins had planned to make the first public announcement of the resignation to his congregation Sunday morning.

Dr. Hawkins will enter the advertising field. He has invented a new advertising scheme which he plans to exploit, and is leaving the ministry in order to give the work his undivided attention.

He will organize a stock company in the near future, and expects to establish headquarters temporarily in Portland, but plans to locate permanently in St. Louis or Chicago about a year.

Members of the official board assert that there is no trouble in the church, and that the resignation is on account of financial reasons only. When Dr. Hawkins became pastor two years ago, he was called to face a debt of more than \$40,000, with a congregation of less than 400 people.

During the past two years, it is said, he has made appeals that resulted in the raising of \$3000 in addition to the running expenses. The church board, in accepting the resignation, among other things said:

"We appreciate the fact that the spirit of this resignation is the church at this time is good and the harmony of its membership never better. He has been ready to sacrifice with us, to face our burdens with us, to show remarkable fortitude and loyalty, and has unselfishly striven to build up our church and the Master's cause. We therefore unqualifiedly extend to him our commendation as pastor, and regret that it is necessary to accept his resignation."

Dr. Hawkins was on trial before his congregation just a year ago, and was acquitted by a vote of 104 to 59. A large number of members withdrew from the church at that time. Dr. Hawkins was said to have defied the board, after that body had voted 10 to 5 for his resignation.

The trial of Sunday, November 10, followed. It developed that Dr. Hawkins had been unable to get the church out of debt, and disappointment at his inability has been the main cause of the change of his position.

The official board consists of H. L. Gano, G. W. Fisher, J. D. McGowan, A. E. Dickinson, S. H. Anderson, H. B. S. Downing, C. H. Chambers, H. Lloyd and E. H. Ryan.

Dr. Hawkins is held in high esteem by the Portland ministry and at the present time is president of the Portland Ministerial association.

New Roundhouse at The Dalles Planned

O. W. E. & N. to Include Item in Budget; Engineers Begin Work on Spokane Terminal

This morning J. R. Holman of the O. W. R. & N. company announced to the Dalles that the company will erect a 30-stall locomotive roundhouse at The Dalles after the next expense budget is made up, though when the work will be started he said it is too early to indicate. It is estimated that the work, including the necessary track, will cost between \$125,000 and \$150,000.

Decision on the roundhouse matter was made late yesterday by the return of President J. D. Farrell and General Manager J. P. O'Brien from a trip to The Dalles. By building the new roundhouse, the Dalles division keeps The Dalles as its division point.

Company engineers have just begun work on the new engine terminal at Spokane, the last of the construction in the development of the company's improvements at that point. The terminal will include a modern roundhouse machine shop and auxiliary tracks.



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Head of Railroad Urges Cooperation

Interests of City to Work With Railroads for Prosperity for All

Appealing to the business interests of the city to cooperate with the railroads for the general prosperity of all, President L. C. Gilman of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway addressed the Business Men's club at luncheon today. His talk covered the troubled times in which, through regulation of rates, regulation of improvements and excessive tax burdens, the railroads now find themselves.

Mr. Gilman said the time no longer is when competitors seek to hide their business from one another, realizing that the common good depends upon cooperation even in competition. The time has passed when they consider themselves part of the public, yet they are hedged about with anomalous restraints that curtail their ability to serve the public.

Discussing the tax question, Mr. Gilman said he has the doubtful honor of being president of the highest tax railroad in the United States. He stressed upon an era of unprecedented economy in public affairs, with the ray of hope that before January 1 this country is destined to be fairly entered upon its greatest period of prosperity.

BOARD OF CONTROL WILL ASK INCREASED FUND FOR INSANE

Additional Number of Inmates in Western Oregon Asylum Main Reason for Raise.

(Salem Bureau of the Journal.)
Salem, Or., Nov. 12.—The state board of control today decided to ask the legislature for an appropriation of \$774,711 for the support of the Western Oregon Insane hospital here during the next biennial period. For the last biennial period \$614,353 was appropriated.

The maintenance appropriation is largely increased in the estimate prepared, being \$612,000 as compared with \$511,728 in the two years just closing. The new maintenance budget is based on the increased number of inmates, while the old one was based on a cost of \$14.64 per month.

The big reason for the increase in maintenance cost, it is asserted, is the increase in the number of inmates and the certainty that the increase during the next two years will be as large as that in the present biennial period or perhaps larger.

There are now 1700 inmates in the asylum, and it is estimated that 250 more will be the average for the next biennial period.

An extra expense figured for the next biennial period is the wing for the receiving building at a cost of \$60,000. The expense of transporting inmates to the asylum and for depreciation of equipment amounts to \$82,711, and \$82,711 is provided for general purposes and improvements.

Railroad Would Abandon Franchise

United Railways Takes New Track Following Revocation by County; Appeal to City.

As the city has revoked the franchise covering its tracks between Portland and Linnton, the United Railways wants to abandon its city franchise for the use of Stark street from First to Third streets, its only route through the city.

The revocation of the franchise for the abandonment has been made to Will H. Daly, commissioner of public utilities, and will be informally considered by the city council this afternoon.

According to Commissioner Daly the company still wants to retain its franchise covering the city, but wants the city to extend the franchise to its tracks from Stark street. If this is done it will probably be with the approval of all Stark street property owners who have been opposed to the use of the street by the heavy interurban cars.

The county revoked its grant to the railroad company a short time ago to take effect February 1. As this means the end of passenger traffic between Portland and Linnton the railroad company has no other use for the street where it tracks through the city, its passengers, and wants to be relieved from the obligations of its franchise in this regard.

Accused Men Now Freed of Charges

Indictments Against Arelanes and Davis, Baseball Players, Are Dismissed by Circuit Judge McGinn.

Frank Arelanes and Robert Davis, the baseball players who were acquitted of charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, are now entirely free of any charges in connection with the girl. Circuit Judge McGinn has dismissed indictments against the two in which statutory charges were made. On motion of attorneys for the defendants on the ground that the acquittals were a bar to further prosecution on the same set of facts.

The trial of Joseph Berger on a statutory charge made by the same girl is scheduled for tomorrow morning. Judge McGinn has not changed his mind about admitting spectators and the court room will be closed to all except those whose presence is necessary.

TORPEDO BOAT CAPTURED

London, Nov. 12.—After escaping the allies' fleet off the Dardanelles and running the strait in safety, a Turkish torpedo boat was captured by British and French warships off Tenedos, according to a message received here from Athens today.

Market Man Fined.

For violating the public market ordinance by buying and selling celery, J. R. Falis was fined \$25 this morning in the municipal court. A charge of peddling celery without a license was continued upon promise of Falis to obtain the necessary permit.

PLENTY ARE WILLING AND READY TO WEAR SPEAKERSHIP MANTLE

Four Representatives From This County and Several From Other Parts in Race.

NO CINCH EXISTS NOW

Olson and Littlefield Each Considers Other Most Formidable Opponent; Intentions Are Told.

With three members of the Multnomah county delegation of state representatives actively campaigning for the speakership, and a fourth, although inactive, being frequently mentioned as a candidate for the place, the race for the speakership is well settled weeks before the opening of the session, as it was two years ago when "Pat" McClure landed the job early in December.

The active candidates in the Multnomah delegation are Conrad P. Olson, E. V. Littlefield and S. B. Houston. Besides these the name of Ben Selling is frequently mentioned, but so far no steps to promote his candidacy nor has he stated he would be a candidate.

But the Multnomah delegation has a special interest in the position of presiding officer in the next house. Allen Eaton of Eugene, who will be the oldest in point of service, is the most likely to be elected, but it is known he has taken no steps to promote his candidacy nor has he stated he would be a candidate.

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DISSEMINATION BETWEEN TEUTONIC ALLIES IS CLAIMED BY RUSSIA

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The Russian flank had failed, and that Russian troops had occupied the entire Alsace-Lorraine valley. Skirmishing was reported in progress between Russians and Turks along the Cronk river, southwest of Batum.

The Turkish Side

Constantinople, Nov. 12.—(Via Athens.)—Having suffered heavy losses, the Russian forces which were attempting an invasion of Asia Minor have retired to their second line of operations in trans-Caucasia, it was announced here officially today. The statement was also made that the Turks captured four British troops near El Arish, Egypt.

Assault Prezyemski.

Petrograd, Nov. 12.—With the Russian army which surrounds Prezyemski free from the danger of an attack from the rear, a second general assault on the Austrian fortress was begun today. To the south of Prezyemski the czar's forces occupy all of Galicia as far as Turka.

Arabians Mobilize.

Berlin, by wireless, via Sayville, Nov. 12.—The Arabian Mohammedans are mobilizing for war against the British, the war office stated today. They were said to be arming at Mecca and Nedjed.

"Steam Roller" Not Approved.

"I would like to cut out all machine or steam roller methods," he said, "and extend the rule to the legislature and the governor, so that excuse for steam roller tactics will be removed."

Mr. Littlefield expressed much the same ideas. He says he wants to have the necessary appropriation bills passed at the earliest opportunity. He said appropriations for improvements or additional state buildings ought to be in separate bills, each would stand on its own merits.

"It must be shown they are absolutely necessary or in my opinion they will never get through," he said. "My vote on all occasions will be for the strictest economy."

"If the state will take the lead in cutting down expenditures it will be far reaching. It will induce the counties to cut expenses and will influence the cities and the school districts to economize."

Counted by Per Hour.
Another precinct has been heard from. J. R. Santos, clerk of the night election board in precinct 195, at East Sixth-first and East Glisan streets, wishes to relieve Alton Smith of precinct No. 12 of the idea that his precinct excelled all others in the matter of rapid counting of ballots.

Mr. Santos has contested the claim made by the Keaton precinct for the record in counting a lot of votes. In the contest his board averaged 16 ballots to the hour for 10 hours. Now Mr. Santos says his board averaged 17 to the hour for 10 hours. He says no attempt was made to set a record, but the work was pushed along as rapidly as possible.

Statements Are Incomplete.

Although all of the candidates in the recent recall election have filed their statements of campaign expenses, several of them are incomplete and will have to be filed with vouchers before City Board members accept them. Mayor Albee and Commissioner Brewster spent nothing, while Eugene E. Smith says that he spent nothing personally, but an organization which backed him spent some money. No statement of this amount has yet been filed, however.

The candidates and the amount each spent in the campaign follow:
Robert G. Ditch, \$193; George Parrish, \$125.95; H. E. Abery, \$135.40; W. A. Leet, \$23.75; B. E. Kennedy, \$23.

With the exception of Commissioner Ditch none has filed vouchers for the amount spent and this will have to be done before the statements are accepted.

Medford Democrat Jubilant.
W. H. Canon, former mayor of Medford, member of the state central committee for Jackson county, and recently a candidate for national Democratic committeeman, is in Portland on a business trip of a few days. He

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