Added Last Year: Increasing Attendance

The completion and occupation of the new \$225,000 J. L. Parrish junior high school marks an



The late Rev. J. L. Parrish

epoch in the growth of the educational facilities of Salem. For years Salem, with her eight elementary and four secondary schools, has held an enviable position as an educational center. Now with the improvements lately made on the senior high school, and the erection of a new junior high school, this position has been made even more secure.

Magnificent New Building Some time ago the growth of the city, together with unsafe conditions of one or two of the junior high schools, made necessary the consideration of the erection of a new junior high school. Less than a year ago a site was chosen for the new school on North Capitol street, and by the opening date of the present school year the building was ready for occupancy. It is a beautiful work of architecture in Idaho sandstone. The building is two stories high, and has 38 class rooms and a fine

Rev. J. L. Parrish, whose picture is shown herewith, was a member of the first Methodist missionary party coming to the Willamette valley and the site of Salem; the party in which was Rev. Jason Lee, who built the first residence erected and occupied by white people in what afterwards became Salem. The J. L. Parrish junior high school stands on land that was owned by Rev. J. L. Parrish, and that was among the reasons that led to the selection of

Increased Enrollment

There are in the public schools of Salem, 155 teachers, not counting Superintendent George Hug, or the elementary supervisor, Carlotta Crowley. Of these, 46 teach at the senior high school, 35 at J. L. Parrish junior high school, and 12 at McKinley junior high school. The remaining 62 teachers are employed in the elementary schools of the city. The number of students attending the senfor high school, according to the report of December, exceeds that

of the report for the correspond ing month of 1923 by 91. The total attendance during the month of December, 1924, was 998. The ES ARE GOOD enrollment at J. L. Parrish for this same month, was 871, and at McKinley 189, making a total in Magnificent New Building against 1053 last year. There are 2168 students in the elementary schools, making a total for all elementary and secondary schools of 4226, against a total enroll-ment for the same month of last year of 3980.

Credit Due Board To the present board of educa-tion is due much praise for the splendid showing of advancement. and the maintaining of the high standards of the public school system of Salem. The names of the members of this board are as follows: Dr. H. H. Olinger, president; Curtis B. Cross, vice president: William Gahlsdorf, P. M. Gregory, and L. J. Simeral. W. H. Burghardt is clerk of the board. George W. Hug is the superintendent of schools; Carlotta Crowley, the elementary supervisor.

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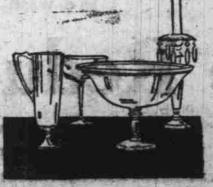
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