

CHURCHES

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH—Rev. J. R. Buck, pastor. Children's mass at 8 a. m., high mass at 10 a. m. Benediction follows last mass. On Monday and Tuesday there will be no mass. Mass in Academy on Saturday at 7 a. m. Balance of week in the church at 8.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH—Center and High streets, J. J. Evans, minister; Vivian G. Whittier, church assistant; Hattie Mitchell, missionary. The last services of the present pastorate will be conducted by the minister today. The day's program will conclude the presence of Miss Hattie Mitchell, the representative of the congregation in Africa. She has just returned from the Congo land after three full years of service there. This church has been given the honor of supporting her as its living link on the foreign field. She will sing at both morning and evening services. The evening program will be a fellowship and farewell reception to the retiring minister. Several organizations outside the church will be represented. The Bible school will meet at 7:45. The young people assemble for special service at 8:30.

Miss Hattie Mitchell, recently returned from her mission station in Africa, will be present at the First Christian church on Sunday in honor of the retiring minister, J. J. Evans, who was a chief factor in securing her for a living link on the foreign field, and supported by the local congregation. She is home on furlough and will later visit the congregation and tell in detail of her most successful work in the Congo land. She will sing at both morning and evening services.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH—Corner of State and Church streets. Pastor, Fred C. Taylor, parsonage, 636 State St. Phone 974. Director of religious education, Miss Mary E. Findley; office 124 S. Church St. Phone 872. Wesley class meeting at 9:15 a. m. in the northwest corner of the church. Class leader, S. A. Wheelwright. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m., superintendent, H. F. Shanks. \$1000.00. The Christmas offering, which was taken following the payment. Morning worship service at 11 o'clock. Rev. T. E. Elliott, secretary of the conference claimants' fund, will speak. The Junior church service held in the annex under the direction of Miss Findley will have as the topic of their sermon, "The Measurements of a Christian." The Junior church school will sing. At 6:30 p. m. the three chapters of the Epworth league will join in a union service with Miss Findley as leader. The pastor's subject will be concerning "Good Resolutions, Are They Helpful or Harmful?" He will read a New Year's service Thursday evening at 7:30. During the past week several departments of the Sunday school have had Christmas parties. The high school and primary departments will observe a holiday party in the church parlors Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Parents also are invited.

NAZARENE CHURCH—19th and Marion streets, C. H. Hopkins, pastor. Mrs. Hopkins, assistant pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. W. B. Hardy, superintendent. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Sermon by the pastor. Subject, "The Fountain of Life." Senior young people's meeting, 6:30 p. m. Topic: "An Outline of Mohammedanism." Leader, Jella Williams. Junior Christian Endeavor, 9:45 p. m. Floyd Miller, president. Evening service 7:30. Sermon by Mrs. Hopkins. Subject: "Humble Thyself." Special music and singing at both services on Sunday. Wednesday evening at 7:30 prayer and praise meeting. Come and enjoy these meetings with us. You are welcome.

CHURCH OF GOD—1244 N. Church street, J. J. Gillespie, pastor. Sunday school, 10 a. m., Mrs. Walter Burkus, superintendent. Preaching service, 11 a. m. Subject: "Lost Opportunities." Young people's services, 6:45. Subject: "How We Got Our Bible." Almira Hahn, leader. Song, testimony and prayer service 7:30 p. m. Regular weekly prayer service Wednesday evening, 7:30. Our revival services will begin January 3rd, 7:30 p. m. and will continue until January 24th. J. M. Harrington, St. Joseph, Mo., will be the evangelist. We cordially invite the public to attend these services.

CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Corner S. 19th and Ferry streets. H. C. Sover, minister. Residence 245 S. 19th St. Phone 12243. The merged morning service at 10 a. m. C. G. Harris, superintendent. Morning sermon subject—"The Young Man Who Helped Jesus." The Senior and Junior Christian Endeavor meet at 6:45 p. m. In the evening service at 7:30 the chorus choir will sing the Christmas cantata "The Holy Nativity." Henry Williams, the choir will be accompanied by Donald Allison at the

at morning and evening services. On Thursday evening Junior and Senior churches will meet for devotional services at 7:15 p. m. and will be followed with a social hour leading up to a watch night service. Public will be welcome.

FIRST BAPTIST—Liberty and Marion streets. Rev. Ernest Shanks. Morning worship at 11. Sermon by the pastor: "The Dominion of Faith." Special musical numbers by the choir will include anthem, solo by Mr. Fred Fisher of Hood River and violin selection by Miss Helen Selig. Junior Boy's Evening worship at 7:30 with a great song service led by Mr. Fisher, the song evangelist. Sermon by the pastor: "Our 1926 Motto. The musical numbers will include anthems, quartets, duets and solos, congregational singing. A cordial invitation to all who are not worshipping elsewhere. The church that welcomes strangers.

COURT STREET CHRISTIAN—Corner and N. 17th streets, R. L. Putnam, minister. Bible school at 9:45 a. m. Chris. J. Kovitz, Supt. Mrs. Joy Turner Moses' orchestra will furnish music. Junior congregation at 11 a. m. Mrs. Edith Putnam, Junior pastor. Morning worship 11 a. m. sermon, E. B. Fisher. Things. A New Year's message. Volunteers will visit shut-ins in afternoon. Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m. Four societies: Junior, Junior-Intermediate, Senior-Intermediate, Senior. Mid-week service on Thursday 7:30. The New Year's Watch party will follow this service. Our annual meeting will be on the evening of Jan. 4th. Full announcement will be made today. The pastor's annual message will be delivered next Lord's day. You are welcome to worship with us. "The church with a family spirit."

PULPIT GOSPEL MISSION—Ralph D. Bullock, pastor, 251 Mission street. Phone 1439W. Services Sunday, 2:30 and 7:30. Classes for children at 2:30 p. m. Young people's meeting Friday night at 7:30. Evangelistic meetings on Bible study every night except Monday and Friday at 7:30. Miss Emma Gillett, pianist for Evangelist Parrott and former pianist for Evangelist Mattie Crawford, is expected to be with us Sunday. We are always blessed by her presence with us whenever she returns "home" for a season, for she is a "pianist with a message."

BETHANY REFORMED CHURCH—Corner of Capitol and Marion streets. Sunday school 10 a. m. and English service 11 a. m. on New Year's day there will be a short German service, 10:30 a. m., followed by the annual congregational business meeting. M. Denny, Minister.

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION—Meet every Sunday in Derby hall, Court and High streets, for Bible study. Hours from 10 to 12 p. m. and from 3 to 4 p. m. All welcome to study with us. Tuesday, December 29th at 8 p. m. in this hall there will be a free public lecture by J. C. Watt of New York City, who is touring all western cities. His subject will be "The Highway to Life." Here are a few of the many questions he will answer from the Bible showing this highway to life will soon be opened to all, both the living and the dead. The questions are as follows: It is reasonable to conclude that God created man merely to toil, to suffer and after a few years of hardship to die? What thought is conveyed by the phrase, "Highway of Life?" When will the highway of life be opened up? Who will open it? What indications are there that the work of construction is now beginning? Seats free and no collection will be taken. All are invited.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE—First Church, corner of Liberty and Chemeketa streets. Sunday morning services at 11 o'clock. Sunday evening at 8. Subject of lesson sermon, "Christian Science." Sunday school sessions convene at 9:30 and 11:00 a. m. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock. Reading room, 209 Masonic Temple, open every day except Sunday and holidays from 11:15 to 6:30 p. m.; every evening except Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:30; Sunday afternoon from 3 to 5.

MARKET STREET FREE METHODIST—Corner of N. Winter and Market streets. Mortimer C. Clarke, pastor. Sunday school, 9:45. Dr. Frank S. Schults, Supt. Classes for all ages and ages. Class meeting 12:15. Mrs. Clara Cooley, leader. Preaching hours 11 and 7:30. Young people's meeting 6:30. Topic: "Christ as shown in the Gospel of John." Prayer and praise service 7:30. The pastor preaches on the subject Sunday morning. Unoffered and Unanswered Prayer. In the evening, "Retrospect, Prospect." Special singing at both services on Sunday. Prayer meeting each Thursday evening at 7:30. All are invited to these services, and you will enjoy the splendid spiritual atmosphere of this church.

JASON LEE MEMORIAL M. E.—Corner N. Winter and Jefferson Ave. Take the North Commercial street car to Jefferson Avenue. Thomas Acheson, pastor. Gilbert Wrenn, assistant. In charge of the Junior church. This church extends a warm welcome to the public to unite with it in the services of the coming Lord's Day. Church school with classes for both young and old opens at 9:45 a. m. At 11 a. m. a service of worship will be held when Dr. Hickman, Kimball School of Theology will be our guest for the morning and will bring us an important message. The Junior church will meet for service down stairs at this hour. Rev. Wrenn will preach. Young people meet at 6:30 p. m. for devotional services. The Epworth League and the High school and Junior High Leagues meet in separate rooms for devotional services. Young people urged to attend. Service of public worship will be held at 7:30 p. m. with an appropriate sermon by the pastor. There will be special music by the choir.

Special meetings will begin on Sunday and continue throughout the week. Each evening at 7:30 and each afternoon at 2:30 except Monday and Saturday. Lindley A. Wells of Seattle will be the Evangelist. Mr. Wells has had a large field of service among friends in America and in interdenominational camp meeting work. We welcome all to our service.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN—On Church street between Chemeketa and Center streets, Norman Kendall, pastor. 9:30 a. m. Sunday school, H. E. Barrett, Supt. 10:45 a. m. morning worship. Sermon, "Sin and Its Forgiveness," by Dr. Tully. Anthem by the choir. Organ numbers: "March For the Magi," "Dobels," "Romance Sans Paroles," "Bonnet," and "Virgin's Prayer." Massenet. 6:30 p. m. Young people's societies. 7:30 p. m. The Christmas Musicale given in the church at 5 p. m. December 26 will be repeated at this hour, with the addition of a vocal solo by Mr. Chase Cone and a violin solo by Miss Iva Clair Love.

CENTER STREET METHODIST—122 Center street, A. F. Hillmer, pastor. 634 N. Winter street. Sunday school at 10. German service at 11. The Christmas program will be given Sunday evening at 7:30 in English. The offering will be for the spread of the Gospel in foreign land.

Open Forum

Contributions to this column must be plainly written on one side of paper only, limited to 300 words in length and signed with the name of the writer. Articles not meeting these specifications will be rejected.

To the Editor:—Will you allow me space in your noble paper for a few lines? I see in a letter written to you on the Open Forum some time ago criticizing you for what you said in regard to Billy Sunday while he was in Portland, and I can not see that you commit the unpardonable sin that the writer, seemed to think you had done. And I want to congratulate you for the iron nerve you have for publishing in your own paper criticism after criticism against your self. But you probably deserve a little scolding for the Good Book says, "Woe unto you, who men speak well of him. And the same writer said in substance like this that Billy Sunday could make more money following the moving pictures than he could preaching the Gospel. There is no doubt in my mind that Billy Sunday is doing much good and causing many souls to be saved and it is to be hoped that he is the cause of hundreds of thousands of souls being saved. But if I were called to preach Christ Everlasting Gospel I would not thank my man though it be true that I could make more money following the damnable Love Moving picture shows that is sending more souls to hell than Billy Sunday is saving.

I heard the Reverend Bulgis' singer say in Chehalis, Wash., nearly six years ago that Bulgis could make more money pleading law at the bar than he was making preaching the Gospel and according to some newspapers he may be pleading law today. Well, says one, he was a good talker, anyway he was and according to the Good Book the devil was a good talker and a liar. And as far as I know he might have been a lawyer too, and he is lying and his influence is living to day in the above mentioned shows and the ball rooms and if it were possible, he, the devil, would deceive the very best through them. Well, it reminds me of the Reverend D. D. Talmadge of Brooklyn, N. Y., several years ago. He was holding a revival meeting in Brooklyn and he invited the Reverend Sam Jones of the South to help him and when Brother Jones appeared in Brooklyn he was not dressed to suit Talmadge's taste and he put a new suit and a new stove pipe hat on Brother Jones and in the pulpit he introduced him as the Reverend Sam Jones of the South and Brother Jones rose and said "I am Sam Jones of the South and this is the new suit of clothes and now that your pastor gave me and if your pastor had as much religion as he has pride he could convert all of Brooklyn without any of my help.

If the time has come when it takes money to save souls and keep God's word moving along I wonder if the preachers of Portland had the Rev. H. D. Chambers, who is ill at the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland is reported as improving and may be expected home in a few days.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL—Center and Liberty streets. 10 a. m. Sunday school, Mark McCallister, Supt. 11, morning worship, "The Unknown Trail." 7:30, the evening service will be held in the absence of the pastor will be in charge of the Rev. J. G. Hutton of Portland. The services are as follows: Holy Eucharist at 7:30 a. m. in the chapel. Church school at 9:45 a. m. and members of the school are requested to bring their offerings for the Near East Relief. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m.

HIGHLAND FRIENDS—Corner Highland and Church streets, Edgar P. Sims, pastor. Sunday service: meetings for worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Bible school at 10 a. m. Walter Stanton, Supt. Young people's C. E. 6:30 p. m.

as much religion as they have pride if they could have converted all Portland without any of Billy Sunday's help and kept the money at home.

S. B. MILLS, Aumsville, Ore.

To the Editor:—West Salem has again cause for pride. It is reported that citizen W. F. Lewis a deputy sheriff of Polk county not long since held up two boys in the vendal act of cutting Christmas trees. He did this with that present day all persuader the short handed gun. He searched their car for moonshine but found none. It is likely he looked in the wrong place. They may have had it up their sleeves. Still neighbor Lewis is a shining star in the gateway of our local constabulary.

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