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OUSTED MEMBERS OF CHURCH HAVE PASTOR

Minority Members of First Baptist Church of Ashland Engage M. S. Woodworth, Formerly of Brownsville, as Acting Pastor. To Hold Services in Odd Fellow's Hall Sunday Morning.

M. S. Woodworth, for six years pastor of the Baptist church at Brownsville, Oregon, who was recommended to the minority members of the First Baptist Church of Ashland, by the secretary of the State Baptist Council, has been engaged by those members as acting pastor of the local church.

The Baptist church here is split by the alleged introduction of the "Four Square Gospel Movement" by B. C. Miller, pastor of the church. The split finally resulted in the ousting of the members who refused to accept the "Four Square Movement," and last week an injunction was issued by the county court, restraining the majority members of the church from barring the minority membership from attending services. The ousted members, however, will hold their services in the Odd Fellows Hall Sunday morning.

Rev. Woodworth, new pastor of the minority members, made the following announcement this morning: "I am glad of this opportunity to acquaint the people of Ashland of the present status of the First Baptist Church, and my relation to the work here."

"On receiving a letter from a representative of our Baptist Convention, in which he stated that he had recommended my services to the brethren here, I communicated with them on the matter, and on the sixth of January accepted the work as their acting pastor. At this meeting the group which I represent declared themselves to be the true First Baptist Church of Ashland.

On the twenty-third of January, a council of the Baptist churches of the Rogue River Association responded to the call for an ex-parte council to determine and declare which group represent and are the First Baptist Church.

Following is the report of this duly called and representative council. "This council finds and declares that the group calling this council (they being the so-called minority group) of right ought to be and are the First Baptist Church of Ashland.

And we do so recognize them; Further: we find and declare that this group are entitled to all the rights, privileges, properties and prerogatives of the said First Baptist Church of Ashland. Carried unanimously."

For the purpose of keeping the property intact and secure, an injunction has been procured. This appears to be the only way to settle definitely and finally the matter of worship; and to give the people of the First Baptist Church an opportunity to unite upon a scriptural and Baptist program. No intimation is made or intended that we alone are Baptist members. No member has been dropped from our church roll by any one possessing such authority. To state our position correctly, we quote in full a letter sent out to each member of all the church:

"It is common knowledge and a common grief that serious and continued differences exist between certain groups of the Ashland Baptist Church.

Since this disturbs the joy of our fellowship, impairs our present usefulness and imperils all future fellowship and usefulness, we are genuinely anxious to see effected a Scriptural and permanent solution of this situation.

Striving to maintain at all times the "unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" and with the firm conviction that the various elements of our church share in this selfsame faith and hope, an ex-parte council, representing in the most definite and comprehensive way the churches of both our Association and State, has been called to meet on January 23rd.

We feel that this is a time for all earnest souls, who prize our Christian fellowship and Baptist heritage, to pray fervently and to wait patiently before the Lord until the council has had time to determine and declare its findings.

There is no thought of attempting to disfellowship any member of either group so we are urging each member of either group to exercise a candid and courteous attitude toward our visiting brethren who are generously trying to assist us at this time. So, until the committee has had time to report its findings let each one of us avoid any uncharitable feeling, extravagant remark or hasty judgment.

Following the report of the committee, our differences should be a closed chapter and all truly Baptist people should be able to unite upon a thoroughly constructive and Baptist program.

Beloved in Christ, we beseech you in tender memory of the history of this church, in the sacredness of Christian fellowship and service to co-operate in this matter."

Yours in Christ Jesus
Done by order of The Baptist Church, Ashland, Oregon.

So it comes about that the congregation of the First Baptist Church will conduct services next Sunday in the Odd Fellows Hall, and in resuming regular services of the church, a most cordial and earnest invitation is extended to the public in general and to all who have been associated with

Syracuse Students Studying Spanish Via Havana Radio

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 6. — A new use for the radio today has been discovered by a Syracuse schoolboy.

He is Richard Gaggin, who is studying Spanish by "tuning in" on Havana. Through the air, he finds mastery of the language is far less difficult than by learning it by means of text and grammar in the classroom.

The innovation is the result of the formation of a radio unit at Nottingham Junior High School under this personal supervision of W. J. Knight, acting principal.

O'SHEA PUTS UP HARD FIGHT TO ESCAPE NOOSE

Attempt Made to Break Down Testimony Given by Taylor

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 6. — The jury in the trial of John O'Shea, charged with murder, will probably not retire to consider the evidence before late this afternoon, in the opinion of attorneys connected with the case. Several hours will probably be consumed in concluding testimony, after which the attorneys for the state and defense will sum up the evidence.

With the state's evidence nearing completion and the defense's evidence and arguments for both sides slated for today in the case of John O'Shea, on trial for murder, and on the trial of every question in the cross examination made by Horace Manning, counsel for the defense, outstandingly his persistent efforts to break down the weight of John Taylor's testimony particularly as to the minutest details of his actions on the Saturday just before the crime, in order to substantiate O'Shea's expected alibi that while his car may have been used without his knowledge, he himself had nothing to do with the murder of Oscar Erickson, today promises one of the bitterest and hardest fought legal battles in Klamath Falls for years.

John O'Shea last night appeared as confident of victory as he was optimistic throughout the trial yesterday. Seated between his mother and Mr. Manning, he wore an air of assurance and listened intently to every word of the testimony.

Under a barrage cross examination by Manning, John Taylor, the state's chief witness, stood by his story as to what transpired in the Scandinavian hall basement, but he wavered in several important details as to his actions on Saturday before the murder.

Special Offer Is Being Made This Week by Fisher's

Announcement was made this morning that during the week of Feb. 9-14, the ladies of the Civic Club will take orders for Fisher's Blend Flour. They will receive 15c for every sack sold. This offer was made by Mr. Lawrence of the Fisher Flouring Mills.

The orders are to be written, and to be turned over to Mr. Lawrence on Saturday, Feb. 14, at the Provost Hardware Store.

The money obtained from the sales will be used for the upkeep of the Civic Club building. The orders must be turned over to the club members, and they, in turn, will place them on sheets of paper and turn them over to Mr. Lawrence. Each order must have the name of the person ordering the flour, her address, the approximate time of delivery, and the grocer from whom she wishes to buy the flour. The following grocers have agreed to help the Civic Club and to take care of all orders turned over to them. Frazier and Son, Hardy Bros, Holmes Groceries, H. B. Plummer, White House Grocery and the 20th Century Grocery.

GRAND JURY TO GATHER SOON AFTER FEB. 16

JACKSONVILLE, Feb. 6. — The petit jury list for the February term of the circuit court, to meet Tuesday, February 24, was drawn yesterday by the county clerk. The first seven names drawn from a box, constitute the next grand jury, scheduled to meet Monday, February 16th. If Circuit Judge Thomas concludes his work on the Klamath county bench by that time.

Among the criminal cases to come before the grand jury is that of the three bandits who held up the Union Oil Station at Ash-

Estelle Taylor Ousts Kearns



Jack Dempsey, world's champion heavyweight, will be married to Estelle Taylor, motion picture actress, in Los Angeles, on May 29, and will retire from the ring. At the same time, he will sever all his business connections with Jack Kearns, long time his manager and business partner. They will divide several million dollars between themselves. Dempsey announces he will retire from the ring, and declared he and Kearns never had been friends and that their dealings had been purely business.

ASHLAND HIGH ENTERTAINS SALEM BASKETEERS TONIGHT

First of Two Game Bill to be Staged at Armory This Evening. Players in Great Shape for Torrid Tussle Expected

With every man on the squad, with the exception of Al Marske, in great shape, Coach Hughes put his Ashland High basketball squad through a light workout last night, their last before the first game of their two game series with the Salem High five. The clash will be staged tonight at the Armory.

Rumors that the games had been called off are absolutely unfounded, and have been emphatically denied by both Coach Hughes and Principal Ben Forsythe. It is not known where the originators of the rumors obtained their information, but the Ashland mentor declared yesterday that the games would be played, regardless of how many men were out of the lineup.

So far this season the locals have nine victories to their credit while they have yet to suffer their first setback. Although, on their only road trip this season, they swept the northern end of the state, meeting two of the strongest teams in that section, they finished on top in every game. Their final victory over the trip was score over the Salem outfit, who finished on the short end of a 30-25 score.

In running up their string of nine victories, Coach Hughes' have trounced the Talent five once, Phoenix once, Roseburg once, Salem once, Newberg twice and University High of Eugene three times. The University High and Salem High fives won from Eugene High, while the latter team broke even in a two game bill, with the Medford High quintet.

The University and Salem outfits are rated as two of the fastest clubs in the northern section, and wins over them indicate just how powerful the locals are.

The Salem five dropped but one game this year, that to the Ashland outfit. They are determined to wipe out the sting of that defeat by handing the locals a pair of trouncings in the games billed for tonight and tomorrow night. Although with Marske out, the Ashland offense will be somewhat weakened, their defense will be as strong as ever, and the locals are certain they can repeat their previous victory.

The lineup for tonight's tussle will probably be, Butterfield and Wilson forwards, Bryant center and Ramsey and Kater guards. Butterfield has been leading the gang as high point man during the season, with Bryant and Marske close on his heels.

Wilson who occupied Marske's job during the Grants Pass game, made an auspicious debut by dropping ten markers through the basket. He has fitted into the floor work of the team in nice shape, and Coach Hughes is depending upon him for a lot of points this evening.

Marske is almost over his attack of the mumps, and although he will not be in shape for tonight's tussle, he will be ready to go when the Medford games roll around.

There will be a good preliminary game tonight, starting at 7:30. The main tussle will get under way at 8:15.

MITCHELL CHARGES AIRCRAFT NEGLECT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6. — Brigadier General Mitchell today brought his fight for greater air service into the open, and fairly charged the war and navy departments of inefficiently conducting their air services and that the navy department deliberately hindered the air bombing experiences conducted by the joint army and navy services off the Virginia Capes in 1921. His grave, sensational charges were laid before a special congressional committee investigating the aircraft situation. Rectifying the hindrance put in the way of the air bombing by the navy, he declared the air services were ordered to bomb a battleship from an altitude of 10,000 feet, a height which he said was not necessary or expedient. He said both departments are trying to hinder the development of aircraft as the means of a national defense.

PIERCE GIVEN HEAVY BLOW BY LEGISLATURE

Port of Portland Bill Passes House and Senate Soon After Veto Read

GOVERNOR IS ON RUN

Salary of District Attorney Cheney Is Increased from \$2400 to \$2700 by Bill Passed

SALEM, Feb. 6. — Less than an hour after Governor Pierce had vetoed the Port of Portland Commission bill, the senate and the house today passed the bill without debate, by overwhelming large majorities, making it a law.

The bill, as it now stands, takes the appointment of the personnel of the Port of Portland Commission out of the Governor's hands, placing it in the hands of the legislature.

Governor Pierce, in a five page document, vetoed the bill, saying that the Port of Portland Commission is not a state branch of the government, but that it is purely a local problem, and should be handled as such. The members of the senate and the house listened to the reading of his veto message and then immediately voted to override the veto and make the bill a law.

Those who are closely following the legislation at Salem say that the Governor's veto means that the Fish and Game bills, yet to be voted upon will also be passed over the Governor's veto. These bills place the appointments in the hands of the Board of the Board of Control.

Sensors Fisk, Joseph and Zimmerman cast the only negative votes in the senate against overriding the governor's veto, and representatives Hunter, Mott, and Schrock were the only members of the house voting no.

After a considerable debate upon the hearing of the salary of the District Attorney of Multnomah county, the house by a vote of 38-18, passed a bill providing for general increase in salaries for District Attorneys throughout the state. It is estimated that the raises will amount to \$15,000 and will be provided for in an increase of \$5 on the fee for the filing of divorce cases. The bill provides for the increase for the District Attorney of Multnomah county from \$4,500 to \$6,000 and for the District Attorney of Jackson from \$2,400 to \$2,700. No increase was provided for the District Attorney of Baker County, who now gets \$2,400.

Entombed Man Is Still Alive in Kentucky Cave

CAVE CITY, Ky., Feb. 6. — "I'm alive." This was the message from the bowels of Sand Cave, as read in the faint staccato ticking of the microphone, that gave workers word that Floyd Collins, entrapped in the cave for a week, lives.

The word spread through the town like wild fire, and the furious digging which through the night put the "dead or alive" shaft down fifteen feet, took on a new aspect of grim determination.

Collins' brothers last night led the battle to reach the entombed man. After the entrance to Sand Cave was closed by the military authorities, in order that the lives of the rescuers might not be sacrificed, the men started a shaft from the top of the earth, aimed at the spot where it is thought Collins is trapped. It is expected the diggers will reach the imprisoned man by tomorrow morning.

A hot air blast was being sunk through the rock to the cavern where Collins lies, in order to keep alive the spark of life which sent its message through the radio amplifier. Bloodhounds were also sent in with liquid foods in bottles, strapped about their necks. If the dogs find Collins dead, it is said they will bark, and the sounds will be heard over the microphone.

NUTS ALL SET FOR END OF THE WORLD

EAST PATCHOGUE, N. Y. Feb. 6. — Automobiles and trams today brought great crowds here, intent on enjoying the preparations of Robert Reidt and his 35 followers, who as reformed Seventh Day Adventists believe the "end of the world" will begin at midnight tonight. Reidt and his followers believe storms, pestilence, disease and devastating miracles will visit the earth within seven days. They planned to go to a hill near here tonight and await a cloud which will waft them to the Golden Star, via Hollywood and San Diego and Jupiter. State troops will be on hand, due to threats which Reidt has received.

Messengers Robbed

SEATTLE, Feb. 6. — Three bandits, driving a small touring car, today held up and robbed Robert Brantigan and F. Floyd, messengers for a cigar company, and escaped with between \$5,000 and \$6,000 in cash.

ALLISON SPEAKS AT MEETING OF LOCAL KIWANIS

"Building through Service" was the topic chosen by V. K. Allison, principal speaker at the regular weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club, held at the Hotel Ashland today.

Allison emphasized the fact, that without first building character, we cannot build material things. He pointed out that the construction of ideals of character and industry were first necessary before any really constructive work could be accomplished. He declared there has been only one man on this earth who was immune from service and that his life was a life of utmost servitude. He declared Christ alone had the privilege of living without serving if He had so desired, but that He willed otherwise.

H. B. Burt, member of the organization, entertained the members with two piano solos which were especially well received.

The program committee announced that the next meeting would be featured by a celebration of Washington's birthday. Special patriotic music is being prepared for the occasion.

Little Wax Sweetie Completes Home in Europe's Loveland

LONDON, Feb. 6. — Have you a little wax sweetie in your home? Wax models of sweethearts are the latest fad of Europe's Loveland. Life size models made in wax, of friends, sweethearts and even wives are being sought by the faddists, instead of oil paintings and sculptures.

Louis Tussaud, of the famous Madame Tussaud's Wax Works, is engaged upon wax figures of several theatrical stars who are sitting for him.

KLAMATH FALLS IS ASKING FOR DIVISION POINT

Southern Pacific Officials Are Informed of City Advantages

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 6. — Every possible effort will be put forth to secure the Southern Pacific division point in Klamath Falls, according to the decision made by the railroad and industries committee of the chamber of commerce, composed of J. A. Gordon, C. A. Schafer, R. E. Crogo and T. W. Delzell.

Petitions will be circulated among shippers and business firms in the city which will be forwarded to Southern Pacific officials together with information regarding the advantages of this city as a division point. Representatives of the local chamber of commerce who have called on Southern Pacific officials have been assured that Klamath Falls would be given a hearing before a definite decision is made.

It has been rumored that Fuego, 45 miles north of Klamath Falls, has practically been decided upon as the division point. It is practically half-way between Eugene and Dunsuir and in respect to distance, would seem the logical location. There are disadvantages including the heavy snow in winter, and the water there can not be used in steam boilers.

While it is impossible for Klamath Falls to overcome the argument of distance, there are other advantages which would seemingly offset that drawback. The eventual construction of the proposed Modoc Northern line from Klamath Falls via Merrill and Malin to Susanville, Calif., would seem to warrant a division point here.

3 HOMES HERE RANSACKED BY GANG OF THUGS

Granite Street District Is Scene of Operations for Burglars

CLOTHING IS LEFT

Hat Left at Perozzi Residence Used in Identifying Gang With Medford Robbers

Extending their operations, the gang of burglars who have been ransacking homes in Medford and this city for the past two weeks, last night staged a wholesale burglary raid when they enter three homes here and removed, among other things, articles of clothing which identified them as the same outfit which several nights ago robbed homes in Medford.

The three homes robbed here were all on Granite street. They were occupied by A. Kinney, G. S. Butler and D. Perozzi. In none of the houses were the occupants awakened, although at the Kinney and Perozzi homes, the occupants awakened shortly after the departure of the burglars.

The thieves made their largest haul at the Butler home, where they obtained a watch and between one and two hundred dollars in cash. At this same residence, they overlooked an opportunity of obtaining the largest amount of loot to which they have gained access since starting their raids, when they failed to discover about \$1000 in jewelry and about two hundred dollars in cash. The jewelry and cash were almost in plain sight, but the burglars must have been hurried for they overlooked both, and departed with the cash which was deposited in another place.

At the Kinney home they obtained a watch. They failed to ransack the house at this place, and gave indication that they were hurried. Kinney was awakened during the night, and discovered a light burning in one of the rooms. Thinking he had left the light on, he switched it off and returned to bed, only to discover this morning that his home had been robbed.

It was at the Perozzi residence that the burglars left their evidence which connects them with the Medford robberies. The only article taken at this place was a hat, and rather than leave Mr. Perozzi without head gear, they deposited another hat. Chief of Police McNabb, when he investigated the robberies this morning, checked up with the Medford authorities upon the hat which had been taken in the robbery there, and it was discovered it was the same hat which had been taken there. Perozzi awakened about four o'clock this morning by a slight noise, but was unable to locate anything, and it was not until this morning that the robbery of his home was discovered.

America Withdraws From Geneva Opium Regulation Meet

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6. — The United States today withdrew from the International Opium Conference at Geneva, the State Department announced here early this morning. The official permission to withdraw was telegraphed to Stephen Poster, head of the American delegation who was ordered to leave the conference and return home immediately.

President Coolidge himself granted the permission to withdraw when it became apparent that no hope existed for the conference to fulfill the promise made when it was opened, to erect really effective barriers against opium traffic.

The European nations, although seemingly willing to withdraw from the opium traffic, and to aid in fighting it, appear somewhat reluctant to follow the lead of the United States in declaring all opium traffic outlawed.

LITHIANS MEET TO DISCUSS SHOW PLANS

About twenty five members of the Lithians gathered at the Plaza last night, for a dinner meeting. Plans for the sale of tickets for the coming Lithian show, to be held, Feb. 16 and 17 were discussed. Carl Loveland, director of the show, introduced several of the principals of the cast.

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