

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

MONMOUTH PLACES OF WORSHIP ARE PROSPEROUS.

Rev. MacKenzie Recipient of Gift From Ladies' Society—Subjects for Sunday.

The several churches and Sunday schools at Monmouth have had a thriving year during 1915, and are preparing for an energetic new year on the record made in the past twelve-month. The attendance in each case has been exceptionally good throughout the year, although all the churches have been in existence in that city for many years. The Christian church was organized in the fifties and has been thriving since the very first. The membership at present is 217, a total of about 35 more than were enrolled at the same time last year. Seven members of the Christian church congregation were called by death during the year. Thirteen letters were granted during the year. Elder Richey is pastor of the Monmouth Christian church.

The Evangelical church was established in Monmouth in 1891, nearly twenty-five years ago. At the beginning of the present year the congregation numbered 73 souls and at the year-end there is a membership of 103, a net gain in membership of 30. Forty-one persons allied themselves with the Evangelical church during the year, but the gain was decreased by two deaths and several removals from the community. F. M. Fisher is pastor of the Evangelical church.

The Monmouth Baptist church has been in existence for twenty-five years and has enjoyed prosperity throughout that time. At present there are 80 members in the congregation. There has been a good gain in the past year, and the Rev. Mr. Pollard, who is pastor of the church, is to a great extent responsible for the successful year's work in the church. Each of these congregations support a thriving Sunday school, and in each case this branch of the church work has had a successful year. The members of the churches take an active interest in maintaining a high standard in the Sunday school department and through their efforts the year has been even more successful than usual.

Among the Christmas presents given to local ministers one that is greatly appreciated was that received by the Rev. D. A. MacKenzie of the Presbyterian church. The Ladies of the Ladies' Aid society presented Rev. MacKenzie with a purse well-filled with money. The Presbyterian pastor has been in Dallas only about six months, but in that time he has endeared himself to the entire congregation of his church and through his efforts every department of the church work has prospered.

R. P. Hutton, who is a well-known speaker and popular with Dallas audiences, will occupy the pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday morning. "The World Passeth Away" will be the text of the sermon by the pastor in the evening.

The morning service at the Presbyterian church will be devoted to the subject of "Temperance and Good Citizenship." Mr. Phillip Deschner of Portland will deliver the address. In the afternoon at 3 p. m., a mass meeting of the citizens of Dallas will be held in the auditorium of the high school, at which time addresses will be given by R. P. Hutton state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Oregon, and Mr. Phillip Deschner of Portland. At the evening service the pastor, D. A. MacKenzie, will speak on the subject, "Loyalty to Convictions," being a New Year's message to the congregation.

W. T. Tapscott, pastor of the Baptist church will preach next Sunday morning on "A Pastor's New Year's Wish." Phillip Deschner will speak in the evening in the interest of the Anti-Saloon league.

DISAPPROVE MILITIA PLAN.

National Guard Officers, However, Universal Service.

The proposed continental army plan for O. N. G. officers was discouraged at a meeting of officers of that organization held in Portland on Wednesday, and attended by Capt. Staffin of Dallas. The sentiment was unanimous, yet notwithstanding the attitude of the guard officers no action was taken reflecting in any way on the proposed force. The guardsmen, however, declared their preference to continue with the present organization, bringing it to as near perfection as possible. The opinion of Capt. Staffin is that of members of Company I.

One feature of the session was the determination of the officers to urge the passage of militia pay bill upon the Oregon delegation in congress. A resolution in favor of the measure was adopted, as was also one favoring compulsory military service.

Polk Is Disappointed.

Contrary to expectations Polk county will not receive that handsome check from the Southern Pacific because of its winnings at the state fair. It has been learned that the railroad company withdrew the offer with the close of the exhibit season the previous year, and that it had not been renewed.

Espees Looks After Freight.

R. A. Hirsch of the freight department of the Southern Pacific company was in Dallas this week to check

over the freight car situation here with a view to improving the service. He listed the cars and discussed freight conditions with local officials so that he will be able, as a result of his report, to properly remedy any condition that exists.

HOW TO BEAT THE CATALOGUE HOUSES

The importance of intelligent and continuous advertising is clearly set forth in the following letter from a Minnesota farmer to his local newspaper. Answering occasional articles that appear in print about the mail order houses, he says:

"If the mail order houses get \$1000 out of this country each month that belongs to the home merchants, the fault is with the home merchants themselves. The mail order houses advertise and give us prices on everything they offer for sale. They tell us what they have and what they want for it. Of course we get soaked once in awhile, and if we do we can try some other house. Most of the home merchants who advertise at all don't quote prices. They neglect to tell us what we want to know—prices. Of course we can go to the store and ask the price of this article, and that, but you know how it is—one doesn't know so well what he wants to buy when he gets in a store as when he is at home. And there is where the mail order houses make their hit. They send their advertising matter into our homes and we read it when we haven't anything else to do and every member of the family who reads their stuff usually finds something that he or some other member of the family wants, and many orders are made up and sent out at just such times.

"Right here is where the home merchant falls down. If he talked up his business in our homes the same as the mail order houses do, the people would be in to see him the next time they came to town, and in many cases extra trips would be made to get things at once that we wanted when they were brought to our attention.

"The home merchant can save the expense of getting out a catalog. We people read the home paper more carefully than we do a catalog, and if the merchant wants to talk business with us, let him put his talk in the home papers, and put it in so we know he means business. The home merchant, nine times out of ten, sells his goods as cheap as the mail order houses, and I believe on many things he is much cheaper, but how are we to know if he does not tell us about it?"

"A merchant must not think that even his best customers know his goods so well that they can tell what he has without being told.

"It is none of my business how the home merchant runs his business, but I don't like to see these roasts in the paper all the time about us fellows who get a little stuff shipped in once in awhile and never anything said on the other side. There are always two sides to a question, and I have given you mine. If it is anything to you, you can take it."

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OREGON HAS 10 DELEGATES.

Apportionment for Republican Convention Is Announced.

Oregon's apportionment of delegates to the Republican National convention to nominate candidates for president and vice-president is 10, according to James B. Reynolds, secretary of the Republican National committee, in a letter to Secretary of State Oleott.

This is the same number of delegates allotted to Oregon when the last national convention met. Under the apportionment four of the delegates will be elected from the state at large and the remainder chosen two from each of the state's three congressional districts.

County Fair Conference.

The annual conference of county fair officials will be held at Corvallis next Wednesday, when H. C. Seymour will discuss school industrial exhibits, and Mrs. Winnie Braden will speak of woman's work.

Registration Begins Monday.

Next Monday the registration of voters will commence in Oregon. The voter's name will remain permanently enrolled until he, or she, fails to vote or moves from one district to another.

Observer want ads, do the bit.

GRANT APPEAL CERTAIN

SOUTHERN PACIFIC GETS ADDITIONAL TIME TO PAY COSTS.

Judge Wolvorton's Timber Decision Will Be Contested Before Highest Court in Nation.

Definite announcement that an appeal would be taken from the decree entered by Federal Judge Wolvorton in the Oregon & California land grant case, in which he held that the railroad has no interest in timber on the grant lands and gave a judgment against the company for costs of the action, was made in Portland on Wednesday by Attorney John M. Gearin, representing the railroad.

Appearing before Judge Wolvorton, Mr. Gearin explained that he had received a telegram from the legal department of the Oregon & California and its successor, the Southern Pacific at San Francisco, instructing him to take two appeals. One of the appeals, he said, would be to the Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco. The other will be taken direct to the United States Supreme court. The purpose of the appeal to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals is to bring the case before the Supreme court in the regular channel, should the Supreme court decline to entertain the direct appeal.

Mr. Gearin asked Judge Wolvorton to fix the bond to stay execution of his decree as to the costs, amounting to about \$6000, pending the appeal. Judge Wolvorton fixed the bond at \$15,000.

Many New Notaries.

Every agent on the Southern Pacific automatically becomes a notary public to the extent that they are empowered to legally swear anyone who makes an application to receive a shipment of liquor after January 1. This also applies to all express agents. As these agents may only swear a person for the one purpose of securing the legal amount of liquor, no seal is required.

Mr. Morris Appreciative

We desire by this method to express our thanks for the liberal patronage with which we were favored during the holidays of the closing year, and likewise for the patronage of the citizens of Polk county during the past twenty-two years of our business career in Dallas, assuring our loyal friends—the purchasing public—that their favors are appreciated. It has been our constant aim in the past, as it will be in the future, to serve all faithfully and well, and we cannot but believe that our efforts in this direction are satisfying to our constituency. We have always endeavored to place "quality" in the foreground, giving value received for every dollar that has passed over our counters, and those familiar with our stock and business methods have for years been among our "best" customers. In the years to come we shall continue along the same careful business lines, giving assurance that this shall always be known as the quality store.

Again thanking the people of Polk county for their liberal and much appreciated patronage, and hoping to merit a continuance of their favors, we extend to all our best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

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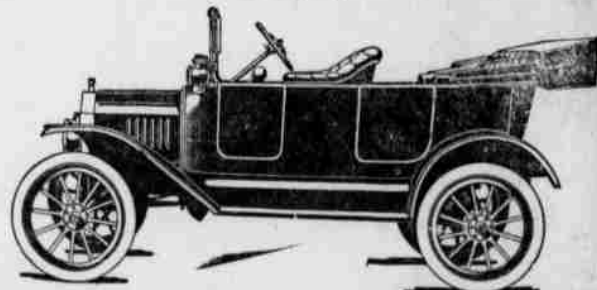
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