

## EASTER SERVICES ARE INTERESTING

Many of Our Citizens Visit Local Churches for Easter Programs.

While Easter Sunday in the Rogue River Valley was not exactly what would be termed an ideal Spring day or marked by weather suitable for the most advantageous showing of New Spring gowns or Easter millinery such as one naturally expects in this section of the country, it was an occasion when a large majority of our citizens took the opportunity of showing their appreciation of the efforts of the local pastors and their fellow workers when they prepared an Easter program for the observance of the resurrection of the Savior.

The Presbyterian church gave a program in place of the usual Sunday morning service and those who assisted the pastor in the selection and carrying out of the different numbers on the program as well as those who arranged the appropriate and lovely decorations are well entitled to a word of praise for their work on this occasion. Those who took part in the program also demonstrated their interest and ability to perform excellent service in their chosen work for a worthy cause. The program as published last week was rendered in a very pleasing manner and was certainly greatly enjoyed by the large attendance present. It was excellent both in the planning and the execution.

At the Methodist Episcopal church the most important service was held at the evening hour of worship for while the morning service was just as appropriate to this date and the program arranged was quite as interesting and pleasing as the evening numbers the latter service was the more elaborate of the two and drew by far the larger attendance.

The Sunday school orchestra which has lately been added to the working staff of the church and which is composed of piano, organ, violin, trombone, cornet, saxophone and bass furnished the instrumental music and the vocal numbers were contributed by well known solo, duet, trio, and quartet singers of the city and vicinity. Taken singly or all together the numbers were each and every one of the most pleasing entertainment and at the same time well in line with the idea of devotional service for the occasion.

The attendance rather demonstrated the need of more room in this church as even standing room was at a premium and certainly the interest shown gave ample evidence of deep appreciation of those who so willingly give their efforts to work of this kind.

The church was beautifully decorated with a profusion of lovely flowers everywhere and this in perfect harmony with the soul stirring music and words of song must needs go far in the assurance of a resurrection, in the hope of a larger, better life, in the

evidence that we may each one do a little to make the present pleasant and worth while, in the announcement of a new season at hand, and in the belief of one who "careth for His own."

The services in both churches were a credit to those organizations, to the city of Central Point, to our citizens and to each and every one taking some part in the carrying out of the excellent programs. Our churches are worthy organizations and entitled to our most hearty support.

### Recommends New Vault for Records.

The grand jury in its reports submitted the following regarding the recorder's office.

"The recorder is very much cramped for both office and vault space. His vault is narrow, possibly 5x10 and 9 to 10 feet high. One side is fitted with book racks. Every bit of space is filled. Twelve or fifteen volumes of deed and mortgage records lying on the floor; also several large volumes of plat records standing on edge, the covers becoming warped and broken. The vault does not appear fire-proof."

Regarding the sheriff's office the report says: "In the sheriff's office we find great congestion of work, caused principally by the work incidental to tax collection. The jail is clean and sanitary, and is a credit to the management of Jailor William Singler."

The county clerk's, treasurer's and assessor's offices are thus commended: "We find that Mr. Gardner has a large fine room and vault with desks and filing cases, ample desk room, and a new counter that adds greatly to the service of the office. Apparently there is a place for everything, and everything is in its place. The recent cleaning of the walls has added to the attractiveness of the rooms. The county treasurer's and assessor's offices are in first class condition."

It is also stated that a coat of paint in the court room would not hurt.

### Exhibit Car of Oregon Products.

The work of educating Eastern people as to the opportunities Oregon offers for the settler is not only being carried on from the various commercial clubs of the state, but very effective missionary work is being done by the Great Northern exhibit car now touring the Middle West. This car is really a complete land show on wheels, containing samples of products grown in the state and is accompanied by well informed men who explain the display and answer questions. Fully 120,000 people of the Middle West will have viewed the car during its tour, which ends at Peoria, Ill., April 4.

Railroad men, in keeping tab on work done by the car, find interest in Oregon homesteads is high throughout the territory covered. Few visiting the exhibit have used their homestead rights and many announce their intention of coming West and filing on Government land remaining unclaimed in this state. The car carries a large amount of literature descriptive of Oregon and this is distributed to inquirers.

### CHILDREN'S INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITS.

For Oregon State Fair Will be Carried Free on Railroads.

Of considerable interest to the school children of the state who will make exhibits at the Oregon State Fair next Fall comes the announcement that most of the railroad lines in the state have volunteered to carry such exhibits free of charge to the fair.

The following letter from the state superintendent of schools office explains the action and gives some idea of the importance schools will gain by joining in the contest.

"I am sure the school children of Oregon will be delighted to know that the different railroads; the S. P., the O. W. R. & N. and the Hill lines in Oregon, including the Astoria line, the Oregon Electric and the United Railways, have all agreed to carry the school children's exhibits to and from the State Fair, this year, free of charge.

"In order to take advantage of this liberal offer the exhibits of a certain county, or district, must be assembled at one or more convenient shipping points and shipped together in the name of the County School Superintendent, teacher or other authorized person.

"This is a fine thing for the railroads to do, and it will help wonderfully in this industrial contest. Now the child 200 miles away from Salem can send an exhibit to the fair just as well as one only 20 miles away. We hope the boys and girls all over the state, knowing this fact early in the season, will begin at once to prepare something for the State Fair. It begins September 29 this year, and the prize list is larger and more attractive than last year. The list will be off the press in a few days and sent out to the County School Superintendents from whom each family can secure a copy.

"Besides the fine line of regular and special prizes in the individual classes, there are five cash prizes ranging from \$100 down to \$40 for the best collective exhibit by the schools of any county. There are also five special prizes for the best exhibit by one room districts outside of counties making a county exhibit.

"Oregon has a good chance to lead the world in industrial work this year, and reap a great reward. To this end we hope to have the co-operation of not only all the teachers and children, but of every other citizen of the state."

—N. C. Maris,  
Field Worker Industrial Fairs.

### That Boy of Yours

He may be president. That is the grand privilege of every American boy. But, whether or no, he is your boy and photographs that preserve his boyhood and youth will mean everything to you in after years. Lemeister's Studio will do your work. There's a photographer in your town. A lot of new mounts just arrived.

### For Sale

Full-blood Plymouth Rock eggs, 5/c for 15 eggs. Inquire of Mrs. Alexander

## FATAL TORNADO SWEEPS OMAHA

152 Dead, 400 Hurt and Property Destroyed Runs Into Millions

Omaha.—With the death list probably aggregating 152 and the list of injured all of 400, Omaha and the surrounding territory in Nebraska and Iowa faces the problem of housing the thousands rendered homeless by the tornado of Sunday night.

The number of buildings destroyed was placed in the neighborhood of 1200 and the property damage at several million dollars. Related reports coming to Omaha tended to increase the enormity of the havoc wrought and indicated that a much wider territory had been in the path of the storm than was at first shown.

The hospitals in Omaha are full of injured, many of whom have not been identified, apparently because their friends are either dead or among the injured.

The stricken section of Omaha is patrolled by government troops from Fort Omaha and the State Militia. Governor Morehead himself has taken personal charge of the state troops. There has been little or no looting.

The storm came almost without warning from a sky that had cleared in the afternoon.

The little town of Ralston, three miles west of South Omaha, first felt the fury of the storm, which there took a toll of half a dozen or more lives and practically destroyed the town.

In a northeasterly direction and in almost a straight line, it traveled with incredible speed, wrecking many handsome homes. Many business buildings in the vicinity of Twenty-fourth and Lake streets were totally destroyed or badly damaged. The Idlewild pool-hall, patronized by colored men, collapsed and the debris caught fire. It is believed that 40 or 50 persons perished there.

From Twenty-fourth and Lake the storm seemed to veer a little to the east and it finally passed over the state line into Iowa at Carter Lake. The cyclone cut a swath three to seven blocks wide for 24 blocks and left ruin wherever it touched.

Within the space of this storm center, which if made rectangular would cover a quarter section of land, 1200 houses were wrecked, 100 dead bodies have been recovered, and several are known to be still in the ruins at the end of the storm's path.

Loss \$5,000,000 to \$12,000,000. Estimates of the value of property demolished vary between \$5,000,000 and \$12,000,000. Some of the more substantial houses can be partially rebuilt, but this number is small, and where the buildings have not been twisted around they have been so twisted that even the material is useless for rebuilding.

Among the buildings destroyed were 11 churches and eight schools. To the day and hour of the catastrophe was due the fact that no loss of life accompanied the demolition of these buildings. Sacred Heart convent was entirely destroyed, but the 50 inmates escaped in safety.

Twenty fires were reported in the track of the storm and every piece of fire-fighting material of the city, as well as companies from South Omaha and Council Bluffs were kept at work all night, preventing a general conflagration. In this they were aided by a torrential rain, which followed the tornado.

The destruction began with the millionaires' homes in the exclusive West Farnum and Bemis Park districts. Few lives were lost in this exclusive district, but farther northwest the buildings collapsed more easily and large numbers of deaths resulted.

### Rescuers Work in Darkness

Rescue work started as soon as the residents of the town were able to hurry to the stricken district, but the night's work was by the light of lanterns and little was accomplished. The storm in passing took down all the wires in the path of the tornado and the electric power was shut off immediately to prevent further loss of life.

With the arrival of daylight a trainload of militia from Lincoln, and the presence in the city of Governor Morehead, the work was systematized.

Hospital facilities were generally adequate. Dr. Molnes sent a special train with 40 physicians.

Money is pouring into the city, the city organizations are taking the lead in providing funds.

The city commissioners passed an ordinance appropriating \$25,000 for relief work. Citizens present at the meeting organized and \$25,000 more was donated. A citizens' relief committee was organized, composed of 59 citizens and an executive committee of four to work with the seven city councilmen.

### RURAL SCHOOL NEWS

Supervisor of District No. 2 Writes Regarding Work, Attendance, Etc.

We are all interested to a large extent in the school conditions of the county and take pride in the general efficient work of the teachers and pupils in the different rural districts of this section. The following letter from Supervisor Henry of this district will give our readers some understanding of conditions in the field.

Mr. Henry expresses himself as being much gratified with the general attendance throughout the district. Contrary to what might be expected of winter schools, they, and especially the ones far up in the mountains have made by far the best average record during the past winter ever known in these schools. The Persist school deserves special mention, having had almost perfect attendance all of the year. The Rock Point school, however with twelve pupils still holds the highest record for attendance in Supervisory District No. 2, having maintained an average of 98 per cent, with only two cases of tardiness for the year. Some of the smallest pupils walk more than two miles.

A number of valuable publications from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Oregon Agricultural College, at Corvallis, and also from several universities, have been placed in the school libraries for the use of the people. Many of these can be made very helpful if secured and carefully read in the homes. These publications may be taken home and returned to the libraries by the children who attend school, and the larger children would be glad to send for duplicate copies of these publications if requested to do so by their parents or friends. By this plan, everyone may have the benefit of the opportunity to consult some of the best authorities without much bother.

As the school year nears the close, everyone should begin to inquire how their school rates in the scale Standardization. Perhaps you can do something to help gain a point for your school. The outline plan may be found posted in every school room with stars pasted on it showing just how your school stands. Visit your school, examine this Standardization schedule, and see if you cannot offer some assistance or encouragement that will help your school to reach a higher standard of efficiency.

### Circuit Court in Session.

The March term of circuit court opened at the county seat Monday and took up the work of the session with Judge F. M. Calkins presiding. A large amount of criminal and civil work is before the court for disposal.

The first business taken up by the court was the selection of a grand jury and the following men were named: W. M. Petri, Joseph Mayfield, J. C. Calvert, Geo. W. Dean, Frank Schuette, J. T. Dodge, Frank Nichol. The grand jury immediately adjourned until October 29. They are subject to a call of the court however.

The first case up before the court came when the ten saloon men of Medford indicted by the grand jury for selling liquor to minors were arraigned and the charges read to them. They were given until Wednesday morning to enter their pleas. Appearing for the defendants at this time Attorneys Reames and Withington entered demurrers to the charges. These will be argued soon and if overruled the cases set for trial.


The first criminal case considered by the court at this term will be the state vs. Frank Kelley who operated as a burglar in Medford and kept a set of books on his actions.

### Arrange for School Garden Contests.

Industrial fair associations are being organized in various Oregon counties that will further the work of the school children along these lines. Such organizations have already been perfected in Sherman and Morrow counties and also one for Linn County at Albany. The Sherman County court has appropriated \$650 for the fair and a list of attractive premiums is offered for the best showings. Other counties are falling into line and the State Fair also promises to be better than ever next Fall.

The railroads of the state have done a very helpful thing toward promoting the work of the school children's county industrial fairs, having agreed to carry the children's exhibits to and from the State Fair free of charge. Exhibits must be assembled at one or more convenient points in each county and all sent in together. This means that the children in the most remote parts of Oregon will be encouraged to enter the contest and will have every advantage that those nearer the State Fair location will enjoy. The prize list is larger and more attractive than ever before and it is hoped that early preparations will be made for collecting and shipping.

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## UNCOUNTED YEARS OLD Fossil Animals and Plants of the Early World Geologist's Key.

The work of the United States Geological Survey in paleontology the study of fossil remains of animals and plants that lived ages ago—has a distinct bearing on some of the very practical economic problems of to-day.

The descriptive paleontology reports are often treated as "pure science," yet instructive, striking or tedious as may be these delineations of the groups of animal or plant life which lived on the globe in some particular epoch, there is not one of these papers describing the fauna or flora of a formation that does not prove sooner or later to possess practical value and to be essential to geology in its constantly increasing refinement of study and results. Without paleontology the geologic classification of formations, their correlation, and the determination of their mutual relations would be impossible. In fact, real and symmetrical progress in geology is impossible without corresponding interrelated development and refinement of its handmaid paleontology. The study of the economic geology of any region of complicated structure is blind and inconsequent unless the time relations of the strata concerned are known. These relations are indicated by the fossils which the strata contain. (From Thirty-third Annual Report Director U. S. Geological Survey.)

### Y. M. C. A. Notes

Owing to the difficulty of getting the teams together for the final games in the shuffling tournament occasioned by some of the players being at work in the country it has been thought best to call it off and start a new one. Everyone interested and who can arrange time to play is invited to meet at the Y. M. C. A. this evening, Thursday, to select partners, adopt rules of play, agree upon time of games, etc. Following is the standing of the teams in the old tournament:

Teams	Won	Lost	Pr	Ct
Bacon Minuth.....	34	11	755	
Beebe Shields.....	13	12	660	
Sturtevant Tuttle.....	20	15	571	
Gleason Hamilton.....	18	22	450	
Cowley Pearl.....	11	14	410	
Isaacson Hatfield.....	13	17	433	
Tex Scott.....	8	12	490	
England Lindsay.....	2	3	400	
Grim Adams.....	9	15	360	
Adams Nicholas.....	7	18	290	

The Auxiliary will meet on Tuesday, April 1, at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Tuttle on Cedar street.

The regular boys' monthly banquet was held last evening with Mrs. Hearst and Mrs. Kahler, assisted by Mrs. Barnett and Mrs. Rostel as hostesses. Twenty-four boys were present and their enjoyment was evidenced by their attack on the splendid things provided. After the spread a debate was held, the subject "Woman Suffrage", selected by the boys, being thoroughly discussed. Elmer Kyle and Robert Dunlap spoke in favor, while Frederick Aldrich, John Cowley and Merritt Barnett opposed. The judges W. A. Crowley, J. D. Isaacson and W. E. Kahler rendered a tie decision.

Altogether the affair was a great success and many thanks are extended to the ladies.

An interesting social event is scheduled for April 21. Mrs. J. O. Isaacson has the event in charge. Keep the date in mind and watch for subsequent announcement.

On next Tuesday, April 1, the present city government will hold its last meeting for the purpose of closing up the business of the fiscal year, preparatory to turning over the reins of administration to the new council. The mayor will deliver the annual message, reviewing the general condition of affairs of the town, what has been done during the past year, and offering recommendations for the coming year. At the adjournment of the old council, the members elect of the new council will be sworn into office. Public invited.

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