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## Delegate to Dallas Reports a Delightful Trip

H. W. Davisson, a layman of Central Point, and Dr. J. K. Baillie of Phoenix, a clergyman, were the two delegates sent from the Presbytery of Southern Oregon to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States at Dallas, Texas. Mr. Davisson returned from the great gathering, which lasted for nine days, last Friday evening. He reports a delightful trip and a fine program at the big church convention. The Assembly went into session May 17 and adjourned on the 26th. "The big thing there was the feeling of unity in a common cause, the spirit of Christian brotherhood and co-operation which was manifest throughout the entire session; this was especially true in regard to the action taken in preparing resolutions endorsing the administration at Washington and offering the government the resources of the entire Presbyterian church in the United States," he said.

Mr. Davisson said there were 900 delegates in attendance, including quite a representative delegation from the Southern States, for a good number of colored delegates were there. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, the noted evangelist of New York, was the assembly moderator and Rev. Wm. Henry Roberts the stated clerk. Rev. Roberts has held that office for 35 years, and at the close of the great gathering a present of \$1000 in gold was given him and his wife in honor of his long years of service. He is also noted as the author of "Roberts' Rules of Order."

"The Assembly voted to buy \$25,000 worth of Liberty bonds," said Mr. Davisson, "as a part of the patriotic work of the Assembly." It may be of interest here to say that Mr. Davisson learned at El Paso that many of the wealthier Mexicans were investing in Liberty bonds. He said also in this connection that on the border it was very quiet. Many troops were being moved from place to place, but the excitement we read about from time to time was lacking there. "The farther away you get from

## C. P. Voted Down Bonds

The vote in Central Point on Monday gave a majority of 10 votes against the road bond issue, but it carried in the State by a big majority. South Central Point precinct, however, gave a majority in favor of the bonds. The latest figures indicate a majority in the State of 17,000.

the border the more seriously the people take the situation down there," said he. In Texas the corn crop was from knee high to waist high, and the visitor saw many fields of cotton either just coming up or being planted. "The weather there was very much like what we have been getting here at home lately," he said.

A feature of the Assembly program that was especially pleasing to the two gentlemen from this Presbytery was the colored quintet from Biddle Institute, a seminary in the South for educating colored preachers. Dr. Baillie later persuaded Mr. Davisson to attend a negro protracted meeting that was being held in the convention city. Suffice it to say that Dr. Baillie witnessed such a sight as he had never seen before or believed possible. He received two particular shocks that he probably will never forget. After the second colored woman had raised the roof, causing the doctor to jump in his seat, he whispered, "Say, and that preacher never as much as batted an eye!"

The most inspiring meeting was when the convention voted the resolutions to be sent to the President. A minister spoke at this meeting who was a native of Germany, a man who had been educated there, and a big fellow standing six feet two in his stockings—a typical, good natured German, genial and kind. His name was Orth. He said that he attended the same school—some special military school where the youth of the nobility are educated—that Kaiser Wilhelm attended as a young man. He knew him well from daily contact with his life as a student. He said that the Kaiser was, personally, a very fine Christian character, but that he was under the power of the hereditary house. Rev. Orth, while he still loves the Fatherland and maintains many happy memories of

## Booster Meeting Poorly Attended

The Good Roads booster meeting held Friday evening at the Savoy Theatre was poorly attended. The purpose of the meeting was to arouse interest in favor of the \$6,000,000 road bond issue. While only a few of the local citizens came out, a number of able speakers were on hand and spoke on different phases of the road bond issue. W. C. Leever of Central Point, who is one of the directors of the Tri-State Good Roads Association, acted as chairman of the meeting. Mr. Leever is one of the most enthusiastic workers for good roads in the State. In a few earnest words he briefly outlined the purpose of the meeting and the importance of properly understanding the measure to be voted on the following Monday.

Mayor C. E. Gates of Medford was then introduced. Mr. Gates is an able speaker and he gave a very clear, concise argument in favor of the bonding measure. Among other things he said that Jackson county had been the pioneer in good roads building in Oregon, especially in Southern Oregon, but he said that Oregon was at least ten years behind the coast States in good roads building.

Porter J. Neff of Medford was the next speaker. He said that he believed that the time was not far distant when every farmer would require an automobile as a necessary asset to his farming. He brought out other good points; showing why we should continue to progress—to build more good roads.

D. W. Stone, who lives near Central Point, was the next speaker. He showed that he, too, was an enthusiastic worker

for good roads. H. L. Walthers of Medford followed with a good talk. John Westerlund of Medford, president of the Tri-State Good Roads Association, also gave a good talk. George E. Boos, executive secretary of the association, and one or two other good roads fans of Medford, were also present at this meeting. The Herald editor is glad to say that he and Mr. Boos are former Seattle friends. Mr. Boos was secretary of the Seattle Commercial Club at that time.

Ezra B. Yant, an old man living in a little house near Willow Springs, was found dead in bed yesterday (Wednesday, June 6) by his son, W. D. Yant. The old gentleman had complained lately of not feeling well, but he was not thought to be seriously ill. He was 87 years, 5 months and 26 days old, having been born the year that Lincoln became of age. Ohio was his native State, but not much is known here of his life's history.

His body was brought to Central Point Wednesday and the burial was in the local cemetery today. Mr. March, a member of the Christian church, conducted the funeral services this afternoon. Only a few friends attended the funeral.

It is yet time to plant dalia bulbs. You can get them at Paxson's Drug Store.

Rev. Reed preached a fine sermon last Sunday evening on "Some things we can learn from this awful war." Come out and hear him again next Sunday evening at the M. E. church.

Mrs. F. A. Hawk has some very fine rose bushes in full bloom. She also raises her own vegetables and has proved herself a successful gardener. The Herald man knows, because he received a bunch of radishes from her that were very fine.

Last Sunday some fine catches were made by local reel twisters. Guy Tex, our pleasant postal agent, caught a fine 26 pounder. He said he caught a much larger one, too, but—it got away. J. E. Boswell, the hair cut artist, caught two fine salmon, one weighing 28 and another 35 pounds.

Rev. Bandy, in his sermon last Sunday morning, touched on the matter of united action by all the churches in a small town like Central Point. This is something that we should not only talk about, but we should ACT.