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CHURCH DEDICATED BY PRESBYTERIANS

Dr. William Hiram Foulkes Delivered Eloquent Dedictory Sermon Yesterday.

SPECIAL MUSIC RENDERED BY CHOIR OF 32 VOICES

Magnificent Edifice Erected at Cost of \$32,000 Paid for with Exception of \$4000.

Declaring that wisdom had built its house out of seven pillars and that the church edifice was a triumph of Christian generosity and faith, Dr. William Hiram Foulkes of New York City, general secretary of the Presbyterian denomination, delivered an eloquent dedicatory sermon before a congregation that nearly filled the magnificent new Presbyterian church. The services were held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock when the church was formally dedicated.

Dr. Foulkes is an eloquent and forcible speaker. He is a Western man and formerly resided in this state where he had been detained as a Presbyterian minister. During the course of his sermon he divulged the fact that he is partial to the West and that he is only temporarily located in the East.

Explaining what he meant by the seven pillars, the fundamental foundations upon which the Presbyterian church is erected, the speaker conveyed to his auditors a lengthy history of the church and all of its branches. He contended that the erection of the splendid church edifice was but a tribute to the wisdom of these seven pillars.

"This is a building worthy of the city and the people are worthy of the church," he said. "It is an investment of the people, for the people and by the people, of which they can well be proud. It is a triumph of Christian generosity and faith and is a credit and honor to this community."

Dr. Foulkes explained the enormity of the Presbyterian religion. He said that it reached from the home missionaries into the dark recesses of Africa. So profound is his belief in the religion, he said, that if every truth of the Savior was taken from him, save the one question, answered, "Who is God?" that he would still evolve Calvinism.

Touching upon the subject of different church denominations, he said in part: "I don't want to be misunderstood in believing that Presbyterianism is perfect. There are other denominations as perfect and as full of good qualities as ours. The reason we have denominational separations can be attributed to the fact that we all do not think alike, but however, we all have as our one purpose and thought the truth of our God."

At the conclusion of the sermon Rev. F. H. Geselbracht expressed his appreciation on behalf of members of the church to Dr. Foulkes for the services he has rendered during the dedication ceremonies. Dr. Foulkes came from the East to attend the ceremonies.

The pulpit of the church was beautifully decorated with Easter lilies, ferns, Oregon grape and Japanese cherry blossoms. A special choir composed of twelve male voices and twenty ladies, rendered several splendid selections. They sang "Great is Jehovah," and "The Heavens Are Telling." Mr. S. N. Steele, of Portland formerly of this city, sang "Hosanna" to the accompaniment of the big pipe organ, played by Miss Wiegner.

Among the members of the local ministerial association who were honored with seats in the pulpit including Dr. Foulkes, Rev. Reed and Rev. Geselbracht were: Rev. F. W. Emerson, of the Christian church; Rev. D. H. Leech, of the Methodist church; Rev. W. P. White, of the United Presbyterian church; Rev. E. H. Hicks, of the Baptist church, and Rev. L. S. Mochel, of the Grace Presbyterian church. Others of the association were unable to attend.

Before the conclusion of the services Chairman A. C. Schmitt of the building committee was called upon to give a statement of the financial standing of the church since some of the money had been raised. The statement showed that the building had been erected at a cost of \$32,558. At the morning service \$640 was raised by subscription and together with previous subscriptions, the total sum now to be raised to pay off the original debt is \$4000.

Subscription sheets were distributed among the congregation and a special offering was taken which will go towards this sum.

Rev. Geselbracht also extended his appreciation in behalf of members of the church to Rev. Harry Reed, for his services during the dedication, who also traveled a long distance to attend. Rev. Reed is from the Auburn Theological Seminary and delivered the dedicatory prayer. He also preached the sermon at the evening service. Rev. W. P. White, of this city, pronounced the benediction.

SAYS HE IS WELL IMPRESSED WITH ALBANY

G. L. Rauch Here for Purpose of Collecting Data for Eastern Capitalists.

After making a thorough investigation of local conditions in Albany, including the collection of a large amount of data from the municipal records, G. L. Rauch left yesterday morning for Portland.

Mr. Rauch declined to reveal the purpose of his visit to Albany other than to say that he represented capitalists who may conclude to make some substantial investments in this city.

While here he stopped at the St. Francis and met a number of local business men, including Mayor Gilbert. He seemed particularly interested in the local water supply, but made no comment upon the situation other than to say that he was very favorably impressed with Albany and that he had never received more courteous treatment than that accorded to him by the business men of this city.

SPLENDID SERVICES IN CHURCHES MARKED EASTER

The "Day of Resurrection" Was Observed Here by Various Denominations.

Easter day was fittingly observed in churches here yesterday. The morning services in several churches were marked with splendid sermons and musical programs. Easter lilies and green fern adorned the pulpits conspicuously. Many other flowers were much in evidence.

Sermons were in keeping with the spirit of the day. At the United Presbyterian church, Rev. W. P. White delivered an eloquent sermon on the subject of "Perennial Easter." At the morning service, Rev. D. H. Leech of the Methodist church masterfully conveyed to his congregation a sermon brimming with logic and blessed information under the subject of "The Resurrection of the Body." Rev. F. M. Emerson, of the Christian church, delivered a strong message to his auditors on the subject of "The Triumph of Gospel over Sin and Death." In his characteristic style Rev. Emerson drastically told of the triumph of the gospels before all sins. At the Catholic church Rev. Arthur Lane forcibly spoke on the "Resurrection of Christ according to St. Mark," during the morning service. He had as his subject for the evening service "The Easter Lesson of Spiritual Renewal."

Aspicious services and musical ceremonies were held at the First Presbyterian church during the day, the occasion being the dedication of the new edifice to the service. An account of the dedication services appears elsewhere in this issue.

A parliament to be held under the direction of the General Conference Commission on Finance for the consideration of the opportunities and achievements of the Methodist Episcopal church, through its great missionary and benevolent boards, will convene in Portland March 30, and running for two days thereafter.

A large delegation from this city will be in attendance and it is expected that this will be the largest session of the commission on finance held in several years.

Many prominent speakers and ministers of the church are scheduled to appear on the large and varied program. Men from the leading cities of the country will be present, including Bishop W. O. Shepard, of Kansas, Bishop F. J. McConnell, of Colorado, and Bishop R. J. Cooke, of Portland. Ministers from New York City, Philadelphia, Kansas City and Denver will address the assembly.

Rev. D. H. Leech, a local minister, has the distinction of being a member of the Oregon Conference of the finance commission and will be in attendance during the three days of the conference.

C. R. Bryant, a prominent railroad man, running out of Grants Pass, returned home today after a visit with his sister, Mrs. Emma B. Croson, of this city, and folks at Jefferson.

Edmund Anderson, a prominent O. A. C. freshman, spent Easter at home. He had his green cap ready to put on as soon as he reached Corvallis.

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GETS 25 DAYS IN JAIL FOR THEFT

Edward Smith, Arrested, Convicted and Sentenced on Charge, Saturday.

WAS ARRESTED SHORTLY AFTER COMMITTING CRIME

Case Tried Before Justice of Peace Swan; Smith Is a Resident of Corvallis.

Arrested, convicted and sentenced on a charge of stealing a bicycle, which he sold to a local second hand store, between the hours of 3 and 6 o'clock Saturday afternoon, is the remarkable record made by local police, when Edward Smith was arrested on the charge.

Smith stole a bicycle belonging to Leo Krupp, from the rear of the Ludwig plumbing establishment, on Ferry street, where Krupp is employed and sold it to E. Rogoway for ten dollars for which he was tendered a check. The check was made out to Ralph Henry, Smith claiming this to be his name. Rogoway became suspicious of the deal and instituted an investigation through Policeman Griff King. Smith was traced to the Waller, there through the proprietor, E. V. Bloomfield, the officer learned that the check had been cashed.

The officer sallied forth in company with Mr. Bloomfield in pursuit of the offender. Smith was identified and intercepted at the entrance of the Viereck's barber shop where he was preparing to take his departure after securing a shave. When taken into custody he pretended to be ignorant of the matter and was void of any knowledge of giving the check. But when Mr. Bloomfield confronted him with the check he admitted his guilt and refunded the money. He was then placed in the city jail.

Later Smith was brought before Justice of the Peace Swan who found him guilty of the charge. The judge assessed a fine of \$50 in default of which Smith was placed in the county jail to serve a sentence of 25 days.

It is understood that Smith is a resident of Corvallis where he has been employed as a laborer in some construction work. He refused to talk concerning himself. When arrested he begged the officer to release him lest a mother's heart in Corvallis would be broken.

Dr. J. H. Robnett, who recently purchased the home of Olin Stalnaker, 618 West Seventh street, removed his home to that place today from 217 East Fourth street.

Captain C. A. Murphy, of Pendleton, spent Sunday at the home of Dr. J. H. Robnett.

CONTRACTORS ARE LAUDED FOR GOOD WORK ON EDIFICE

C. W. Sears & Son Furnished All Wood Work for Magnificent New Church Building.

C. W. Sears & Son of the Albany Planing Mills, are the recipients of many congratulations for the superb work which that concern furnished for the interior of the handsome new structure of the First Presbyterian church. All of the doors, windows and wood work finishings were furnished by this firm.

Architect W. F. Tobey, of Portland, who drew the plans for the splendid new edifice, has been graciously complimented for his beautiful architectural designs. Mr. Tobey is probably the best known architect in the Willamette Valley and has drawn plans for many important buildings in this section including the First National Bank.

Albert Sandstrom, the well known brick mason of this city, under whose supervision the stone work on the new building was done, has been highly praised for the splendid work accomplished by his skilled crew of workmen. Mr. Sandstrom is a genius in his trade.

COOKS ENGAGE IN FRIENDLY TUSSELE UPSET MILK BOTTLES

It was reported this morning on the streets that the two cooks of the Palm Cafeteria engaged in an altercation in the kitchen of the restaurant, early this morning, with the result of damaging considerable china-ware. However, the report was not confirmed by the management this afternoon.

It developed that the cooks were engaged in a friendly tussle, upsetting a few milk bottles.

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DENTISTS ORGANIZE DISTRICT SOCIETY

Members of Profession Met in This City Saturday Night For This Purpose.

Dr. HARPER, OF CORVALLIS WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT

Local Organization Will Affiliate With Oregon State Dental Association.

A large delegation of dentists from the important cities of this section met Saturday afternoon at the Palm Cafeteria and organized a district society. The purpose of the society is to promote good fellowship and co-operation among members of the profession.

Officers were elected and an executive committee was appointed. The regular by-laws furnished by the Oregon State Dental Association were adopted. Officers elected for the ensuing year are the following: President, Dr. J. A. Harper, of Corvallis, vice-president, Dr. E. Ringhofer, of Brownsville, secretary, treasurer, Dr. C. V. Litterer, of this city. The personnel of the executive committee are Dr. W. S. G. Handford, of Corvallis, Dr. C. Lindberg, of Harrisburg, and Dr. William Amos, of Lebanon. The name adopted for the society is "Willamette District Dental Society."

Similar district societies are being organized over the entire state and it is the plan that these societies affiliate with the Oregon State Dental Association and eventually with the National association of dentists, for the exploitation and co-operation of the members of the profession.

The next World's Dental Congress will be held at the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco in 1914, according to the plans set forth at the meeting Saturday night the efforts of the local society will be confined in unison with other like societies to make this congress the biggest and most successful ever held.

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\$1383 RAISED AT SERVICES YESTERDAY TOWARDS DEBT

This Makes a Balance of \$3616 Which When Paid Will Cover Entire Indebtedness.

The total amount raised at the dedication services towards the indebtedness of the First Presbyterian church yesterday is \$1383.95. This makes a balance of approximately \$3616.95 to be raised to pay off the entire indebtedness. This is according to a statement issued by members of the finance committee.

It was rumored this morning that a group of men of the church are perfecting arrangements to divide up this sum among themselves and subscribe the necessary amount to cover the entire indebtedness.

From the figures at hand and the rapidly with which the sums have been raised, it is evident, according to authorities, that the members of the congregation have a sincere spirit towards the church, that they are proud of the edifice and wish to see it free from incumbrance.

During the evening letters of congratulation from Dr. Evan R. Pritchard, Rev. Tracy B. Griswold and others will be read. The program will start at 7:30 o'clock with special organ and vocal music.

It is expected that many former members of the church will be present, including S. N. Steele, I. M. Walker and E. E. Goff.

A special feature of tonight's program will be music furnished by an old time quartette composed of Mrs. E. W. Langdon, William Fortmiller, Mrs. Charles Cusick and Mr. C. W. Sears. Rev. W. A. Lee will render several selections on the big pipe organ.

H. H. Hewitt went to McMinnville this afternoon.

E. W. Warner, of Tallman, a former Albany drayman and merchant, returned home this afternoon after an Albany business trip. While here he sold his two houses at the corner of Second and Lafayette streets to B. J. Hecker. He has three more in the city. Mr. Warner is now making a specialty of stock, particularly cows and hogs, never higher than now. Yearlings are selling for \$26, a remarkable price. He reports more property changing hands around Tallman in six months than in the previous six years.

Eugene Matlock, chief clerk of the Hotel Hammel, has resigned his position and expects to go to Eugene or Roseburg.

I. R. Schultz, who was born in Omaha, today was congratulating himself upon being a resident of Albany.

S. N. STEELE BANQUETS MEMBERS OF APOLLO CLUB

Old Time Singers Gather at the Reunion Dinner as Guest of Leading Member.

Mr. S. N. Steele, formerly of this city, but now a resident of Portland, was host to several members of the Apollo club at dinner at the St. Francis hotel this noon.

The Apollo club was organized in this city about 15 years ago and was composed of the leading singers of the city. Mr. Steele who is a singer of note, was one of the active members of the club and it is in honor of this association of long standing that the reunion dinner was given.

The club is composed entirely of men and included in its list of membership are some of the leading vocalists of the state.

Those who attended the dinner are: E. E. Goff, Wm. Fortmiller, E. R. Coleman, Fred Fortmiller, Dr. Wallace H. Lee, H. A. Nelson, C. E. Sox, H. M. Crooks, A. C. Schmitt, A. M. Hammer, C. W. Sears, I. M. Walker and S. N. Steele.

REV. LEECH PREACHED GOOD SERMON "DEATH, THE ENEMY"

Splendid Services, with Beautiful Musical Programs at the Methodist Church.

Delivering what was said to be the strongest sermon ever preached in the Methodist church, Rev. D. H. Leech, conveyed an impressive message under the subject of "Death, the Enemy," to a crowded church yesterday morning. Leading members of the church were loud in their praise and declaration that the sermon was undoubtedly the strongest ever preached in their house of worship.

The church was beautifully decorated with Easter lilies and white carnations. Many terms were in evidence. Special music by a large chorus of male voices and a quartette composed of Messrs. Clark Canfield, A. M. Hammer and J. C. Minton, rendered beautiful Easter anthems.

At the morning service a number came forward and were received in the church. Special Easter programs were given by the Sunday School and the Junior League. The Sunday school program was held at 11:45 with over 300 in attendance. During the Junior League program which was held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon special music was rendered by the male quartette and the large choir of male voices. A splendid chorus composed of the ladies and gentlemen of the congregation rendered special anthems. This service was followed by a sermon on the unique subject of "Our Future Body."

Dr. Lee is a splendid speaker and is a former president of Albany College. At present he is connected with Whitworth College, of Tacoma, Wash. He is well known here where he has many warm friends, who will appreciate hearing him.

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DR. LEE WILL SPEAK TONIGHT AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Is Forcible Speaker and Is a Former President of the Albany College.

On the dedicatory program tonight is designated as home-comers evening at the First Presbyterian church and it is expected that a large crowd will assemble to hear the addresses by Dr. Wallace H. Lee and Prof. L. H. Reed. Everybody is most cordially invited to attend.

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A CYCLONE KILLS 1000 IN OMAHA

Fatal Tornado Deals Death in Scores of Cities in the Middle West.

TERRE HAUTE HALF RAZED OTHER TOWNS SUFFER

Nebraska Metropolis Reported Wiped Out--City Is Cut Off From World.

(Special to Democrat.)
Yutan, Nebraska, March 24—(2:30 p. m.)—A terrific cyclone swept this place yesterday, completely wiping out one-half of the city. Eighteen persons were killed and scores injured. The property loss is heavy but no figures on the financial loss are available.

Chicago, March 24—(Special)—Report received this morning by the Chicago office of the Western Union Telegraph company says that 1000 persons have been killed or injured in the tornado at Omaha and that the city is burning.

This information was received by the Western Union from Grand Island, Neb., the nearest city to Omaha with which the telegraph company officials were able to communicate.

Chicago, March 23—A terrific wind storm, causing widespread destruction and loss of life and property, wrecking the already demoralized telegraph service, raged over the Central West and middle states late today. Reports from Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and Indiana indicate heavy damage, but owing to the wrecking of the telegraph lines the reports are fragmentary and lacking in detail.

Omaha, Berlin, Ashland and Yutan, Neb., the latter town near Omaha; Marshalltown, Ackley, Woodbine and Carroll, Iowa; Terre Haute, Ind., and Abilene, Kan., are places from which scattered messages carrying the news of grave destruction have been received.

Omaha, Stricken, Stays Silent.
For more than four hours no word was received from the stricken city of Omaha. Late bulletins report that half the city was swept by a tornado. All wires were down, and Berlin, a neighboring town, was said to be in flames. The messages were received over a single long-distance telephone wire, which worked at intervals.

Terre Haute, Ind., suffered severely. Scores of persons were injured, an unknown number were overwhelmed in the ruins of houses blown down by the wind and many fires were started in different parts of the city.

First reports from Nebraska were that the towns visited by the storm had been wiped out and that the wreckage was on fire. Trains loaded with rescuers, nurses and physicians were struggling toward the scene, being compelled to feel their way without running orders, owing to the paralysis of the telegraphic service.

Iowa Also Storm Swept.
The loss of life and property in Iowa was less severe, according to messages from the storm-swept district. Dust storms, rain, hail and tremendous electrical disturbances prevailed over Kansas and Nebraska, the greater part of the day.

Where railroad service was impossible, motor cars were pressed into service and supplies were rushed to the wrecked towns at the best speed possible over the washed out roads.

Storm Hits Chicago.
Shortly after midnight the storm reached Chicago. Its coming was preceded by virtually a total failure of telegraph lines in all directions. Reports of disaster in the southern and central parts of Illinois could not be confirmed because of the impossibility of getting into communication with the endangered cities.

Damage in Chicago was confined at the storm's first coming to broken windows, small buildings unroofed and trees blown down.

The condition of the wire service indicates that the storm's area radiates from Omaha, a great distance in every direction," said a Western Union wire chief.

"Wires are down between Omaha and points north as far as St. Paul as well as in every other direction."

Great alarm is felt here for Omaha because of a dispatch that the mayor of Omaha has asked for troops to prevent looting. A great disaster is feared, but authoritative information could not be had from any source. At 2 a. m. Monday virtually every telegraph and telephone wire into the offices of the telegraph companies and press agencies had failed.

Railroad messages relayed from point to point, carried a story of 15 dead and many injured at Yutan, Neb.

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