

AT THE CHURCHES

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Corner No. Main and Laurel Sts.
Dr. George W. Bruce, Minister
9:45- Sunday Church School.

For the purpose of better understanding the Word of God and its application to our daily living the Sunday Church School meets.

11:00- Morning Worship.
Subject: "The Rowers Have Brought Thee into Great Waters."
The choir will lead the singing and give an anthem.

6:15 - The Intermediate and Senior Youth Fellowship Groups will meet for worship.

7:30 - Evening Service.
At the evening worship there will be shown the moving picture entitled, "Kambini." This picture describes life in Portuguese East Africa where Dr. and Mrs. Ira Gillette, Oregon people are serving as missionaries.

Bible Class, Thursday at 7:30.

NEIGHBORHOOD CHURCH, CONGREGATIONAL

Corner of Blvd. and Morton
9:45 - Bible School with Mrs. Glen Prescott, Superintendent.

11:00- Worship Service
Sermon by Mr. C. F. McCall.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

North Main at Helman
Rev. Howard G. Eddy, Minister

Sunday services:
Bible School, 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.

(Junior Church meets at the same hour.)
Youth Meeting, 6:30 p. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday:
Prayer and Bible Study, 7:30 p. m.

A warm invitation is extended to all.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. A. N. MacDonnell, Vicar
8:00-Holy Communion
9:30- Church School

11:00-Service and Sermon

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Second and B Streets
Earl F. Downing, Minister

9:45 - Bible School with E. H. McGee, Supt.
11:00 - Morning Service.
Sermon Subject, "Faith for the New Year Illustrated."

11:00 - Junior Church. Worship and instruction for the children of the Beginner, Primary and Junior departments.

6:30 - Christian Endeavor for Juniors and High School age.
7:30 - Evening Service

Subject: "Men Who Missed the Trail."
Potluck Supper, Monday, 7:00.
Midweek Service Wed. 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Gordon C. Griffin-Pastor
9:45- Bible School, C. E. Corry, Superintendent.

11:00- Morning Worship.
6:30 - Young People's Meeting
7:30 - Evening Service

7:30, Wednesday- Mid-week fellowship hour.

THE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Ashland and Medford
Ward E. Pratt, Pastor

10:00 - The Church School.
Graded lessons for the children.
Title: "Jesus Begins His Ministry."

11:00 - Worship Service
New Year Message: "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord." This is the beginning of a group of messages on Building Christ's Kingdom among men. Plan to attend every Sunday morning and bring some one with you.

Evening services in Medford at 506 Beatty St.
BYPD at 7:00 p.m.

Topic: "New Farms for a Better World."

8:00 P.M. - Evening Worship, using the theme, "The Lives of Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-Shek."

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

Pioneer Ave., South
Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Wednesday evening meeting, which includes testimonies of Christian Science healing, is held at 8 o'clock.

Reading Room open daily from 2 to 5 p. m. except Sundays and holidays.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services, and to use the Reading Room.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Cor. 4th and C. Sts.
9:30 Saturday: Sabbath School.
Worship at 11:00, Saturday

WE FIGHT PERSECUTION

By Ruth Taylor

In going over the papers this Sunday, one thing has struck me most forcibly. That is the deep and earnest appeals for aid for the persecuted nations. The heart of America is warm for the down-trodden. The compassion of America extends to all people, all over the world.

There was only one thing I did not like and that—because it was wasteful. There was too great a divergence of appeals. This great and powerful force of good will was not coordinated as well as it might have been. It was scattered in a dozen different directions because the emphasis was placed not upon the root of the evil but upon the flower—not upon destroying persecution itself but only upon aid for the persecuted.

That keen critic and analyst—R. L. Duffus of the New York Times—put in his word of protest against this tendency when he wrote: "Many of us in these days believe in humanity rather than in races and would rather fight for justice in ALL cities than set aside a few cities of refuge."

It is persecution that is important—more so than who is persecuted. We can never find a safe dwelling place for the persecuted until we destroy the persecution. Tyranny and oppression are the yellow fever, plague of the world. And, like yellow fever, the cause must be eradicated to make the cure complete—and to avoid the spreading of the disease.

As Americans we have set our faces definitely against ALL persecution. We hold that no man has the right to be a master over any other men, that all men are created equal, and entitled to equal rights and opportunities. This is our faith as a people. This is our credo as a nation.

As Americans we take our stand on the side of the right, not of might. We condemn the persecution of any race. We legally abolished slavery and through both legislation and education we are wiping out discriminatory practices. We condemn the persecution of any class—whether by special privilege or taxation. We condemn the persecution of any creed—we respect the religious beliefs of Jews, Catholics and Protestants equally.

Therein lies the proof of the sincerity of our position as a people and as a nation. It is persecution which we hate and which we mean to destroy. We know that there is no safety for our democratic institutions—nay, even for our republic itself—in a world in which persecution is allowed to flourish—that the protection of the weak is the self-preservation of the strong, and that as our President has said, "The practice of brotherhood we, as Americans need more than armaments and armies to make safe our democracy."

It is persecution that we hate and fight—and united in this common cause, we will destroy it, that all men may be free.

NEW YEAR'S EVE FORMAL DANCE AT ASHLAND USO

Plans are under way for the Formal Dance at the Ashland USO, to be held on New Year's Eve. Decorations, noise makers, serpentine and a dance orchestra are arranged for and committees and staff are hoping to have a large crowd for this occasion.

Sunday evening Sing Service at 7:45. Sermon at 8:00

Topic: "And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure." I Jno. 3:3. Evangelist J. Z. Walker will conduct the Sunday evening service. The public is cordially invited.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sixth and C Streets
Rev. W. J. Meagher, Pastor.
Mass Sunday morning at 9 o'clock.
Sunday School after Mass conducted by the ladies of the church.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH

Charles E. Brown, Pastor
9:45 - Sunday School,
11:00 - Morning Worship.
6:45 - Young People.
7:30 - Evangelistic Service.
7:30 - Tuesday, Cottage Prayer meeting.

7:30 - Thursday, Prayer Meeting.

TALENT METHODIST CHURCH

Dr. George W. Bruce, Minister
9:30 - Worship service.
Subject: "The Rowers Have Brought Thee into Great Waters."

10:30 - Sunday School with Clarence Holdridge, Supt.
Midweek Bible study and prayer service, Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.



"Bombs Away!" These bombs are leaving an American "fortress," somewhere over Jap installations. The bombs we make today will be dropping on German cities, Japanese islands in a very short time. The home front must fashion them and pay for them with War Bonds. U. S. Treasury Department

Henry Metz is ill with the flu.

Pussy (Striped One) Found in the Well

Pity this unfortunate farmer who recently wrote Ed W. Mitchell, General Electric Farm Adviser, as follows:

"A skunk got in my well. Although I have emptied the well 15 times and cleaned it, the water still is not palatable. Is there any remedy?" he asked.

To this lament Mr. Mitchell replied:

"Sprinkle a can or two of chloride of lime and four ounces of potassium permanganate into the well. After three or four days, pump the well dry three or four times—or till the taste of the chlorine is almost gone—and then hang a burlap bag of charcoal in the well. That should do the job; if not, repeat the operation."

As a consoling afterthought, G. E. Farm Adviser Mitchell added: "It is hard luck for you, but remember it was a fatal accident for the skunk."

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Reed of Alameda, California arrived Thursday and visited until Sunday with Mrs. Reed's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Emmett.

Miss Mary Ann Delsman, who is a student at Oregon University, is spending the holidays with home folk.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Browne on Dec. 22, a daughter. Monette on December 23, a son.

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