

LOCAL MEETINGS GROW IN POWER

Great Crowds Attend Revival Being Held at Baptist Church and Accord Dr. Palmer a Great Deal of Attention.

The meetings now in progress at the First Baptist church, Rev. A. A. Holmes, pastor, are growing in power. Great crowds are listening with attention to the sermons being delivered by Dr. Ray Palmer of St. Louis.

All denominations are attending the services, and all express themselves as being highly pleased with the evangelist, his methods and messages. The greatest congregation of the meetings filled the church last night. The singing by the choir is one attractive feature of the revival.

The pastor, Rev. Holmes, has his finger right on the pulse of the meetings. He is a general in the command of his forces, and he seems to stand right back of the evangelist in his work. Last night there were hearty amens as Dr. Palmer scored point after point against the liquor traffic and other great social evils.

Palmer said last night that he was not here to abuse saloonkeepers—he had long since ceased to do that. He declared that the saloons of Medford were here by the suffrage of the people. He raised his voice to a thrilling key and, emphasizing his words with a stamp of the foot, exclaimed: "Hear me, my brother; if all the pastors and churches of Medford would get together, every saloon would be closed tomorrow morning!" (Loud amens over the congregation.)

"Yes," cried the preacher, "when the church crowd of Medford stand before the judgment throne, the blood of lost souls will be on their garments because they permitted the le-galised saloon in this beautiful city. God help the preachers and the churches to get together and drive the curse from Medford," said the evangelist. "Yes," said the speaker, "and then convert the saloonkeepers and bartenders and make them into Baptist deacons, Presbyterian elders and Methodist stewards. God knows some of these fellows would, when born again, beat some of the dead-heads you now have as church officers."

Dr. Palmer told the story of the conversion of John Redding, a Presbyterian evangelist. John was once a drunken tramp. He went to see his old mother back east. Early in the morning he started to the saloon. He had to pass through his mother's room. She was awake. "Awake, mother?" said John. "Are you ill, mother?" "Ah, worse than ill, my boy," replied the mother. "My heart is broken. I am going to die in a few days. Oh, John, I have been awake all night thinking of you—thinking of when you were a sweet, pure baby in my arms. Oh, I thought then my boy can never grow up to be wicked, but, John, for many years you have been a drunkard and a gambler. I have heard you curse Christ, my Savior. Oh, John, promise you will be a Christian." John stid, "Mother, I'll try."

"Com eand kneel by my bed, John, and let me pray for you," said the mother. John knelt there; her hands were on his head. "Such a prayer," said John, "as I never heard before in my life my mother put up to God for me." John left the room, went to the saloon, got drunk again. His mother died in a few days. He was so drunk at the funeral his friends had to hold him up. Soon his wife left him and for two years he became a tramp. He returned home, his wife met him at the door. "Oh, John," she cried, throwing her arms around his neck, "thank God you have come back. If you w ildly be a Christian I shall be your wife again. Get on your knees and let us pray," said Sallie. John knelt. The broken-hearted wife prayed mightily to God to save her husband. Then she said, "Now, John, you pray." He said from the depths of his despair: "Oh, God, have mercy on me, an old bloke!" God heard and answered the prayer. John was saved. He became a preacher. For more than twenty years John Redding preached the gospel of Jesus Christ.

At the close of the sermon many came forward. Rev. Holmes, the pastor, said to the evangelist: "Why, I was converted under the preaching of John Redding, and he afterward helped me in two revivals." It was a striking coincidence.

Dr. Palmer will preach tonight on "The Crown of Gold," one of the evangelist's best. You can't afford to miss it.

Card of Thanks. To all friends who gave to us so expressively their sympathy and help during the long illness and at the death of wife and mother, our sincere appreciation and gratefulness is expressed for their kindness.

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ASHLAND WOMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Mrs. E. M. Harrison Takes Bichloride of Mercury—Extreme Measures Are Found Necessary to Save Her Life.

(Ashland Tidings.) Mrs. E. M. Morrison, who lives at the corner of Third and A streets, took a bichloride of mercury tablet shortly before 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon with suicidal intent, it is said. Immediately afterward she notified others in the house and hurry calls were sent to three physicians, all of whom responded at once. Extreme measures were taken and Mrs. Harrison's life was saved.

Mrs. Harrison bought a bottle of the tablets at a drug store. This bottle contained 100 of the tablets, a single one of which is sufficient to cause speedy death. The doctors at first doubted whether she had actually taken one of them, but the tablets were counted and, as only ninety-nine remained, doubts on this score were removed.

The woman has two small children and was divorced from her husband not long ago. It is said that domestic troubles prompted her attempt to end her life.

No sooner had Mrs. Harrison taken the tablet than she became greatly excited and went into hysterics. After the physician had worked over her for a time, however, she recovered and was taken to the hospital to receive proper care and prevent a possible second attempt.

W. H. MEEKER MOVE TO NEW LOCATION

W. H. Meeker & Co. will open for business tomorrow at their new location, 228 East Main street. The store is beautifully decorated for the Christmas holidays and the large stock is displayed in a most attractive manner. In order to clear out all of the fall and winter goods to make room for more holiday stock, Mr. Meeker started an opening Christmas sale. The people of Medford and the valley are invited to attend the opening. There will be music and souvenirs.

Perhaps one of the letters you ought to write during the next hour is a reply to some one of today's want ads.

(Paid Advertisements.)

FOR CITY TREASURER. Inasmuch as Lee L. Jacobs has declined to again run for city treasurer I hereby offer myself as a candidate for that office at the city election to be held in January. GUS SAMUELS.

CANDIDATE FOR COUNCILMAN FROM THE THIRD WARD. In view of Mr. W. W. Elfert having decided not to become a candidate for councilman at the coming election I hereby announce myself as a candidate for councilman in the Third ward. W. G. ALDENHAGEN.

CANDIDATE FOR COUNCILMAN FROM SECOND WARD. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for councilman from the Second ward at the coming election to be held January 9th, 1912, in the city of Medford, Oregon. CARL W. HEILBRONNER.

FOR COUNCILMAN FROM THE THIRD WARD. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for councilman from the Third ward at the coming city election. J. T. SUMMERVILLE.

CANDIDATE FOR COUNCILMAN FROM SECOND WARD. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for councilman from Second ward at the coming election to be held January 9th, 1912, in the city of Medford. P. E. WYNKOOP.

CANDIDATE FOR COUNCILMAN FROM FIRST WARD. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for councilman from the First ward at the coming election to be held January 9th, 1912, in the city of Medford, Oregon. L. G. PORTER.

CANDIDATE FOR COUNCILMAN FROM THE SECOND WARD. Whereas Councilman Wortman of the Second ward has decided to retire I hereby announce myself as a candidate to succeed Mr. Wortman in the city council of the city of Medford, Ore., at the coming election to be held in said city on January 9th, 1912. EDWARD C. IRELAND.

CLUB BACKS MOVE TO GREAT MARKET

Members of the Commercial Club Unanimously Adopt Resolutions Favoring Proposed Establishment of Public Market.

The Medford Commercial club at a meeting held Wednesday evening unanimously adopted resolutions favoring the movement to establish a free public market in the city. Judge Celvig made the only remarks in regard to the matter, and

in spite of the fact that these were not altogether favorable the resolutions were adopted.

LOS ANGELES EXCURSION. Leaving Medford December 29th, an excursion will be run to Los Angeles, round trip rate will be \$35, tickets limited to 30 days for the round trip, stopovers in both directions at the pleasure of the excursionists. Whatever equipment in the way of Pullman and tourist cars will be provided, also chair cars for those who prefer to make entire trip by daylight. Those desiring to go should call, phone or write passenger office Southern Pacific company, Medford, Oregon, and give their orders for sleeping accommodations. The date set will enable those who desire to be in San Francisco for New Year's eve (a great treat in itself) and also reach southern California for other attractions.

PREPARING TO BOMBARD CITY

All Non-combatants Are Fleeing From Salonika, as Italian Warships Are Preparing to Shell the City.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 1.—Italian warships are making preparations today to bombard Salonika. The gunners of the Turkish forts there are busily engaged in preparing to resist the attack. All non-combatants are fleeing from the city.

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