

SUNDAY'S REVIVAL PROMISES LARGEST GATHERING YET

The Natatorium meetings continue to interest the throngs, for they come at any hour scheduled to hear the messages the evangelist has for them from time to time.

The meeting last night began at 7 o'clock—in order to close for the basketball game scheduled at 8:15. The music was inspiring and the great choir sang with enthusiasm. Mr. Vessey sang with much feeling "O'Fallon."

The preacher spoke again on "Sin." Among other things he said: "Sin is responsible for all the misery and heartache in this old world." "It was sin indeed Judas to betray the Christ and it is sin which today wrecks the homes and lives of men."

The sermons grow in intensity and earnestness from night to night and a deep seriousness is settling down upon the great crowds which throng the Natatorium.

Tonight there will be a great service. The music will be in charge of the children's chorus and will be a most beautiful feature.

Mr. Vessey has trained more than 100 of the school children in a remarkably short time to produce especially fine results. The sermon tonight will be a departure from the line already followed. Saturday night's service promises to be an outstanding number in the remarkable series of special meetings.

Sunday is to be a great day. Three services are scheduled.

Extra seating has been provided and it is hoped every one may have a comfortable seat. The largest assembly of people ever gathered in one building in this city will be congregated in tomorrow's services—according to present indications.

1915 RECORDS OF TRAP SHOOTERS

Peter H. O'Brien of Portland was the leading amateur trapper in Oregon during 1915, according to the official averages issued by the Interstate association. O'Brien's average was 6593. Lucian Rayburn, winner of the state championship and also of the Imperial diamond medal, was second to O'Brien with the percentage of .9472. Frank Van Atta and E. P. Troch were tied for third place.

The veteran Pete Holohan topped the "shooting salesmen" with the percentage of .9403, and Jim Bull was next with the mark of .9211.

Medford shooters ranked as follows:

Shot at.	Broke.	Av.
W. Bates	400	.7975
M. Biden	150	.8133
D. Dunlap	150	.8233
R. L. Ewing	150	.8466
Chris Gottlieb	150	.8400
E. Henselman	150	.8733
W. Leever	150	.8400
M. Schulz	150	.7133
Dr. E. R. Seely	550	.9100

UNITE FOR RAILROAD LINE

land counties of this league with Humboldt bay."

Work by Counties.

Each county covered by the work of the league shall have a county executive committee that shall have charge of the raising and expenditure of funds subscribed by said county. The president and vice-presidents constitute an executive board, which has control of the business of the organization.

The immediate work of the organization includes the following order of business.

Each county executive committee shall proceed at the earliest possible moment a full and complete compilation of all statistics regarding the resources of its county from which tonnage would be furnished the proposed railroad. Said committee shall procure from its county a fund of not less than \$1000, to be payable to the secretary-treasurer of this organization as provided for under rules adopted.

Immediately upon completing the work thus outlined for each county, the executive board shall assemble and weld the same into one comprehensive report and take such steps as are necessary to file with the department of the interior or a congressional committee or with other governmental authority, the application of the league for government assistance in procuring the construction of a railroad between said inland counties of the league and Humboldt bay and to press such claims in such direction and to such extent as in its judgment may be deemed advisable.

PLAN CELEBRATION FOR SHAKESPEARE'S TER-CENTENARY

A meeting was called at the public library Wednesday evening by Mrs. Brackinreed, chairman of the Shakespearean tercentenary committee of the Drama league center, to which representatives of all the civic organizations of the city were invited to attend. Among those present were Mrs. H. C. Stoddard, Judge Kelley, E. M. Andrews, Mrs. V. Melde Hillis, George B. Canode, Mrs. P. J. Neff, Professor Moore, I. T. Gallagher, Mrs. Roy Peebles, Miss Purker, Miss Keitner, Mrs. F. W. Meares and Mrs. Frank Preston.

Various plans for conducting the celebration were discussed and committees appointed. Mr. Hillis was appointed chairman of the school pageant committee, which will have in charge the organization and training of the school children for folk dances of the Elizabethan period. Judge E. E. Kelly was appointed chairman to select a place for the school pageant. Mrs. Stoddard was appointed chairman of a committee to arrange for the planting of a Shakespeare memorial tree under the auspices of the Greater Medford club.

Mr. Andrews was appointed chairman of the committee in charge of the production of his musical version of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night." The cast will be formed and announced during the week.

The ministers of the city will be requested to preach memorial sermons in honor of the poet's birth and death date, April 23, and the press will also be interviewed to express its recognition of the occasion.

The two Shakespearean classes will, in some form of their own selection, commemorate the anniversary, as will also the other study clubs. It is hoped that the public of Medford generally will fall in line and catch the spirit of this very much worth while coming event.

MEDFORD DRUBS FRANKLIN AGAIN

In a spectacular game of basketball at the Natatorium last night the Medford high school team drubbed the Franklin high of Portland in a score of 34 to 10 for the latter. Every man on the local team scored a basket, including Fish, a substitute. Williamson was the brilliant basketeer of the team, making alone nearly double the score of Franklin squad. Time after time he threw field goals from the center of the floor and once carried the ball the entire length of the floor and scored triumphantly. He made 17 of the 34 points.

The Franklin team showed it could shoot baskets if given an opportunity, but they seldom got by the guards. The Portland players conceded that the local team's guards are the best in the state.

Medford's team work was brilliant. McKenzie of the Portland team did excellent work and scored just half the Franklin's final score.

The game was the best ever played on the local floor.

The local school girls walked away with the score from the Talent team.

Field goals—Medford 16, Williamson 8, Thomas 3, Brandon 2, Torney 1, Young 1, Fish 1. Portland 4, McKenzie 2, Davis 2nd Post.

Fouls—Medford 2, Thomas, Williamson. Portland 2, McKenzie, Brown.

The Phoenix team beat the Jacksonville team by a lopsided score of 25 to 10.

Lincoln Grammar met the Griffin Creek school and added another victory by a score of 12-3.

TRUST COERCED BANKS

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wardens of several penitentiaries where binder twine is manufactured.

Bank Refuses to Show Up.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Arthur Reynolds, vice president of the Continental and Commercial National bank, when informed of the decision of the senate committee to ask for a statement from the bank showing the International Harvester company's deposits, said today that the request would be refused.

"We question the authority and jurisdiction of the senate committee and we will refuse to open our books to the committee until so directed by a competent court," said Mr. Reynolds.

"It's a long period," continued Mr. Reynolds, "the International Harvester company has carried a considerable balance with us and there has been no marked decrease in the amount of the deposit. I do not consider that the bank has been dishonest in any manner by the harvester company."

NEW AMBASSADOR TO COURT OF CZAR



FRANCIS OFFERED PETROGRAD POST

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Responses from David R. Francis, of St. Louis, as to whether he would accept the ambassadorship to Russia, was awaited by President Wilson. In offering the post the president urged him to accept.

Mr. Francis, who was secretary of the interior in the Cleveland administration, would succeed George T. Mayer, who has announced that he will retire because of ill health.

'THE FROGS' SUBJECT M'KINLAY LECTURE

A lecture will be given by Dr. McKinlay, of Portland, next Friday evening, February 25, at 8 o'clock, in the reading room of the Hotel Holland on Aristophanes' masterpiece, "The Frogs," under the auspices of the Medford center of the Drama league.

The lecture will be without doubt a very entertaining and interesting one. No admission will be charged, but it is hoped that the public will respond with a generous attendance, the center being at quite an expense to bring the lecturer here for the occasion.

The center has also secured Dr. McKinlay to address the pupils of the high school on the relation of "Latin to Practical Life."

MURDOCK LECTURES UPON BRET HARTE

Lovers of the works of Bret Harte and all for whom California in the '50s and '60s has a fascination, will be interested in a lecture to be given by Charles A. Murdock at 7:30 Saturday evening, February 26, at the public library. Mr. Murdock's fifty years in the state has made him familiar with its history and traditions, while his business as publisher brought him into contact with many interesting people, not the least of whom was the brilliant writer of "The Heathen Chance" and "The Luck of Rowing Camp." His "Reminiscences of Bret Harte" will deal with the personal view of the man who, from the absolute position of a school teacher in a little mining camp became one of the first literary lights of the coast. The lecture, which will be given under the auspices of the College Women's club, is free and the public is cordially invited.

Mrs. D. E. Phillips of Medford is a descendant of the Harte family and distantly related to the famous author.

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ANTHONY ELECTED DIRECTOR MINERAL SPRINGS COMPANY

ASHLAND, Ore., Feb. 19.—At a special meeting of the stockholders of the Pompadour Mineral Springs company, held in Ashland today, Charles G. Anthony, of Saratoga Springs, N. Y., was elected a director of the company.

Mr. Anthony, who is the consulting engineer of the New York state reservation commission at Saratoga Springs, and who is the most eminent authority on mineral waters and their handling, both in a commercial way and along the lines of hydrotherapy, is now in the east preparing plans and specifications for a bottling plant and for a plant to handle the large flow of carbonic acid gas, which the company has. It is understood these plans will be received about March 1 and that shortly thereafter actual construction work will be started under Mr. Anthony's supervision and direction.

The permanent identification of Professor Anthony with the mineral water situation of the Rogue river valley means much to the development of that wonderful natural resource. While here Professor Anthony lectured at Ashland and Medford on the value of the local waters and gas, and stated that the waters were unusual in their character, superior in many respects to those at Saratoga; that they were both a table and a medicinal water, and that they were exceedingly high in radio activity, in fact it would not surprise him if they equalled or exceeded in radio activity the waters of Bath, England, the standard of the world. With his connection with the local movement the possibility of making this section of the Rogue river valley one of the world's famous health resorts is much nearer than ever before.

OBITUARY

Olive R. Bell
Died—At the residence of her brother, Thomas Culbertson at Ashland, Mrs. Olive R. Bell, age 60 years, a resident of the Rogue river valley for 40 years. Mrs. Bell was born in Missouri. She is survived by three daughters and two sons, Mrs. T. R. Goodwin of Oakland, Mrs. Mabel Brown of Brownsville, Miss Bessie Bell of Medford, Victor Bell and Orin Bell. The funeral services will be held at the Culbertson home in Ashland, Bridge and Boulevard streets, at 2 o'clock Saturday, Feb. 19, 1916. Interment in Phoenix cemetery.

NO DEER LOSSES IN JENNIE CREEK DISTRICT

Game Warden Truesell and Walker and Ben Bowers of Ashland have returned from a trip to the Jennie creek country where it was reported a large number of deer are snow bound and the coyotes, wolves and cougar

were killing them by the score. They say the reports are greatly exaggerated, that the snow has never been over 28 inches deep and that only for a short time, that the south slope of the range is clear of snow for miles, that the deer they saw are in splendid condition and they only found

three carcasses. There are a large number of deer in that vicinity and the neighbors say the number killed by wild animals has been no greater this year than any other. Game Warden Walker is of the opinion that the coyotes are the principal foes of the deer.

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