

AMUSEMENTS REVIVAL SUBJECT TONIGHT AT NAT

Three great crowds attended the Natatorium meetings yesterday. It was a day of big things. At the morning service Mr. Mathis preached his famous "Farmers" sermon from the text, "A sower went forth to sow." He said: "Jesus was the greatest teacher the world has ever seen. The seed represents the Word of God—the soil, the human heart. Making use of some homely illustrations from Iowa farm life, he drew pointed lessons which will not soon be forgotten."

"Every acre of your spiritual life should be broken up and cultivated. The hard beaten paths of ill-temper should be plowed by patience and long suffering. A man without a temper is good for nothing, but a man with a temper under control is worth much. Stinginess should be broken up. Don't get excited, but hear me—there is no such thing as being real stingy and being a real Christian. Man is about the only stingy thing in creation. God is liberal. Stinginess and spirituality are not on speaking terms."

"Break up the hard sod of dishonesty. You may call it shrewd business, but God calls it dishonesty. It's the little, mean, dirty tricks that undermine your character."

Mr. Vessey sang "I'm a Pilgrim," with great pathos and fervor.

Men's Meeting in Afternoon

At 3 o'clock a great throng of men listened to a straight-out-from-the-shoulder address. Mr. Vessey and Mr. Meeker sang "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning," and Mr. Vessey sang by request, "Where Is My Wandering Boy Tonight?"

Mr. Mathis said: "The best thing I know of in the whole world is a real clean man. Garfield once said: 'If I succeed in being a man I'll succeed in everything else.'" The speaker clustered his address about the story of the three Hebrew men cast into the furnace.

"Manhood is not something that grows up in a night—it is built. To be the strongest possible men we need to unbitch from some things. We need to let loose from booze—if in any way we are linked up with it. From tobacco, as well—a man can be a cleaner, truer man without it than with it. It is, and you will agree with me, dirty, expensive and hard to quit."

For the next twenty minutes four or five hundred men heard the tobacco question put up to them. "Cut loose from profanity. Let us hitch up with decency—the church of Jesus Christ and with God."

Great Evening Mass Meeting

The largest crowd of the entire series of meetings was present last night. The musical program was most pleasing. A male quartet, Messrs. Vessey, Edwards, Canaday and Bennett, sang "The Church in the Wilderness." A quartet from Phoenix, Messdames Sheets and Frame, Messrs. Frame and Sheets, sang "Take Time to Be Holy." A cornet and trombone duet by Mr. Vessey and Mr. Brantney was rendered. Another quartet, Messdames Gressley and Hazelrigg, Messrs. Vessey and Bennett, sang "Christian, the Morn Breaks We'll O'er Thee." The chorus was at its best and sang with fine spirit, assisted by an orchestra of twenty pieces.

Mr. Mathis spoke on the "Great Question," taking for his text, "What then shall I do with this Jesus, which is called Christ?"

"Every nation, every age has its important question. Every individual must meet such for himself. I take it this is the most important question ever to be asked. The speaker then with a few swift strokes drew the picture of the scene of Jesus before Pilate, then asked "Why did not Pilate play the man and give Jesus a fair show—is that what you say? I reply, why do you not play the man and give Jesus Christ a square deal, when He is on trial before you? Some things there are in your life in your favor to accept Christ—some are not. If you wait until everything is in your favor you will never accept Him."

"See some of the things in Pilate's favor. Right was in his favor. He knew it was right to deliver Jesus. The personality of Jesus was in his favor. Hard-headed business men know that personality will sell goods when cold type cannot. Pilate's reason and judgment were in his favor. Many of you in face of your reason and judgment reject Jesus Christ. Pilate's wife was in his favor. She warned him against the judgment. Some things not in his favor—his job was against it. Better to have lost his job than his soul. His associates were against it. The gang were pulling the other way."

This week promises to witness a high tide in the revival campaign.

JACKSON COUNTY HAS BEST RECORDS IN STATE-PARSONS

L. T. Parsons of Moscow, Idaho, was a visitor in Ashland Sunday, says the Ashland Tidings. He remarked the great improvement in Ashland since his first visit to the city some five years ago. He was especially impressed with the community spirit which made possible the bond issue and development of the wonderful natural resources placed at Ashland's door. With such a spirit of community welfare and a valuable asset as the springs he believed that Ashland will receive a manifold profit from their initiative in the development of the springs.

Mr. Parsons is an extensive investor in county securities, warrants and certificates of delinquency in Idaho, Washington and Oregon. He has been in Jackson county for the past several days, going over the tax records of this county. In conversation with a representative of the Tidings he said:

"I first visited this section some five years ago looking for investments. I went over the tax records of the county looking for a possible investment in certificates of delinquency. At that time I had occasion to go over the records of most of the counties of the three northwest states and had seen some bad records, but Jackson county had at that time the poorest set of tax records I had ever examined. The system used was very poor. There were not only innumerable double assessments, but some triple assessments. There was a large amount of property on the rolls that had not been patented. Jackson county was paying into the state treasury the state tax upon all this property year after year, causing a direct loss to the county, and again by the inaccurate system used a cloud was being placed on the property of a large number of the taxpayers of the county."

"In going over the records at this time I am pleased to note that a radical change has been made in the system of handling the tax collections and in keeping the records; that the old errors are largely eliminated and that Jackson county is saving several thousand dollars a year in state taxes. Jackson county four years ago had the worst set of tax records in the state; today I consider it has one of the best."

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THREE BATTLESHIPS STRICKEN FROM LIST

PHILADELPHIA, March 5.—The battleships Alabama, Ohio and Georgia are to be stricken from the navy roster as real fighting units and probably will end their days as training ships for the naval reserve. This was the assertion made today by several officers of the Philadelphia navy yards.

One of the officers asserted that the battleships "despite their excellent condition are obsolete and serve no purpose other than to retard the progress and impair the efficiency of first line ships."

The Alabama, flagship of the reserve fleet, and the Ohio, are at the Philadelphia navy yard. The Georgia is now on her way to the local yard to join the reserve fleet.

The Alabama was laid down 20 years ago and is a 12,000 ton ship. The Ohio and Georgia, built a few years later, are virtually the same size and carry similar armament.

SOUTH OF '61 SHOWN IN 'THE COWARD' AT PAGE

Thomas H. Ince has faithfully reproduced the south of '61 in the "Coward," a Triangle play at the Page today. "The Coward," entirely apart from the general appeal of its thrilling scenes, possesses an atmosphere that is alluring. Frank Kern, co-star with Blanche Bates in "The Girl of the Golden West," does admirable work in "The Coward."

A sure cure for the blues is Triangle Keytone "Fiddle Fatty's Fall," presenting Roscoe Arbuckle. In conjunction with the Triangle picture play program, R. Rosen, an Indian piano-accompanist, is an added attraction at the regular admission price.

Some thirty persons responded to the invitation to accept Jesus Christ, making about 220 this far.

"Tonight the evangelist will speak on 'Amusements.' The speaking begins promptly at 7:30."



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EVENING TRAIN FROM GRANTSPASS

John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific railway, arrived Sunday from San Francisco, where he was summoned to attend a conference on changing the time schedule of trains. He will spend a couple of days in the valley, visiting Ashland Monday. Mrs. Scott arrived from Portland Monday to accompany him home. Speaking of train changes, he said:

"I was summoned from Marchfield, where I had made the first trip over the new line from Eugene, which will not be completed for some weeks, and had to make a rough ocean voyage. Business is picking up all over the country, including the Southern Pacific's, and we will have all passenger trains, but change the time of the southbound No. 53, the 'expectation special.' This train will arrive at Medford at 10:30 p. m. instead of 2:15 a. m., thus giving an evening train from Grants Pass and a day-light ride from Portland."

Mr. Scott predicts lively times in southern Oregon the coming year and is much enthused over the prospect of beet sugar factories, mine and timber activities.

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POULTRYMEN GO AFTER STATE SHOW FOR DECEMBER

The Southern Oregon Poultry association, now a member of the American Poultry association, concluded an important business meeting late Saturday afternoon. Preparation for the state show campaign was outlined and committees appointed to begin the work at once. The board of directors will apply through County Pathologist Claude C. Crite for the co-operation of the poultry department of the Oregon Agricultural college.

W. T. Grieco, C. E. Gates and Ernest Webb were appointed a committee to appear before the county court in the matter of obtaining the co-operation of the county for the purpose of financing the state show in December. W. W. Watson, Roy C. Peebles and C. E. Carpenter were appointed a committee on revision of constitution and by-laws of the association.

Treasurer Miksch's financial report was made in detail, showing an excellent condition of the association in the matter of finances, considering the cost of the district poultry show in February. The necessity of increasing the membership is suggested in it, however, not only for the augmented numerical strength, but for the substantial increase in influence throughout the counties comprising the district in the matter of securing funds for special occasions devoted to the promotion of the industry.

Vice-Presidents for Each County

It was decided to have a vice-president for each incorporated town in the three counties of the southern Oregon district. These may be suggested in each case by the local organization in each community that deals with public matters, like a commercial club, for instance. This will give the association official influence all over the district in the matter of increasing membership, assistance in the preparation of exhibits for the shows and a local source of information for those who desire it.

It was decided that the regular meetings shall hereafter be held in the afternoon of the first Saturday of each month at 2 o'clock.

President E. W. Hunter's congratulatory address to the association on

the success of the first show impartially distributed the credit for the triumph among all of those who worked faithfully for the promotion of the event and the encouragement of the poultry industry.

Assessor W. T. Grieco, who recently returned from an official visit to Salem and other valley points, addressed the association at length on the impressions the association's first poultry show made among prominent visitors from those districts, among them being Governor Withycombe, State Treasurer Kay and

others, including Judge B. F. Koeney, E. J. McLaughlin and poultrymen of their advanced class. In each case it was the decision that southern Oregon had won the right to have the next state show, and all expressed a eager desire to help it to secure it. A fine string of birds of all classes is promised from the Willamette valley districts.

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