

4 SQUARE GOSPEL FOLLOWERS ASK FOR THE CHURCH

Answer has been filed by the First Baptist church of Ashland, to the amended complaint of the Ashland Baptist church of Ashland, asking for a dismissal of the complaint, possession of the church edifice, damages for seizure of the church house of worship last July by the Ashland Baptist church and rent at the rate of \$75 a month, "since the seizure by stealth."

The legal document is another chapter in the factional differences that have split the Baptist church at Ashland since last November. The Ashland Baptist church adheres to the established faith and the First Baptist church follows the "Almee McPherson Four Square Gospel New Movement."

The complaint charges that the action of the Portland Baptist Ministers in upholding the Ashland Baptist church was in an advisory capacity for the purpose of restoring harmony only and is not binding. The action of the Rogue River Baptist association, in "attempting to withdraw the hand of fellowship from Rev. B. C. Miller, acting pastor of the First Baptist church, is presumptuous, unauthorized, uncalled for and unprecedented."

The answer further alleges that the Ashland Baptist church, now in possession of the church edifice, has \$150 of the First Baptist funds, which it refuses to return. It is held that "every Baptist church is a separate law unto itself, except when not following the Holy Bible, and subject in its decisions of a clerical nature to the majority rule."

The answer also charges that the complaint has not set forth in particularity, where in the "Almee McPherson Four Square Gospel, New Movement, differs, if at all, from the regular Baptist teachings and that teachings of Almee McPherson Four Square Gospel, New Movement, does not conflict with, or is antagonistic to the Baptist teachings."

It is specifically denied that any member of the Baptist church has been stricken from the rolls, except on his own written request, with the exception "of one persistent disturber who had been asked to desist, and when he refused was stricken from the rolls, as a detriment to the church."

The answer further sets forth that the First Baptist Church of Ashland was formed October 17, 1877, was later known as the Ashland Baptist church, and was never incorporated until last December, when such action was taken to give a "legal being and the right to transact business, and obtain and retain property."

REV. J. B. COAN NEW PRESIDENT MIN. ASSOCIATION

The Rogue Valley Ministerial association, with a membership of some thirty ministers of Josephine and Jackson counties, met in their regular bi-monthly session at Jacksonville Monday. Rev. E. H. Edgar of the Presbyterian church at that place was host to the gathering.

Both the morning and afternoon sessions and the luncheon period, which was devoted to a sight-seeing tour to some of the interesting spots of the locality, was greatly enjoyed by the gathering. This meeting being the first after the summer holidays, considerable business was transacted. Rev. Edgar, recently made president of the association, having resigned his pastorate in this valley and accepted a church in Idaho, tendered his resignation, and Rev. J. B. Coan of Medford was named president and Rev. Roy Nelson of Phoenix was elected vice-president. Rev. E. J. Johnson of the Lutheran church of Medford was made secretary-treasurer at the June meeting.

Rev. W. I. Eaton of the First Baptist church of Medford gave the paper of the day, which was followed by round table discussion by the members. The association adopted the plan of monthly instead of bi-monthly meetings this year. Grants Pass was chosen for the October meeting and hereafter the sessions will open at the luncheon hour instead of 10:30 A. M. as formerly. A number of new features were announced for the interest of the gathering for the coming winter.

The reports of the pastors from the several communities revealed the splendid and growing religious sentiment in the valley. In the majority of the communities the moral tone shows a decided elevation. There are a number of church building enterprises underway and a fine spirit of cooperation manifested in the religious circles of the communities.

Ashland reports the opening of the first week-day Bible school under the supervision of the state department of education, and in connection with the school authorities of that place. They have sent representatives to Portland this week to observe this department of religious education so successfully launched there last year. Incidentally the committee will take up the matter of a Billy Sunday meeting for Ashland.

MANER SUES FOR FEEDING CANINE AND HIS OWNER

In a counter-suit and reply filed in the circuit court Monday, Thomas Deisch files a claim for \$135 against the plaintiff, Frank Menzog, alleging the same to be due for food furnished Menzog and dog, on a stay at a mining claim in Siskiyou county. Menzog two weeks ago sued Deisch for the return of two gold nuggets valued at \$49, for board and room and blankets amounting to about \$400.

Relative to the food alleged to have been furnished to Menzog and his dog, Deisch sets forth that he purchased mining claims from Menzog and in July 1924, Menzog requested permission to stay on the property while investigating other mining property in California situated nearby, and the plaintiff remained for a considerable time, accompanied by a large dog, which defendant was required to feed, to his inconvenience and annoyance. The reply alleges further that the plaintiff departed only when he was requested to do so.

Regarding the claim of Menzog for \$240 for labor, Deisch avers "there was no labor performed of such value."

Deisch further sets forth that the alleged \$40 nuggets were given him by Menzog to exhibit to people in Texas, with the object of interesting them in the mine, and "were lost when this defendant was caught in a flood in Texas." It is further asserted that a "fair value of the nuggets is \$11.50." This amount was offered the plaintiff on the streets of Jacksonville, according to the reply, and refused.

A month's board bill, Menzog claims, Deisch denies on the ground that he was invited to stay a month after he purchased the claims.

Deisch in the reply asks for \$196 for food and lodging, \$142 for labor, \$113 for two rifles and a shotgun he alleges Menzog retains, and \$135 for food furnished to Menzog and his dog.

MAKING PLANS FOR ARMISTICE DAY FETE

Armistice day will be fittingly observed in Medford this year by one of the largest patriotic celebrations ever staged in this part of the state. As usual, the local American Legion post will have full charge of the day's program and extensive plans for the celebration are already under way by the Medford post.

From early morn till late at night there will not be a dull moment. The outstanding features of the day will be a patriotic parade, the annual football game between Medford and Ashland and the elaborate military ball in the evening. Filling in between these feature events will be stunts and amusements throughout the day and lasting well into the night.

Commander McElhose has named a special list of committees to take charge of the many details and active preparation will soon be under way.

EUGENE FIRM IS SUED BY OWEN-OREGON CO.

The Owen-Oregon Lumber company Monday filed suit against the Oregon Machine company of Eugene, Ore., for the collection of \$400 alleged to be due on "one H. S. & G. steam engine." The complaint alleges the sale was made last March on the agreement that \$100 be paid upon delivery and \$400 before September 20, 1925, which was not done, it is claimed.

The lumber company waives its right for return of the engine and asks only for the balance due and costs of action.

Freezing at Bend. BEND, Ore., Sept. 29.—For the first time in several weeks the temperature last night dropped to the freezing point. Half an inch of ice was reported from East lake by forestry officials who are at work there.

FORMAL OPENING ASHLAND HOTEL WELL ATTENDED

The formal opening of the \$200,000 Lithia Springs hotel in Ashland Monday evening by R. W. Price, the lessee, and the citizens of Ashland, was a complete success in every way, people attending from all over Oregon and from northern California, including the visiting hotel men and representatives of the Chambers of Commerce from Portland, Eugene, Grants Pass, Prospect, Medford, Klamath Falls and Yreka.

The lobby and dining room were artistically decorated with cut flowers, many of the bouquets being sent by hotels and admiring friends, and a complete success in every way, people attending from all over Oregon and from northern California, including the visiting hotel men and representatives of the Chambers of Commerce from Portland, Eugene, Grants Pass, Prospect, Medford, Klamath Falls and Yreka.

A special dinner was served, both dining rooms being crowded from the opening hour, 5:30 to 10 p. m., everyone complimenting those in charge upon the excellent menu and service. Loveland's orchestra furnished music during the dinner and for the dance which followed the regular program.

J. H. Fuller, secretary of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce, presided as master of ceremonies, extending a hearty welcome to visitors. The first number was a solo by Carl Loveland, who responded to a hearty encore, his mother accompanying him on the piano.

Henry Enders, president of the Lithia Springs Hotel company, told of the history of the building, and how proud the people of Ashland were over their success.

General Manager W. D. B. Dodson of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and Phil Metchen of the Imperial hotel of Portland, spoke briefly referring to the fame of southern Oregon people for progressive accomplishments and said the magnificent new hotel is another evidence of that spirit and that it will be a big advertisement for Ashland and the whole state.

Irving Vining in his wonderfully pleasing manner told of the early pioneers of southern Oregon, who had assisted in blazing the way for a more modern civilization and of the progressive spirit of the present citizenship of Ashland who had erected such a magnificent structure that will stand as a monument to them at the southern gateway to the greatest state in the union.

The entire structure, including the 88 elegantly furnished rooms on the nine floors, the spacious halls, mezzanine floor, dance hall and roof observatory, was opened to the inspection of the visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Price and their corps of assistants were especially courteous in showing their guests through the building.

A large number of Medford people attended.

55TH DIVORCE SUIT OF YEAR IS FILED

A divorce suit has been filed in the circuit court by Wilhelmina Collier against Dan D. Collier of this city, on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. It is the 55th divorce suit of the year filed in Jackson county. The custody of a minor child, \$75 suit money, and a decree of divorce is sought. The Collier's are residents of this city.

EQUALIZATION BOARD ADJOURNS TOMORROW

The board of equalization will adjourn Wednesday, September 30th and to date has heard the protests of but ten citizens against assessments and tax levies. The board is working on the county budget for the year, which under the law must be completed by September 30th.

The last week before the final payment of taxes, found a mild rush of taxpayers to the tax collection department.

GOLD HILL STARTS CONSTRUCTION OF NEW WATER PLANT

By A. E. Kellogg. GOLD HILL, Sept. 29.—(Special.) The city of Gold Hill has commenced the reconstruction of its present water system all over the city, with the recent water bond issue of \$15,000 for that purpose. The present main system was installed in 1899 and has long ago been inadequate to supply the natural growth of the city in the outlying districts. The construction work is under the immediate charge of C. W. Martin, superintendent of the local cement plant and advisory engineer for the city.

The reconstruction of the water system will include the re-inhabiting of the city 500 h. p. hydro-electrical power plant on Rogue river within the city limits for the city's use for street lighting and power purposes. This power plant purchased by the city two years ago from the Gold Hill Electric Power company has been idle for several years, but is in good condition except the water wheel pits which are being rebuilt wholly new in concrete. The water wheel pits used by the city for several years in driving the pumping plant direct are in a good state of preservation and is auxiliary to the water wheels driving the hydro-electrical power equipment and will be preserved as auxiliary and reserve power. An 8x10 triplex Gould pump is being installed with the present pumping equipment as a reserve during the irrigation season and fire protection, while the reservoir with a head of 235 feet above the main portion of the city is ample with twice the present population of the city.

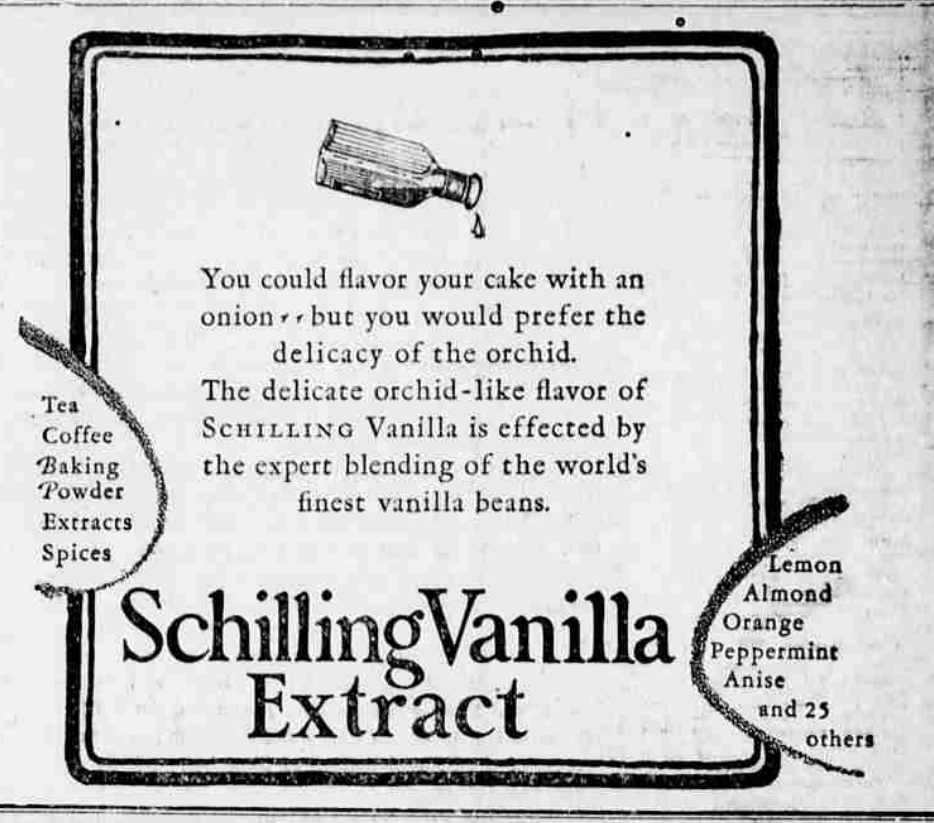
The power and diversion site on Rogue river purchased from the power company by the city included 120 acres extending for a mile on the west side of the river and has since been taken into the city limits and platted as Water Park Addition. About twenty acres of this tract below the power plant has been set aside to the local smelter company for smelter, saw mill, quartz mill, and other by-products plant, and railroad switching site, while the balance of the tract is being retained as a canal and diversion, power and park site by the city, excepting adjoining the main highway leading to Sams Valley and designated as Sams Valley avenue, which is being reserved for home site and sold by the city and for that purpose only.

That portion of Water Park Addition extending on the mountain west of the river contains valuable deposits of gold, copper and iron ore, has been leased to the local smelter by the city for 25 years on a royalty basis for mining purposes. These ores are ideal ores to mix with the refractory ores of southern Oregon and will be used quite extensively by the smelter company and besides the city will receive much revenue from the mineral values.

It is reported that there is a movement on foot to organize a local company by several of the mine owners and local manufacturing plants to take over the city's power plant by a long term lease or purchase for their exclusive use, and in that event the power will be developed to several thousand h. p. from the present equipment of 500 h. p. The city holds water rights from the state which have a potential power of 5000 h. p. with additional dam on the present diversion works.

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