

NEW CHURCH OF PRESBYTERIANS IS DEDICATED

Phoenix Congregation Open Beautiful Edifice Sunday—Synodical Executive Gives Address—Music and Flowers and Worship Mark Occasion.

The beautiful new house of worship of the First Presbyterian church of Phoenix, which has already been partially described in these columns, was fittingly dedicated Sunday with three large services, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. The dedicatory service took place in the morning at 11 o'clock, with the pastor, Rev. Roy Whitfield Nelson, presiding. The Temple chorus, 20 voices strong, all of them local people and most of them belonging to the younger element, directed by Mrs. Henry W. Frame, organist, rendered most pleasing music, Mozart's "Gloria" from the twelfth mass being their outstanding number on the program. Arthur Hardisty, a young man with a most promising tenor voice, sang with splendid interpretation and great feeling, "Open the Gates of the Temple," as an offertory number. The choral responses showed fine blending of the voices and lent much spiritual dignity to the service.

When it is taken into consideration that with but one or two exceptions these young people have had no previous technical training, a very great amount of credit is due Mrs. Frame for her musical skill in bringing to such a high state of perfection, and in such a limited time, the raw material with which she had to work. It only goes to show that Phoenix is to occupy even a more prominent place in musical circles than it has for a long time enjoyed.

The church received into its membership 12 young people, and this added much to incite interest in the splendid work which the pastor is accomplishing in his work with the people in that community.

Rev. D. A. Thompson, D. D., of Portland, synodical executive for the Presbyterian church in Oregon, delivered the dedicatory sermon, following which the transfer of the keys from the building committee to the board of trustees was made by the chairman of the former, Mr. Nelson, to Dr. J. B. Webster, chairman of the board.

Henry W. Frame, treasurer of the building committee, then made his report, showing that they lacked \$1,496 of clearing themselves from debt. Dr. Thompson and Mr. Frame set up before the congregation a blackboard blocked off in squares of money values ranging from \$200 down to \$10, representing in total the money necessary to be raised to liquidate the outstanding obligations.

With persuasive dignity and true generalship, Dr. Thompson led his forces onward and upward, striking out block after block on the diagram until they went over the top to the sum of \$2200. It was indeed a happy time for the pastor and his parishioners. With the undertaking accomplished, the congregation departed themselves to Clyde hall, as the kitchen of the new church was not quite in readiness, and satisfied their inner selves with a bounteous feast of appetizing edibles.

At 3 o'clock the people re-assembled at the church for the afternoon program, which consisted chiefly of felicitations bestowed upon the local church by and through some of the outside clergy in attendance. Rev. Elmer E. MeVicker brought greetings from the Jacksonville Presbyterian church. Rev. L. F. Halknap, a former pastor of the Christian church in Phoenix, brought greetings in general. Rev. Hugh T. Mitchellmore, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Ashland, president of the Ashland Ministerial association and secretary of the Rogue River Ministerial association, was quite well able to express the good wishes of the valley as a whole as it looks with commendatory feeling upon the accomplishment in the Phoenix community. Rev. H. P. Lawrence, representing the First Presbyterian church of Medford and the Medford Ministerial association, extended the good will of these bodies.

Being called upon specially and impromptu by Mr. Nelson, W. H. Gore rehearsed some of the early history back to the time of the founder of the Phoenix church, Father Williams, in 1836, especially remarking, "when Medford was one of the suburbs of Phoenix."

Dr. Thompson then voiced the greetings from the synod of Oregon, and Dr. O. T. Morgan, pastor of the Eagle Point church, as moderator of the Presbytery of southern Oregon, extended the kindly feeling from them. The service was concluded by the playing of "The Palm" on the organ by Harry W. Young.

The evening service included congregational singing led by the Temple chorus, "Open the Gates of the Temple," by Arthur Hardisty, by request and sermon by Dr. Morgan. The floral display was very attractive and light systems were in good working order. The soft tone tints of the interior are very quieting to the eye and show the work of master painter in the pastor himself. Daylight is admitted in every part of the conclusion, the people of Phoenix have every reason to take pride in

CITY UPHELD BY COURT DECISION IN GARBAGE SUIT

A decision was handed down today by Circuit Judge C. M. Thomas in the city garbage case, which involved the suit of Ray Spencer and W. H. Welty against the city to prevent the enforcement of the garbage ordinance. The decision upheld the city in so far as garbage was concerned, but did not uphold that part of the ordinance where "rubbish" is mentioned.

The decision means that the City Sanitary Service now has exclusive right to collect all city garbage from hotels and restaurants, from which it has been collected by Spencer and Welty to feed hogs on their farms near this city. However, the plaintiffs in the case will appeal to the state supreme court. It was announced by their attorney, W. E. Phipps, this afternoon.

The meat of the decision is: "This statement of the defendant is well supported by other authorities and brings the conclusion that the present ordinance is unreasonable and therefore unconstitutional, in so far as it pertains to 'rubbish' as defined by the ordinance.

The next question then is, whether the ordinance being constitutional as to part and unconstitutional as to another part, will as to the constitutional portion remain valid and enforceable. My conclusion is in the affirmative.

The plaintiffs, as already stated, contend that an adverse holding will destroy their legitimate business and compel breach of contract under their agreements. This is true, but it has been repeatedly held that a city, under its police power, invoked in the interest of health and sanitation, may do this. Regardless of our individual opinions of the necessity or even advisability of such an ordinance as the one before the court, the law has been determined by higher courts and must be followed.

My conclusion is that the ordinance is valid as to garbage and invalid as to "rubbish" and as to the latter subject should be treated as surplusage.

The plaintiffs' case will be dismissed and the restraining order dissolved. Inasmuch as this case will be appealed, authorities are here given in addition to those cited in briefs.

SPECIAL EVENT AT ELKS FORUM

Those who are present at the Elks' forum tomorrow noon will be well rewarded when they hear Prince Gikie, from the South Sea Islands, and his Pacific coast manager, Don Collier, put on a special stunt.

Lewis Warner of Laramie, Wyo., brother of Bill Warner and well known former resident will tell something about the oil industry, and also give the inside dope on the Teapot Dome mixup. George Maddox, who has recently returned from California, where he had big success in his singing, will sing several numbers.

Preparations are being made for a big crowd.

LENROOT DENIES

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pany, but dropped the deal because he did not have the ready cash and the company needed the money to meet its debts.

A letter from McLean to Fall to this effect was introduced into the record, friends said. Fall testified, according to his family, that this third ranch interest later went to Sinclair for \$223,000 in Liberty bonds received from the oil magnate. The government charges Fall got this amount as a bribe for giving the Teapot Dome lease to Sinclair.

Fall, during taking of the deposition, denied there was anything unusual in negotiations for the Wyoming oil lease for which the government charged he accepted \$233,000 in Liberty bonds from Harry P. Sinclair. He said the lease arrangements were carried out by J. W. Zevely, now dead, and that the wealthy oil man himself had not come into the deal until the day the lease was signed, April 7, 1922. Even that day, he said, Sinclair rejected the lease because Fall insisted on larger royalties for the government and accepted it after considerable argument.

The lease, Fall maintained, had nothing to do with receipt by him of the Liberty bonds from Sinclair. These, he said, were paid by the oil man for a third interest in his Tres Ritos ranch in New Mexico, where the oil man wanted established a breeding place for horses.

Taking of the Fall deposition has required four days with a total of time little more than 15 hours. Several days will be required to transcribe the Fall testimony. It is said, due largely to his loquaciousness. Asked a question, he answered in detail, not being confined to a pertinent reply as he would have had a federal judge been presiding.

CARNegie, Okla., April 2—(AP)—Bodies of three men who had been shot to death were found today beside a railroad track near Carnegie. They were identified as "Curley" Dale, 37, a machinist, Walter Swiggart, a concrete worker, and Noah Williams, blacksmith. Their new church and its officers extend a warm welcome to all comers.

DRY FUND PROBE RESUMED; EARLY REPORT UNLIKELY

The grand jury which has been investigating the expenditure of the prohibition funds of this county, going as far back, it is understood, as four or five years, resumed its session at the court house this morning following the week end adjournment of last Friday.

While the exact time at which the grand jury will complete its investigation and make its report is not known to any one outside of the jury personnel, contrary to the general opinion that the report might come today or early this week, rumor was very strong today that the jury session would last all this week yet.

As near as can be learned, the jury in making its investigation for weeks past has and is going into whatever matters it is investigating thoroughly, has or is not paying any attention whatever to idle gossip or prejudices of any one individual against others, and above all, is steering clear of all political features of such investigation.

In other words, before looking into any allegation the jury has insisted, it is said, that there must be a good basis and some evidence to back up the allegation.

It is thus due to this thoroughness and lack of prejudice on the part of the investigators and their legal advisors, and above all a disposition on their part to exercise fairness, that has made the investigation last so long, it is understood, as some of the features pertaining to allegations being investigated necessitate going back over happenings and figures for some four or five years back.

EMORY ELECTED COPCO 4UM HEAD

Fred Emory was elected president of the Copco employees' organization Saturday night, to take the place of Don Runyard, resigned. Other officers were Frank Stinson, vice president, and Miss Nina Lightizer, secretary. Following a short business meeting, a peppy good minstrel show was staged, after which dancing was enjoyed by all present. The minstrel made a big hit with the enthusiastic crowd from the opening "Hallelujah" chorus to the many quips and jokes by the end men. The new Forum quartette made its first appearance and was encored time after time. A great deal of credit for the success of the show is due Fred Emory and Mrs. O. C. Felling, as well as the entire cast, who worked hard to make it a success.

The affair was attended by one of the largest crowds of the year.

RECORD CROWD AT LEGION BENEFIT

One of the best dances of the season was the American Legion affair at the Oriental Gardens Saturday night. A large crowd from all parts of the valley was in attendance until the last dance at 12 o'clock and everyone voted the event an unequalled success. Music by Whit Barton's popular dance band was a feature of the evening. Just before the close of the party, Port Commander Horace Bromley of the local Legion organization announced the final results of the Medford-Roseburg membership contest and thanked all veterans and local citizens who helped win the victory for Medford post. The announcement that Medford had won the contest by a margin of nearly a hundred members was greeted

LOCAL DELEGATE TO STATE D. A. R. SESSION RETURNS

Mrs. G. Q. D'Albini returned Sunday from Portland, where she had gone to attend the fifteenth annual state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the first state conference of the Children of the American Revolution. There were delegates from six organized C. A. R. societies in attendance and two who are in the course of organization. Mrs. D'Albini, who is president of General Joseph Society, C. A. R., has been elected historian of the state organization.

The conference of the D. A. R. was the biggest and one of the most harmonious ever held in the state. Crater Lake Chapter was given special mention for having fulfilled all pledges, and is one of the outstanding chapters in Americanism. Delegates from five chapters have asked for information regarding the correspondence instruction given to those unable to attend the classes in person. The recent citizenship contest in the Medford high school received much praise; ten delegates requested copies of these questions.

Many expressions of appreciation were heard for Willamette chapter for the courtesies and entertainment extended those in attendance. A luncheon Thursday evening and a theatre party later were among the complimentary affairs given for the delegates.

Friday evening a banquet was held with the nationally known speaker, Lieutenant Colonel LeRoy F. Smith, as honor guest, who addressed the delegates and guests on "National Defense." The delegates were given copies of his address with permission, and even his request, to use this when possible to enlighten the people that they may know conditions as they exist, and not what the defenders and the descendants of the defenders of our nation wish them to be. Saturday, the last day of the conference, the new rules governing the state organization were adopted, many revisions to the old rules being made.

The concluding business of the convention was the election of state officers, when Mrs. M. J. Norris, recent of Crater Lake chapter, was elected second state vice-president.

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MARSHFIELD, Ore., April 2—(AP)—The steamer Jane Nettleton was in distress today ten miles northwest of Cape Blanco on the Oregon coast. The Associated Oil tanker Kewanee and another vessel were standing by. The Jane Nettleton's aerial was down and her cargo was shifting. Her position was reported dangerous. The Cape Blanco light station

this afternoon reported it could see fifteen to seventeen miles but there was no sight of any vessel. Captain Nutter of the Brandon coast guard reported that a look-out at 11:30 a. m. sighted smoke twenty miles to southwest. No wireless report had been heard since morning when the Nonsana reported leaving the Jane Nettleton with the tanker Kewanee standing by.

The crew of the Jane Nettleton reported by blinker signals to nearby vessels early today that the Nettleton was badly damaged and expressed the fear that she would break up. The Jane Nettleton carries a crew of 24.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 2—(AP)

—Fears for the safety of the sailing schooner J. V. Kruse, 112 days out of Australia, which ran into a storm off the northern coast of Oregon, were growing here today when the coast guard cutter Snohomish reported it was still searching for the vessel. The Snohomish was erroneously reported yesterday as having sighted the Kruse.

Captain John G. Berry, commander of the northwest division of the coast guard, said he felt sure the Kruse was off the Washington coast south of Flattery. "I have instructed the command of the Snohomish to continue the search and not return until he is certain the Kruse is safe," Captain Berry said.

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