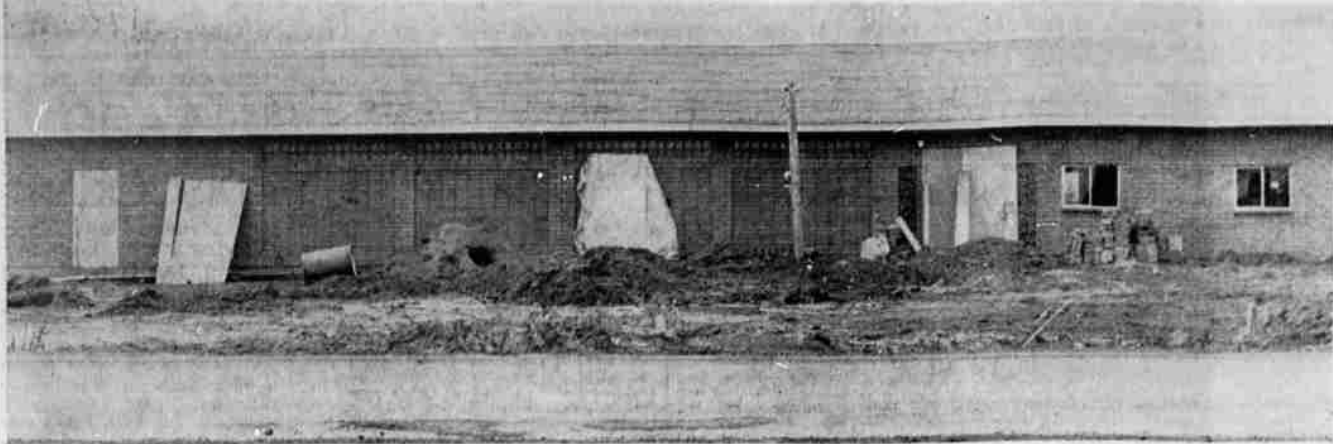


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SUBURBAN HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH — The ground-breaking for the Southern Baptist Church, located at Homedale and Independence, was Oct. 25, 1962. In less than four months the exterior of the brick

building has been completed, and the members expect to meet in their new sanctuary by Easter. The cost of the structure is estimated at \$40,000, not including plans for the addition of a fellowship hall.

Young Church Climaxes Growth With Expansion

By JUNE A. JOHNSON

Rev. D. J. Mead, pastor of the South Manor Baptist Church in Roswell, N.M., came to Klamath Falls in June, 1962, to conduct a series of revival meetings at a Baptist mission sponsored by his church. Three months later he returned with his family to establish a permanent home and assume the position of minister at the mission, known locally as the Suburban Heights Baptist Church.

Within the next month, the mission will receive its charge and become a sanctioned church body, and before Easter the new minister and his congregation plan to be in their own church building, which is now under construction. These major achievements in the formation of the fourth Southern Baptist Church in Klamath Falls have been accomplished in less than two years.

The short history of Suburban Heights Baptist Church dates back to 1961. For several months 20 people had been holding worship services in the Shasta Grange Hall. The group was unsponsored, but carried on as a Baptist mission with the intention of forming an established church affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention. However, to be recognized by the convention, it was necessary to be sponsored by a church holding membership in the S.B.C.

In the summer of 1961, Mrs. Carl Jacobson and family were visited by her mother from Roswell, N.M., who was a member of the South Manor Baptist Church in that city. The Jacobsons were active supporters of the small mission, and Mrs. Jacobson's mother was so impressed with the group's efforts that she offered to ask her home church to sponsor it. By July, 1961, Suburban Heights Baptist Church was declared a mission of the New Mex-

ico church and approved by the Southern Baptist Convention.

As the mother church, South Manor supplied the mission with teaching materials, Sunday school books, Bible school literature, and moral support. It was not necessary to give financial aid, because the mission was able to support itself. In return, Suburban Heights Baptist sent all gifts of money to Baptist missions and the denomination's cooperative program through South Manor.

Minister Remains

Suburban Heights invited the minister of the mother church, Reverend Mead, to lead its revival services scheduled for the month of June the following year. When he arrived, members of the mission had no idea he would accept an offer to remain as their minister, but on Sept. 23, 1962, he brought his wife, Betty, and three children to Klamath Falls as the first family of Suburban Heights.

In explaining his reasons for coming here, one of the members said that Reverend Mead has always been interested in mission work and enjoys working with small churches just getting started. His church in Roswell is a larger church and well-established so he felt that he could be of greater service to a young group, she added.

Reverend Mead, who has been in full-time ministry for six years, has already attained an impressive record in promoting growth and expansion in his former parishes. As minister of Mt. View Baptist Church in Alamogordo, N.M., he assisted with three building programs during the three years he was there. Serving as pastor of the South Manor Baptist Church for two and a half years, he completed a \$100,000 building program.

A native of New Mexico, Reverend Mead attended the Linda Vista Baptist College and Seminary in Linda Vista, Calif. While pastoring in New Mexico he held numerous offices in the Baptist convention and association of the state, including State Executive Board, three years; State In-low Youth Camp Executive Committee, four years; State Chairman of Evangelism, one year; Association Chairman of Evangelism, one year; and Association treasurer and vice moderator.

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site in May. Construction of the 40 by 100-foot brick building began almost immediately, and the exterior was completed several weeks ago.

Located at Homedale and Independence, the site of the \$40,000 church reflects the positive attitude of its members. It is designed to accommodate 250 for worship services and 250 in Sunday school departments. Suburban Heights now has approximately 50 members, and the Sunday School enrollment stands at 59.

The walls of the sanctuary are brick, and the pews, which have been ordered from Arkansas, are of natural Arkansas pine. The color scheme for the carpeting and other furnishings has not been decided as yet, but plans are already being considered for further construction.

The Sunday school rooms and nursery are located in the back section of the central building, and the sanctuary is in the front section. Little or no space is available for large social functions and meetings, so the need for a fellowship hall has been anticipated and steps taken to correct it. The fellowship hall will be added as a wing to the main building, and will be built as soon as possible. If the work develops according to plans, the hall will be completed by the time the church building is completed and furnished.

Another item on the expansion and building agenda is an organ. The church now has a piano, but the purchase of an organ has not been deemed necessary until services are conducted in the new sanctuary. Services are still being held in the Shasta Grange Hall.

Charge Slated
All phases of the establishment of Suburban Heights Baptist Church have been running on schedule. The membership has gone through the formality of petitioning the Roswell church for permission to withdraw as a mission and has received an affirmative answer.

The date the church will receive its charge and achieve a full-church status has not been set, but the ceremony is expected to be conducted in the next few weeks.

All of the Southern Baptist churches in the area will meet together for the occasion, and the charge will be given by the member groups. These include those belonging to the Klamath Association: First Baptist, Calvary Baptist, and Stewart-Lenox Baptist of Klamath Falls; First Baptist of Tulelake; First Baptist of Dorris, Calif.; and Trinity Baptist Church of Lakeview.

Following the ceremony, the visiting churches will present Suburban Heights Baptist Church with a gift, a traditional custom to welcome a new church to the convention.

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Quarterly Klamath Stake Meeting Set In Medford

Elder Boyd K. Packer, an assistant to the Council of Twelve Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Salt Lake City, will preside at a quarterly conference of the Klamath Stake Feb. 9-10 in Medford.

Accompanying him will be Elders Paul C. Child, a member of the General Welfare Committee, and A. Leslie Derbyshire of the Genealogical Society Conference Staff. They will address special meetings for welfare and genealogical leaders on Saturday.

General sessions of the conference will be conducted Sunday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. by Stake President Ronald Earl Phair of Klamath Falls. Visitors are welcome to attend these meetings.

Two other Klamath Falls men, Dr. Harold Catmull, counselor in the Stake presidency, and Merlin Bleak, Stake clerk, will also participate in the conference program. Approximately 400 people are expected to attend from the First and Second Wards of the local LDS Church.

Elder Packer, a professional educator, has been an Air Force pilot, a city commissioner, and coordinator among students from American Indian tribes. He was later an appointed assistant in the United Church System and a member of the Administrative Council of Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

The last Klamath Stake conference was held in Klamath Falls in November. With a membership of 4,300, the Stake includes Grants Pass, Medford, Ashland, Klamath Falls, and Lakeview, Ore., and the California cities of Alturas, Tulelake, Yreka and Etna.

Talks Slated On Missions

The First Church of God, 2802 Altamont, will host two guest speakers from the field of missions, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben C. Schwieger, at special services Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m.

Born in Hitchcock, Okla., Mr. Schwieger received his bachelor of science degree from Central State College in Edmond, Okla., and his master of arts from Phillips University at Enid, Okla. He was converted at the age of 12, and from early youth had shown interest in the mission field as his parents had once been missionaries in Canada.

In 1935 Mr. Schwieger married Nora Benson, who had also been reared in Oklahoma and attended Central State College. She spent one summer at the University of Honolulu in Hawaii, where she became acquainted with people of various nationalities and cultural backgrounds.

After teaching in a number of schools, Mr. Schwieger became principal of Hobart High School in Hobart, Okla. A short time later he and his wife felt a definite call to the mission field. Mr. Schwieger was ordained in August, 1952, but they began their foreign service in the spring of 1947 when they went to the Kenya Colony.

Sponsors Film
T. L. Osborn's film, "The Miracle Worker," will be shown at the Klamath Temple, 1007 Pine Street, on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 7:30 p.m. No admission will be charged and the movie will be open to the public.

The film, in color, is a dynamic sermon film made during an historic evangelistic crusade in Mexico. Rev. Elmer Krutzingler said the film will present a real challenge to young people.

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Church Elects Vestrymen

The annual business meeting of St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Jan. 24 resulted in the unanimous election of four vestrymen and a junior warden. John Moehl, Dr. George Nicholson, Elbert Stiles, and Larry Watkins were elected to serve on the vestry for three years, and William North was elected to a one-year term. James Clark was re-elected to the position of junior warden. The rector, Rev. Robert L. Greene, reappointed Dr. Merle Swansen as senior warden.

Following the meeting, the vestry held a brief organization session and elected officers. Larry Watkins was named clerk of the vestry; Bill North, pledge secretary, and Carl Bartlett, treasurer.

Bartlett succeeded Pat Turner, who retired after three years of service.

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REV. R. J. STEWART, pastor of the Medford Free Methodist Church, is conducting revival services each night through Feb. 15 at the Free Methodist Church, 918 Oregon Avenue at 7:30. A graduate of the John Wesley Foundation of the Free Methodist Church and Ashbury College, Wilmore, Ky., he stresses present day needs in his messages. The public is invited.

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