

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART.

A Large Crowd Witness the Dedication Ceremonies.

Features of the Handsome New Edifice.

Young Women's Christian Association Holds Afternoon Services in the First M. E. Church - Trinity Methodist Church.

After four years of noble work by Father Patrick Harnett and his parishioners of the East Side, their efforts were most gratifyingly rewarded by having their handsome new church of the Sacred Heart dedicated in the presence of a large gathering yesterday.

The occasion was a most felicitous one and reflected great credit upon the generosity of the members of the parish as well as adjoining ones.

Father Adam was the celebrant of the mass, assisted by Father Doyle and Father Cote.

The first part of the services consisted in sprinkling the foundation of the building with holy water, during which prayers were recited. The celebrant was followed during the ceremony by a procession of the children of the parish.

Father Adam first anointed the foundations on the outside of the church and then proceeding to the inside anointed the interior.

After this was concluded the crowd who had remained on the outside of the church entered and attended high mass. The building was crowded to its utmost capacity, many of the most prominent Catholics of the city being present.

The children were seated in the balcony with the choir at the rear of the church. Solemn high mass was celebrated, after which Father Hickey of St. Vincent's college delivered the sermon.

He referred to the occasion and stated that by the consecration, the church was made the house of God, the house of prayer and the house of sacrifice.

He dwelt at some length upon the fact that the church reminds us of the church instituted by Christ, being Catholic extending throughout the entire world and emanating from God.

The historical facts regarding the church were then briefly dwelt upon. Many enemies had risen against her, he said, and she had at first been attacked by arms, but by the combined forces of intellect and faith she was never so thoroughly Catholic, and her numbers were never so great or so widespread as now.

The speaker alluded to the generosity of the people in erecting the church in such a short time, and especially praised the people of Los Angeles for their work.

Some excellent music was rendered during the services by the choir, under the direction of Prof. Hayes.

The church is a fine specimen of the Gothic architecture, and is situated in the northeast corner of Sichel and Baldwin streets. It presents a fine appearance. The seating capacity is several thousand, and at the rear is the gallery. The interior is finished at present in the rough, but will shortly be handsomely frescoed and a Gothic arch added.

There are three altars. The main altar is very imposing and is situated in a large alcove. This altar is finished in cream and ivory gilt. All of the paneling is done in ivory, which the relief work is in cream. The columns are finished with elegantly polished gilding.

In the front of the main body of the altar is a representation in relief of the Last Supper. The altar was the gift of Mr. J. F. Brossart, of East St. Angeles, and was dedicated and consecrated for yesterday's services with flowers and potted plants by the donor's daughter's. On the epistle or left side of the altar a life-size statue of St. Patrick, while on the gospel side is a statue of St. Joseph, the gift of Mrs. Victor Pontet.

On the gospel side and by the right hand wall is the altar of the sacred heart and on the other is the altar of the blessed mother. These were used in the former place also.

The first was also donated by Mr. Brossart. These altars will be elevated shortly. Mrs. Pontet also presented two additional statues one of the Blessed Heart and the other of the Blessed Virgin, which are to be placed upon the altars. Mrs. J. C. Essner decorated these two smaller altars.

The chancel is handsomely carpeted and the rail is neat and made of red-wood with bronze furnishings.

In the alcove are two handsome windows. The one on the gospel side is in memory of Father Rounsell, deceased late of San Francisco. On the epistle side the window is in memory of Sarah Ann Meade.

Along the right hand side of the church and on the epistle side of the altar are five handsome windows. The first is the gift of the Clients of Mary, the second is in memory of Mrs. P. J. Harnett, the mother of the pastor, the next in memory of Patrick H. Hannon, the next in memory of Mrs. M. P. Campbell and the last in memory of Henry Milner Mitchell.

On the other side are three, the gifts of Mrs. Walters, Mrs. Catherine M. Wilson and D. G. M. McGarry respectively. Several more of the windows remain to be placed. Along the walls are displayed a set of stations of the cross. Upon the right hand side is a handsome confessional and at the rear of the room is another one. A door in the left of the chancel leads into the vestry room.

The foundation of the church was laid four years ago. It was roofed over and used as the place of worship. Shortly after this, Father Harnett's attention was drawn to the erection of a school in the vicinity of the church. The school was completed at a cost of \$600 and placed in charge of the Dominican sisters.

Father Frioli, vicar general of the diocese of Richmond, Va., D. M. McGarry, J. F. Brossart and Major Coleman.

Young Women's Christian Association. The gospel meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held at the First Congregational church yesterday afternoon, and was a Thanksgiving service, earnest, enthusiastic and loyal to God and our country.

It was opened by selections rendered by the string quartette of the association and during the service two beautiful anthems were sung by the choir of the First Presbyterian church.

After reading of the scriptures by Mr. Bullard and prayer by Mrs. Bassell, Miss Morse announced the hymn "America." Before it was sung she asked Miss Clara Hull to speak of a picture that was on the platform draped with an American battle flag. This was a beautiful representation of Dr. S. F. Smith, author of the grand hymn.

Miss Hull said: "Dr. Smith is living in Newton Center, Mass., and has just celebrated his 85th birthday. It is interesting his story in writing this hymn Dr. Smith had no thought of its becoming a national hymn. It was simply the expression of his own patriotism and his recognition of our 'Father's God' as the author of liberty." But it met a response in the hearts of all Americans, and for 61 years has been our national hymn.

Whittier has spoken of this hymn as "the song of our country," adopted by 60,000 of freemen, and said it has kept us to the march of freedom. It has been sung around campfires, and the sick and wounded have forgotten their pain in listening to it. It has followed the American flag and gone 'round the world."

Another has said: "In his national hymn and other patriotic utterances the hearts of the people have not only been inspired with love of country but lifted to a proper acknowledgment of that divine watchcare and guidance which have been so manifest in the history of our land."

We could hardly have a Thanksgiving service without singing this hymn, and as we sing shall it not be with gratitude for such Christian patriots as Dr. Smith and with thanksgiving that the spirit of Christianity has been incorporated into our national hymn?"

Miss Hull testified from personal acquaintance to the beauty of life and soul as expressed by the presence of Dr. Smith.

The principal address of the meeting was then made by Miss Emma L. Miller, general Baptist home missionary for Southern California. Her subject was "Christian service for young women."

She was listened to with marked interest through a talk replete with fine thought and many beautiful suggestions of the ways in which the girls might render a loving service to God.

Miss Morse gave a report of the progress of the work of the association. The meeting was closed by the singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Trinity M. E. Church. At Trinity M. E. church, South, yesterday morning, the pastor, Rev. A. C. Bane, though indisposed and quite weak from a recent attack of la grippe, preached an eloquent sermon to a large congregation from the rather unique subject, Relief for Hard Times, based upon Matthew vi, 33: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

All men desire and strive to acquire comfort, happiness, honor and success in all the walks of life, but blasted hopes, disappointed ambition, sorrow and failure is the end, and the end of most lives. And why? It is because they are not loving Father, who governs the universe, has failed to provide for His children a sure highway to the goal they covet? Nay, verily! His word abounds in blessed passages, as indicated in the text, and pointing them to such a way. We are to put God and His cause first in all things—first in our thought and affection. This is His command, His law, which is as inexorable and unchangeable as the laws that govern the planetary system, and which we cannot seek to pervert without disastrous results.

The earnest preacher then exhorted his hearers to accept and adopt God's plan, which, if men would do, every troublesome economic question would be happily solved; the friction between capital and labor would vanish, "hard times" would disappear and there would not be a tramp in America. Peace and plenty would abound here, resulting in endless felicity beyond the grave. The large audience manifested the deepest interest during the discourse.

A Hallelujah Meeting. The Salvation army held a grand hallelujah service at Simpson tabernacle last night. The large church was packed from pit to dome with a crowd as varied as it was good-natured, and as curious as it was amused. People from all walks of life attended and enjoyed the novel meeting and gained some idea of how the army saves souls and holds on to those already saved.

There was nothing unusual about the service; it was simply the plain, old-time "whoop'er up" of the army. The meeting was held by the two corps of the city. Captain McIntyre conducted the services, assisted by Captain Van Loan of Riverside. The members of the corps occupied seats on the choir platform and facing the audience. Many of the front seats of the auditorium were also occupied by part of the army.

Addresses were made by the captains, Captains Archer and Carr sang solos and sisters Armstrong and Wade sang a duet.

The usually vigorous handclapping songs were rendered and enjoyed, and the collection was taken twice. Captain McIntyre was not satisfied with the first contribution, so started his red-coated assistants through the crowd again. A fair amount was realized.

A number of comrades testified as to how glad they were they had been saved and expressed themselves as being well pleased with their general prospects. A feature of the testimony was the number of reformed drunkards who were saved. Strange to relate none mentioned how long ago they had re-

ceived their certificates of gold cure of graduation. It was announced that there would be an extra large meeting of the army on next Thursday. Specials George Montgomery and wife of San Francisco, will be on hand. Mr. Montgomery is the wealthy philanthropist of the army, who endowed the various free homes in San Francisco. Morning and afternoon meetings will be held at the barracks, and the evening session will be in the First M. E. Church.

Vincent Religious Crusade. The closing services of the Vincent religious crusade campaign were held yesterday. The preparatory services of the morning were held in several separate prayer meetings at 10 a. m. Mrs. Pearl Strong led the children in the service of the Junior League. The Vincent guards of the boys' brigade held a prayer service, Rev. Fisher leading. Mrs. Helen Birdall conducted the devotional meeting for the young ladies, which was held in the parsonage parlors. Inspiration for work in the other meetings of the day was gathered in these services.

The main service of the morning was held at 11 o'clock. The usual musical programme was rendered by the choir and congregation. The scripture lesson was read. Rev. Fretz led in prayer. The pastor, Rev. F. V. Fisher, then delivered the morning discourse. His text was taken from Acts 1, 8: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me." The words of the text were uttered by the Master in the closing days of His earthly ministry. At that time a new religion had been inaugurated by Him, and He had given these words of command to His disciples. They were to spread the word to every part of the earth and among all peoples. These words come down through the ages to us of the latter part of the 19th century. We are to testify to the men of today. Christ did not employ the means used by Mohammed or the worldly governments, of force, but by missionary work to propagate His gospel. It was His plan to scatter His disciples through the earth, and wherever there was a disciple there should be a Christian church. Today this religion encircles the globe. It is by personal work and testimony that His kingdom is propagated. The minister alone cannot do all. There are three sides to this question.

First—We are representatives of the government of Heaven and we should not disgrace God. We should be as proud to be a consul of Heaven as the office-seeker is to be an ambassador of the United States to foreign countries. Second—We are lights in this world. Little lights are important, and everybody can testify by their life and with their tongue. Christians should let their life be a light through the week as well as on Sunday.

Third—There are many people on the earth who do not believe the claims made by Christ. The witness must have a character back of him; his veracity must be established. Then, like the witness in court, the witness for Christ must know what he is talking about. No hearsay evidence will have weight. Personal testimony has saved more people than logic. Personal opinion counts for nothing without direct knowledge. The service closed with a song, My Father is Rich. Class meeting service followed the preaching.

EVENING SERVICES. The opening meeting of the evening was held in the Epworth league room and was led by Mr. Vogel. A service of song, prayer and testimony was held. The topic discussed was The Christian Home. The evening service proper was begun at 7:30, with the song service led by the orchestra and chorus. Rev. Fisher prayed. The pastor, Rev. Fred. Fisher, preached the sermon. The topic for his talk was The Excess Which the Unconverted Give Why They Do Not become Christians. The text was the parable of the Wedding Feast given in the fourteenth chapter of St. Luke. Christ likened the religion of God as a great feast board—an eternal thanksgiving. What Jesus Christ offers is an invitation to a rich feast. The preacher is the messenger sent out to deliver the invitation between the guests and the banquet table. There are many who beg to be excused from this religious feast. The reasons given in the parable were false; the true reason was because they did not want to follow Christ. Some excuses offered in these crusade meetings were treated by the speaker. Some persons have a high ideal of a Christian, and because they are afraid they cannot hold out, refuse the trial. God will lead you if you commit yourself completely to Him. You are thus doubling God's power and charging Him with being a liar. Another objection given is that a person who is a Christian has mistreated them, or they imagine he has done so. Personal prejudice causes them to throw away heaven. Why refuse the invitation because they do not like the messenger? Some say they will not be Christians because there are so many hypocrites in the church. That objector should lead a true Christian life and show the hypocrite his mistake. Many object because they say they must give up so much pleasure. The preacher maintained that no man is required to give up anything but what conscience condemns. Some object because they cannot believe and do not have the ecstatic feeling. Joy is the result of faith. Feeling is a result of faith. Some unconverted do not like to confess that their past has been wrong, by turning to a Christian life. Some can not forgive, they say. Many make the excuse that "tomorrow I will be a Christian." No man is ever sure of the appearance of tomorrow. "Act in the living present." An after service for beginners in the Christian life was held.

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He Says Southern California Will Not Be Missed if It Drops Out of the Show, and that the Railroad Has Made Reasonable Concessions.

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