

ASK UNION'S CO-OPERATION

METHODIST CONFERENCE COMES TO CLOSE

TIME LIMIT OF SERVICE IS EXTENDED

Bishop Neely Makes Appearances. Lively Discussion Ends in Decision to Choose Presiding Elders by Election

The time limit of a Methodist minister in the Southern California conference is extended to fifty years according to the action of the conference yesterday at its closing session.

The extension of the time limit would not make any change except for the elimination of the compulsory point of being obliged to leave a pastorate on the time limit regardless of the desires of pastor and congregation.

A spirited discussion arose regarding the election of the presiding elders by the ministers or their appointment by the bishop presiding.

It was decided after considerable discussion that the laymen electors would affiliate with the ministers in the conference work and sessions every four years. This was carried by a large majority.

A resolution was brought before the session designated as a "labor resolution," which brought forth a spirited discussion.

Unions Discussed. Rev. A. B. Morrison, one of the members of the committee, spoke with much emphasis against the idea of allowing the labor unions to work with the church.

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Los Angeles District. Presiding elder, A. W. Adkinson. Burlingame—To be supplied. Compton—C. A. Bunker. Elysian Garden—To be supplied. Florence—S. W. Carme. Gardena—H. J. Van. Huntington Park—J. G. Hill. Hynes—Supplied by Edwin D. Ashcroft. Inglewood—Supplied by Roy Mealey. Long Beach—Alamont Park, A. B. Johnson; Central, W. F. Luak; First, W. A. Betts; Myrtle avenue, to be supplied. North Hollywood—Supplied by J. L. Dimmitt; Boyle heights, Alfred Inwood; Brooklyn heights, supplied by E. A. Smith; Echo park, Maurice R. Walton; Edendale, supplied by Henry Goodell; Elyworth, Robert Barton; Euclid heights, F. H. Ross; First, Robert McIntyre; Florence heights, supplied by C. H. Sutherland; Hamilton, A. Johnson; Haven, Frederick Miller; Mason's chapel, H. C. Cooper; Melrose avenue, W. F. Wick; Newman, George E. Foster; Pio heights, William Lowe; St. James, G. W. Coulter; St. Marks, Benton Hamlin; South Main street, C. H. Lawrence; Spanish mission, O. C. Calhoun; Sunnyside, supplied by J. E. Suther; University, E. J. Inwood; Vermont square, to be supplied; Vernon, W. A. Brown; Vincent, R. C. Gory; Westley chapel, G. R. Bryant; West Adams, Eli McClain; Westlake, D. E. Howe; West Washington, P. H. Bodkin. Moneta—W. C. Loomis. Ocean Park—E. W. Paske. Prospect Park—James Blackledge. Redondo—F. A. Zeigler. Santa Monica—G. H. Stevens. Sawtelle—R. I. McKee. South Hollywood—To be supplied. Watts—William Koberger.

Pass Thinks Resolution. The conference closed at 1:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon after the reading of thanks were passed for those assisting in the work of the conference. Bishop Neely made a feeling farewell address. Bishop Neely left yesterday afternoon for Tucson, where he will open the Arizona conference this afternoon.

Rev. Robert McIntyre, who was again appointed pastor of the First Methodist church, is one of the most popular pastors of the conference. His name was prominently mentioned at the last general conference for the bishopric.

JUDGE SCATHING IN HIS DECISION. In a decision rendered by Judge Monroe yesterday, Mrs. Lucy Robinson was awarded a judgment restoring to her the lot in Wilmington which Mrs. C. Allen and her daughter claimed to have bought.

The case had been on trial before Judge Monroe for nearly a week, and in the decision he referred in scathing terms to the efforts of the defendants to take advantage of the mental condition of an incompetent person.

Mrs. Robinson, who is more than 70 years of age, was declared incompetent in July, 1906, and the alleged sale of the property was consummated May 29 of the same year. In making this Judge Monroe said he was convinced the plaintiff was not capable of transacting such business at the date named.

The suit was brought by Attorney D. N. Lauberschiemer, as guardian, and he was assisted by Attorney J. D. Brash. One of the remarkable features of the case was the testimony of Attorney J. Marlon Brooks, who told of having refused to take charge of the defense, as he believed the land had been fraudulently obtained.

It is said that Mrs. Allen and her daughter, Mrs. Alice Hine, went to Attorney H. H. Appel, who also refused to take the case. Powers and Holland conducted the defense and fought bitterly the attempt of the plaintiff to show that Mrs. Robinson was incompetent at the time she signed the deed.

In deciding the case, Judge Monroe said: "When counsel for the plaintiff attempted to place Mrs. Robinson on the stand it met the objection of the defense, on the ground that she was an incompetent. This objection I sustained, at the same time feeling satisfied that the plaintiff, though intelligent, might have replied intelligently to the questions asked."

"I am convinced she would not understand that she had been adjudged incompetent to care for her person or her thing about business affairs. At the same time I felt we could get the desired testimony through other sources, and felt that it would be absurd to admit the testimony of one who had been declared incompetent."

"The adjudication was only a few months after the alleged deed was signed, and I do not think she was competent then, nor has the testimony to that effect been very strong at this trial."

"It shows conclusively that she did not know anything about business, and I am convinced she did not know what she was doing when she signed the paper which is here alleged to be a deed."

"These defendants had been with her for several weeks before this occurrence. The testimony of Mrs. Hine, that she had not had anything to do with her for nearly a year prior to the preliminary overtures of this transaction and the fact that Mrs. Robinson was not a person whom anyone would care to have in their family leads me to believe that the defendants became intimate at this time, with an ulterior purpose."

Treatment Just. "This view of the matter impressed me at the time the testimony was given, and I didn't believe they had any right to deal in such a manner with one who must have been so manifestly incapable to manage her affairs. While it was not until some months later that the plaintiff was declared incompetent, and a guardian appointed, I am convinced Mrs. Robinson never understood what she was doing when she put her mark on that deed."

Mrs. Robinson is unable to speak English, and has never learned to read or write in any language. The defendants claimed to have paid for the property in cash, but the evidence concerning the payment of the money was not clear to the court. Continuing, Judge Monroe said:

"Neither have the defendants shown to the satisfaction of the court that they paid this money to the plaintiff. There is nothing to show that Mrs. Allen ever had that much money about her, and Mrs. Robinson has no money, nor is there any proof of her having spent any."

"The fact that Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Hine made repeated visits to Los Angeles to inquire if the property was incumbered and if the taxes were paid doesn't show that the deal was genuine. In direct contrast with the conduct of coming suddenly and taking a law case with her, who drew up the deed after he got there."

"Therefore I find that no money was ever paid, and the judgment and cost are for the plaintiff."

WALSH LOSES MONTH'S PAY

HELD UP SECRET SERVICE AGENT IN CHUTES PARK

BOARD REBUKES INDISCREET DETECTIVE

Chief Hazen Pushes Case Before Police Commissioners, Who Give Prompt Verdict Against Plain Clothes Officer

Police commissioners sitting as judges yesterday found plain clothes Officer John M. Walsh of the University district guilty of the charge of interfering with a United States officer and suspended him for thirty days with loss of pay.

Secret Service Operative William M. Farrell, at the direction of Chief George W. Hazen of the California-Nevada division, preferred the charges against Officers John M. Walsh and John W. Murphy, but the case as to Murphy was dropped.

Farrell had shaken hands with Murphy at the Chutes park headquarters on the night of Labor day, after Captain Bradish applied for the best judgment of his men in the case, and the letter was inclined to drop the case, especially against Murphy, who had acted more as a spectator.

When Farrell reported the facts to Chief Hazen, however, next day, he was instructed to make a written report, and that he laid before the United States district attorney and that official advised that charges be first made before the police commissioners.

Chief Hazen blundered in this had been his first experience in fifteen years of such unwarranted action by city policemen when a secret service agent had been in the case, and though speaking calmly, both he and Farrell impressed the board with the earnestness of their charges.

Walsh and Murphy's defense was that they had told Farrell that they were Secret Service agents, but the chief of police was accidentally brushed off, and that their rough treatment consisted merely in taking Farrell to the Chutes park office, where Captain Bradish was summoned.

Farrell on the other hand, testified that Walsh took his star off his suspender, took his revolver and billy away, ignored a letter from the treasury department which served as credentials and abused him by saying his claims were untrue even after the men reached the park office.

When Chief Hazen was informed of the verdict last night he expressed an off-hand opinion that the board had taken a courteous view of the circumstances of the case, but declined to say whether any further action would be taken.

Farrell testified that on the night of Labor day, under instructions, he visited the side shows and other attractions at the Chutes, interviewing a number of men, if any counterfeit money had been passed. Late at night he watched the cashiers make their deposits at the general office.

Much Push There. While talking to Manager Lehigh he exposed his star, which action was doubtless noticed by the plain clothes men outside. There was about \$25,000 or \$30,000 in cash there and the company had asked for police protection.

Farrell said Walsh grabbed him just as he stepped outside, called him a "bogus cop" and seized his coat lapel, at the same time explaining for his revolver.

He asked Walsh to keep a minute while he went to get a gun, but the man in plain clothes refused to listen, but ignoring the star and the official Washington letter he carried, hustled him inside the office.

Farrell did not take an active part in the search, but sent a passing boy after Captain Bradish.

Captain Bradish Corroborates. The captain next took the stand and substantially corroborated Farrell in regard to what took place after the operative had been brought into the office.

"Walsh has been sick and more than once I have told him to go home and get himself under a doctor's care," said Captain Bradish. "He was physically unable to work."

"After I expressed my regret to Farrell for the conduct of my men he left, saying, 'It shall go no further, but I will cross-examine the man you developed that Captain Bradish had noticed Walsh having a high fever on duty. Walsh would tell him he did not want to get a doctor, as if he did he would not get up again. He preferred to keep on his feet and sweat the illness out of him.'"

"I knew Walsh before he was on the force," said Mayor Harper. "But I want to know if he had other qualities in being the best besides energy, which you have testified to in your report."

"He lacks the cool judgment, but for some work he is better than most officers," responded Captain Bradish.

Hazen Pushing Case. Chief Hazen testified to ordering Farrell to make the rounds of the cashiers' places at Chutes park.

"I did not think it right to pass this matter over lightly," said he, "hence I instructed Farrell to make a written report of his ill treatment. This is such an extreme case that we could not overlook it. Farrell was loathe to make a report, as Captain Bradish's kind treatment had removed the sting of the insult."

"The defendant has instructed me when a controversy arises to lay the facts before your superiors, and that was done here."

Walsh asked Captain Hazen if he had given out information to the press relative to bogus stars worn by would-be sleuths.

Captain Hazen said he had, as a warning to stamp and die makers not to manufacture fake detective stars.

"I took up five here in pawnshops myself," said he.

He also testified that the two officers were wrong in saying that Special Agent Cronin's star was different from that which Hazen wore; as a matter of fact, Farrell's was Cronin's identical star, Cronin having surrendered it. They are made at the bureau of engraving in Washington.

Detectives Testify. Detective Murphy testified that he had told Farrell that he was a policeman and told him to keep quiet, adding: "If you show us you're all right, you'll find we are all right."

The witness said he did not see Farrell handled roughly, did not see his star pulled off, though he did carry it, with the revolver, later to Captain Bradish. Walsh was the last witness. He said:

What Others Think of Us

THREE RAILROADS WILL FEED NEW SMELTER PLANT

Pacific Reduction Company Will Enable Development of Mines Paying Less Than \$25 a Ton

Rich Ore is Shipped From Douglas Lease

The Pacific Reduction Company has been incorporated to do a custom smelting business. Foster Brothers, who have offices in the Bumiller building at 430 South Broadway, are the fiscal agents and say that the enterprise is meeting with encouragement.

The smelter will be located in San Bernardino county, accessible to three railroads being located in the heart of a rich mineral region. The Pacific Reduction company's plant will be several hundred miles nearer to the gold camps of Nevada than any, as the Tonopah & Tidewater railway, which is nearly completed, will connect with the Santa Fe railway also will feed the smelter, and the Salt Lake will bring the smelter in close touch with the other rich districts.

In all these districts are numerous properties which are heavy shippers to San Francisco smelters, and at present the freight rates prohibit the shipping of ores paying under \$25 per ton.

The smelting works will consist of a lead stack of 100 tons daily capacity and a copper stack of equal tonnage, each of which will be of the latest type furnace and equipped with a preliminary heating apparatus which will prepare the ore before going into the blast furnace.

In addition to the smelter proper the company has completed arrangements for the erection of one of the Lowe coke and gas systems, which will produce twenty-five tons of coke per day, which has double the smelting value of any other coke known and will double the capacity of the plant; furnish 2,000,000 feet of gas per day, which will be turned out to electricity through the agency of a modern gas engine and furnish power enough to operate all the machinery, light and heat all the buildings and still leave enough power to sell to the mining camps of this district and furnish light and power for the entire Mojave valley.

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All yesterday afternoon and evening the family and friends of Chester D. Silent scoured the country in the neighborhood of the Palms, where the missing boy was reported seen by ranchers. Young Silent is the Stanford student, son of Judge Charles D. Silent of Los Angeles and brother of the well known Los Angeles real estate man, Edward D. Silent. He disappeared from the university in a mysterious way twelve days ago and has not been located yet.

Yesterday morning H. M. Hoke, a rancher, who lives one mile west of the Keating ranch, which is near the Palms, telephoned to Mr. Silent that a young man answering the description of the student had been seen at the ranches in his neighborhood.

Thinking the young fellow had come down from San Francisco on the boat and was wandering around the country between Los Angeles and the Palms, Mr. Silent notified the police department. Capt. Aulsebrook Officers Ingraham and Carroll to take up the search. These two men secured an automobile and accompanied by the friends and relatives of the Silents, who went out in automobiles and in other vehicles to aid in the search, they started out.

Answers Description. The young man seen by H. M. Hoke answered the description of the missing student. He had the peculiar cast of the eye characteristic of the Silent boy and he wore the customary college togs, such as corduroy trousers with leather cuffs turned up at the bottom and a college hat. At Stanford the junior and senior men wear corduroy trousers.

Hoke says he saw the young fellow Saturday about 9:30 in the morning. He was coming out of an adobe house across the road from the ranch. The boy approached Hoke's house and asked for something to eat. Several times while he was eating he asked for water. When he finished the meal he went off to some of the other ranch houses across the road.

The young fellow was then seen to return to the adobe house. He crawled into the undergrowth that surrounded the place and Hoke thought he had laid down to go to sleep. This was the last time the boy was seen in that neighborhood.

Family Heartbroken. No further word was received yesterday afternoon from the father, who is in Palo Alto carrying on the search in that vicinity. The family are heart-broken over the failure to find the young man yesterday afternoon, as they were confident from the description given by Hoke the boy had come down toward his home and was wandering about the country between the coast and the city.

A large party is being organized to take up the search today, and at daylight the policemen will start again. All the valley between Los Angeles and the coast of Venice and Santa Monica is to be scoured, as well as the Santa Monica canyon and surrounding territory. If he is anywhere in that part of the country he will very likely be found today.

The following telegram was received from Judge Silent yesterday morning by Edward D. Silent: "Man and woman claim seeing Chester Sunday in mountain back of here. Was without coat or hat. Apparently sane. Are positive from picture was he. Other circumstances raise a technicality."

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Saturday Early Closing For Savings Banks

The following named banks, which during the summer months have observed the Saturday early closing rule, will continue to remain closed Saturday evenings.

These banks, therefore, will close at 12 o'clock noon on Saturdays and not reopen until 10 a. m. Mondays.

- German-American Savings Bank, Equitable Savings Bank, Manhattan Savings Bank, Home Savings Bank, The American Savings Bank, Dollar Savings Bank and Trust Co., Bank of Los Angeles, The Bank of Southern California, Fraternal Savings and Commercial Bank, Metropolitan Bank and Trust Co., Security Savings Bank, Southern California Savings Bank, California Savings Bank, Pacific Savings Bank, Occidental Trust and Savings Bank, Globe Savings Bank, Western State Bank, Union Exchange Bank.