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TIME TO REGISTER
Registration for the general election closes on October 7. If you intend voting in November, you must register now.

PLAYGROUND CONDITION IS SERIOUS

Conditions at the Mount Scott playground have been causing much concern to the people living nearby. Because there are no lights and no police about, tugs from other parts of the city have been making it a place of nightly rendezvous and indulging in profanity, obscene language and moonshine whisky. It is even reported that children have been given moonshine in the daytime on the playground. In view of this condition a mass meeting was held Thursday, September 21, at the Millard-Avenue Presbyterian church. A very representative crowd was in attendance. A committee consisting of Rev. F. E. Finley, Rev. J. F. Ghormley, Mrs. George Stoner, H. G. Blakeslee and Mrs. W. L. Ormandy were appointed to interview the city commissioners to see what could be done to remedy the situation. It is planned to have another meeting, after that committee has had time to function, and at that time their report

will be heard. It will then be determined what further action, if any, is necessary.

WHY IS AN EDITOR?

Editors of Oregon papers do not, as a rule seem to be anxious to discuss the compulsory school bill. There is a feeling that the injection of religious issues into the politics of the state should be avoided if possible. This does not mean that they are unwilling to open their columns to the public for discussion of the subject, but they realize that it is a subject that will draw close lines and may be the cause of bitter feeling between the factions supporting or opposing the bill.—Baker Herald.

If the editor accepts the view that he is a purveyor of news merely, that is his affair; successful newspapers have been built on that notion. But if he undertakes to express opinions at all it is difficult to see how he can excuse himself from discussing a matter so important in American political history as the present attack on the right of elementary private education to exist.

This is not an academic debate in which the citizens of Oregon are engaged; they are called upon to decide whether a great principle long embedded in our laws and customs is to be uprooted. Here is an attempt to overturn the uniform practice of the American people since the foundation of the government; a measure is offered which involves a plunge into state socialism of a kind hitherto repudiated in this country. Yet we are told that the editors of Oregon are diffident about discussing the matter. It is a curious abdication of the editorial function, apparently because of the fear of losing subscribers.

Every editor in Oregon, not blinded by fanaticism, knows that the school measure cannot stand the test of the courts when the guarantees of the citizen's religious and civic rights are invoked against it.

THE TURKISH METHOD

When the Turks reconquered Smyrna the other day they were confronted with the problem of dealing with a

minority differing from them in race and religion. Some conquerors might try to solve the problem by recognizing the right of the minority to exist, especially as the Greeks were in the Smyrna country two thousand years or such a matter before the Turks arrived there the first time. But the Turk had a different solution; he would settle the question of minorities once for all. He burned the town and drove the Greeks out of the country. If there were no Greeks there would be no Greek problem.

The difference between the Turk and the Ku Kluxers is that the Turk is more efficient.

NOTES AND NEWS

The Turkish massacres at Smyrna and the attendant threat of war at Constantinople are but the repetition of an old story which would long ago have been ended but for the jealousies of the so-called Christian nations of Europe. A quarter-century ago (la-buntur anni) we delivered a high school graduation "oration" on "the duty of Christian Europe," a learned and eloquent discourse on the iniquity of the Turk and the obligation of thrusting him back into Asia. Gladstone had but recently emerged from his retirement to protest in his best rhetoric against the massacres of that time. He was the hero of our speech.

But these last days we have been reading Wilfrid Scawen Blunt's "My Diaries," dealing chiefly with the relations of the great powers and the eastern Mediterranean and disclosing the whole miserable chapter of intrigue and chicanery written by European diplomacy from 1880 to the outbreak of the great war. He shows that Gladstone when in power was tarred with the same stick as Lord Salisbury, whose special province it was to condone the Armenian massacres of the late 90's. At the behest of the Rothschilds, Gladstone made Lord Rosebery foreign minister in order to protect the bankers' investments in the Near East and Rosebery changed not a whit the policy of the Conservative party which Gladstone later denounced. Blunt shows the royalties and titled aristocracies of England, Italy and Germany arranging the whole diplomatic program in secret and then operating through the various governments.

Blunt, who came of an ancient family, wealthy and highly connected, served in the diplomatic field for years and was in touch with what went on. He condemns the whole business of financial imperialism which had developed largely within his own experience. Cecil Rhodes and his plunderings receive special attention. At the very time (1896) that the Armenian massacres were on, he wrote of Rhodes' treatment of the Matabels in South Africa: "The rebels are being blown up by dynamite in the caves of the Matoppo hills and their chiefs shot in cold blood, and while all this is going on we are having meetings the whole of England over to denounce the Sultan because he is destroying the Armenians. Was there ever a nation like ours? Never, since the world began."

Blunt expresses the conviction frequently that it would be a good thing

if the British Empire ceased to exist; he was a patriotic Englishman but abominated the methods of imperialism. An entry in his diary toward the end of May, 1899, gives a taste of his attitude: "The 24th was the Queen's birthday. Her Majesty being now eighty. There is a foolish letter in the Times pointing out the wonderful fulfillment of a prophecy of Sydney Smith's, who, 60 years ago, exhorted Her Majesty to make it the boast of her life to avoid war and to have it on her conscience to say: 'I have made no widows or orphans.' This for one whose reign has seen whole races of beings exterminated under her rule and only the other day thanked God that her troops had destroyed 30,000 Dervishes!"

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