

RESORT TO BALLOT

Advocated by Preachers to Stop Gambling.

UNITE TO DENOUNCE MAYOR

Principal Churches of Portland Resound With Condemnation of Mayor Williams' Policy in Licensing Gambling-Houses.

Nearly a dozen of the evangelical ministers of Portland preached blistering sermons yesterday on the gambling situation now existing in Portland.

The general tenor of all the sermons was that the remedy for gambling and all similar evils was through the ballot-box.

One preacher declared that he had cast his last vote for any party which advocated license for gambling circumstances.

No line of specific, aggressive action was indicated for the Ministerial Association; on the contrary, the congregations were exhorted in some places to join the Municipal Association, a lay, nonsectarian and nonpolitical organization, whose avowed object is the suppression of gambling.

Rev. E. P. Hill's Parable. One of the leading sermons was preached by Dr. E. P. Hill, of the First Presbyterian Church, whose evening subject was "What is Anarchy?"

Rev. E. L. House's Sermon. The subject chosen by the Rev. E. L. House was "X-Rays on Civic Affairs."

Christians cannot be relegated to the air. Too often our day ministers are regarded as good, little kittens, whose eyes are not opened, mewing about future probation and apostolic succession.

Second, because we know that our laws do not grant side doors to their rooms of infamy to saloons.

Third, because we know that the plea for revenue is a specious one. Honest, sober, clean men and women are the greatest sources of revenue to a community.

Fourth, because we know that the sunset side of a law placed on the statute books has the spirit that would overthrow government and destroy the country.

Fifth, because we have been told squarely that the public press generally of our city cannot assist us in the present issue.

In view of the fact that Portland is set here as if for the rise and fall of our great state, for this city to continue upon its career of unrighteousness is nothing short of a crime against all our people.

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By Rev. J. F. Gormley. Rev. J. F. Gormley, of the First Christian Church, spoke on the attitude of the Mayor toward gambling and other crimes.

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Why not? Is it because His Honor does not want the Celestials brought down to the low plane of the white race in this particular? Will not the fine-licensing from the Chinamen help the city's revenue just as much, dollar for dollar, as the honor is right in making the trade of Chinese gambling houses and wrong in permitting others to run in open violation of law?

to blame for the condition of affairs in this city as the party which elevated him to his position. I am not endeavoring to excuse the Mayor. We know "if the blind lead the blind, they shall both fall into the ditch."

Dr. Talbot on Rulers' Duty. Rev. Dr. Talbot, of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, took the text for his sermon from Romans, xiii. "For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil."

The ruler has one clear duty—to use every means in his power to enforce the law as he finds it in no other way can he make government respectable.

"No unauthorized words need to be used to characterize the gravity of the situation in this city. We are not now, nor are we likely to be in a state of anarchy.

At Cambridge Presbyterian Church. The Rev. E. Nelson Allen, pastor of the Cambridge Presbyterian Church, said: "A state of anarchy prevails in our city of the worst possible form.

Rev. A. B. Esson's Views. The Rev. A. B. Esson, pastor of the Rodney-Avenue Christian Church, took for his subject "A Present Need."

Every great city in the country has its conflict with organized iniquity. It is the constant purpose of gambling and kindred evils to get themselves made legitimate through a license system.

When the end of this process be but National decay? The persistence of evil in its attempt to break law must be met by an unflinching demand for the enforcement of law.

When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when the wicked bear rule, they sigh.

Rev. L. M. Booser Appeals to People. The Rev. L. M. Booser, of the First United Evangelical Church, spoke from the text: "It is time to work for they have made void thy laws."

There is a practical setting aside of law by the executive forces. It is an assumption of authority most unwarranted.

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Five years ago we opened for business in the present location (47th year in Portland). We're going to have a great big Birthday Party all this week—celebrate the event with extraordinary bargains in every department. You're invited to share. For a complete list of the offerings see Yesterday's Oregonian.

In the Cloak Store \$1.75 to \$2.25 WRAPPERS \$1.19 Ladies best quality percale Wrappers, trimmed with braid and Hamburg embroidery, full-bounce skirts, best patterns, assorted colors; wrappers selling regularly at \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25, for anniversary sale, only \$1.19 each.

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Boys' Clothing Bargains Little boys' all-wool Flannel Kilt in navy, blue and tan, neatly made, satchel braid trimmed, 2 to 5 years, great bargains, \$1.98

Lace Curtain Bargains Plain Net Curtains with Battenburg lace edging and insertion—white and Arabian—three yards long, 45 inches wide. Great special value at, \$2.27

Great Shoe Bargains \$3.00 SHOES \$2.23 PAIR Ladies' Vici Kid Blucher and Lace Shoes—patent leather tip—heavy and light sole. Best style toe, all sizes and widths. Regular \$3.00, \$2.23 value for this sale, per pair.

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Drug Sundry Specials Pears' Soap, 13c cake; Pears' Unscented, 11c cake; Oriental Cream, 98c; Packer's Tar Soap, 12c cake; Fairy Soap, 35c dozen; 2-lb bar Castile Soap, 15c; Imported French Hygiene, 33c; Lyons' Tooth Powder, 12c; Pasteurine Paste, 12c; Mennen's Talcum Powder, 13c; Dr. Graves' Talcum Powder, 7c; Allen's Footcase, 17c box; Hudnut's Violet Talcum Powder, 50c box; Hudnut's Perfumes—all odors—50c and 75c oz.; Colgate's Violet Talcum Powder, 15c; Roger & Gallet Soaps, 25c cake; Perfumes, 75c oz.; Hudnut's Marvelous Cold Cream, 50c jar; Hudnut's Violet Toilet Waters, 75c bottle.

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Meier & Frank Co. Meier & Frank Co. Meier & Frank Co. Meier & Frank Co. SUCIDES AT BAY CITY. Despondency, Pique, Despair, Given as Cause—One Man Drowned. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.—The coroner's office was busy today. Three suicides were reported. Embittered by socialistic teachings and despondent over family troubles, Henry James Masson, a stenographer, 22 years old, shot himself in Golden Gate Park and died at the Park Emergency Hospital.

READY FOR ACTION. Ladies will please enter by the Third-street entrance, as the contractors obstruct the Morrison-street side. McAllen & McDonnell. Boy wanted, age 11; must be good. Demands of the Company. BOGOTA, Sept. 27.—The Minister of State today made public the demands of the cable company, which asks for a new concession lasting 20 years and the privilege of raising the tariff. Among the reasons given for the government's refusal of this proposition is that an Italian company has applied to establish a new system of wireless telegraphy. Russian Police Chief Banished. BERLIN, Sept. 27.—According to a St. Petersburg dispatch published in the Lokal Anzeiger, M. Subatoff, Chief of the State Police, has been banished to Tamboff, he having been accused of fomenting street disturbances in Odessa and elsewhere. Minister Will Confer With Balfour. CARLSBAD, Sept. 27.—Lord Milner left this morning for London to confer with Premier Balfour regarding the offer made to him of the Secretaryship for the Colonies.