

TWO-MILL BRIDGE TAX IS PASSED

South Portland Citizens Adopt Commendatory Resolutions.

CALL ON ELECTORS TO ACT

Various Topics of Public Interest Are Discussed in Mass Meeting, and Advice is Given on Best Policy to Pursue.

To whom the two-mill bridge tax, 20 citizens, mostly from South Portland, at a gathering at First and Sheridan streets last night called a mass meeting, all over the city for discussion of the subject, declared themselves for annexation to the city of the area between Mount Tabos and the present eastern boundary of the city and across tracks 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29, and the northeast part of the city; denounced the "street railway franchise" amendment as intended to give the Portland Consolidated Railway Company "perpetual and exclusive" franchises on streets; scored the amendment which would raise the penalty on delinquent improvement assessments from 6 to 15 per cent as certain "to work hardship on the laboring man and the small property-owner"; assailed the "security for city funds amendment" as put up "to benefit two banking institutions of this city, an unjust measure, dangerous to all public enterprises"; roasted the Taxpayers' League, which has been pulling for the disfavored amendments and against the two-mill bridge tax, and called its members "very worthy citizens" in league with the street railway company.

Question to Be Voted Upon.

All the foregoing questions will be voted upon by electors of Portland at the city election, June 13.

The resolutions were adopted with a whoop and nobody raised his voice against them. They declare last night's meeting "disfavouring all the measures, which the League is interested and as following those which the League opposed."

The purpose of the bridge tax is to shift from special assessment districts, as in South Portland, the cost of the city, the cost of bridges across gulches. The alleged aim of the street railway franchise amendment is to facilitate grants of franchises by the City Council for short extensions and were taken to the Executive mansion, arrived here last night and took Mr. and Mrs. Tindal to their farm at Valley Forge.

Appoint a Committee.

In order to make sure that property-owners of South Portland are not paying for more earth than is contained in the street bills for which assessments are about to be levied by the Council, the meeting delegated two of its members, V. C. Riede and A. J. Fanno, to attend the next session of the Council and protest against levying the assessments until the City Engineer shall have made a new survey. The gateway to safeguard depositing to pay the cost of the bills, provided the cost of the bridges could be put on the entire city.

Publication of 15,000 dogtags as advertisement of the mass meetings was authorized, and a committee was named to raise funds from interested property-owners. The committee is B. F. Jones, D. L. McLeod and Thomas Guinan.

The speakers were: O'Neill, L. Zimmerman, President of the City Council; Thomas Guinan, George G. Williams, G. W. Allen, Ralph R. Dunaway, V. K. Strode, H. M. Smith, William Horan, B. F. Jones and Mrs. Woodcock.

Two-Mill Tax Resolution.

The resolution for the two-mill bridge tax follows:

Resolved, That we believe it is for the best interests of the city and citizens that all bridges without which business cannot be reached or communication had—be as essential and necessary to the citizens in the aggregate as city hall, streets, sewerage, public utilities, and other public improvements, and that the bridge tax should be levied on all property-owners of such character and nature as should be paid for by the city at large. That the Thurman street bridge, known as the Balch-Creek bridge, bridges crossing Sullivan's gulch, and all bridges of like nature, should be levied on public improvements, and paid for by the city instead of special district assessments; and to this end and purpose we entreat all enterprising and public-spirited citizens at the coming June election to vote "yes" on section 111, taxing the whole city for all such bridges.

Preamble to Resolutions.

The resolutions are preceded by the following preamble:

Whereas, The Taxpayers' League, a self-constituted organization composed of about 67 very wealthy citizens of the City of Portland, one-third of whom are active members and stockholders of the Portland Consolidated Railway Company, are seeking to amend section 103 of the city charter, a clause which would deposit all city moneys with two certain banking institutions of the City of Portland, upon such banking institutions retaining said moneys by street railway and other bonds; and

Whereas, The Taxpayers' League is opposed to the City of Portland, and is engaged in paying for bridges which are necessary improvements and public utilities, and is public-spirited to all its citizens, and its public enterprises.

CRANK AT WHITE HOUSE

Tries to Force Entrance and Fights Six Men at Once.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—A man who said his name was Daniel Conzabile, an Italian, was arrested by Policeman Hopkins, while trying to force an entrance at the rear door of the White House about midnight tonight. He was locked up at the police station.

When questioned as to the reason for being on the White House grounds, he declared a spirit had entered his head and

told him that his murdered wife was to be found in the White House. The man was hatless. He was first seen by a negro, climbing over the iron fence surrounding the grounds of the White House and attracted the attention of the sound of an attempted entrance at the rear door. He was tugging frantically at the door and shouting: "Frances, it is I."

Policeman Hopkins rushed up and hurried him to the ground, when he made a dash for liberty, and six men were necessary to hold him.

TWO MORE HAVE DIED

Fatalities at Harrisburg Total Twenty-Four, and More Are Likely.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 12.—Two more victims of the wreck of the Cleveland and Cincinnati express on the Pennsylvania yesterday morning died today, bringing the total to 22. Two others are in a critical condition. Sixteen of the dead have been identified. The bodies of the others are so horribly charred and burned that it is doubtful if they will ever be positively identified.

Samuel Shubert, the New York theatrical manager, and Max Stettin, a New York manufacturer, died today. Joseph Eber, of New York, and Mrs. Pierce, of Cleveland, are at the hospital and are not expected to live. All the others are expected to recover.

Shubert's mother and two sisters, and his brother, J. J. Shubert, who came here from New York yesterday as soon as they learned of the accident, were with him when he died. His family physician, Dr. O. M. Leiser, who came here with a train nurse, and Solomon Manheimer, a friend of the theatrical manager, were also with him.

Abel Thatselmer, one of Mr. Shubert's personal representatives, and his attorney, William Klein, of New York, who were with him in the wreck, have almost entirely recovered from their injuries and will accompany the body to New York. Mr. Shubert and his companions were on their way to Pittsburgh to close a lease for a theater in that city, and were among the first to escape from the wreck.

United States Senator Knox, whose daughter, Mrs. J. H. Tindal, and her husband, escaped from the wreck with slight injuries sustained in yesterday's railroad wreck, was one of the most successful of younger theatrical managers in the country, from a New York in Syracuse, less than 30 years ago, and his brother Lee rose through the ranks, until now the partnership controls several theaters in this city, a dozen or more in other cities in this country, and one in London.

It was only recently that they secured control of the London house—the Waldorf. In addition to the theaters the partnership has a number of companies which have produced successful plays.

Shubert's Rise as Theatrical Man.

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ELECTIONS ARE DELAYED

United Brethren Have Lively Debate.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 12.—Today was purely a business session with the general conference of the United Brethren at Representative Hall. The election of church officials was on the program, but was postponed until May 17, because of the illness of one of the speakers, Dr. E. P. Kephart, D. D., presiding, favored this movement.

Fraternal delegates from other denominations were allowed a voice in the proceedings. Several brief addresses and responses on the condition of church work and its betterment were indulged in. Numerous reports were read, among them being one by Dr. Bell on "Missions," and another by Dr. Kephart on "Church Erections."

A committee was appointed to govern the conference from day to day, and the regular rules of order of previous conferences were set aside.

The first report of this committee was to reverse the order of elections. This report makes the election of officers to commence May 17, and to continue each until completely completed. Hereafter the elections have been concluded in one day. After a spirited debate the report was adopted by a vote of 125 to 105. This shows a very large division of the conservative and the more progressive or radical elements.

The order of election, as reported, follows: Election of publishing agents, trustees of printing establishments, editor of the Telescope, editor of the Watchman, editor of the Review, editor of Sunday school literature, general secretary of the Sunday School Board, members of the Sunday School board, church erection, secretary, manager of the United Brethren Seminary, trustees and executive council of the Y. P. C. E.

The indications are that the South and the Pacific Coast will each be given a bishop of the six to be elected. A lively debate resulted from a proposition to allow delegates money enough to pay railroad fare and board bills. A strong minority favored the proposition, delegates for their time, but was voted down. Dr. J. W. Sprinkle, of Ashland, O., addressed the conference tonight. There is much commingling over the election of officers, and it looks as if there would be many changes.

A strong sentiment has arisen in support of the proposition to merge with the Evangelical and Methodist Protestant Churches.

Awaits Forms of Etiquette.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 12.—The transfer of Ambassador Cassini from Washington to Madrid was officially gazetted today under the name of the late appointment of Baron de Rosen to succeed Count Cassini at Washington has not yet been gazetted. In fact, Emperor Nicholas is awaiting a formal notification that Baron de Rosen is persona grata to the United States before signing his decree of nomination. Not the slightest doubt exists here that the Baron is perfectly acceptable to the Government at Washington, where, besides his high reputation as a diplomat, he enjoys the personal acquaintance of not only many officials, but of President Roosevelt himself.

No Damages for Slander.

DALLAS, Or., May 12.—The jury in the case of Rev. J. A. Mears vs. W. E. McClain, asking \$5000 damages for alleged defamation of character, brought in a verdict this morning for the defendant. The verdict was a surprise, as the instructions of the court were considered decidedly in favor of the plaintiff.

Rev. Mr. Mears accused McClain of circulating a story that he had seen him in a compromising position with a woman of the Buena Vista neighborhood.

BELLINGER IS DEAD

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right without fear or favor. I have met him at many public functions since he has occupied his place on the bench, and he was always filled with good humor and his speeches were bright and witty. It is indeed a great sorrow that my long and intimate acquaintance with him, I should say the humanity of the man, I know of no man possessing more admirable qualities than Judge Bellinger, his intellect, integrity, his unbounded charity, his keen wit and strong sense of humor, and his splendid intellect made him, I think, the most lovable man I have ever known."

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"He was by nature impulsive, and sometimes started out in the trial of a case upon a theory antagonistic to that espoused by counsel, but when he was convinced that his theory was wrong, he never hesitated to admit it and to adopt that which seemed to him to be the just and proper one on all occasions."

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SUPREME COURT MOURNS.

Justices Feel Judge Bellinger's Death as Personal Loss.

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"In the demise of Judge Bellinger the bench has been deprived of one of the most distinguished jurists of the West. His learning was broad and exact, and his keen and incisive intellect applied it with unerring aptitude to the difficult legal matters which he was called upon to deal. His decisions rank high in dictation, as well as in apt, clear and cogent statements of the law involved, and his opinions were marked by a clear and logical and unflinching honesty, ability and courage he brought to the discharge of every public duty were born with him. His death is not only a loss to his friends but a greater loss to the state and country."

SENATOR FULTON EXTOLS.

Thinks It Will Be Difficult to Equal Bellinger's Service.

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engaged in the numerous charitable and other public enterprises to which he gave generous and valuable assistance, but most of all by his legion of loving friends, for few men have ever been more dearly loved."

"Judge Bellinger's family and the people of our State and nation at large have suffered, in his untimely death, a great loss, and in some respects irreparable loss. He was a most lovable man in the varied walks of life, and was ever universally respected for his many good qualities. Professionally he was a most able lawyer and officially a most excellent State and Federal Judge," said Judge M. C. George.

"His death at this trying period of his judicial duties is particularly unfortunate for his family, that no man could or would have held a more equal poise of the scales of justice or administered the law of the land or tried the important cases of fact and law with such fairness and impartiality to all interests involved than Judge Charles B. Bellinger."

"Personally, I deeply feel the loss in his death. For nearly 25 years it has been my privilege to esteem him as a personal friend and I greatly deplore his death."

"At a time when sorrow is poignant any attempt at a critical estimate of one whom I have long considered a friend is impossible. The temptation to laud his splendid qualities of heart and intellect is irresistible. I believe, was among the first persons who suggested to him the idea of succeeding Judge Deady. That fact emphasizes my estimate of his judicial abilities, and his answer to me at the time threw a light upon his character: 'I have always been a good deal of a Democrat and have cared but little for place.'" said Judge Alfred F. Sears, Jr.

"I have seen much of him in public and private life; he has always observed a real democratic simplicity, utterly free from ostentation or pretense, and Judge Bellinger was the sole Judge of the State Circuit. Before that time he had not achieved prominence in his profession; since then he has always been among the first."

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When informed by The Oregonian correspondent this evening of the death of the late Judge C. B. Bellinger, United States Senator Fulton spoke most feelingly of the loss sustained by the state in the death of the able jurist. He said:

MAY HAVE FOUND PASSAGE

Norwegian Explorer Is Believed to Have Crossed Arctic Ocean.

CHICAGO, May 12.—A dispatch to the Record-Herald from San Francisco says: "The Norwegian Consul here has received an order for provisions to be sent north to a whaling Arctic explorer, who sailed from Norway on June 17, 1898, in an endeavor to find the Northwest Passage. From the fact that supplies are to be sent north by the Pacific Ocean, it is argued that this great quest of Arctic explorers for more than 400 years has been successful and that the explorer will soon appear on the Pacific Coast."

Captain Amundsen, who passed Greenland bound for Kinn William Land, is said to have located the north magnetic pole and to have found the monument erected by Sir John Franklin when that ill-fated expedition perished."

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