

MASS MEETING OF TAXPAYERS CALLED

C. K. Henry Protests Against Advance in Annual Tax Levy.

MAY ORGANIZE OPPOSITION

Business and Property Interests Will Be Represented at Hellig Theater Tomorrow Night to Discuss Means of Relief.

Leading business interests and property owners, representing the heavy taxpayers of this city, will assemble at the Hellig theater tomorrow night for the purpose of considering the advisability of forming an organization which shall have authority to appear and represent these interests before the various tax-leveing boards of Portland and Multnomah County.

Business Administration Wanted.

"Salaries in the various departments of the city government are being raised substantially and there is manifested a general disposition for useless and wasteful expenditures of the taxpayers' money. I do not wish so much as to intimate that there is any grating for I do not believe there is, but the affairs of the city are being administered on approved business principles. For that reason the taxpayers, I believe, should form some sort of a league or tax reform association and volunteer their services to the different tax-leveing boards and departments so that the tax levy may be kept down to the lowest figure consistent with a proper administration of affairs and at the same time insure for the city and county the full value for all the funds that are expended.

"While in Los Angeles, recently, I obtained statements from prominent business men as to the amount of their taxes and the amount of the city lighting and street improvements, and I discovered that the expense even in that city is less than it is here. As a matter of fact, I am satisfied that Portland is paying more and getting less for public work and improvements than any other city of its size in the country. For instance, the cost of water costs 7 cents per 100 cubic feet, while the residents of Portland pay 12 1/2 cents for the same service.

Street Improvement Needed.

"It is a notorious fact that the condition of our streets is not what it should be. Something should be done to facilitate their improvement. Negotiations for the improvement of several streets to my knowledge have been pending for as long as three years.

"The demand for more funds apparently cannot be satisfied. There are incessant calls for 'more, more, more' from all departments. Portland maintains four free bridges and three tolls, something that is not done by any other city in the country, and still there is a cry for more. New York, Philadelphia and St. Louis all collect taxes in the hope that some plan may be devised for putting on the brakes and at the same time insure the city its money's worth from the taxes that are collected.

TALKS ON COMING CREED

Rev. James D. Corby, of the First Universalist Church, East Couch and East Eighth streets, spoke yesterday morning on the topic of the Coming Creed and its Power Over Life. After discussing the value of creeds, he said: Lincoln said he was ready to unite with a church whose sole quest was to collect the tax. He was not called upon to be a defender of the faith or to be the exponent of some truth as our age needs. A growing church ought to outgrow the process of evolution, rather than revolution. The whole church ought to outgrow its previous faith in at least 100

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WOULD NOT BIND SELF TO CREEDS

Dr. Luther Dyott Says Such Devotion Impoverishes the Soul.

SERMON HARDLY ORTHODOX

Pastor of First Congregational Maintains Creed Test Should Not Be Applied to Those About to Join Church.

"A traditional faith should not impede the progress of the 20th century church," said Dr. Luther R. Dyott in his sermon delivered from the pulpit of the First Congregational Church yesterday morning. "Creeds are too often divisive, to the detriment of religion, and a slavish devotion to a sectarian creed impoverishes the soul," continued the preacher. But he contended that every man should have a creed.

Dr. Dyott said last night that his sermon of the morning was not what some churchmen would call "orthodox," but that it needed to be said, and that he stood on the question in the pulpit even at the possible peril of adverse criticism from some who "stand for the more conventional things in the name of religion."

The pastor's text was Micah vi: 8, "He hath showed thee, O man, what is good, and what doth Jehovah require of thee, but to do justly, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with thy God." His sermon was, in part, as follows: "This verse of scripture is not submitted as a support to sectarian theology, though it is related to the science of God and divine things.

"It is not offered as a definition of religion, but it does challenge the attention of the man who thinks he has no particular interest in religious matters. It is not suggested as a bolster for the supine faith of some of our self-satisfied churchmen, but it does suggest a workable creed for the man who would be something and do something.

"By way of inference, it may be used to justify the discussion of a germane theme, this theme being: 'The Best of all Creeds.' We get our word creed from the Latin 'credo,' which means 'I believe.' All men who think, do think. Opinions, however, even when they are certain, are not references to religion, do not make good creeds. Thoughts and opinions must become convictions in the soul, filled with truth.

years or less. But the process should be constructive rather than destructive. There should be a recrudescence of faith in the interest of modern life and practical and applied religion. The final authority of religion should not be found in what men said in some other age, but in what they do for the people of the today. Thus the best of all the creeds should be found in the best of all deeds.

"Beneath the best of all the creeds in the best of all deeds must be our true relation to God and our brother man. No man is just to himself, to his brother man and his God, without measuring up to his responsibilities here. He cannot do this until the love of God and man is in his heart. Then he loves to be kind and kindness is greater than any creed."

"So many gods, so many creeds, so many paths, so many ways, while all that this poor world needs is simply the art of being kind."

SAYS HELL IS STERN REALITY

Dr. Brougher Maintains It Is the Penitentiary of Reality.

The series of sermons on "What Jesus Did," which Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher has been preaching at the White Temple, has been finished, and the pastor is now preaching on "What Jesus Said." His subject last night was, "What Jesus Said About Hell," and his text, Matt. 23:33-35. He said in part:

"For the sake of hundreds of people I wish I had never said a word about hell, but my wish does not alter the fact, I hate to think there is any great amount of suffering in the world, but my regret concerning this fact does not alter it. I cannot change the awful mystery of pain and sorrow, but I can refuse to believe in them. Ingersoll once said, 'I honestly believe the doctrine of hell was born in the glittering eyes of snakes that run in rightful coils watching for their prey. I believe it was born in the yelping and howling and growling and snarling of the grin of hyenas and the maddening chattering of depraved apes; I despise it, I defy it and I hate it.'"

"I might enter heartily into the disgust of Ingersoll for hell, but the fact that I hate it and hate it with nothing to do with the awful fact of its existence. I rebel with all my nervous system against the glittering eyes of snakes and the growling and snarling of wild beasts and the grin of the hyena and the chattering of apes, but these things are stern, horrid facts of life, and my revulsion against them will not be changed by my hate or my unbelief.

"Whoever believes in the immortality of the soul must believe in a hell of some kind for the wicked. It is also certain that men and women do get all dead, and that they go to a world. The very idea of law involves penalty. If there is no penalty attached for breaking a law it ceases to be law. Jails and penitentiaries are provided for the punishment of law-breakers. Hospitals and insane asylums are provided to take care, in many instances, of those who are the results of their sinning. 'Hell is the penitentiary of eternity; it meets out punishment to those whose characters have been formed by sinning."

STEAMER ELMORE.

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WILL PRESENT TWO PLAYS

PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE CLUBS TO APPEAR FRIDAY.

Juniors Will Give Excerpts From Shakespearean Comedy and Seniors Have Original Farce.

The Junior and Senior Dramatic Club of the People's Institute are in splendid condition to present two plays on Friday evening, March 12, in the auditorium of the People's Institute, Fourth and Burnside.

The Junior Club, under Mrs. Henry L. Corbett's leadership, will present excerpts from Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," with the following cast: Titania, Marie Roberts; Oberon, Amy Burton; Puck, Sarah Ballard; Bottom, Inga Hansen; Moon, Susie Kuborn; Pyramus and Thisbe, Lizzie Kastner; Thysbe, Peachblossom; Freda Johnson; Lion, Annie Lackmeier; Mith, Annie Kuckenber; Fairy Boy, Helen MacLaren; Wall, Mustafa; Rose, Wiednerhol.

The Senior Club, under Miss Elizabeth Sawyer's supervision, will appear in "The University of the Princess," a burlesque on Tenneyson's "Princess," written especially for the club by Miss Sawyer. The farce will be given by the following cast: Miss Gladys Conway, Princess Ida; Miss Anna Childe, Lady Psyche; Miss Leah Burton, Lady Maobeth; Miss Katharine Lambert, Juliet; Miss Fay Gibson, Desdemona; Miss Elizabeth Blotter, Ophelia; Miss Bertha Blotter, Rosalind; Miss Ethna Childe, Celia; Miss Jennie Williams, Fortia; Miss Mary McDougall, Katherine, from "Henry V"; Miss Helen Barnes, Xanthippe; Miss Mattie Owen, Dolly Varden; Miss Anna McCartney, A. J. McHolland as "Dedemona's Court Jester" and Charles Townsend, "Saxeween Quintet" and Miss Lena Harwood and Charles Townsend, "Saxeween Quartet." The "Court Minuet" danced by four Princesses, a most artistic twenty-century specialty by Miss Della Bradley and Charles Townsend, are most attractive. The "Court Minuet" danced by four Princesses, a most artistic twenty-century specialty by Miss Della Bradley and Charles Townsend, are most attractive. The "Court Minuet" danced by four Princesses, a most artistic twenty-century specialty by Miss Della Bradley and Charles Townsend, are most attractive.

CHURCH NOT LOSING POWER

Rev. J. F. Gormley Says It Has Vital Message Today.

"The Church's Message to the Twentieth Century" was Rev. J. F. Gormley's topic yesterday morning in the Central Christian Church, East Twentieth and East Salmon streets. He declared that the Church is not losing its power, but has adapted itself to modern conditions. He said in part:

"It is being said in some quarters that the Church has lost its power, that it is not doing the work assigned it. The Church is not perfect, by any means, but she has a perfect ideal, and is struggling for its realization in the world. The Church of God is the pillar and ground of the truth, and must make the truth known. The world today needs the leadership of an authoritative Jesus the Savior in the Church. The Church is coming to the world with the gospel for the whole man, body, soul and spirit. Not in some strange and unattainable Utopia power, but in harmony with law. The Church, like creation, began in miracle, but is continued by law. The Church today is ministering to the physical man, to the helpless ones, on the home and foreign mission fields, as is no other institution on the face of the earth. The Church utilizing consecrated medical skill in the relief of pain and the curing of diseases. It realizes that physical ailments must be obtained largely through physical means, wisely directed. The Church recognizes the power of mind over matter, and so the power of

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mind over the body. It also recognizes the power of mind over mind by the law of suggestion or hypnosis. The Church says that occult power or powers should be as fully directed as instruments in the hands of the most efficient surgeon. For the purpose, the Church claims to work miraculous cures as did Jesus, and yet they deny him. Jesus did perform miracles for the purpose of establishing his claim, and delivering this power to his apostles. He died and to some few in the early church for the purpose of the regeneration of the world. The world does not depend upon these acts of creative power, but upon the life that gave expression to the best in feeling, and while the church ministers to body, soul and spirit here and now, its message reaches into the beyond and centers here in him. Royal Arch Lodge for Medford. MEDFORD, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—A chapter of the Royal Arch Masons will be instituted tomorrow night to be known as the Crater Lake Chapter. The officers to be installed are: High priest, Clarence Teames; king, W. H. McGowan; scribe, M. Purdin; C. of H., Will Isaacs; R. A. C., W. A. Lane; principal journeyman, W. M. Colvig; masters of the veil, Ltn Haskins, H. C. Kentner, H. C. Garnett; secretary, R. Woodford.

Perfect Cure For Weak Men. Different doctors have different ideas in regard to cures. They dose for drug effects and claim that nothing more can be done. But the real ailment remains, and when the symptoms come back again, perhaps the same as before, the patient is left in a much worse condition. I claim that nothing less than complete eradication of disease can be a real cure. I treat to remove the disease, and not merely the symptoms. I search out every root and fiber of an ailment, and I cure to stay cured. THE SLEEPING SICKNESS WHICH MEANS DEATH. How many readers have heard of this terrible disease? It prevails in that far-away country—Africa—especially the Congo district. It is caused by the bite of the tsetse fly. When it bites a person, the sleeping symptoms begin and finally the sufferer sleeps until death occurs. Contrast this with the peaceful, balmy sleep of health. Is there anything more wearing than to lie awake at night, tossing about, nervous, with cold feet, hot head and mercy knows what else? Short of letting the tsetse fly bite us we would do almost anything for relief. How can we prevent it? Mr. George Hayes, of Union City, Pa., writes: "I had lost my appetite, was all run-down, could not sleep nights. I had tried everything without relief. Vinol was recommended, and to my surprise, it helped me at once; gave me a splendid appetite, and now I sleep soundly." "What Vinol did for Mr. Hayes, it will do for every run-down, nervous and overworked man who cannot sleep. Woodward, Clarke & Co., Druggists, Portland.

FACTS ABOUT THE CROUP. THE FIRST SYMPTOMS AND TREATMENT. Some Interesting Information for Young Mothers—How to Guard Against the Disease. The great danger from croup is fully realized by most mothers of young children. There are many, however, who do not know that an attack of croup may be prevented by proper treatment as soon as the first symptoms appear. The first indication of an attack of croup is hoarseness. The child becomes quite hoarse; this is followed by a rough cough that has something of a metallic sound and has been compared to the crowing of a cock. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy according to the printed directions with each bottle as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, and it will prevent the attack. It is, in fact, a certain cure for croup, and has never been known to fail, but it is better and safer to give the remedy before the attack of croup is fully developed. It then saves suffering for the child and anxiety for its parents. There is no danger in giving this remedy freely, as it contains no opium or other narcotic. It is the standby and sole reliance in many thousands of homes and never disappoints those who depend upon it. There are women who took this remedy in childhood, now giving it to their grandchildren, and with the same uniform success. It always cures and is pleasant to take. VISIT THE OREGON GREAT MUSEUM OF ANATOMY. GREATER THAN EVER. Weakness or any contracted disease POSITIVELY CURED by the oldest specialist in Portland. Consultation at our offices free. Offices are separate from the Museum and strictly private to those wishing to consult us, and there is not a penny's cost for consultation or to visit the Museum. We cure all Diseases of Men. Such as WEAKNESS, NERVOUS DEBILITY, KIDNEY, bladder and all contracted diseases. Write for self-examination blank if you cannot call. Hours 9 A. M. to 8 P. M. Sundays, 10 to 12. OREGON MEDICAL INSTITUTE. 291 1/2 Morrison St., Between Fourth and Fifth, Portland, Or.

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