## 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 Heilig Tomorrow Night to Discuss Means of Relief.

Leading business interests and propertyowners, 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-levying boards of Portland and Multnomah County. There is also a possibility, should such an organization be formed, that advisory committees way be remoded. such an organization be formed, that advisory committees may be named to give the benefit of their counsel and advice to the various departments of city and county governments in the expenditure of public funds. This mass meeting has been called at the instance of C. K. Henry, who believes that the heavy tax-payers of this city should interest themselves in some plan that will insure both to the city and the county more economic.

selves in some pian that will insure both to the city and the county more economical administrations and greater returns for the money of the taxpayers.

"There is a great deal of complaint because of the excessive taxes that are being collected for municipal and county purposes," said Mr. Henry yesterday. "Reference to the amount of taxes charged against property in this county for this year shows a uniform increase of 40 per cent over that of a year ago. The assessable value of consider-The assessable value of consider able property has been increased during the last year, with the result that the ad-vance in faxes on such property is fully 100 per cent. It is because of these conditions that some action should be taken by the taxpayers that a halt may be called to constantly increasing tax levies without a corresponding improved administration of public affairs.

### Business Administration Wanted.

"Salaries in the various departments of the city government are being raised substantially and there is maniraised substantially and there is manifested a general disposition for useless and wasteful expenditures of the tax-payers' money. I do not wish so much as to intimate that there is any grafting, for I do not believe there is, but the affairs of the city and county are not 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-levying boards and departments that the tax levy may be kept down to the lowest figure consistent with a proper administration of sistent with a proper administration of affairs and at the same time insure for the city and county full value for all

the city and county full value for all 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 cost of water, street 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 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, in Los Angeles water costs 7 cents per 100 cubic feet, while the residents of Portland pay 1234 cents for the same service.

"The tax levy for all purposes here is 20 mills on a cash value assessment, while in Los Angeles property-owners pay for all purposes only 23.9 mills on a valuation of from 50 to 60 per cent of actual cash value. In other words the people of Portland are paying almost double the rate of taxation charged in Los Angeles and at the same time are paying considerably more for all public improvements.

## 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. Negoto ladditate their improvement. Negotiations for the improvement of several streets to my knowledge have been pending for as long as three years.

"It seems to me that public affairs in this city and county have been run by lawyers and broken-down politicians long enough, and that the men who pay the taxes should at least be consulted in matters of such imporconsulted in matters of such impor-tance and in which they have not had

ance and in which they have not had enything to say for a number of 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 fer-ries, 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. Torth. there is a cry for more. New York, Philadelphia and St. Louis all collect tolls from vehicles and pedestrians crossing their bridges. For one, I shall oppose vigorously the construction of any further bridges in this city at the expense of the public treasury. If more bridges are to be provided in Portland, they should be built on the district assessment plan and the cost paid by the community direct-

"My sole purpose in arranging for e mass meeting Tuesday night is that these municipal questions may be discussed by the men who pay the taxes, in the hope that some plan may he devised for putting on the brakes and at the same time insure the city its money's worth from the taxes that

Mr. Henry has the assurance that the mass meeting will be very largely attended by representative property-owners and taxpayers.

## TALKS ON COMING CREED

Corby Believes Universalist Teaching Will Be Generally Accepted.

Rev. James D. Corby, of the First Universalist Church, East Couch and East Eighth streets, spoke yesterday morning on the topic, "The Coming Creed and Its Power Over Life." After discussing the value of creeds, he said: discussing the value of creeds, he said:

Lincoln said he was ready to unite with a church whose sole qualification for membership was the Savior's statement. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, soul, mind and strength and thy heart, soul, mind and strength and thy heart, soul, mind and strength and thy heighbor as thyself." So say the thought ful, carnest men and women or our day. The coming creed of Christendom is substantially that proclaimed by the Universalist Church in its principles of fellowship. The movement of the growing religious thought is decidedly in our direction. Indeed, foldwin Smith declares, "the Universalist Church is the only one which made any contribution to religious thought in the sentury." SENIOR DRAMATIST CLUB OF PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE



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# WOULD NOT BIND SELF TO CREEDS

Dr. Luther Dyott Says Such Devotion Impoverishes the Soul.

SERMON HARDLY ORTHODOX

of First Congregational Maintains Creedal 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 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.

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 took his stand on the question in the pulpil: even at the possible peril of adverse criticism from some who "stand for the more conventional things in the name of religion." have a creed.

The paster's text was Micah vi:8, "He 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.

though it is related to the science of God and divine things.
"It is not offered as a definition of re

ligion, 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

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 something. Opinions, however, even when they are entertained with reference to religion, do not make good creeds. to religion, do not make good creeds.

Thoughts and opinions must become solid convictions in the soul, filled with

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solid convictions in the soul, filled with truth.

"Creeds should never be accepted as the exhaustive measures of truth. Neither are they to be taken as the finalities of religion. While they may be indicatory, they are, nevertheless, only definitive and all too often they have been divisive to the detriment, not to say the deterioration of the cause of religion. Theology is one thing; religion is another. A creed is one thing; religion is another. A mode of faith is one thing; religion is another. There are persons who think it would be better for the cause of religion if we did not have so many creeds. No doubt this is so. But we should avoid extremes. To become impatient and restive and iconoclastic, to arrogate unto ourselves, flattering unctions, and declare that we have no creed, may seem smart to superficial pedantry, but it is wholly incompatible with sober wisdom.

"On the other hand, a slavish devotion to a sectarian creed withers and impoverishes the soul of that adherent in the shadow of something greater. In the progress of truth we have reached the place where the creedal test should not be applied to those who seek membership in our various churches. "For modes of of faith, let graceless zealots fight, his can't be wrong, whose life is right."

"Neither should a traditional faith impede the progress of the faith of our fathers so much as to be the exponents and exemplars of such truths as our age needs. A growing church ought to outgrow the faith of the faithers through the processes of evolution, rather than revolution. The whole church ought to outgrow its previous faith in at least 100 tion. The whole church ought to out-grow its previous faith in at least 100

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 religion can do for the people of today. Thus the best of all the creeds should be found in the best of all deeds. It little matters, at least, by what road of belief one has traveled so long as one arrives.

"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

his neart. Then he loves to be kind and kindness is greater than any creed."
"So many gods, so many creeds, So many paths that wind and wind, 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

Penitentlary 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. 25:31-46.

About Heil," and his text, Matt. 25:31-46. He said in part:

For the sake of hundreds of people in the world I wish there was no heil, 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 mysteries of pain and sorrow and suffering by refusing to believe in them. Ingersoll once said, "I honestly believe the doctrine of heil was born in the glittering eyes of snakes that run in frightful coils watching for their prey. I believe it was born in the grin of hyenas and in the malicious 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 despise it has 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 nature and my revulsion against them will not change them.

It is simply childish nonsense to go into hysterics protesting against hell, when reason and common sense and experience and observation all go to back up the positive statements of Jesus Christ, that go to show that He said in part:

back up the positive statements of Jesus Christ, that go to show that "hell is an awful reality." Its certainty cannot be altered by my hate or my unbellef.

cannot be altered 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 absolutely certain that men and women do not get all of their just deserts in this world. The very idea of law involves penalty. If there be no penalty attached for breaking a law it ceases to be law. Jalis and penitentiaries are prepared for the punishment of law-breakers. Hospitals and insane asylums are provided to take care, in many instances, of those who are reaping the results of their sowing. "He who dances must pay the fiddler." Hell is the penitentiary of eternity to meet out due punishment to those whose characters have been formed by sinning.

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um of the People's Institute, Fourth and Burnside.

The Junior Club, under Mrs. Henry L. Corbett's leadership, will present excerpts from Shalespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream," with the following east: Titania, Marie Roberts; Oberon, Amy Burton; Puck, Sarah Ballard; Bottom, Inga Hansen; Moon, Susle Kuborn; Pyramus and Cobweb, Lizzle Kastner; Thysbe, Peachblossom, Freda Johnson; Lion, Annie Lackemier; Moth, Annie Kuckenberg; Fairy Boy, Helen MacLaren; Wall, Mustard Seed, Rosa Wiederholt.

The Senior Club, under Miss Elizabeth Sawyers' supervision, will appear in "The University of the Princess," a burlesque on Tennyson's "Princess," written especially for the club by Miss Sawyers.

pecially for the club by Miss Sawyers. The farce will be given by the following

Miss Gladys Conway, Princess Ida; Miss Anna Chilade, Lady Psyche; Miss Leah Burton, Lady Macbeth; Miss Kath-erine Lubker, Juliet; Miss Fay Ghson, Desd-mona; Miss Elizabeth Blotter, Ochship, Miss erine Labker, Juliet; Miss Fay Gibson,
Desdemona; Miss Elizabeth Blotter,
Ophelia; Miss Bertha Blotter, Rosalind;
Miss Elina Chilade, Celia; Miss Jennie
Williams, Portia; Miss May McDougall,
Katherine, from "Henry V"; Miss Helen
Barnes, Xanthippe; Miss Mattie Owen,
Dolly Varden; Miss Mary McCartney,
Becky Sharp; Miss Anna Walbie, The
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cess Ida has arranged for her guests, A J. McHolland as "Desdemona's Court Favorite" and "Othello's Sunflower "Sacajawea Quintet" and Miss Lena Har-was as an "Oriental Singer" are most attractive. The "Court Minuet," danced by four Princesses, a most artistic twen-tieth-century specialty by Miss Della Bradley and Charles Townsend, and the singing of the Lakme Quartet, make a charming intermeggo in the farce. The dramatic criticism and costuming have received the most careful attention in

both plays. . Mrs. Fletcher Linn is acting as musimanager. The patronesses are the ex-ecutive board of the Institute Club, the members of which are: Mrs. Helen Ladd members of which are: Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett, Mrs. Theodore B. Wilcox, Mrs. J. G. Gauld, Mrs. Charles Ladd, Mrs. William Mackenzle, Mrs. George Simon, Mrs. A. E. Rockey, Mrs. A. H. Tanner, Mrs. L. Allen Lewis, Mrs. Holt C. Wil-son, Mrs. W. B. Ayer, Mrs. Gordon Voor-hies, Mrs. Harriet K. McArthur, Mrs. A. G. Barker, Miss Valentine Pritchard. G. Barker, Miss Valentine Pritchard.

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# 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 meeds the leadership of an authoritative mind, so the church needs to preach Christ. Jesus the Savior is Emmanuel, which, being interpreted is, God with us. The church is coming to the world with the gospel for the whole man, body, soul and spirit. Not in some strange and miraculous power, but in harmony with law. The church, like creation, began in miracise, 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 is utilizing consecrated medical skill in the relief of pain and the curing of diseases. It realizes that physical effects must be obtained largely through physical means, wisely directed. The church recognizes the power of mind over matter, and so the power of mind over matter, and so the power of

PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE CLUBS TO APPEAR FRIDAY.

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

THE SLEEPING SICKNESS 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 any-

Rev. J. F. Ghormley Says It Has

"The Church's Message to the Twen-tleth Century" was Rev. J. F. Ghormley's topic yesterday morning in the Central Christian Church, East Twentieth and East Salmon streets. He de-clared 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 lest its power, that it is not

Any chronic ulcer shows an unhealthy and impure condition of the blood. It is a diseased condition of the flesh at that particular spot, caused and kept inflamed and irritated by a continual discharge into it, of unhealthy matter from the circulation. No treatment can have any curative effect except a medicine which will renovate the blood and entirely remove the cause. Salves, washes, lotions, etc., are sometimes helpful in reducing in flammation, cleansing the ulcer, or perhaps lessening the discharge, but such applications do not reach the blood where the disease germs are located and can never effect a cure. S. S. goes down into the circulation, drives out all impurities and morbid matter, and by nourishing the flesh with rich pure blood causes the place to heal naturally and permanently. S. S. S. does not make a surface cure, but by beginning at the bottom, and rebuilding broken-down tissue, and supplying healthful, healing qualities to the blood, causes the place to fill in with new, firm flesh, while it steadily but surely effects a permanent cure. The ulcer can not exist when the blood is pure, and S. S. S. will thoroughly purify the blood. Book on Sores

at night, tossing about, nervous, with 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 belped me at once; gave me a splendid appetite, and now I sleep soundly."

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mind over the body. It also recognizes the power of mind over mind by the law of suggestion or hypnotism. The church says that occult power or powers should be as skillfully directed as the instruments in the hands of the most efficient surgeon. For this purpose, the christ ought to be formed within. The world is full of mental quack practitioners, who are claiming to work miraculous cures as did Jesus, and yet they deny him.

Jesus did perform miracles for the Crater Lake Chapter Take Chapter of the Royal arch Masons will be instituted tomorrow night to be known.

as the Crater Lake Chapter. The officers as the Crater Lake Chapter. The States to be installed are: High priest, Clarence Reames; king, W. H. McGowan; scribe, M. Purdin: C. of H., Will Isaacs; R. A. C., W. A. Lane; principal so-journer, W. M. Colvig; masters of the veil, Lin Haskins, H. C. Kentner, H. C. Garnett, secretary, R. Woodford.

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