AUDITORIUMS PAY IN OTHER CITIES

Advocates of Bond Issue Prepare Data to Show Venture Is Helpful.

PORTLAND'S NEED SHOWN

Belief Is Held That Income Would Make Enterprise Self-Supporting—National Conventions Would Be Attracted.

To ascertain whether an auditorium costing $600,000 to be built by the city, would be self-supporting, the committee that is directing the movement for the adoption of the bond issue for that purpose is obtaining data from other cities that have auditoriums. The information received supports the view that such an auditorium would pay for itself, besides being of great advantage to the city in many ways.

Information has been obtained from cities in the class of St. Paul, Denver, Kansas City, Des Moines, St. Louis, Wichita, Cincinnati, Pittsburg and Dallas, Tex.

Without exception, reports were to the effect that the convention halls were not only self-supporting but declare a profit and were reducing the debts upon which they were created. St. Louis in the past year created a surplus of $15,000 above operating expenses, interest and sinking fund included. Kansas City found its convention hall a source of revenue. St. Paul reported that it tried to make its convention hall self-supporting, but the hall was not conducted for profit and the rentals charged were based upon the theory that it was for the accommodation of the public chiefly. Nevertheless the past year showed a profit. The Des Moines convention hall declared a dividend of 7 per cent for the first 10 months and it is asserted that for the 12 months just ended there will be a profit of 14 per cent to the stockholders.

Convention Hall Circuit Planned.

There is being formed in the country at large a convention hall circuit beginning with New York, extending to Philadelphia, then to Pittsburg, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago, Milwaukie, St. Louis, Kansas City, Des Moines, Omaha, Denver, Salt Lake and San Francisco. Portland could be added to this circuit with advantage and the return could be made by way of Salt Lake over the old route, or with conventions halls at Spokane and Helena the circuit could include Minneapolis and St. Paul. This circuit will make permanent certain attractions, such as winter circuses, large spectacular attractions, lectures by men of world-wide reputation who can fill convention halls and manufacturers exhibits and land shows, all apart from the National conventions, which are becoming more numerous and more a factor of the business life of the country every year.

It is pointed out that if Portland constructs a convention hall that the formation of this circuit would be of value for its advertising, as well as an additional source of income. It would connect Portland with the leading cities of the country and put the city in touch with the latest and best productions.

As a result of the increased number of convention halls, the desire to hear grand opera and band concerts under the name of municipal concerts is being developed. The concerts are given by subscription. In such cities as St. Louis, Denver and Kansas City these municipal concerts have been very successful and have improved the social condition of working men. It gives them a place to take their families and enjoy an educational treat.

The issue of $600,000 of bonds will require an interest fund of $24,000. This represents an outlay of only one-tenth of a mill a year. In other words if the city had to pay the interest and there were no income each taxpayer would have to pay one-tenth of a mill on each $1 of assessed valuation. That is one cent on each $100, or 10 cents for each $1000. If a man owned a $4000 home, his taxes for paying interest on the bond issue would only be 40 cents. This is without figuring any income from the property, which in every other city has proved a source of profit, besides furnishing a permanent meeting place for National conventions.

With these facts fairly well established it is apparent, say the advocates of the measure, that a convention hall will not only be self-supporting, but will fulfill a requirement of city life that will redound to the city's credit.

Prizes Offered Children.

Three prizes, $10, $5 and $2.50, are offered for the three best essays in advocacy of the public auditorium for Portland, to be submitted by the pupils of the schools not above the eighth grade. The contest is now open and will be closed May 27. These essays must not contain to exceed 500 words, and not fewer than 250. Newspaper men have been chosen to act as judges. They are W. T. Buchanan, Marshall N. Dana and W. B. D. Dobson.

The plans of the campaign as outlined by Chairman Merrick include the enrollment of a large number of volunteer speakers who will appear at all of the various meetings of clubs and at political gatherings. The facts pertaining to the establishment of an auditorium will be presented at these meetings.

In connection with the bond issue is submitted an amendment to the charter of the city which provides for the creation of an Auditorium Commission. This Commission serves without salary. The City Auditor serves as clerk when meetings are held. All moneys are deposited with the City Treasurer. The commission when appointed will advertise for bids for the construction of the auditorium. The Oregon Historical Society may be provided with permanent quarters in the new building at such rental as the Commission may decide upon. Members of the Commission are to be appointed by the Mayor.

The Commission has all necessary authority to make all rules and regulations for its government. It is not permitted to make purchases in excess of $250 without competitive bids. It has exclusive power to fix the rates to be charged and shall have the power to let the auditorium to the general public free of charge. The bonds are for $600,000 and draw 4 per cent interest.

RENO FILMS DRAW COIN

Man Who Insists He Is Bilked Protests, Is Arrested.

The police department inadvertently became a successful press agent when Acting Chief of Police Moore issued an order last Thursday that moving-picture shows would not be allowed to exhibit prizefight pictures.

The Crown, a 5-cent motion picture house at 253 Alder street, immediately hoisted a big banner over the entrance, which flaunted in red letters a foot high, "Police cannot stop Jeffries-Johnson moving pictures taken at Reno, July 4." In smaller letters at the bottom of the canvas read this assurance: "We guarantee these pictures to be the original of the Jeffries-Johnson affair," and tucked away in a corner where it could only be read by close inspection was a qualification: "Everything but the fight shown," which shielded the proprietor from police interference, but brought in showers of silver. The price of admission was raised on account of the special exhibition.

The apparent glaring "deff" flaunted at the police was an inducement to George W. Dodge, a streetcar motorman, to enter the show house. When he saw "everything but the fight" he asked for his money back. It was refused and he stationed himself in front of the show and loudly declared to pedestrians that the show was a fake. These repeated declarations augmented the crowd to such an extent that Patrolman Hutchings arrested Dodge for obstructing traffic.

FOUR-YOLK EGG LAID BY MINORCA HEN HOLDS RECORD FOR DIMENSIONS.

Giant Egg, and Others of Ordinary Size.

CANBY, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—Richard Garrett, of this place, has a Minorca hen that for laying large eggs puts all others of record in the shade. This egg had four yolks and measured eight and one-sixteenth inches in circumference one way and nine and three-quarters the other and weighed five and one-quarter ounces. The eggs on each side of the center one are from the ordinary hens on the Garrett farm, showing how they compare with that laid by the Minorca.

MINERS TO BE GUESTS

CITY TO ENTERTAIN DELEGATES TO CONVENTION.

Northwestern States to Be Represented This Week at Meetings in Portland.

Delegates to the Northwest Mining Congress from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Western Montana, Utah and Northern California, will be entertained in Portland next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The "rescue car" of the United States Bureau of Mines will be sidetracked as near as possible to the Chamber of Commerce, where it can be inspected by the public. Ore from Prairie City, the Alameda and other mining districts will be exhibited.

G. L. McGibbon, president of the Oregon branch of the American Mining Congress, will call the convention to order Tuesday at 2 P. M. Governor West and Mayor Simon are scheduled to deliver addresses of welcome, to be responded to by J. F. Galbreath, of Denver; L. K. Armstrong, of Spokane, and F. J. Newman, of Medford. There will be addresses that night on "Portland's Opportunity," by A. E. Clark, and on "Oregon's Opportunity," by Colonel E. Hofer, of Salem.

Addresses at Wednesday's sessions will be on the following topics:

"Electricity in Relation to Mining," O. L. Young, Ashland, Or.; "The Bohemia District," G. G. Warner, Cottage Grove, Or.; "The Kerby District," W. S. Bacon, Kerby, Or.; "Plans for the Coming Years," L. D. Mahone, Portland; "The Work of the State Mining Bureau," Professor H. M. Parks, Corvallis; "The Geology of Southern Oregon and Northern California," C. B. Watson, Ashland; "Organization," L. K. Armstrong, Spokane; "The American Mining Congress," J. F. Galbreath, Denver; "Rescue Work," H. M. Wolfin, Washington, D. C.

There will be a sight-seeing trip Thursday, under the direction of the Portland Commercial Club, and a buffet banquet at night. Addresses will be delivered at the day-time sessions by E. A. Montgomery, Los Angeles; Thomas C. Burke, Baker; I. N. Muncy, Gold Beach; F. J. Newman, Medford; W. J. Hughes, Prairie City; F. W. Scofield, Sumpter; H. N. Lawrie, Portland, and John Dern, of Salt Lake City.

MARRIAGE IS SURPRISE

Telephone Operator at Imperial Hotel Now Mrs. Coleman.

Without giving to the management or her co-workers the slightest intimation of her intentions, Miss Anna Toomey, for several years chief operator in charge of the Imperial Hotel telephone exchange, quit her work as usual early Wednesday afternoon. She did not report for duty Thursday or Friday, but resumed her station yesterday with the volunteered information to her associates that she no longer was to be addressed as "plain Ann," but with the predx "Mrs." instead.

Reference to the marriage records at the Courthouse tells the secret. Wednesday night, in this city, Miss Toomey was married to Harry Coleman, a fireman employed by the O.-W. R. & N. Co. For the present Mrs. Coleman will continue her employment at the hotel telephone exchange.

EXCURSION EAST.

On May 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 27th, 28th, and 29th, we commence selling Eastern excursion tickets to all points East at very low rates. We take pleasure in planning your trips and arranging connections. Special advice about all points of interest. Call or write R. V. Holder, General Agent, Northwestern Line, 102 Third street. **

CARNATIONS WORN TO HONOR MOTHERS

Day Is Observed in Churches With Sermons on Appropriate Topics.

PATRIOTISM IS EXTOLLED

Pastor Contrasts Plymouth Rock and Jamestown—Women's Heroism Strongly Shown in All of World's History.

Mothers' day was observed at many of the churches of the city yesterday, with sermons on the subjects of mother and the home, or with other appropriate exercises. Among the churches recognizing the day were the White Temple, the First Presbyterian, First Congregational, St. James English Lutheran, First United Presbyterian, Grace Baptist, Lents Baptist, First Christian, Sunnyside Congregational, Hassalo Street Congregational, University Park Congregational, Ockley Green United Evangelical and First United Brethren.

At the First United Presbyterian Church the morning service was in honor of Mrs. Katherine Hamilton, Mrs. Eliza J. Tate and Mrs. Acheson, three aged mothers of the congregation, who are more than 80 years old. Just before the close of the service three little girls, each bearing large bouquets of white carnations presented the flowers to the mothers. Rev. J. A. Speer spoke in a reminiscent vein, and Rev. Frank DeWitt Findley, the pastor of the church, spoke on "Jesus and His Mother, You and Yours." Special music was also a feature.

Carnations Are Worn.

The custom of wearing a white carnation in the coat lapel in honor of mother, was followed to some extent, as could be seen by the number worn on the street and at the services. At St. James English Lutheran Church 300 carnations and roses were distributed to the members of the congregation at the morning service. Rev. J. Allen Leas, pastor of the church spoke on "The Watching Mother," choosing as his text Judges 5:28: "The mother of Sisera looked out at the window." The quartet sang "Memories of Mother," by Harkness, in a most effective way. Rev. Mr. Leas said, in part:

"Three years ago, in Philadelphia, Miss Anna Jarvis suggested the celebration of Mother's day, and since then multitudes have taken up the plan, and are crowning mother the "Queen of the May."

"Sisera's mother was disappointed because her son fought on the wrong side. We shall be successful as we engage in the struggle on the side with God.

"Mother is present in your character. She has the care of the child during the first ten impressionable years of its life. General Sam Houston owed his heroic life to the heroic soul of his mother, who when he was old enough put a musket in his hand and said, 'There my son, take this and never disgrace it. I had rather all my sons should fill one honorable grave than that one of them should turn his back to an enemy.'

Mother's Image Cast Off.

"Some have cast off mother's image. That hard, dissipated look you did not get from her. Your blows have smitten her to the ground. Those blows were more cruel than the blows of Jael upon the temple of Sisera. Yet mother has not forsaken you. There are two who will never desert you. They are mother and God.

"Dr. John McNeill, the great Scotch preacher often told of how he heard the voice of his invalid mother in the early mornings of the night as she sang to God the faith that was in her soul, and it was the influence of that mother that brought him to the great degree of usefulness to which he attained.

"Let us so live that when we meet mother we shall not be ashamed to stand in her presence and shall hear from sweet lips 'He has done what he could.'

The mother in her office holds the key
Of the soul; and she it is who stamps the coin
Of character, and makes the being who would be a savage
But for her gentle care, a Christian man.

"God, Mother and the Bird's Nest," was the subject of Dr. W. B. Hinson's sermon at the White Temple last night. He said, in part:

"Mothers! The murmur of the evening breeze is in that word; the soft light of the dying day, the sound of the rain on the roof, the smile of the banks of lavender and heliotrope, the lullaby and the call home at the twilight hour, the hush through which softly rises, 'Now I lay me down to sleep,' the kiss that cured all hurts, the sigh that accompanied the mild reproof, the sound of the falling tears, the clinging stillness of the room wherein one lay a-dying. All this, and much more, is in the word, 'mother.'

Angelic Task Accomplished.

"With a breaking voice the strong man says, 'I have lost my mother,' and wiping away the tears he turns his back. 'Poor child, you have lost your best friend.' True, true, sadly true! 'All I have done in life has been to mother my motherless girls.' 'All,' did you say? Good Lord, man, you have done what angels could not do; not one of them nor all of them. O hero, saint and martyr, well done.

"'Take the wailing child to his mother.' I would if I could, my God, I would. But she's dead in the baggage car ahead.

"O, to hear her sing once more. We could sleep then, and the pain of the heart would cease. O, to see her rocking in the old-fashioned chair. O, to take to her once more the first flower of the Spring, and the first red-ripe wild berry. O to hear her footfall on the creaking chair, and feel her good-night kiss repeated as we feign sleep. Boy, write to her tonight. Send her a gift. Be good for her sake."

Rev. W. F. Reagor, in his sermon at the First Christian Church yesterday morning said, in part:

"It is a bright and beautiful story that tells of the mothers who have inspired the men and causes that have worked for the world's advancement. It was good mothers that made our colonies a success. The pilgrims on the Mayflower brought their wives and children with them. The men of the Jamestown colony left their women in England, and it is no wonder they quarreled, since there was not a mother or wife or sweetheart among them. What else, pray you, would you expect from 102 old bachelors. It is as much as society can do to get along with one here and there. A colony of old bachelors never carried any cause on earth to a successful conclusion, and never will.

"A wife came into the world at the start because man was a failure without her, and she stays in the world because man's completeness requires her to join him in all his works and callings. Man must have her presence and her elevating power. The good mother is the one supreme asset of national life; more important by far than the successful statesman, the business man, artist or scientist.

"Would that I had time to dwell upon the woe of the nation that is sure when her women are no longer willing to make the sacrifice, and thus become the chief anchors of society. This, coupled with the unnatural mother, the mother who is unworthy of the sweet name 'mother' because she, after the children are given her, will not accept the sacred trust, but turns it over to another, is one of the saddest notes in the life of our great country. Of course, there are emergencies, where the mother's lack of strength makes help necessary. But this is the exception. The mother may not give into other hands the moulding of that precious life, and the true mother will not, save as she must. No one can minister to child needs like mother.

"Life's twilight is not apt to be rich and sweet, well rounded out as God would have it, without children. If it is impossible for you to be blessed with children of your own, why, God bless you, the country is full of little orphans starving to death for a mother's heart and pity and a father's counsel and love."

Members of the Men's League of Sunnyside Congregational Church wore white carnations, and a single vase of white carnations at the altar constituted the floral decorations of the church. Just before the sermon by Rev. J. J. Staub, the pastor, Miss Harriette Leach sang "My Mother's Prayer."

"Miss Anna M. Jarvis, of Philadelphia, conceived the idea of a day dedicated to mother and motherhood," said Rev. Mr. Staub, "but the movement has expanded until it has reached the Western Coast, and we here today dedicate this day to motherhood. Mother is the queen of our homes and our lives, and we have come to recognize what we all owe and what the whole world owes to the mothers."

Letters Read at Y. M. C. A.

At the fellowship luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. at 5:30 yesterday afternoon, Richard R. Perkins, director of the religious department of the association, read a proclamation by Governor Harmon, of Ohio, in which he urged that Mothers' day be celebrated throughout the state. Mr. Perkins remarked that three years was a very short time to establish a National holiday, but that wherever news is received throughout the Christian world, Mothers' day is now being celebrated.

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