

NEW YORK LIVING WAGE SET AT \$800

Brooklyn Social Worker Says One-third of People Lack Money for Necessaries.

ORGANIZED STUDY URGED

Seba Eldridge Declares That Every Person Able and Willing to Labor Should Have Place or Be Provided With Income.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The smallest income upon which the average workingman's family can live in New York in decency has been estimated at \$800. Yet 100,000 families in the city live on incomes less than that amount. This means that 100,000 families are underfed, overcrowded, or insufficiently clothed, or all these things put together, writes Seba Eldridge, a Brooklyn social worker, in an article on "The Standard of Living in New York."

"I go back upon these statements there are the following facts disclosed in a recent investigation of the standard of living in New York. Of 200 families living in 1903-4-5, 11 received incomes of \$500 to \$600; 16, incomes of \$400 to \$500; 16, 500 to \$600; 29, \$600 to \$700; 27, \$700 to \$800; 25, \$800 to \$900; 19, \$900 to \$1,000; 28, \$1,000 to \$1,200; 29, \$1,200 or over. These families were fairly representative of workingmen's families in the city generally. Twenty-one and five-tenths per cent, more than one-fifth, lived on incomes less than \$800; 26 per cent, more than one-third, on incomes less than \$700; 45.5 per cent, practically one-half, on incomes less than \$600. It was estimated that an income of \$720 a year was necessary to support a family in decency, and that if provision was to be made for the rainy day, \$800 to \$900 was necessary. Later investigators have shown that the estimates were certainly not too high.

Many Lack Living Wage. "Accepting these figures, we are safe in saying that one-third of the workingmen's families in New York do not have means sufficient for food, clothing, shelter and other necessities, and that this one-third and an additional one-sixth, or one-half altogether, cannot save for the time when support is cut off by the death, incapacitation, or forced unemployment of the breadwinner. These percentages would place the number of families forced to maintain subnormal standards of living at 100,000 or more, and the number that cannot for the same reason provide for contingencies at least 25 per cent above the standard of living at 150,000 to 200,000.

"The standard of living is of course affected by many things but the most important of these other factors is the cost of living, a high-sounding term for the prices we have to pay for the things we buy. Prices in New York, as elsewhere, have soared higher and higher the past few years. Since 1905, the price of food has advanced at least 25 per cent, and other things probably in the same ratio. Wages have not increased at the same rate. Other things affecting our standard of living are the kind of work we do, the length of our working day, and our surroundings while at work; the kind of houses or apartments we live in; the amusements and pastimes we engage in; the people we associate with, and the nurture and heredity with which we are endowed. The wages or incomes we receive and the prices we pay, however, determine our manner of living more than all other things put together. What can be done to improve the situation, in addition to the many departments of social reform work already familiar?

Greater Production Urged. "More wealth can be produced and made available for distribution if wages and profits are distributed more equitably than at present. Many economists hold that several times as much wealth as is produced at present could be produced through the better organization of industry. Elements in this better organization would be the removal of trade restrictions between countries; the distribution of labor where labor is needed; the vocational guidance and training of boys and girls; the scientific management of industries; the inducement to services of those not forced by economic necessity to labor.

"However greatly we improve recreational, labor, and housing conditions, however well we organize our work, however effectively we regulate prices; however great our production of goods, we cannot meet the needs of all unless we have to procure for ourselves. Every man and every woman who is willing to work and whose work should be provided with work at least a living wage; and, further, if willing to work and unable to find income, they should receive a living income. The wage or income paid should be sufficient to permit of saving for the time when support is cut off by the death, incapacitation, or forced unemployment of the breadwinner. Common mercy demands that as a community we care properly for those who, because of mental or physical infirmities, cannot provide for themselves.

"Steps toward the payment of a living wage to all classes of workers are: The organization of those who are not in protective unions whereby they can directly demand decent wages and good working conditions; calling the attention of humane but thoughtless employers who pay wages too low; and wage regulation by the state. Complementary legislation should be a provision for sickness, industrial accidents, unemployment, old age, and death.

POLICE DANCE IS SUCCESS

Affair Given in Favor of Candidate for Festival Queen. Activity in favor of Miss Stella McCarr, police candidate for Festival Queen, Monday night took the form of a dance in Christensen's Hall, Eleventh and Yamhill streets. The affair was pronounced a success for both a financial and social standpoint. The police band opened the festivities by parading through the streets to the hall. Captain Circle presided at the opening of the ball. Detective Royle and his associates will present "The Burglar's Daughter" at the Majestic theater tonight, tomorrow, Thursday and Friday, in behalf of Miss McCarr. The police band will play. Small buttons with Miss McCarr's photograph are on sale at police headquarters.

OREGON POLITICAL GOSSIP

Big Rally at Library Tonight and Series of Open-Air Meetings Thursday Night to Close Republican Primary Campaign—More Complaints Issued Against Anonymous Ticket Circulators—Dr. Whycombe Back From Coos—News of the Candidates.

WITH a big rally at the Central Library tonight and a series of open air rallies at various points in Portland and through the county on Thursday night, the Lincoln Republican Club will close its ante-primary campaign.

The Library meeting tomorrow night will be for all candidates for Republican nominations at the primary. Each will have a few minutes in which to show himself and make a few remarks. The speakers probably will be limited to two or three-minute talks.

The Thursday night meetings will be at least five in number and perhaps more. Candidates will go from one rally point to another in automobiles. The places already determined on for meetings are: Corner of Grand avenue and East Morrison street. Corner of Third and Burnside streets. St. Johns. Piedmont.

Lents and possibly at Arleta, also. Though this will wind up the Lincoln Republican Club's activity in the primary, the organization is making plans for conducting an equally vigorous campaign before the general election.

Grant B. Dimick, of Oregon City, candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor, campaigned in Yamhill County Monday. He spoke at a mass meeting in McMinnville last night.

John Manning, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, has ended his out-of-town campaigning. He expresses satisfaction with the prospects.

"If I come to Multnomah County less than 2000 votes behind I will surely be nominated," asserted Mr. Manning yesterday. "I figure that I will not be far, if any, behind in the state, with this county included."

Complaints were issued Monday by District Attorney Evans against the Schwab Printing Company and the Ori Printing Company in connection with the printing of different anonymous tickets in alleged violation of the corrupt practices act. At the same time the complaint issued Saturday against the Marsh Printing Company for having printed the so-called "Malcolm" tickets, was dismissed. It was shown that the printing had been done by other concerns, and that the tickets had afterwards been brought to the Marsh Company to have a union label printed on them.

Eleven candidates for Republican nominations at the primary election or representatives were speakers at well-attended open-air rallies held by the Lincoln Republican Club in Piedmont and St. Johns Monday night. The Piedmont rally was held first, the candidates, in three automobiles, going from there to the meeting at St. Johns. C. R. Meloney presided at both gatherings. The speakers were: Attorney General; C. A. Appelgren, candidate for Judge of the District Court, Department No. 2; Evert L. Jones, for George M. Brown, candidate for Attorney General; E. B. Huston, candidate for the lower house of the Legislature at the request of citizens; W. A. Eckwall, for Grant B. Dimick, candidate for Governor; Samuel Richardson, candidate for Supreme Court Justice; George M. McBride, candidate for Joint Senator; R. W. Gill, candidate for the lower house of the Legislature, and P. E. Warford, for Dr. Sam C. Slocum, candidate for Governor.

CHURCH WORK REVIEWED

GROWTH TOLD BY DR. E. M. WILBUR AT UNITARIAN MEETING. Many Cities on Coast Answer to Roll Call First Time—Reports, Lunch and Addresses on Programme.

Dr. Earl M. Wilbur, field secretary, reviewed six years' work on the Coast at the morning session of the Unitarian conference Monday. In the afternoon Rev. Marshall Dawson, of Tacoma, made an address on "Is There More Than One Social Problem for the Church?" Discussion on this address was opened by Rev. J. D. O. Powers, of Seattle. Rev. Mr. Dawson said that while social work is of great importance, it must have a spiritual value behind it. The sermon in the evening was by Rev. J. S. Tischer, of Salem, Or., who spoke on "Foreign Missions."

Dr. Wilbur told of his work since September, 1908, in 24 cities of the Coast from Bellingham and Spokane to San Diego. "Development of new fields has proceeded steadily," he said. "Today the roll call is increased by Vancouver, Victoria, Lynden, Seattle (University), Tacoma, Eugene, Sacramento, Stockton, Hanford, Visalia, Long Beach and Hemet. Within these six years the association has paid for church extension on this Coast a total of little less than \$50,000, and it has put into church property in permanent investments and plans an additional \$50,000. Why should not the next six years see another increase of 50 per cent?"

The programme for today will be as follows: 8:30 A. M.—Devotional service. 10:00 A. M.—Reports; Pacific Unitarian headquarters; Pacific Unitarian school for the ministry; "A Record of Ten Years' Work and an Outlook Toward the Future," Rev. Earl M. Wilbur, Dr. D., president; plans for 1915 conference. 12:15 P. M.—Luncheon, under the auspices of the Unitarian Men's Club, in the chapel. 2:00 P. M.—Church extension; "The Unitarian Emphasis," Rev. Fred A. Well, Bellingham, Wash.; "Efficient Methods," Rev. R. P. Tischer, of Salem, Or.; "Foreign Missions," Rev. A. H. Sargent. 8:00 P. M.—Sermon, Rev. Nehemiah A. Baker, Alameda, Cal.

Democrats of the northeastern part of the city are to hold a mass meeting in Baker Hall, East Seventeenth and Alberta streets, at 8 o'clock tonight. Prominent Democrats will speak. The address of the evening will be made by John Manning, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor. The programme of vocal and instrumental music has been arranged by the committee in charge.

AMATEUR ATHLETICS SEVEN horse runs were made in the St. Andrews Club-West End Athletic Club game Sunday, six going to the St. Andrews nine and one to the losers. The final check tonight drew 21 West End 10. For games with the winners write Manager A. Pfeifer, in care of the Pioneer Paint Company.

In a "come back" stunt, Allie Bloom scored two hits at a time that enabled the Columbia Billiard Parlor team to secure the necessary two in the day, the Cadwell nine. The Columbia won 18 to 8.

The Albina Juniors were no match for the Cardinals in a baseball game they lost 12 to 3. "Red" Condit, late Lincoln High School football star, struck out 18 batters.

The J. K. Gill baseball team trimmed the Gilberts, Or., nine 5 to 4 Sunday at Gilbert's. Deities and Jones worked for the winners opposed by Steiger and Ladign.

Weakening at a critical time, the Harriman Club baseball team of the Astoria aggregated 3 to 0. Gavin of the locals allowed but five hits, all scattered. The batteries were, Harriman, Gavin and Bryson; Astoria, Crady and McCloskey.

VILLA HAS TORREON LID ON

Though City Crowds With Soldiers, 'Best Order' Prevails.

TORREON, Mexico, May 12.—The city for many days has been crowded with soldiers, but the best of order has been maintained. To a large extent, if not wholly, this is due to the measures taken by General Villa, the day the town was captured. Villa "put on the lid," as some of his English-speaking officers expressed it, and has taken care to employ the best of the day's privates have been given no opportunity to secure intoxicating beverages and even citizens have been forced to tread the straight and narrow path.

VIENNA, May 12.—A Syrian newspaper yesterday printed an unconfirmed rumor that the exploring party of Baron Nordenfjeld, a son of the famous Arctic explorer, had fallen victim to Indians in South America.

The last report received concerning Baron Nordenfjeld's expedition came in a dispatch to Stockholm, March 16 last. The dispatch was dated Belem, Brazil, and said that Baron Nordenfjeld's companion, Johnberg, had been killed. How Johnberg met his death was not stated.

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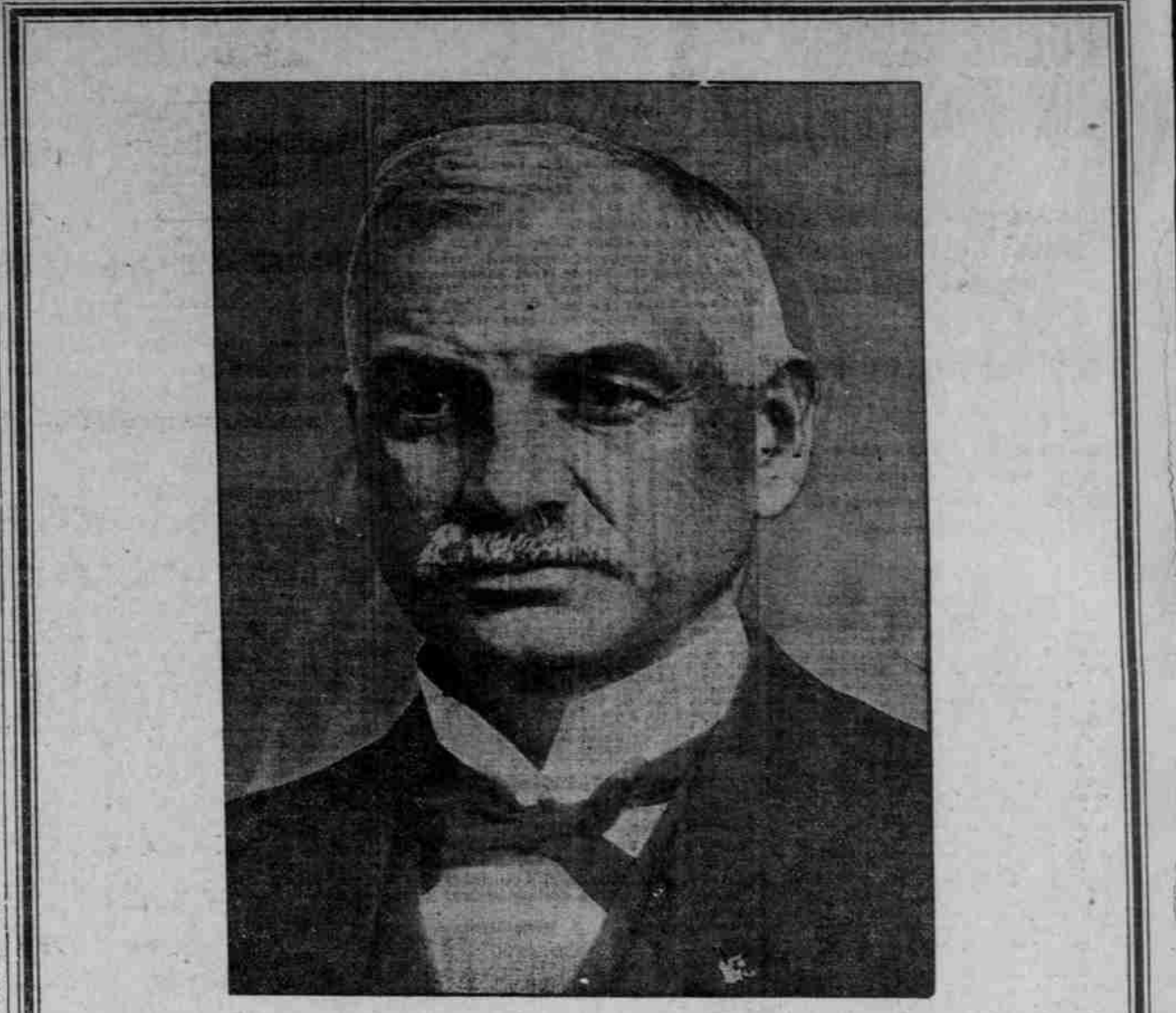
Property owners living near the east end of the Broadway bridge to the number of 360 have signed a protest against the location in their neighborhood of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. It is proposed to build the church at the intersection of Larrabee and McMullen streets. It is understood that an agreement has been made to trade the present church property at Tenth and Everett streets for the new site.

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CHAS. A. JOHNS Republican For Governor "A man with all the qualifications" If nominated in May will be elected in November (Paid Advertisement.)

THE Rev. J. Logan Crow, pastor of the congregation who has asked for written copy to be submitted to the trustees of the church. This will be prepared by the property owners, who maintain that the church should not be located in a neighborhood in which but few colored people live.

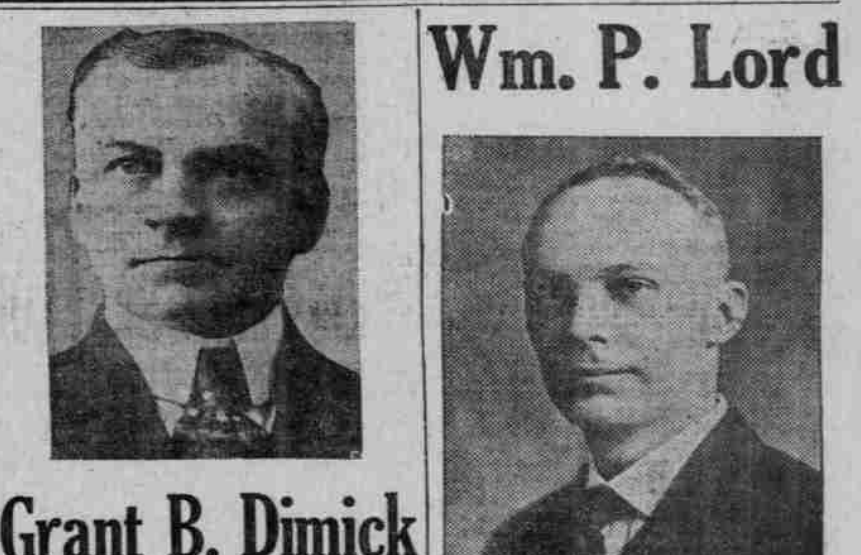
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W. S. "SHAN" CONSER for County COMMISSIONER REPUBLICAN

Henry L. Benson OF KLAMATH FALLS. FOR JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT. Vote for Four (Paid Advertisement.)