

THE METHODISTS TALK OF RELAXING RULES

Committee Favors Removing Prohibition of Cards, Dancing and Theaters.

DEBATE IS ACROMONIOUS

High Pitch of Excitement Reached Over Proposal to Indorse "Preferential Shop" in Its Relations With Labor.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., May 12.—Members of the Methodist Episcopal Church who play cards, dance and attend the theater will no longer be liable to expulsion, if recommendations made by a subcommittee of the general conference which has been considering the question of amusements are adopted by the committee on the state of the church, and later by the conference. The report was offered to the main committee late today and after an acrimonious discussion action was deferred until Monday.

By a vote of 10 to 8 the subcommittee recommended the elimination from the book of discipline of the clause prohibiting these amusements and offered as a substitute an additional paragraph in which warning is made against the diversion of the effect of the proposed change is not to remove the absolute prohibition, but to place the church on record as still strongly opposed to these forms of amusement. A minority report was submitted advising the retention of the paragraph as it now stands.

Penalty Not Now Enforced.

It was maintained by those favoring removal of the restriction that the penalty now provided is not enforced in any church, and that the effect on young people will be much greater if a provision that cannot be enforced is withdrawn and a general warning issued that the church does not sanction dancing, playing at games of chance, attending theaters, horse races, circuses, dancing parties or patronizing dancing schools.

Opposition to the change is based on the allegation that it means the church is "sliding down the bars."

The delegates to the conference were brought to a high pitch of excitement by a proposal submitted in the report of the committee on the state of the church, which is designed to place the church on record as indorsing the preferential shop, which it was charged will lead later to the closed shop.

Labor Issue Debated.

If it is adopted, according to delegates who spoke in opposition, it will place the church in the position of specifically indorsing the methods of labor unions and will result in the abolition of the "open shop" system in the publishing plants of the Methodist Book Concern in Cincinnati and Chicago. Although technically "open," the plant at New York City now employs only union labor.

Speakers who sought favorable action asserted that this stand is necessary if the church is to hope ever to win the friendship of working men.

Henry F. Ward, of Boston, made a plea for the move. He was supported by the Lieutenant-Governor, Wallace, of California, and by George Elliott, of Mount Clemens, Mich.

Opposing the report, Federal Judge Killie, of Toledo, declared that the church should not put its activities under the control of organized labor.

ROANOKE'S BOAT FOUND

SINGLE BODY IT CONTAINS IS BURIED AT SEA.

Destroyers and Launches Still Patrol Region of Wreck—Man Believed to Be John G. Dennis.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—The Pacific Mail line steamer, the Roanoke, sailed from San Francisco yesterday for Balboa, reported by wireless today that it had picked up a body belonging to the steamer Roanoke. In the boat was a body believed to be that of John G. Dennis.

The Roanoke's lifeboat was picked up 11 miles off Point Arguello, 50 miles south of where the boat containing the only three known survivors of the wreck was reported to have sunk.

The detailed description of the body, sent by the captain of the City of Para, was communicated by telephone to Mrs. M. J. Foley, sister-in-law of John G. Dennis, second officer of the Roanoke, who resides in San Francisco.

Mrs. Foley said the description tallied with that of Dennis.

After an examination of the body it was buried at sea, according to the message from the Pacific Mail steamer. The United States destroyers Hull, and several launches are still patrolling the coast between Port San Luis and Point Arguello in the hope of picking up the two lifeboats of the Roanoke that are unaccounted for.

Further identification of Dennis was made by tattoo marks and a monogram ring which was initialed "J. B. D." His body was found in boat No. 5, which the City of Para took aboard.

POWER LINE IS MISSING

Discovery Made That Thieves Got 300 Feet of High-Tension Wire.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—Thieves, some time ago, cut a great storm in February stole 300 feet of high-tension power line which supplied power to operate the pumps in the Park Hill cemetery. The pumps not being in use until recently, it was not discovered that the line had been stolen.

In an opinion given today by George R. Simpson, City Attorney, it will be up to the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company to replace this line at its own cost, as the contract reads that the company agrees to furnish power for the operation of the pumps.

BRIDGE PROPOSAL REFUSED

City Declared Not in Position to Believe County of Jurisdiction.

A request made by the Board of County Commissioners in 1914 that the city take over the operation of the Willamette bridge was turned down yesterday by Commissioner Dieck. He sent a report to the Council, in which he says the city is not in a position to take over the bridge at present.

The County Commissioners had asked that the City Attorney prepare a bill to be sent to the Legislature providing for the transfer of the bridges from county to city jurisdiction.

SOME OF SPEAKERS WHO ARE PARTICIPATING IN SOCIAL CONFERENCE AT REED COLLEGE.



EFFICIENCY IS TOPIC

Delegates at Reed Social Conference Number 300.

VARIOUS PHASES TAKEN UP

Society at Large Held Responsible for Mentally Impaired, Some of Whom, It Is Said, Are Considered High-Class Citizens.

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This class of fools or high-grade mental defectives that a large portion of our criminals come, especially sex criminals. If society hopes to put itself on an efficient basis it will have to devise means for dealing with these defectives and for taking care of them by special institutions. The defective is not responsible for his criminal tendencies, and it is the problem of society at large to see that he is taken care of.

Welfare Commissioner Heard.

W. H. Marvin, member of the Washington State Industrial Welfare Commission, spoke on the question of what to do with those who are unable to earn a minimum wage.

"In many cases, like those of the shopkeepers," said Mr. Marvin, "all that they need is a chance to obtain decent clothes and proper nourishment. The reason that many workers are unable to earn the minimum wage is that they haven't enough to live on. In most cases when they are decently paid they become capable of earning the minimum wage. Many girls who cannot earn the minimum wage in industrial institutions could support themselves by taking positions as household assistants. Many of them would be glad to take up housework if the mistress of the house would wipe out the stern line of demarcation between herself and the girl in the kitchen."

Society's Debt Asserted.

"A large part of the question of what to do with those unable to earn the minimum wage is necessarily left to the schools. Education solves the question in many cases. Finally, in the cases of those who are so constituted mentally and physically that they are totally unable to earn the wage, society owes it both to them and to itself to furnish them with some means of support."

Dr. B. W. DeBuck, professor of education at the University of Oregon, outlined a plan by which the schools could aid in the problem of reducing the efficiency by making the requirements for entrance into the public schools dependent on mental development of children rather than their age in years.

G. P. Putnam, secretary to Governor Withycombe, completed the programme by describing the institutions which Oregon already has in operation to deal with the problems of the socially inefficient.

After the session had adjourned the women of Reed College gave an exhibition of May dances on the campus behind the arts building.

PRINEVILLE TEAM WINS

JEFFERSON LOSES DEBATE AT UNIVERSITY OF OREGON.

State Championship Cup Goes to Eastern Oregon School Supporting Swiss Military System.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—Prineville High School won from Jefferson High School in debate tonight for the championship of the state, two to one. The subject—"Resolved, That the United States should adopt the essential features of the Swiss system of military training and service"—was upheld by Prineville.

The Prineville representatives—Bernard Rambo and Orville Yant—defeated the Eastern Oregon champions, Jefferson's representatives—Milton Mason and Kenneth Armstrong—the title for the Western division. The cup won by the Salem High School last year goes to Prineville High School. It was successfully defended in the adoption of the essential features of the Swiss system would not create a spirit of militarism.

The debate is held annually under the auspices of the university. Jefferson High School supporters came en masse on an excursion. The judges were Father O'Hara, of Portland; William A. Marshall, of Salem; and George Neuner, of Roseburg.

298 ARE HURT; ONE DIES

Week's Industrial Casualties in Oregon Are Reported.

SALEM, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—For the week ending May 11, a total of 298 accidents were reported to the State Industrial Accident Insurance Commission, of which but one was fatal. Of the total number reported, 233 were



(1) Miss Eleanor Rowland. (2) O. B. Caldwell. (3) George A. Thacher. (4) B. W. DeBuck, University of Oregon. (5) C. J. Bushnell, President of Pacific University.

subject to the workmen's compensation act, 40 were from firms and corporations which have rejected that act and 25 were from public utility corporations.

Following is shown the number of accidents listed by industry: Sawmill, 80; logging, 54; construction, 49; railroad operation, 23; light and power, 7; paper mill, 24; iron and steel, 4; machine shop, 4; meat packing, 4; quarry, 4; cooperage, 4; dredging, 3; tin shop, 3; mining, 2; transportation, 3; sand and gravel, 2; boiler works, 2; furniture manufacturers, 2; tinsmith, 2; farming, 2; and of the following one each: Passenger, meat works, rope manufacturers, confectionery, woolen mill, bindery, bakery, bottling works, brick and tile, cannery, house wrecking, cement company, traveler on highway, warehouse, condensation, oil company, grading, transfer.

OAKS OPENS TODAY

First Entertainment Will Commence at 2:15 o'Clock.

MUSICAL CLUB WILL SING

Chorus of 30 and Soloists Will Be Features of Opening Day Picnic.

Miniature Railway Starts.

Special Cars to Run.

Fine weather promises to usher in the 1916 Summer season at the Oaks Amusement Park today. This much awaited event, according to the forecast of the weather man, and is the indication of consultations held with a number of reliable barometers.

Early this morning the park will have had its first touches of broom and brush. The concessions will be open and the auditorium prepared for the first entertainment of the day, commencing at 2:15.

A special feature will be the singing of the chorus of 30 voices of the Monday Musical Club in its final concert of the season. A well-balanced programme will be offered, replete with solo and instrumental selections. Miss Harriet Leach will sing with the chorus and to orchestra accompaniment.

The membership of the Monday Musical Club will hold a picnic in the grounds, beginning at noon and extending to the completion of the evening performance, which will commence at 8:30.

In celebration of the opening of the new miniature railroad a golden spike will be driven into the permanent way. Immediately after this function has been performed the first trainload of youngsters will leave on a journey around the park.

Special car service will be inaugurated today to the Oaks, trains leaving First and Alder streets every few minutes. Lunch service will also be opened between the west end of the Morrison-street bridge and the amusement park.

MISS KOEPP WINS MEDAL

Three-Day Evangelical Session Concluded at Eugene.

EUGENE, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—The Oregon State convention of the Evangelical Church closed its sessions in Eugene tonight after a three-day session. Corvallis was selected as the meeting place for next year's convention.

While there are many details to be worked out tomorrow, the tentative agreements tonight prompted several of the conferees to predict that complete agreement and amicable settlement of the result could be made tomorrow. The Senate Federal volunteer army plan has been abandoned, but there is a tentative agreement to the effect that section authorizing military instruction camps for volunteer citizens so as to provide that citizens shall be paid at the rate of pay for enlisted men while actually in training.

"I think it can safely be said that we will agree on a report and that the agreement will come tomorrow," said Senator Chamberlain tonight. "There still are some points of importance in dispute, but it looks now as though we have stopped fighting and are ready to finish the work."

RICE WILL BE PLANTED

Test to Be Made on Bottom Land Near Eugene This Summer.

EUGENE, Or., May 12.—William M. Porter, of Eugene, announces that he will plant rice on a small tract of land near Alvarado, in the Long Tom bottom, as an experiment this Summer. There are thousands of acres of land in Lane County which are under water for a great part of each year, and Mr. Porter believes this area is suited to the cultivation of rice.

Mr. Porter says that rice has been grown successfully in California for the last two or three years, and he believes there is promise of success with the crop in Oregon.

Mail Carriers Arrange Meeting.

OREGON CITY, May 12.—(Special.)—Arrangements for the annual convention of the Oregon Association of Clerks and Carriers, to be held in this city June 24, were made at a meeting in Eugene tonight after a three-day session. Committees to arrange the programme and to provide for the reception and entertainment of the delegates were named. Five hundred delegates are expected.

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