

DR. DRAKE ESCAPES DR. BOYD'S QUERIES

Pastor Wants to Know of
Views of Aspirant for
School Director.

CAMPAIGN LETTER CITED

Stand Taken at Meeting at Which
Other Candidates Speak That
Broad-Minded Man, Able to
Rise Above Bias, Is Needed.

Three of the four candidates to succeed M. G. Munly as school director at next Saturday's school election discussed their qualifications and views of school administration at a meeting of the Pastor's Hundred of the First Presbyterian Church, in the auditorium of the church-house, last night.

The candidates who spoke were: E. B. MacNaughton, Fred A. Ballin and Mrs. S. M. Blumauer. Dr. J. Francis Drake was not present.

"I regret that Dr. Drake is not here," said Rev. John H. Boyd, pastor of the church, in the discussion following the talks by the candidates. "I wanted to ask him a question."

The minister held up an envelope, from which he took a campaign circular and an election card bearing the name and picture of Dr. Drake.

Letter About Catholics Cited.

"How many of you received this letter?" he asked. "It is a letter calling attention to the horrible machinations of the Roman Catholic Church, and asking the recipient to vote for the election as school director of Dr. J. Francis Drake, an enemy of the Roman Catholic Church."

"Here is Dr. Drake's card inclosed in the letter," and he held up the election card to view.

"I wanted to ask Dr. Drake what he knows about this and if he had anything to do with sending out the letter, I am very sorry he is not here to answer. I wish to call attention to the facts, however."

Rev. Mr. Boyd in a brief address earlier in the evening had declared his hope that Portland would elect a School Director "big enough to represent the whole community to all its diversity of interests, and one large enough to be above all class feeling, prejudice and favoritism."

"Here we have anti and pro," he declared. "Here we've got a miserable condition with class against class and suspicion everywhere. Is it possible for Portland to select a man large enough to be apart from every party and broad enough to represent every interest?"

"If I didn't think so, I would not want to stay in Portland."

E. B. MacNaughton was the first candidate to speak. He said that he had at first declined a request from many business men and others that he become a candidate, but had later reconsidered.

"I did so," he said, "because I felt it was a call of duty to carry out the recommendations of the school survey, in which I thoroughly believe."

"It is very distasteful for me to discuss my own qualifications, but I believe that both my educational and business training have been such as to enable me to serve the district."

He told of his work as one of the directors of the educational department of the Y. M. C. A. and of his business experience in Portland and elsewhere.

He said that on pedagogic matters he did not profess to be an expert, but that he did believe he knew enough about it to be able to tell when things were not done right.

Children Seem to Forget.

Fred A. Ballin discussed the difference between the American educational system and that of the old country. He said he had been educated in Germany, but that his six children had been born and educated in the United States.

"There always has seemed to me to be something missing in our educational system here," he said. "Let me cite one point particularly that has struck me as worthy of consideration. It is this: things I learned 40 years ago in the old country I retain now. But if I ask my own children a question about mathematics, about the Civil War, about almost anything they have had in school, the answer is usually that, 'Oh, we studied that two years ago and don't remember it now.'"

Mrs. S. M. Blumauer arrived late and spoke last. "They tell me," she began, "that I am in the camp of my enemies. But I shall not even pray to be delivered from my enemies. They tell me this is an organization that believes a strong man should be elected. I hope to show you that a strong woman may fill all the requirements."

Woman Relates Experience.

"One of the qualifications you have outlined for a school director is that he should be educated. I do not think all the education is with the men. So far as business experience is concerned, I believe the training of women of late has been along business lines. Surely, a woman who has had teaching experience herself should have some idea how the money raised for our schools should be spent."

"I don't think it would ever be necessary," Mrs. Blumauer went on, "to answer such a question as whether a candidate for director represents any one class or religious denomination, in a school election. Instead, I find it more than necessary."

"I have been kept busy answering accusations that I am for or against any certain religion."

"If I have to declare myself for or against any man's religion I do not want to be elected on that qualification."

Other speakers at the meeting included R. W. Montague, who discussed the school survey and some of its recommendations, and R. L. Sabin, ex-director, who told the many difficulties that beset a member of the School Board.

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OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

German.

BERLIN, June 12.—The German official statement today says: "Eastern front.—German and Austro-Hungarian troops belonging to the army of General von Bothmer repulsed the Russian detachments which were advancing northeast of Buczacz, on the Strypa. More than 150 Russians remained in our hands. Otherwise the situation of the German troops is unchanged."

"Western front.—In the Champagne north of Perthes German reconnoitering detachments penetrated French positions and after a short fight took three officers and more than 100 men prisoner, captured four machine guns and returned to their own trenches in accordance with our plans."

"On both sides of the Meuse (Verdun front), the artillery was active. The situation is unchanged."

Italian.

ROME, June 12.—Tonight's official Italian statement is as follows: "In the Camonica Valley and in the Giudicaria Valley there have been artillery duels."

"In the Lagarina Valley the enemy bombarded our positions at Coni Zugna. In the Val d'Adige and Passubio sector and along the Fossina-Astico line our infantry yesterday continued to advance, although hampered by violent artillery fire, and, in the higher zone, by snow and gales."

"Two enemy counter-attacks in the direction of Fornì, and in the Camonica Valley, were repulsed with heavy enemy losses."

"On the Plateau of Setti Communi, southwest of Asiago, our advance detachments, having passed the Cansiglio Valley, pressed on toward the southeastern slopes of Monte Cengio and toward Monte Marco and Monte Busilbo."

"Later details show a brilliant success for our arms in the fighting on June 10, on Monte Lemerle. Our valiant Forty-third and Forty-fourth Infantry bravely sustained the assaults of enemy masses, which succeeded in reaching our positions, but were dispersed and pursued at the point of the bayonet."

French.

PARIS, June 12.—The official communication issued by the French War Office today reads:

"On the right bank of the Meuse, after powerful artillery preparation, the Germans directed all day successive attacks against our positions north of the Thiaumont fortifications. Despite the importance of the effective and the violence of the assaults our fire everywhere stopped the enemy, whose losses were very serious."

"The bombardment extended besides to the whole region west and south of Fort Vaux and to our sector of lines in the Souville Tannvans sector."

Monday's War Moves

HEAVY fighting is in progress over virtually the entire eastern front from the Gulf of Riga to Bukovina, a distance of between 600 and 700 miles.

South and southeast of Trent, the Italians are continuing to drive enemy positions, according to Rome. Gains have been made by the Italians in the Arsa Valley and Passubio sector along the Fossina-Astico line and south of Asiago. Farther north in the Sugana Valley fresh progress toward the Mase torrent is recorded for King Victor Emmanuel's men, who repulsed two counter attacks near Scurelle. In the Lagarina Valley the Austrians are heavily bombarding the Italians on Coni Zugna.

A Russian cavalry force of 1000 men operating between the Caucasus and Mesopotamia fronts has been annihilated by the Turks, who also captured a large amount of war material, according to Constantinople. On the remainder of the front in Asiatic Turkey there is no change in the situation.

The masking of the important Bulgarian troop movements is believed to be connected with the closing of the Bulgar-Boumanian frontier to passenger and merchandise traffic, says an unofficial dispatch from Bucharest.

some time ago went into receivership, was sold today at a master's sale for \$952,000. It is reported that the actual purchasers are the officials of the Great Northern Railway, which runs through this city.

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RAILROAD IS DEBATED

S. A. KENDALL AND ROSEBURG COUNCIL HAVE LONG SESSION.

Road, if Constructed, Will Cost \$300,000 and Flat Rental for Use Is Demanded.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 12.—(Special.)—Although the City Council was in conference with S. A. Kendall, of Roseburg, practically all of this afternoon, the future of the proposed Roseburg & Eastern Railroad will not be known definitely until tomorrow, when another special meeting of the Council will be held. At that time Mr. Kendall will make the Council a proposition with

reference to leasing the railroad in the event it is constructed as proposed.

In an address before the Council Mr. Kendall said that not until this afternoon was he aware that a lease on the railroad could be executed prior to its completion. In regard to the lease, the Council advised Mr. Kendall it would entertain nothing short of a flat rental.

Both Mr. Kendall and Engineer Hicks informed the Council that the proposed railroad will cost to exceed \$300,000 and the contractor who did the work for that figure would lose money. The Councilmen and spectators present at today's meeting believe all differences will be settled tomorrow and that actual work on the road will start soon.

Auto Turns, Running Down Fire.

CENTRALIA, Wash., June 12.—(Special.)—An automobile driven by a man named St. Clair, who lives in the Coal

Creek Valley, overturned yesterday on the pavement east of Chehalis, pinning four adults and a baby beneath it. Only the infant was hurt, however, and it is not believed that its injuries will

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