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Recommendation for Purchase of Glencoe Playground Tract Adopted by Meeting.

So far as the school board is concerned—and it is really the court of last resort—Sister Lucretia, the ex-nun who has attacked St. Vincent's hospital in public addresses, may resume her discourses in any school structure after complying with the requirements specified for public entertainments there, which concern rental and janitorial fees.

This attitude of the school board, or a majority of its members, was clearly evidenced Thursday when the directors listened to the reading of three or four letters of protest against such practices. The correspondents drew the attention of the board to the fact that Sister Lucretia had bitterly and outrageously assailed the Catholic character, and respectfully petitioned the board to have in mind its duty toward the interdenominational public which supports and patronizes the Portland schools.

Lectures Are Criticized. "These people," he said, "with a wave of a fat cigar, 'won't play fair. They are against the school which are against them. I'm for letting them have the schools when they want 'em, and the Protestants when they want 'em."

Director Thomas grinned. "And the same goes for Mary Murphy," said he, referring to his previous declaration.

Director Shull Fidgets. The chairman, Director Shull, was fidgeting. He said that he had not voted for the resolution which opened the schools to Sister Lucretia as a lecture platform, and that for his negative attitude in the matter he had sought regret, inasmuch as he had since perused one of the ex-nun's addresses.

"I have seen," said Chairman Shull, "what purported to be a stenographic copy of one of her talks. I will say that it is the most filthy and disgusting address that I have ever read or heard."

Complete silence ensued, until the board, with evident relief, filed the letters and turned to other business. Throughout the discussion there had been no interruption or expression from the sparse audience.

The board adopted a recommendation of the special committee which advised consideration of the purchase of the Birchier plot, to afford playground facilities for Glencoe school. This action was understood to be merely an authority for negotiation. The price asked for the plot is \$4500.

Another prospective deal in district real estate came to an emphatic focus when Director Eisman moved that the district submit a certified check for \$1000 in part payment for the area in the Goldsmith addition desired for grounds for the projected Chapman school, to be purchased at the board's tender of \$60,000. The proposal carried the provision that unless the offer is accepted within ten days condemnation proceedings shall be instituted. The property was first offered at \$71,000 and is now held at \$67,000.

BRIDGE FILMS SLATED

TRAFFIC CONGESTION VIEWS ARE BALLOT ARGUMENT.

Pictures of Delays to Be Shown in All Downtown Theaters.

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Mr. Johnson also announced that arrangements had been made with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for the carrying of front-end cards on all street cars in the interest of the proposed Ross island bridge and the rebuilding of the Burnside bridge. The cards will carry the ballot numbers of the two bridge proposals—14 and 15.

"The railway company realizes that the new bridges will greatly facilitate the movement of cars to all parts of the city," said Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Johnson spoke before the East Side Business Men's club Thursday in favor of the Ross island bridge proposal and at noon Thursday he addressed the city druggists' association. Speaking dates by name of score have been arranged for "minute men" in the bridge campaign.

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