

SCHOOL BILL FIGHT DRAWING TO CLOSE

Two Campaign Meetings Scheduled for Today.

BOTH SIDES ARE HEARD

Friends of Measure Gather at Auditorium in Afternoon and Opponents in Evening.

With the exception of two meetings, to be held today in the Scottish Rite temple, the compulsory school bill campaign in Portland closed yesterday with a gathering of the "pro" forces at the municipal auditorium in the afternoon and a similar assembly of those opposed to it at the same building in the evening.

Today's programme calls for a meeting for women at the Scottish Rite temple this afternoon and a gathering of Masons at the same building in the evening. William MacDougall, one of the leading advocates of the measure, will speak at both meetings.

Professor Bissett Speaks. Professor Charles F. Bissett of the University of Washington was the chief speaker at the meeting of anti-compulsory education forces at the auditorium last night.

Free Religion Demanded. "Happy the people whose rights of conscience are never forced. Happy the people that have never made an appeal to arms in a religious war."

Stronger Schools Wanted. Rev. Mr. MacDougall's address in favor of the bill was a general summing up of its advantages as he views the measure, and a refutation of the arguments advanced by the opposition.

Remarks Well Received. The anti-school bill mass meeting in the evening was a general rally of the forces opposed to the measure. The principal speakers were Professor Bissett, Mrs. Alexander Thompson, a leader in local politics and civic work, and Dudley C. Wooten, ex-representative in congress and at present a resident of Seattle.

At Christensen's hall, Dr. Martin in denouncing the measure declared that if passed it would make Oregon a second Russia, a modern Prussia of Wilhelm's day, a replica of pagan Sparta.

world has such a measure among its laws. That government is bolshevik Russia. Even Emma Goldman, high priestess of anarchy, doesn't want to live there.

Gump Going Strong on Eve of General Election.

Colonel Bush Says Candidate is Winning Hands Down.

AT THE Gump-for-congress club headquarters last night the workers were coming and going in a continuous throng.

"We're going to put Gump across," insisted the colonel with vigor. "How do I know? Well—just between ourselves—I called at the bank today and inquired the amount of Andy's balance. The paying teller informed me how much Gump has left, and, with the campaign nearly over and some iron men still in the bank, I am certain I'll pull him through."

"I'm having some trouble, however," confessed the colonel. "Down in Tillamook county for instance, republican voters are being urged to write in the name of Andrew Gump for representative in the legislature against Rollie W. Watson, in Yamhill county, where Peter Zimmerman, republican candidate for state senator, is saying he is a member of the non-partisan league of the Dakotas, Gump is being proposed as a candidate against him. Other persons are recommending Andy as first, second, third and last choice for city commissioner. My trouble is trying to keep the boys lined up and let them know Andy Gump is not a miscellaneous candidate. He is a candidate for congress, nothing else."

"Widow Zander reports that the women like Andy and his manly stand on all issues. Mind you, Mrs. Gump has been attending 4 o'clock teas and little Chester has been attending a different Sunday school every week. A delegation from the crew of United States eagleboat No. 35, in the harbor, has been here and assured Andy that it

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PLATFORM

- I favor: 1 Strict Immigration Laws, 2 Non-Partisan Tariff Commission, 3 Merchant Marine without subsidies and graft, 4 National Bonus for ex-Service Men, paying for same by taxing profiteers and predatory wealth, 5 Better pay and treatment for mail carriers and postal employees, 6 Gov't hospital in Portland for ex-Service Men.

I oppose:

- 1 Newberryism, 2 Oriental land ownership, 3 Child labor, 4 Nepotism, 5 Pending ship subsidy bill, 6 The sales tax, 7 Pat McArthur's Do-Nothing Record, 8 Cancelling foreign war debt, 9 Esch-Cummings bill. (Paid Advertisement.)

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in their earnest and sincere desire to see this man, 100 per cent for the people, at Washington, where he will wear no man's collar. These gobs also like his stand on the forehead trousers. You can bank on Andy getting on the popular side every time—sometimes.

going to the different cigar stores to vote for himself. And look at the result—Gump isn't even credited with a single vote. I don't believe the straw vote was honest so far as Gump is concerned.

Another letter came from Allan Steels, 170 1/2 Second street, city, predicting that Andy cannot be elected because he hornswoegled the Widow Zander out of her breach-of-promise money.

WHITMAN COLLEGE, Walla Walla, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Under the auspices of the Whitman International Relations club, Dr. Manood of Armistair, India, president of the Oxford International assembly, will speak in the Whitman chapel November 15.

MURDER JURY OUSTED PANEL TRYING HENRY WILKENS DISAGREETS. Alleged Slayer of Wife Hopes That Next Trial Will Mean Acquittal.

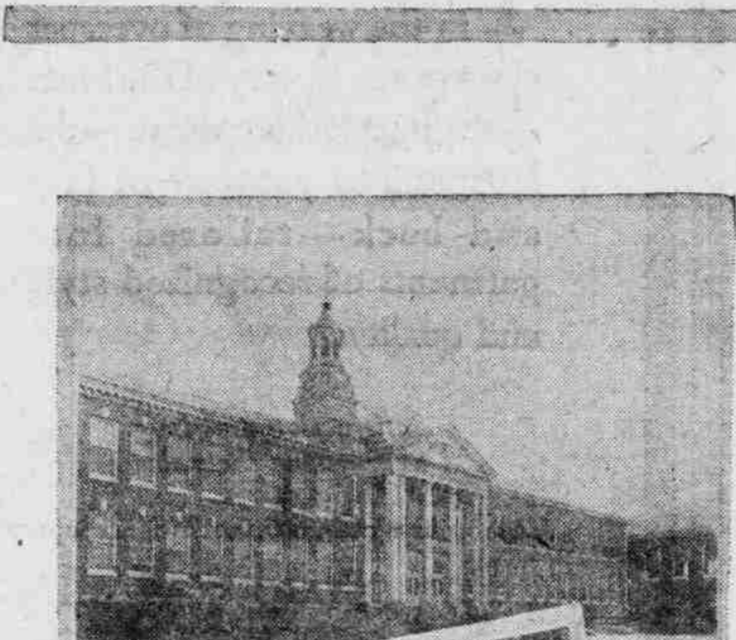
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5.—The jury trying Henry Wilkens, garage manager, on a charge of wife murder was called into court and discharged at 4:45 P. M. yesterday after failing to agree on a verdict in 23 hours' deliberation.

ment, but said that he "felt sure" that the next trial would mean acquittal.

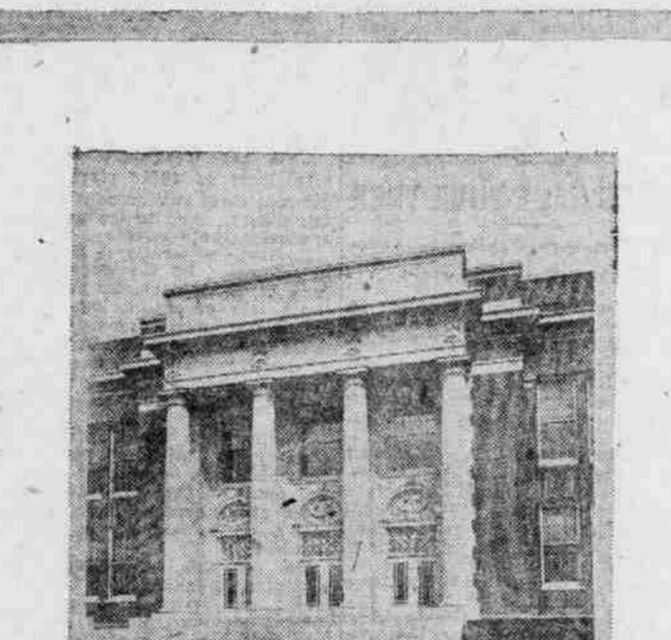
The killing of three persons who figured in the investigation of Mrs. Annie Wilkens' death furnished a tragic prologue to the trial of Henry Wilkens. Walter Castor, said by the prosecution to have conspired with Wilkens to slay Mrs. Wilkens, shot and killed his sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Castor, who he apparently suspected of having betrayed him, and Timothy J. Bailey, detective sergeant. Castor then committed suicide.

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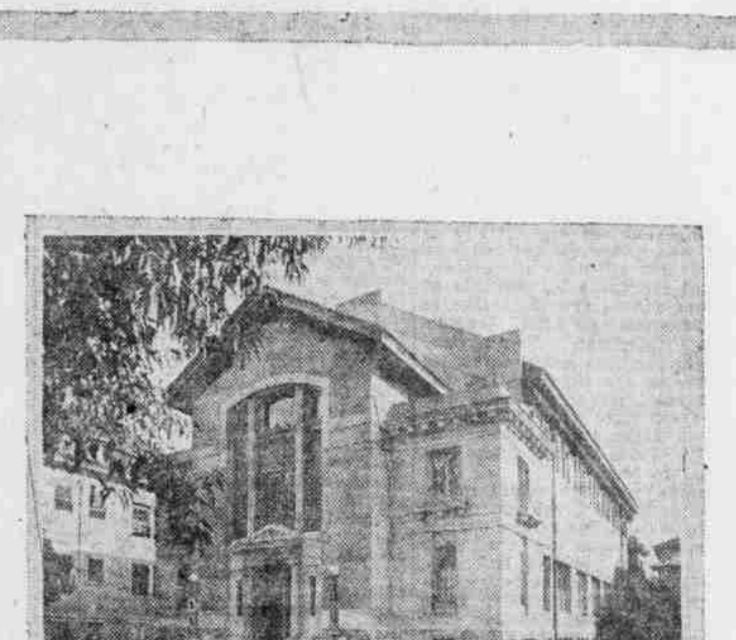
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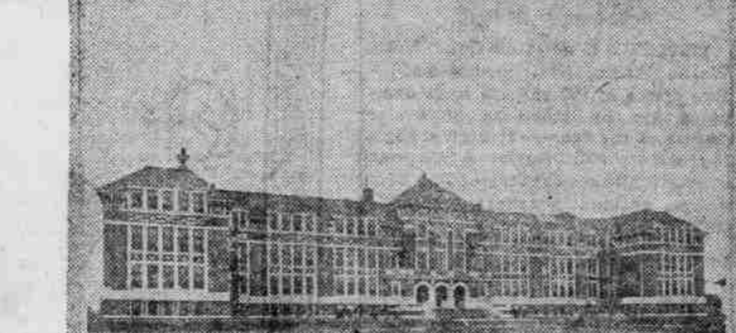
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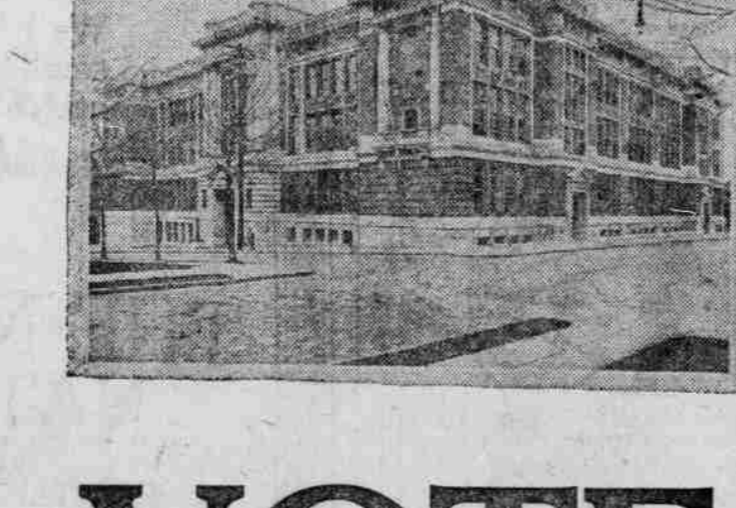
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These are the portals of the Nation's future—the free public schools of America. Through them the coming generation of workers, thinkers, doers and achievers come and go, learning the principles of democracy—the basic things upon which depend the life and permanency of a nation of free people.

To preserve these free institutions—the public schools—is the purpose of the Compulsory Education Bill, and to broaden and extend their scope and benefits are the hope and desire of those who conceived and initiated this measure.

In the final analysis there are only two classes who oppose this bill. These are:

- (1) Those who believe the rights of church should take precedence over the rights of the state. These claim opposition to the bill with the argument that it is religious persecution. (2) Those who believe in class distinction—in social caste—who believe their children are too good to be educated alongside of your children. These so-called blue-bloods oppose the bill with the argument that it is an infringement of their personal rights and liberties.

Every argument against the Compulsory Education Bill is based primarily upon the element of selfishness. Its opponents are not willing that the larger interests of the nation should take precedence over selfish personal and private whims.

Red-blooded men and women are for the Compulsory Education Bill. They realize that in it is the guarantee for balanced and even-tempered progress and that through free public schools—and through free public schools alone—will American leadership be maintained and permanency assured.

Think of the Nation's future—then vote:

314 X YES

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