

METHODISTS WANT PROHIBITION PLANK

Conference Will Probably Demand That Republicans Make Liquor an Issue.

STRONG FACTOR IN PARTY

Church Will Also Prune Expenses and May Decline to Amend the Amusement Regulations as Desired by Bishops.

That the Methodist Episcopal Church, assembled in general conference at Baltimore, will pass resolutions demanding a strong temperance plank in the platform of the Republican party, is the principal feature contained in a letter received by a Portland pastor yesterday, from a high source of authority. The writer, who has held for 40 years one of the chief positions in the church, declares that there is a very strong sentiment among the ministerial and lay delegates at the quadrennial session to issue an urgent appeal to the National convention of the party, soon to be held in Chicago, to come out firmly for the abolition of the liquor traffic.

It is pointed out that the Methodist Episcopal Church has long been a Republican stronghold and is, therefore, a factor to be reckoned with in the affairs of the party. At the general conference, now in session in Baltimore, for example, there are three Methodists attending as delegates, each of whom is the Governor of a state. These are Governor Buchtel of Colorado, Governor Hoch, of Kansas, and Governor Hanley, of Indiana. There are also many delegates who hold political offices of the highest order, including members of Congress, members of the Supreme Courts of various states and others equally prominent.

Bishop Luther B. Wilson, one of the most conspicuous personages at the general conference session, is also a Republican, and is president of the National Anti-Saloon League. This organization, it is held by Methodists in general, is the most effective fighter in the field enlisted under the banner of temperance, and, according to the authority referred to above, is quite likely to be endorsed by the general conference.

Topics Before the Conference.

At present, the most absorbing topics of discussion in the general conference, according to the advice received here yesterday, are temperance, the election of bishops and the "worldly amusement" problem. There is also great interest among the delegates as to administrative policy, and, as already published, there is strong sentiment against the election of more than enough bishops to perform the actual work as it is now outlined. There are indications, it is stated, that a negro bishop, the first in the history of the church, will be elected, to take charge in the colored conferences. All indications, it is said, point to the overwhelming defeat of the recommendation of the Board of Bishops, in the episcopal address, for an amendment to paragraph 28, governing members of the denomination relative to "worldly amusements." It is asserted that the sentiment of the delegates, especially the laymen, and in fact, the sentiment from all over the country, as shown at the general conference, is strictly opposed to any change whatever in this matter.

Many petitions, one signed by 5000 persons, have been sent in to the conference for consideration, asking that the discipline be left as it is in respect to amusements. A petition of this nature was forwarded to the delegates from the Oregon Conference by Sunnyside Chapter of the Epworth League, bearing about 1000 names, signed from all over the conference.

Favor Policy of Economy.

Conservative action as to the number of officers to be allowed each of the benevolent societies, and action looking to the strict enforcement of the policy of economy adopted by the last general conference, is predicted. It is said that the administration of the home and foreign missionary boards during the past year, under a consolidation plan, has proved disappointing. As was revealed when the board of home missions and church extension met in Portland last November, that department of the church had far exceeded in expenditures the funds intended for it, and its officers were told by several of the bishops in attendance at the time that extravagance must be stopped. This resulted in the decision to cut down by one-half the sum expended yearly for publication work, and it is announced at Baltimore that further pruning is in store for this and other branches of the church. Economy, aggressiveness and a firmer stand than ever on temperance, it is said, are the controlling sentiments at the general conference. Interest attaches throughout all Methodism and the religious world in general to the election of the bishops and other high officers of the church, including editors of the various official publications, publishing agents, secretaries of the various benevolent organizations and the general secretary of the Epworth League. Balloting for the election of bishops is scheduled to begin this week, probably about Wednesday, and will continue daily until the required number is chosen.

PERSONAL MENTION.

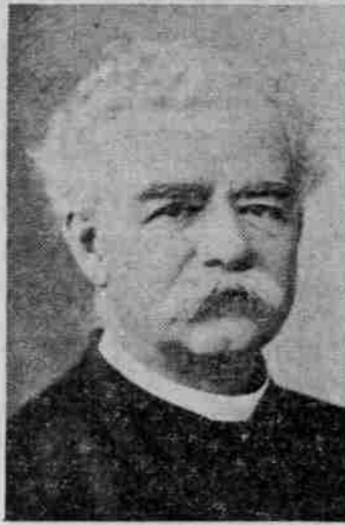
A. H. Macely, wife and family, leave Monday morning for a trip to Chicago, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard M. Conklin returned Tuesday from San Francisco, where they were visiting Mrs. Conklin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Best. Best returned with them, but left Tuesday evening for Spokane to visit his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Korr, who is ill.

Hon. Gilbert L. King, of Chicago, Or., a member of the last Legislature, attended the recent convention as delegate from Malheur and left for home last evening, after having secured considerable material for a residence he is about to build in Ontario. Mr. King was accompanied by Mrs. King, who is now in Columbia City, visiting their daughter, Mrs. Carl Arnold.

E. J. Daly has just returned from a trip to San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego and Old Mexico. He reports that business conditions are in much better shape in Portland than in any of the other three cities. "Prices in Los Angeles," said he, "are very much higher than in Portland. In talking with Los Angeles investors who also have holdings in Portland, they expressed the wish that all their holdings were in Portland. Portland is way behind Los Angeles, however, in character of buildings, street im-

PROMINENT BISHOPS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH NOW IN SESSION AT BALTIMORE



David H. Moore, Resident Bishop for Oregon.



Henry W. Warren, Senior Active Bishop.



Luther B. Wilson, President Anti-Saloon League.



D. A. Goodsell, who read the Episcopal Address.



William Fraser McDowell, Resident Bishop at Chicago.



John H. Hamilton, Resident Bishop for California.

provements, lighting, etc. There is no good reason why Portland should be so far behind Los Angeles in improvements when we have a much better city and better climate. All we need is the enterprise and the spirit."

CHICAGO, May 16.—(Special.)—The following Northwestern people registered at Chicago hotels today: Auditorium Annex, E. S. Parker, George F. West and wife, Portland; Great Northern, Cecil Hawley, Salem, Or.; William Hyde Stalker, Ed Andrews, Medford, Or.

MARY J. HAMILTON DEAD

Aged and Honored Pioneer of Oregon Passes Away.

Mrs. Mary J. Hamilton, an aged and honored pioneer, widow of Samuel M. Hamilton, of Cascades, Wash., died at her home, 853 Howard street, Portland, yesterday morning at 4 o'clock. Her death was caused by pneumonia. Her age was 85 years, 5 months and 16 days. Mrs. Hamilton was a remarkable woman of the pioneer type, of sterling character and ability and helpful to all who came in contact with



The Late Mrs. Mary J. Hamilton.

her. She retained all her faculties to the last, being able even to direct her household affairs. She was born in the State of New York, near New York City, December 2, 1822. When a child her parents moved with her to Illinois, settling near the town of Nauvoo, where at the age of 17 she met and married Samuel M. Hamilton. In 1850 with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton started on the long journey to Oregon, with a little band of friends and neighbors. They reached this state in October, 1850, and settled on a donation claim on what was named by Lewis and Clark, Stranberg Island, where they reared to maturity eight children, and by their industry acquired a competency. Both were influential pioneers and well known up and down the Columbia River for their hospitality. Mr. Hamilton died in 1889, and was buried on the old homestead at Cascades.

Mrs. Hamilton is survived by the following children: Mrs. Lois A. McDonald, Mrs. Loria A. Jones, Mrs. Thomas A. Jones, Mrs. J. R. Best, of Portland, and W. J. Hamilton, of Cascades, Wash. She lived on the old home place until a few years ago, when she purchased a home on the Peninsula. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Dunning's undertaking chapel, 414 East Alder street. Interment will be at Cascades.

HAVE CONFIDENCE IN O'DAY

There is no more important office than that of Circuit Judge. There is no politics in this office. The present incumbent, Judge O'Day, is conceded to be eminently fitted for the position. He is no experiment. He has the confidence of both the bar and the public, and should be re-elected.

With 2,000,000 freight cars in use in this country the daily cry, "the hourly cry," "More cars, more cars. New cars are put in service almost before the paint on them

WHERE MONEY GOES

Regents Explain Needs of University of Oregon.

MAKE REPORT TO PUBLIC

If Appropriation Fails to Carry at June Election Institution May Be Forced to Close Doors. Expenses Exceed Income.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., May 16.—(Special.)—An official statement of the financial condition of the university, together with estimates of expenditures under the proposed continuing appropriation, has just been made by the board of regents. The statement is addressed to the people and bears the signature of every member of the board. It is made in response to numerous inquiries that have been made concerning the financial condition of the university, and the regents being of the belief that the people should know just how the financial affairs of the university are conducted. The text of the statement is as follows:

New Buildings Needed. Since 1901, the university has depended for its resources upon the annual appropriation of \$47,500, carried by the act of that year, together with the interest on the university fund, incidental fees, and interest on the Village fund, amounting to about \$10,000 a year, and special appropriations from time to time. The act of 1901 was intended, well known to the people, to provide primarily to cover the necessary current expenses at the time of its adoption. It has been necessary, however, to make use thereof, from time to time, by special appropriations, that of 1905 being \$62,500. The purpose of the bill now pending is to merge in one act all appropriations. The amount thereof is based on careful and what is believed to be conservative estimates, and in the opinion of the regents is necessary to bring the university up to and maintain it at the standard of efficiency, which the educational interests of the state require. The bare cost of maintenance is now approximately \$75,000 a year. Additional instructions are needed in several of the departments, which will require expenditures of at least \$10,000 a year, for some years, to bring it to that proper standard of efficiency. Provision should be made immediately for the accommodation of the women of the university by furnishing and heating the present cottages and by the construction of additional cottages or a general dormitory. This, it is estimated, will take about \$30,000 a year. New buildings are needed for class, laboratory and recitation purposes, at a cost of approximately \$75,000. The heating, power and water plant must be enlarged, at an expense of \$10,000 or \$15,000, to meet the demands upon it for heating, irrigating and fire protection. As soon as funds are available, the campus should be enlarged, to meet present and future needs, by acquiring additional grounds by purchase, if a satisfactory price can be obtained, and if not, by condemnation.

Board Without Funds. These several items will cost from \$125,000 to \$150,000 a year, and together with others developing with the growth of the university will absorb the entire amount carried by the present bill, and all additional revenues, over and above the expenses of maintenance, for a number of years to come. This covers, in a general way, the needs of the university as we see it, and the use to be made of the proposed appropriation. There is another matter which should be alluded to. The invoking of the referendum has resulted in the act of 1907, and the act of 1907, to the annual amount appropriated by the act of 1901, and about \$10,000 a year from other sources, making a total of about \$60,000 a year, which has been inadequate to pay the expenses. The deficiency last year was met by the board postponing all improvements, purchase of furniture, additional apparatus and the like, and by part of the faculty voluntarily foregoing their salaries for the last quarter of the year, relying on the approval of the pending bill or subsequent appropriation by the Legislature for their payment. The salaries and incidental expenses for the present academic year will amount to at least \$30,000, to meet which there is an appropriation of \$20,000 interest on land fund, \$2,000, or total of \$42,000. At the close of the present academic year the university will therefore be practically without funds and as the law absolutely prohibits the regents or faculty from pledging the faith of the state for the current year, it is not apparent how it will be able to open its doors

next fall if the pending appropriation is defeated. We may add that the regents receive no compensation whatever for their services, but that, in the discharge of their duties in administration of the university, they are but servants of the people, they present the facts for the consideration and determination of the voters, without argument. Respectfully submitted, NEEHEMIAH L. BUTLER, JAMES W. HAMILTON, CYRUS A. DOLPH, WILLIAM SMITH, FREDERICK V. HOLMAN, R. S. BEAN, C. C. AUSTIN, NORTH, MILTON A. MILLER, SAMSON H. FRIENDLY, Board of Regents.

WILL CONTEST NEARS END

Last Testimony in Behalf of Mrs. Stevens Is Heard.

Conclusion of the George T. Myers will case is now near at hand. Final testimony in the case was heard yesterday on behalf of George T. Myers, Jr., son and daughter of Mr. Myers, who is seeking to break his will on the grounds that he was not of sound mind when he left the bulk of his big estate to his son, George T. Myers, Jr., and cut her off with \$20,000. Yesterday's testimony was given by Mrs. W. T. Williamson and J. Allen Gilbert, in the capacity of alienists. They had no personal knowledge of this case, but in answer to hypothetical questions were inclined to the belief that Mr. Myers might have been of sound mind in fancying that his daughter had plotted with a doctor to kill Mrs. Myers when she was fatally ill. The hypothetical questions asked the two doctors in the County Court yesterday morning referred to Mr. Myers' attitude towards his daughter prior to his death and embodied the evidence which has been brought out by Mrs. Stevens in her efforts to break the will and share in the \$300,000 estate more fully. Briefs will be submitted in the case shortly and final arguments will be heard June 22 and 23, each side having a full day for the presentation of its case. No further testimony will be heard, both sides having rested.

Peter Rickmers Is Doomed.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Hope has been abandoned of saving the hull of

Let Us Consider Glands For a Moment.

From the Standpoint of Clinical Pathology.

In the treatment of diseases, internal secretions are the governors of the entire body. Without the gland secretions we cannot live. A lack of the secretions of one or more glands brings on some chronic or acute disease. An over-secretion of the gland secretions or a perversion of same will produce a chronic or acute condition. All diseases, acute or chronic, can come from the three above causes only: think of it; nutrition, constipation, nerve starvation and fat starvation, remove the trouble peculiar to women by the use of the different gland extracts, as it is the secretions of the female glands which tipple thereof, and the patient uses nothing else, that is proof positive that if you want a pumpkin it is necessary for you to plant a pumpkin seed, is it not? Our laboratory is situated in Kansas City, Mo., where we procure the glands of four to six thousand sheep a day and extract the different elements from the many different glands of the body, and put them up for medicinal use. One of our many distributing points is situated in Portland, Or., 706 Dekum bldg. We send out free of charge our Blue Book, a scientific treatise on Glandular Extracts, answer any question by mail; our physician diagnoses your case, all free of charge. If not able to call at office, write and we will mail you question blank. Address VAN VLECK GLAND EXTRACTS, 296 Dekum Bldg.

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IRELAND'S FIRM FRIEND

Bannerman Ready to Leave Sick-Bed for Home Rule.

LONDON, May 16.—John Redmond, writing in the Nation, tells a touching story of the late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's determination on behalf of home rule in Ireland. The last time he visited the House of Commons, Sir Henry told Mr. Redmond that it was his intention himself to wind up the approaching home rule debate. The next day the Premier was stricken with the illness that eventually proved fatal. The debate was fixed for February 17, and as Mr. Bannerman, Chief Secretary for Ireland, also was indisposed, Mr. Redmond asked Mr. Asquith, as acting leader in the House, to postpone the debate to March 20.

Grand excursion to Delaura Beach. See ad on page 11, section 2.

THE DALLIES GETS COMMANDERY.

THE DALLIES, May 16.—Frank Miller, Grand Commander of Knights Templar of the state of Oregon, has recently granted a dispensation by virtue of which a commandery to be known as Columbia Commandery will be established in The Dalles within the next 30 days.

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