

DECIDE TO OPEN DOORS TO IDLERS

Pastors Do Not Approve Plan of Mayor to Give Access to Churches.

MISSIONS DO THAT WORK

Clergymen Declare Lane Does Not Know What Is Being Done and Go So Far as to Question His Sincerity.

That the moral condition of Portland would not be bettered even though every church in the city opened its doors every day in the week, and permitted the unemployed to lounge and read therein, is the consensus of opinion among local preachers.

Questioned yesterday regarding Mayor Lane's statement that the churches should throw open their doors every day to the unemployed, local ministers thought more good could be done by coffee counters and reading rooms in the sections where the most congregations than in the churches themselves.

Writes Letter to Mayor.

"I have written Mayor Lane a letter expressing my views quite clearly," said Dr. Foulkes last night.

Dr. Foulkes then called attention to the Men's Resort, at Fourth and Burnside streets, where an average of 1000 men sit every day and read.

"We do not sympathize with loafing," said Dr. Foulkes, "but since there are loafers this place is open from year's end to year's end. We wish it could be larger, and that more churches could join in it. I feel certain that the men of the North End would not come to us. A man with ragged clothes would not feel comfortable in a church, but we can reach them by going where they are."

Suggests That Mayor Help.

"Some members of the church are interested in the Strayer mission. If Mayor Lane is honest, he can render valuable aid right there in placing that mission on a better basis. This winter 20,000 men have been in the mission. People of all classes are invited to our church services. The doors are open to the poor as well as the rich."

"I suppose Mayor Lane has reference to institutional work. I grant that along that line there is some ground for criticism. I think the church should interest itself in that sort of thing. But we need to be careful not to injure men by making them dependent."

"To a large measure the Y. M. C. A. is doing the work which Mayor Lane indicates. The Y. W. C. A. is doing it for women. The church is ready to cooperate when its attention is called to the needs of humanity. In fact our church has done an immense amount of work this winter which has neither been heralded through the press nor brought to Mayor Lane's attention."

Plan Condemned by Trotter.

"When Mel Trotter, who is traveling with 'Bible' Sunday in Portland, was in conference with him, and the thing Mayor Lane thinks should be done he unhesitatingly condemns. He says that it causes men to lose their self-respect. Mr. Trotter is the leader of a great mission at Grand Rapids. He believes the real function of the church mission is to put the spirit of energy and independence in men by helping them to stand for themselves, in spite of the saloons. But I realize the evil of the saloons. The sooner it is removed from society the better it will be."

Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, of the White Temple, said:

"I believe that the churches will be perfectly willing to co-operate with Mayor Lane, but we shall probably have to open reading-rooms down town, near the men. We will also need a luncheon room, where we can serve hot coffee. Even though the church doors were open, the men would not go to the suburbs, where the churches are, to loaf. That class does not care to loaf about a church. I think the churches might get together and do rescue mission work down town."

"I am in favor of closing all the saloons. If the Mayor has half of them closed, the rest will be around the other half. Many churches would open their doors if it would accomplish results."

Rev. W. G. Elliot, Jr., of the Unitarian Church, said: "Our church is open every day from 1 P. M. to 10 o'clock at night. People are there reading all that time."

Rev. George Thompson, assistant pastor at the Cathedral, said the pastors of all Catholic churches would be glad to have places where innocent amusement could be provided for those who come in during the week. He spoke of the clubhouse in Albina, established through the efforts of Father Daley, and of a small clubhouse for the young lads of the Cathedral parish. The Catholic churches are open from 6:30 A. M. until 9 P. M. But Father Thompson said the Catholic churches have no regular reading-rooms.

Rev. H. M. Ramsey, vicar of the Pro-Cathedral of St. Stephen the Martyr, said he didn't think the Mayor's statement was made in sincerity. "I don't think it does any good to pay any attention to things of that sort," said Mr. Ramsey. "Our church is open all the time, anyway, so that does not apply to us." The Episcopal church conducts All Saints' Mission, at Twenty-second and Reed streets.

TWO SOCIETIES MAY UNITE

Training Association and Mothers' Congress to Merge.

The central executive board of the Home Training Association held its regular monthly meeting Wednesday

at the City Hall. This board includes all the presidents of the branch circles. The main subject presented and which was discussed at length was that of merging the Home Training Association with the Oregon State Congress of Mothers. The association was organized five years ago and Mrs. C. M. Wood was its first president. Its chief object was to promote the welfare of the children through the mothers, to bring the home life to a higher standard and develop wiser, better-trained parenthood and to establish a closer relationship between home and school. Many branch circles were organized in various school districts, commonly known as mothers' clubs.

After carrying on this work for about two years, Mrs. Frederic Schorr, president of the National Congress of Mothers, visited Oregon and organized a state congress of mothers, whose aims and purposes were the same as the Home Training Association, with the exception that its work was to extend throughout the state. Though separate and distinct organizations, many of the officers labor in both and there has been a hearty co-operation in the cause for better homes, better parents and better children. It is being considered whether this is an opportune time to centralize and strengthen the work by merging the two bodies under one executive board.

The president, Mrs. C. F. Clark, appointed a committee of five consisting of Mrs. W. W. Payne, Mrs. Robert H. Tate, Mrs. Samuel Connell, Mrs. A. King Wilson and Mrs. J. D. Sullivan to take up the matter and report at the next meeting, which takes place March 10. All the circle presidents and members are urgently requested to attend that meeting.

CITY'S SCENERY IS PRAISED

PORTLAND'S GREATEST ASSET, SAYS DR. JAMES.

Guest at Commercial Club Warns Citizens Against Impairing Natural Beauty Here.

That Portland, more than any other city, is surrounded by rare natural beauty is the statement of Dr. George Wharton James, the naturalist, who spoke to the members of the Commercial Club yesterday after luncheon. Dr. James was the guest of honor at a luncheon at the club given by President Wetherbee and that was attended by Mayor Lane and officials of the city. After luncheon Dr. James was introduced, and spoke on the duty of Portland people to preserve the scenic features of Portland and the surrounding country.

"People are getting tired of living the life they have had to live in the East," said Dr. James. "Our plain duty here is to make Portland a city of homes. You have here a great material prosperity, but this does not constitute everything that goes to make real homes and necessities of life. Are you contented merely with material things? I feel sure that you are not."

"I have never seen a more beautiful sight than the view from Council Crest. Beauty spots elsewhere have attracted me, but I can say with truth that Council Crest and the magnificent panorama spread before the spectator there surpasses everything of that description I have seen elsewhere."

"God has done so much to give you opportunities here that you will be recreant to your trust if you do not make the most of them. Preserve your natural beauties. If you have park commissioners who want to cut down a single tree here, cut down the park commissioners instead. As business men I am talking to you from the commercial side. Municipal beauty is the greatest asset you can have. Switzerland is an example of this fact. Its chief asset is its mountains."

Dr. Wetherbee, who introduced the speaker, thanked him at the conclusion of his address for his ideas. Mayor Lane followed with a short talk, in which he said that Dr. James had presented what he believed to be the exact facts. He said the natural beauty of Portland and the surrounding country was its greatest asset.

"The geographical position of Portland," said the Mayor, "is one of its greatest resources, and will be worth untold millions if we take advantage of it. Each city administration has followed the general plan of preserving the natural attractions of the city planned by Olmstead Bros., of Boston, and \$1,000,000 is now on hand for the purpose of improving the park and the boulevards of the city. More money will be available for this purpose later as it is needed."

DEFAULTER TO FACE TRIAL

DEPUTY BRINGING WILLIAMS TO PORTLAND.

Man Who Robbed Leatherworkers' Union Caught After Four Years' Chase.

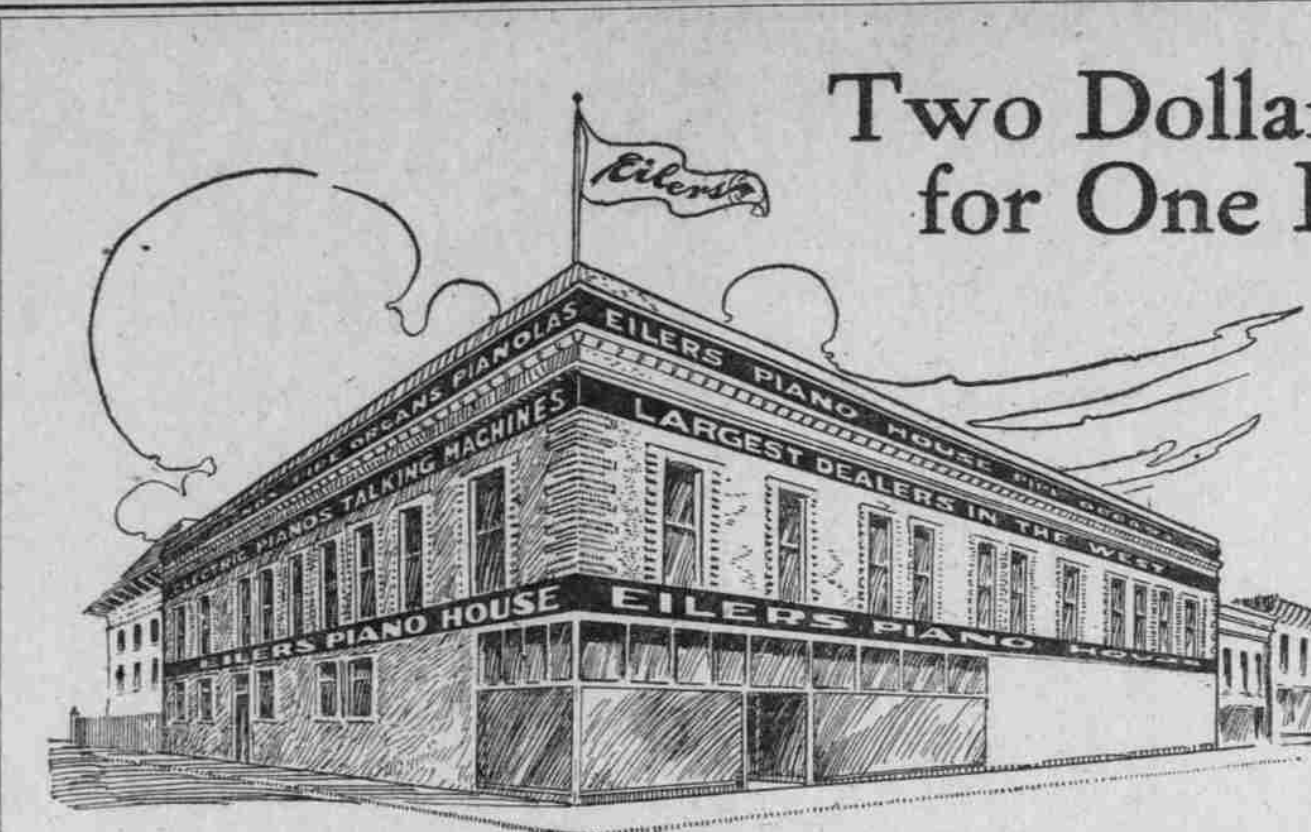
D. H. Williams, defaulting treasurer of the Portland Leatherworkers' Union, has been landed in the toils by the Sheriff and is now en route to the County Jail from Bisbee, Ariz., in charge of Deputy Sheriff Harry Buike. Word was received last night by Sheriff Stevens that his deputy had departed for Portland with the culprit in charge.

CORINNE TELLS REAL NAME

She Is Corinne Belle De Briou, if You Please.

Now that Corinne has been again in Portland and has gone on her way, leaving behind new admirers, and some of that coterie of misinforming persons who accept idle tales concerning stage folk as gospel truth, a letter from her pen concerning her early life will be read with interest, especially as much conjecture has been indulged in by the younger generation who assume to be worldly-wise, and have "Indian information" about the ancestry, birth, life and conduct of people of the stage. Corinne's letter follows:

"Some have made statements concerning me of what they thought, others of what they had heard. May I be per-



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People in Oregon nowadays read the papers, and in the future we shall confine our announcements altogether to them.

We are quite sure that in this way a great deal of unintentional annoyance caused people who may not have been quite ready to purchase, will be done away with. We propose to eliminate all of this extra expense in the future, and we shall give our customers the benefit of this additional saving. Hence, our still further reduced prices!

mitted to give a brief outline of the word came that he was in Mexico. Later word came that he was working at Bisbee, Ariz. Sheriff Stevens was notified and he made inquiry of the Bisbee officials and on receiving their report ordered the man arrested. This was done by William Buike, a cash bail and hurried into Mexico. It is said he stole some money from his employer before leaving Bisbee. He was re-arrested and held for a few days in New Orleans in 1872, and is buried in that city. My full name is Corinne Belle de Briou. Mrs. Kimball

was my foster mother. Her second husband's name was Flaherty. Let me state here that none of the names 'Corra,' 'Kimball' and 'Flaherty' is in any way connected with my name or family. "I am sorry to have some people who claim to know all about me and my family affairs appear in the light of truth-tellers, but as I happen to be a party to my own birth and hold a record of family dates, I take the liberty of giving true facts to my many friends and

Portland admirers. I have in my company at the present time two principal members who were with me when they were only 8 years of age, at the time of my first starting tour when I was 5 years old. "It was then the style to adopt a single name for the stage, like Lotta, Patti, etc., and the single name Corinne was given me. Now it seems to be a style to have a string of names, but I hope to always be known in my theatrical career as just Corinne. I've the love of my public, the esteem of the press boys and the respect of my company, so I am satisfied with life. "CORINNE"

Funeral of L. O. Dodge. Lucius O. Dodge, pioneer resident and formerly a well-known business man, died Thursday afternoon, aged 57. Mr. Dodge was born in Montpelier, Vt., in 1851, and came to Oregon in early childhood with his parents. He was married in 1876 to Miss Adelia Cartwright, of Salem. She survives him. He was a nephew of the late S. O. Hersey, a pioneer. The funeral of Mr. Dodge was held yesterday with interment at Forest Grove. Lead, when reduced to a very low temperature in liquid air, is said to act much as steel at ordinary temperatures. It will serve as a helical spring, for example.