

FIGHTING PAVERS BEGUN BY CLYDE

Councilman Files Measure to Forbid Assessments Exceeding Lots' Value.

"TRUST" IS ASSAILED

Resolutions Filed With Auditor Say Street-Improvement Companies Extort Money From Owners—Debate Probable.

The first step in a campaign inaugurated by Councilman Clyde and supported by a large number of property-owners, to prevent the City Council from letting contracts for street improvements which will cost more than the assessed valuation of the property which must be assessed for the improvements, was taken yesterday when resolutions were introduced and debate was filed with the City Auditor by Mr. Clyde.

The resolutions attack the "paving trust" and ask the question of legality of the measure be left to the Supreme Court and not to the City Attorney, who held that such an ordinance is not in conformity with the city charter.

Councilman Clyde says he will do his best to get the Council to pass the ordinance, and if he fails will promote a campaign to have the question placed on the ballot.

"Paving Trust" Scored.

Following are the resolutions filed: "Whereas, The property-owners of the City of Portland have suffered long enough from the forms of legalized robbery technically known as 'improvements' which in a large degree benefit only the paving trust, hard-surface corporations and improvement contractors, as the assessments placed upon the home-owners to meet the extortionate demands for said 'improvements' virtually amount to confiscation of many homes, be it

Resolved, That the City Council pass the following ordinance limiting the amount of said assessments and thus give relief to the taxpayers of Portland, as that the same time show our good faith to the voters of this city who elected nine Councilmen, who never held seats in the Council before, upon the issue, Be it further

Resolved, That we absolutely oppose the indefinite postponement of this ordinance on the question of its legality, as that the City Council be notified by the highest tribunal of Oregon, and that the passage of this ordinance at the present time would put a stop to the confiscation of any mere property until the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon shall have decided upon the question of said legality."

Assessment Identified.

In Mr. Clyde's proposed ordinance it provides that no lot or part thereof or parcel or tract of land in the city shall be assessed for any local or special improvement, including all unpaid assessments or previously bonded liens, an amount in excess or to exceed the assessed valuation of such lot, part thereof or tract, parcel or land, as the same may appear on the last annual assessment roll of the County Assessor of Multnomah County, Oregon, except of said land, or his duly authorized agent, first obtained in writing, which said written consent shall be filed with the Auditor of Public Accounts, and shall be recorded in a book kept for such purpose.

"There is a difference of opinion as to the legality of such an ordinance," said Mr. Clyde. "The City Attorney holds that it could not be valid because it would be limiting the power of the City Council to assess for improvements, which is one of the best authorities on municipal questions in the state, says the proposed ordinance is legal.

"I desire to see this case settled once and for all by the Supreme Court. I feel sure that body will pass on the validity favorably. To circumvent such a result, the City Attorney may want to quibble on the question of legality and in this way kill the ordinance. I want to call attention to the fact that when the City Attorney gave his opinion that certain ordinances like permits to street railways to operate over certain streets were illegal, the City Council passed the ordinance anyhow. If the members of the Council are sincere, let them follow precedent.

Home Jeopardy Fought.

"I am in favor of street improvements, but I am not in favor of the Council adding a debt on the property-owner that he may not be able to meet and to cause a bidder to bid up at auction to meet the unjust claim.

"Before becoming a member of the City Council I had thought that the special privileges freely granted to big business was one of the worst crimes, but since I will say that such transgressions are mild compared to the paving trust. While the former injures the people at large an indirect injury, the latter practically takes everything from a home-owner directly. Cappers for the paving companies are getting up petitions and in many instances obtaining the same under false representation, especially when the prospective signer is told that he can have his property to pay for assessments. I could relate other incidents relative to obtaining signers to these petitions to show that large majority of the people who signed were simply taken in, so to speak.

Mr. Clyde is backed by many residents of the Skidmore district on the East Side and by residents of outlying districts where improvements are contemplated for the future.

The ordinance probably will be the subject of debate at the next meeting of the City Council.

VARSIITY IS POPULAR HERE

56 Oregon Students Attend University of Washington.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—With 56 of her people enrolled in various courses of study at the University of Washington, Oregon ranks second to the Evergreen State only in point of attendance at the big institution. Twenty-four of this 56 are Portland girls and boys.

Statistics given out by the recorders' office show that by far the greater number of Oregon students come to Seattle to take the popular course in Arts and Sciences, which now offers the most valuable degree attainable since the university has been recognized by the United States Department of Education as in the first class. Others are enrolled in engineering, law, forestry, mining and pharmacy.

are: Seniors—Delbert E. Carr, Horace T. McCoy and Justin W. Ottestad. Juniors—Ethel M. Beckford, Thomas H. Boyd, George and William Hutton, William P. Stevens, Francis Walsh and Horace A. Wilson. Sophomores—Louis Bain, Elles H. Bean, Ben B. Blassessen, Robert Harlow, Cecil Spicer and Thomas Peterson. Freshmen: Alice A. Autzen, Marion O. Blake, Edwin and Elmer Leader, Frederick B. Mercer, Leon G. Willemin and Ray C. Yeast.

BAZAAR WEEK AT HAND

CHURCHES PLAN SALES WITH XMAS IN VIEW.

Articles Suitable for Gifts Offered. Nine Functions Planned by Various Societies.

This week will mark the opening of Christmas bazaars in a number of Portland churches. At all articles suitable for Christmas gifts will be on sale. At nearly all of the bazaars literary and musical programs will be prepared. The women of St. Stephen's Church will have a Christmas sale in their hall at East Fourth street and East Salmon streets tomorrow and Tuesday. A supper will be served both evenings.

The annual tea of the Fruit and Flower Mission will be held tomorrow and Tuesday at the Portland Hotel between 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. The annual bazaar of the Church of the Good Shepherd, at Graham and Vancouver avenues, will be held there Wednesday and Thursday, closing with an entertainment Thursday night. Women of Grace Methodist Church will serve a chicken dinner in the church Tuesday night, marking the close of the bazaar, which opens Monday night.

BOYS' CLUBHOUSE URGED

Alberta Business Men Take Up Work of Raising Funds.

A movement has been inaugurated to start the Alberta Boys' Club and at a meeting held Friday in the Pictureland Theater, Eighteenth and Alberta streets, committees were appointed to raise money for the purpose of a clubhouse and to make arrangements for temporary quarters.

OREGON MINISTERS TO BE INDIA MISSIONARIES

Elder George W. Pettit, of Portland, and Elder J. Mark Comer, Formerly of Cottage Grove, Will Go to Bombay.

PASTOR OF CENTRAL SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH, WHO WILL GO TO INDIA, AND HIS SUCCESSOR.



Elder George W. Pettit, Retiring Pastor Central Seventh Day Adventist Church.

ELDER GEORGE W. PETTIT, for a year pastor of the Central Seventh Day Adventist Church, at East Eleventh and East Everett streets, will, with his wife, go as a missionary to India. Elder J. Mark Comer, formerly pastor of the Cottage Grove Seventh Day Adventist Church, and Mrs. Comer, will also go as missionaries. The party will sail from New York City January 11 on the Steamer Baltic, of the White Star Line. Their destination is Bombay, India.

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from their work in Portland. Elder Pettit has been for five years a member of the executive committee of the local conference, and for two years vice-president. Elder Comer was pastor of the St. Paul Church for nearly two years before coming West, and last Summer held a series of meetings at Eugene. Elder and Mrs. Pettit will be tendered a reception by the local church December 30. Women of Woodcraft Hall having been secured for this purpose.

Owen J. Bowman, of Detroit, Mich., will arrive in Portland Wednesday and will take a position as assistant to Rev. John H. Boyd, of the First Presbyterian Church. He and Mrs. Bowman will be tendered a reception at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Boyd, 161 North Twenty-second street, next Friday night, to which the members of the Christian Endeavor Society have been invited.

The quarterly conference and official board meeting of the Taylor-Street Methodist Church will be held at the church tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock.

The First Christian Church is spending \$1000 in repairs, and in remodeling the Sunday school room. Money will probably be raised later to rebuild the church.

The annual business meeting of the Methodist Church Union will be held at Taylor-Street Methodist Church at 8 P. M., December 8. Officers for the year will be elected. The City Church Extension Society will meet at the same time.

The Sunday school of the First Congregational Church is laying plans to use automobiles for the distribution on Christmas eve of food and clothing for the poor of the city. The young people of the church will visit the County Poorfarm Sunday, December 24.

Highland Baptist Church will begin evangelistic services tomorrow night, Rev. C. P. Elliot leading. Evangelistic meetings at the University Park Baptist Church will begin tonight, being conducted by Rev. A. C. Baxton. They will continue two weeks. Those at Highland Church will continue a week. The evangelistic meetings at Central Methodist Church, being conducted by Rev. C. P. Elliot, and at C. M. Hadley, will close next Sunday. The church choir of 20 voices is assisting in the services.

The Young Business Women's Club held a meeting in the parlors of the First Congregational Church last Tuesday night. About 40 attended. At the Christmas Endeavor service held in the church parlors, last Friday night, 200 attended.

The Portland Sunday School Graded Union, which is affiliated with the Multnomah County Sunday School Association, will give an institute at the First Congregational Church next Friday afternoon and evening. At the evening session eight graduates of a special course given by the International Sunday School Union to fit teachers for primary work, will receive seals in recognition of their work. They, with 22 others, have already received diplomas. Addresses will be given by Dr. Luther R. Dyott and Rev. W. F. Reagor.

The afternoon programme is: "Missions in the Sunday School," Rev. Albert Ehrhart; "Advertising the Sunday School," Mrs. C. T. McPherson; "Sur-

prises," Mrs. C. D. Minton; "Grading," Mrs. G. E. Paddock; "Temperance in the Sunday School," Professor R. R. Steele; solo, Miss M. J. Pennington; "Secondary Division," Fred L. Kelley.

The evening programme is: "Specialization," Mrs. M. B. Macchiani; awarding of seals, Mrs. H. N. Smith; "Boys," J. W. Palmer; "The Pastor's Relation to the Sunday School," Dr. Luther R. Dyott; solo, Mrs. Pauline Miller Chapman; "Grades Roll Methods," Mrs. J. W. Wilkins; address, Rev. W. F. Reagor.

Professor William M. Wilder, who led the big choir during the Gipsy Smith campaign, was presented with a purse of \$50 by the members of the choir the last night of the meetings.

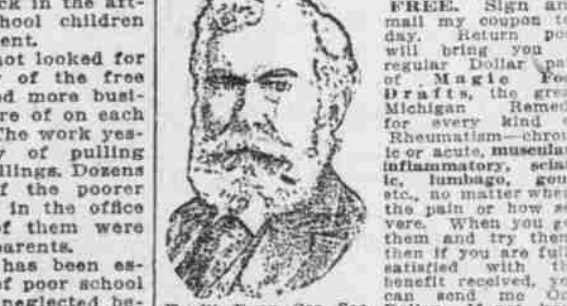
Special meetings at the White Temple closed Friday night. Dr. W. R. Hinson, the pastor, reports the attendance and number of converts at large. The first of the office, and expected more business than he can take care of on each Saturday in the future. The work yesterday consisted largely of pulling up the first day of the office. Doctors of youngsters, mostly of the poorer class, waited their turns in the office during the day. Most of them were unaccompanied by their parents. The free dental clinic has been established for the benefit of poor school children whose teeth are neglected because of the inability of parents to pay dental bills.

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