### MASONIC BODIES DENOUNCE "FAKE"

English, Scotch and American Officials of Order Brand "American Federation."

#### SALE OF "RIGHTS" EXPOSED

Fine and Deportation and Surprise Expressed That Dupes

That a coterie of unprincipled men are victimizing many who would join the Masonic order by taking what fees they can collect for admission to a bogus order of Masony is the charge of Grand Secretary Robinson, of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Oregon. Mr. Robinson says this "confidence game" has been going on for years. Two members of the order, which is styled the "American Masonic Federation."

Nathan B. Wineberg and Joseph Mendel, were fined \$200 each by Masjistrate Shaw in Vancouver, B. C., last December and were deported from Canada. The charge was obtaining money under false pretenses.

"The latter has no authority whatever to confer the Royal Arch degree, either in Scotland or out of it."

"In no circumstances will Thomson or his confederates, in my opinion, be recognized by the Grand Priory" (Knights Templar).

"They have absolutely no right to confer the degrees. Degrees conferted by them or by their authority will not be recognized by any of the regular Templar jurisdictions throughout the world.

"Nelther Spence. Thomson or Jamisone have the thirty-third degree.

"Signed ALFRED A. A. MURRAY."

"Grand Secretary Grand Chapter, Scotland."

Authority "Only His Own."

Copy of letter from grand secretary of grand lodge of Scotland."

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The grand organizer of these "Clandestine Masons," as they have been called, is McBlain Thomson, of Salt Lake City, who, according to a letter from Aifred A. A. aurray, grand secretary of the grand chapter of Scotland, to Grand Secretary Robinson, is an expelled Mason.

The organizers of the American Federation in Oregon have been A. E. Lucas and W. H. Lindsay. Lucas began operations in Portland in 1910, under authority of McBlain Thompson. He had offices in the North End, where, according to Grand Secretary Robinson, he pretended to confer three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry on his victims in the short time of 35 minutes, charging a fee of \$35.

Rights Sold Is Allegation.

"These self-constituted officials pre-tend to confer any degree of masonry from the first to the 33d degree, and many other degrees not recognized by legitimate Masons. As long as their victims have the money, these im-postors will give them some kind of de-grees and call it masonry. And of course if any of these victims come to any of our lodges we cannot admit them. They cannot be recognized by any Masonic lodge in the country.

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"There have been about 20 victims of this bogus Masonry in Portland. T. C. Hunt, who recently was admitted to the bar in this city, is one of them. His same that he is not a member of the first of the form of this letter is also of the truth. In the sense that he is not a member of the same that he is not a member of the first of the first of the descriptions was tried before Judge Kavanaugh the organizers were acquitted. It was shown by their attorney that no fraud was intended, in proof whereof he pointed to a sentence in small printing on the certificate which read: This does not give you the right to visit any other rite."

A stack of letters four inches high in the possession of Grand Secretary Robinson, most of them from Lucas to Lindsay and some from Thomson to Lindsay, throws some light on the open secretary and some expenditures.

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Lindsay and some from Thomson to Lindsay and some from Thomson to Lindsay, throws some light on the ope-rations of the organizers and where the greater part of the fees went. Following is a letter written by Grand Secretary Robinson in answer to an incurry rearrising the "Claudette

inquiry regarding the "Clandestine

"In reply to your question: "What standing will my friend, Mr. — have in the Masonic fraternity and will he be permitted to visit the lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Oregon if he should join a lodge of the American Masonic Federation?" I have to be of the Masonic between the will have no to inform you that he will have no standing in, neither will he be permitted to visit or be recognized as a Mason by any member of or any lodge of A. F. and A. Masons of Oregon or any other state or country in the world.

"Imitators Are Branded."

"The 'American Masonic Federation,' in Ewen announced and ball values, are known and branded by all A. F. and A. Masons as clandestine or fake Masons.

Take Masons.

"None of the persons you name, towit: McBlain Thompson, A. J. Court,
G. B. M. Somerville, S. H. Haines, J. A.
Wheeler or P. A. Johnson, have any
authority from any lodge or Grand
Lodge of A. F. and A. Masons in this
or any other country to establish
lodges or confer Masonic degrees.

"Any person joining the 'American
Masonic Federation' expecting they
are setting legitimate Masonry or expecting to be recognized as Masons or
permitted to visit or affiliate with
lodges of A. F. and A. M. will be
badly disappointed.

"No, it is not true that the courts

badly disappointed.

"No, it is not true that the courts of Oregon have pronounced the 'American Masonic Federation' 'a legitimate body.' One of their own victims (F. E. Hunt) when he found that he had been buncoed had them arrested and tried 'for obtaining mouey under false pretenses,' and they only escaped conviction on a technicality.

"On February 16 two of the agents of the 'American Masonic Federation' at-

the 'American Masonic Federation' at-tempted to foist their spurious Masonry on some persons in Vancouver, B. C. They were arrested tried, convicted and fined \$200, and informed by the judge 'that a repetition of the offense would be more severely dealt with and punished with a prison sentence.' Any Connection Is Denied.

"The fraternity of A. F. and A. Masons of the world are in no way connected with or responsible for the claims put forth by the above named claimdestine body calling themselves

Masons.
"These clandestine or fake 'Masons' have been exposed so many times through the public press and otherwise that it is astonishing any intelligent person can be so shamefully imposed

person can be so shamefully imposed upon by them.

"If you will call at this office I will show you letters from one of their members to another of their members where they divided the money obtained from some of their victims and where one of them bought for \$400 from another of their agents the (pretended) right to establish lodges in Oregon.

"Also I will show you letters from the Grand Lodge of Scotland denying

that it (the Grand Lodge of Scotland) ever gave the 'American Masonic Fed-arstion' any charter or authority to establish lodges in America or else-

"No Masonic grand body of Scotland or any other country can legally form dasonic lodges in America.
"Hoping I have made this so very John Manning Would Retain

plain that any can understand it, I am fraternally yours.

"JAMES F. ROBINSON,

"Grand Secretary Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Oregon."

Following are extracts from and copies of letters from grand secretaries of England and Scotiand bearing on the standing of McBiain Thomson and others connected with the American Masomic Federation:

Extract from letter of Albert A. A.

Extract from letter of Albert A. A. Murray to W. H. Lindsay, a member of the "American Masonic Federation": "Edinburg, Scotland, Feb. 15, 1911.
"W. H. Lindsay:—I have received your letter of January 27
"Fourth—Its active members." "Fourth-Its active members are as

fas as I know, of no standing "Fifth-The Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland, which is the only legitimate Royal Arch body in Scotland, does not recognize the Coun-cil of Rites.

"The latter has no authority what-

of grand lodge or Scotland: "Edinburgh, Scotland, Nov. 5, 1912.-

changed representatives with it. (Signed) "E. LETCHWORTH, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge Eng-

### SCATHING REBUKE GIVEN

a "serpent" for his alleged enticing of the wife of R. M. Ewen, a cripple, Municipal Judge Stevenson yesterday sentenced him to 30 days in Jail.

Ewen testified that he followed his wife until she met Whiteside, and that when he remonstrated with her Whiteside struck him. Assault was charged. The three pretty little children of the Ewens were in court. Whiteside announced he would appeal the case, and bail was fixed at \$1500, paper, or \$750 cash.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many friends for their sympathy and kindness in our sad "eavement, MRS. C. L. DUPLY. MR. AND MRS. J. E. DUPLY. MR. AND MRS. J. E. DUPLY. MARTHA DUPLY.

MRATHA DUPLY.

HARRY DUPLY.

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MARTHA DUPUY.

HARRY DUPUY.

HOWARD DUPUY.

TO OPENDOOD

BREAK GLASS

AND TURN KEY

THE ALARM BOX

## FEWER LAWS URGED

Only Three Commissions.

EIGHT QUERIES ANSWERED

Democratic Aspirant for Governor Outlines Plan to Reduce Taxation and Says Big Need Is to Ignore Faddist.

That all state commissions can be reduced to three is the view of John Manning, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor. Mr. Manning explains his plan in a letter answering eight questions asked of all candidates for Governor by The Oregonian.

He specifies these three commissions and their duties: One in charge of labor industries, inspection, accident, arbitration and matters relating to this subject; another on public domain, administering matters relating to land, irrigation, roads, mines and fruit inspection; and the third on corporations, dealing with railways, corporations, dealing with railways, corporations generally, insurance and related subjects.

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Mr. Manning's answers to the questions follow in full:

Portland, Or., May 2.—(To the Editor.)—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of April 16, requesting an expression upon a series of questions, presumably for the information of the public through your journal. Permit me to say that I approve of the system which you have devised of interrogating candidates upon public questions and thank you for the opportunity of being heard.

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whose expenditures exceed amounts allowed for their work. Finally, it is ourselves, the people

who must firmly resolve hat these things must come to pass, and then governors, courts and legislatures will reflect their wishes.

DIAGRAMS SHOW HOW FIRE ALARM BOXES SHOULD BE

OPERATED.

LEFT, CLOSED BOX SHOWING SMALL GLASS CASE IN CORNER, RIGHT, BOX OPETED, SHOWING LEVER TO BE PULLED DOWN TO SEND IN ALARM.

Believing that serious fires are caused at times by persons not knowing how to operate fire alarm boxes, Mayor Albee has started a campaign to educate the public in the handling of the boxes as found throughout the city on the streets and in buildings.

In turning in an alarm at a box the first operation, as shown by accompanying drawing, is to break the glass in the small box on the face of the larger alarm box. Inside the glass is a key which, upon being turned, opens the door of the alarm box. Near the upper left-hand corner of the inside of the main box is a lever which turns in the alarm upon being pulled down. The person sending in the alarm is directed to remain at the box until the fire department arrives so as to direct the firemen to the fire.

Mayor Albee says persons often run to an alarm box and not being able to operate it run for a telephone, thus delaying the sending in of the alarm and allowing the fire to gain much headway.

Judge Stevenson Denounces Man
Charged With Stealing Woman.

After defining Thomas Whiteside as a "serpent" for his alleged enticing of the wife of R. M. Ewen, a cripple, Municipal Judge Stevenson yesterday

Tree Commissions Needed.

Question No. 2—"What state commissions are you in favor of abolishing?"

I see the need of but three commissions—one in charge of labor, industries, inspection, accident, arbitration and matters relating to this subject; their another on public domain, administration matters relating to the subject of the subjec

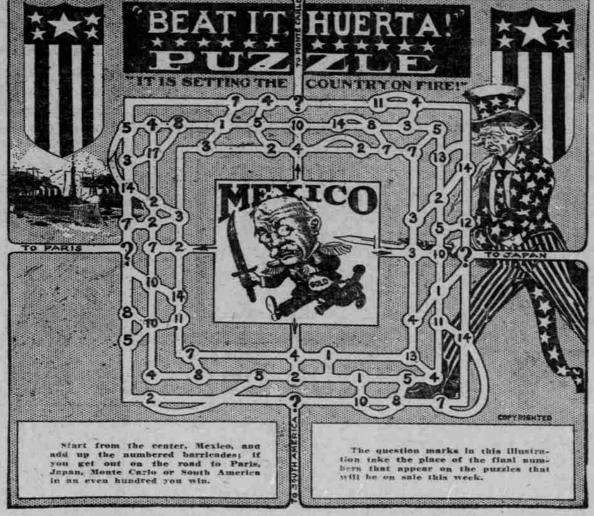
Question No. 4: "Are you in favor

B) PULL

THE HOOK DOWN ONCE AND LET GO

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ADDRESS: "BEAT IT, HUERTA," PUZZLE G-953, OREGONIAN OFFICE

Quarterly Tax Payments Urged. "How should taxes

De paid, annually, semi-annually or Wash., is at the Multnomah. quarterly?"
I should say pay the taxes quarterly,
with 8 per cent interest on overdue
payments, penalty after delinquency of

roads?"

(b): "What are your ideas as to state aid for good roads?"

Your guestion is not easy to answer in a few words. Many of the counties have undertaken heavy obligations and expended great sums in road-building, while some have done much less. The equitable adjustment of the burden of state-wide roads becomes therefore quite perplexing. Nevertheless the main highways should be built under state supervision and with state aid, as it seems just that the isrger cities should pay a share towards highway construction, as the roads all lead to them. Where bonds are issued this should be done on the district plan and under the supervision, in all cases, of trained men.

Reclaiming Land Favored. Question No. 7—"Are you in favor of the state issuing bonds or appropriating money for reclaiming arid lands within the state?"

Question No. 8—"What are your ideas

to state aid for reclaiming arid

lands."

As to the bonding of the state for improvement of arid lands, your last question, I believe that the state should lend the benefit of its credit and organization for meritorious farming and land development enterprises, embracing in that policy all tillable land, as needed. Bonds should always be a charge upon the territory benefited and such land should be sufficient security for the bonds; if they cannot be sold at par with the security of the

be sold at par with the security of the improved land behind it, they should not be issued." t be issued. Yours very truly, JOHN MANNING.

PERSONAL MENTION. E. B. Hanley is registered at the Ben-

Dr. C. F. Cathey, of Condon, is at the E. A. Taylor, of Astoria, is at the

M. S. Pittman, of Monmouth, is at he Saward. W. G. Swart, of Denver, is registered t the Oregon. . Mr. and Mrs. S. Hodges, of Chicago re at the Carlton.

Mrs. G. W. Green, of The Dalles, is t the Washington. George F. McLaughlin, of Grants

of retaining or abolishing the State Tax Pass, is registered at the Imperial with Francis Hotel at Albany, Or., is registicing in Portland 17 years and Dr. Commission?" oner, of Sheridan, are at the Imperial.

These remarks also dispose of your third and fourth questions. The functions of the Tax Commission should be performed by the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer.

Mrs. McLaughlin.

Dr. J. V. Wilhelm, of Condon, is registered at the Cariton.

Mrs. and Mrs. Vernon A. Forbes, of Bend, are at the Benson. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Parker, of Chi-

> W. O. Smith is registered at the Oregon from Grangeville, Idaho

payments, penalty action to force the fourth payment.

Question No. 6 (a); "Are you in favor of the state issuing bonds for good roads?"

What are your ideas as to state the Washington.

Your area of Spokane, is registered at the Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan M. McLeod, of Forest Grove, are at the Seward.

Mrs. M. Knighton and Mrs. Roy Faul-

Sol and Charles G. Friedenthal, Se-attle business man, are at the Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson are reg-stered at the Multnomah from Eugene. Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Webb and children, of Mount Angel, are at the Multnomah. E. C. Berryman of Chicago, owner of the Jose Vila cigar factory at Tampa, is registered at the Imperial.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fianders, of Den-ver, are at the imperial. Mr. Flanders is an official of the Indian service. Dr and Mrs. N. B. Leggett, of New York, with Miss Russell and N. B. Leggett, Jr., are at the Benson, en route home from California.

Dr. E. D. Johnson and Dr. George A. Mr. and Mrs. Duncan M. McLeod. of Forest Grove, are at the Seward.

W. J. Bowman, of San Francisco, registered at the Carlton yesterday.

P. A. Baillargeon, of Seattle, is at the Benson. He is an architect.

B. R. Westbrook, manager of the St. at. Falls, Dr. Johnson has been practice.

Mrs. Ziegier was 29 years old. She is survived by her husband, William G. Ziegier, and four sisters, the Misses three weeks' hunting and fishing trip. Alta, Ravella and Mary Horn, and Mrs. Clos Doyle.

As-Cap So for headachs.—Adv.

CHICAGO, May 2.—(Special.)—N. A. Colman, of Portland, Or., is registered at the Congress Hotel.

MOTHER AND BABE BURIED Funeral Services Held Over Mrs. William G. Ziegler.

With her dead baby in her arms, Mrs. Edna Anna Ziegler, 12 East Eighth street, was buried yesterday in Mount Scott Cemetery. Mrs. Ziegler and her new-born child died Thursday. Funeral services were held in the Laurelwood

Congregational Church.

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