

"DEVELOP STATE" IS KEYNOTE OF SPEECH

Opposition to Paternalistic Legislation Expressed by Dr. James Withycombe.

FARM WEALTH IS NOTED

High Standard in Schools, Good Road System, Primary and Veto Among Measures Favored. Tax Commission Opposed.

Declaring emphatically for all movements looking toward the development of Oregon and the betterment of her people, but with opposition to all paternalistic legislation, Dr. James Withycombe, Republican nominee for Governor, outlined his platform before the members of the Oregon Civic League at their luncheon at the Multnomah yesterday.

Some of the things on which Dr. Withycombe touched were:

The schools, which he said should be maintained at a high standard, so that the citizenship of the State, whether additions should be made to it by immigration, should not be allowed to deteriorate.

The rural credits bill now before Congress, which he said, while not an issue within the state, was of the utmost importance to the development of the State. He urged Oregon citizens to get behind the bill with their influence.

The Oregon system of popular government, which he was endorsing against ill-considered experiments with it.

Exemption Measure Held "Vicious." The \$1500 exemption measure, which he called as "positively vicious," and in opposition to the constitutional provision that taxation in Oregon shall be uniform and equal.

The new Non-Partisan League, with its proposal of a commission to revise the tax code, which he said seemed to mean a doubling-up of commissions and an addition to the tax burden.

"Great as is the problem of developing Oregon, our greatest problem is one of citizenship," said Dr. Withycombe. "Our standard of citizenship should not be allowed to deteriorate, and this can best be accomplished by a good school system."

Dr. Withycombe made it plain that he considers a prosperous and intelligent agricultural population the backbone of a willamette Valley alone is capable of sustaining a population of 2,000,000," he said. "There are 55,000,000 acres of agricultural land in this State. We have \$250,000,000,000 worth of standing timber, great wealth in clay and minerals, and our rivers are teeming with the finest salmon in the world, the Chinook salmon."

Larger Farm Production Urged. "When our timber land becomes stumps land, our mines become simply holes in the ground, and our rivers, perhaps, are depleted of their fish, the farms remain."

"I favor legislation looking toward the attraction of more people to the land and the encouragement of larger production, but always with the idea of helping the individual to help himself, rather than the state assuming a paternalistic attitude."

Recounting the fact that Oregon is now nearly a "billion-dollar state" with an assessment of \$564,000,000, Dr. Withycombe said that the proposed \$1500 exemption measure would take a valuation of \$200,000,000 from the assessment rolls.

"This proposed measure would compel the thrifty farmer to pay additional taxes of this amount," he said.

Work for Unemployed Favored. Asked by Isaac Swett if he favored legislation to relieve unemployment, Dr. Withycombe answered that he favored legislation looking toward the development of the state, thus providing more work, but that he was opposed to laws that would hinder or discourage capital in attempting the development.

If there are 4000 unemployed men in Portland next winter, would you be in favor of providing work for them by building roads for them from the proceeds of a state bond issue?" asked Professor A. E. Wood, of Reed College, who, like Mr. Swett, was active in the alleviation of unemployment problem in Portland last winter.

"Yes," said Dr. Withycombe. "I would favor such action, but I would favor, if I were that, in helping about the development of Oregon, would perhaps obviate such a situation."

"Do you think that providing more work in the order of solution?" asked another Civic League member.

"I would not see these men starve," said Dr. Withycombe. Professor Wood mentioned the subject of highways, he continued, "for good roads are something that Oregon needs and must have as a part of her development."

Remedial Legislation Approved. "Would you favor concerted legislation on the part of Pacific Coast States, looking to the handling of the problem of unemployment?" asked Mr. Swett.

"I would favor anything reasonable and rational," was the answer. Dr. Withycombe, answering Mr. Wood's question, said he had not given much thought to the question of establishing a minimum wage for the heads of families as a means of meeting the immigration problem, but again emphasized his attitude of favor toward remedial and humanitarian measures of a non-paternalistic nature, to the end that none should suffer for lack of work.

In answer to A. C. Newell's question as to his attitude on the proposed law to allow the Governor to veto single items in appropriation bills, the speaker said that he regarded such a law as a double-edged sword, safe in proper hands, but dangerous in the hands of the wrong man.

He admitted laughingly that he "thought" he would be able to handle it all right.

"Courts Should Remove Officials." Dr. Withycombe made a similar answer to the question of B. Lee Page, prohibition and democratic nominee for State Treasurer, as to his attitude on extending the power of the Governor to enable him to dismiss public officials who seemed to him remiss in the discharge of their official duties.

"I believe in the courts," he said, "and would have them decide such questions. Such power might be abused if placed in the hands of one man."

Dr. Withycombe said that while he would leave the primary law in its present form, he was in favor of a convention for the purpose of obtaining an expression of the party preference, to operate co-ordinately with the primary law.

"I am in favor of the primary, for one reason," he said, smiling, "because without it I do not believe that I would be the Republican nominee for Governor today. I was the victim of

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GREEKS COME BACK

Portland Volunteers Home From Campaign.

L. SASAKOS TELLS OF WAR

Tales of Atrocities Denied, Blame Being Placed on Bulgarians, Who Are Said to Have Slaughtered Entire Villages.

While Greece and Bulgaria, after the recent difficulties among themselves are apparently getting together and sharpening their swords for another campaign against the Turks, several of the men who left Portland about two years ago to serve in the Greek army, and who subsequently were in the war against the Bulgarians are returning to their homes here.

CHAUTAQUA SEASON IN NORTHWEST OPENS SOON

Attendance of Million at Coast Gatherings Predicted—Many Lecturers and Special Entertainments Are Features—Management Declared.

ONE million people will attend the Chautauquas on the Pacific Coast this Summer. This estimate is based on the attendance last year and so far this season.

BARN ON FIRE SIX TIMES

Police Believe One Persistent Firebug Started All in 18 Days.

Founders of Aspen, Colo., Dies

GREEK ART TODAY'S TOPIC

Dr. Horner to Address Only Meeting of Y. M. C. A.

The regular Sunday concert of the Portland Park band will be given this afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock, in Laurelhurst Park. Several hundred benches were moved to the park yesterday.

CONCERT SCHEDULE MADE

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Streets Will Be Improved.

FALLS CITY, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—At a Council meeting held last night the Council awarded to W. E. Stevens, of Falls City, the contract for macadamizing Third, Fifth, Montgomery, Bridge, Lombard, Butler, Clark, South Main streets and Sheldon avenue. The contract involves the expenditure of \$5525.



LOUIS SASAKOS, WHO SERVED AGAINST BOTH THE TURKS AND BULGARS IN THE RECENT WARS IN THE BALKANS.

There are 288 Chautauquas in the United States 2333 system, or circuit, Chautauquas. There are 50 Chautauquas in the system conducted here. Twenty are in California, 15 in Oregon, six in Idaho, 14 in Washington and 10 in Montana. Beginning June 3 in California the system has a new Chautauqua, opening every day, except Sunday, until August 1, at Lewistown, Montana.

DR. FRANK W. GUNSAULUS, OF CHICAGO, WHO LECTURES AT OREGON CHAUTAUQUA THIS SEASON.

J. WESLEY LADD IS BETTER

Attack of Ptomaine and Pneumonia Overcome.

J. Wesley Ladd, who has been seriously ill with localized pneumonia for a week at the family residence, 343 West Park street, was reported yesterday as being entirely out of danger.

CHURCH ON FIRE SIX TIMES

Police Believe One Persistent Firebug Started All in 18 Days.

For the sixth time since June 3, fire was started in the barn at 505 Albina avenue yesterday afternoon, but nearby fire companies extinguished the blaze before it did much damage.

Country Has Many Chautauquas.

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Dr. Gunsaulus to Speak in State.

It is considered desirable to have the name of some celebrity head the list of lecturers. William Jennings Bryan and Senator La Follette for many years have been the star attractions of Chautauquas. Neither of these men is available in the West this year.

A great man, famous all over the world as the greatest living pulpit orator, does come to the Pacific Coast.

Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, pastor of Central Church, Chicago, and president of Armour Institute of Technology, begins his lecture tour at Palo Alto Chautauqua June 21 and ends at Everett, Wash., July 13. This is all the time he could spare from his work in Chicago. He will appear in Oregon.

Many Lecturers to Appear in State.

Among speakers at Oregon Chautauquas are Colonel William Miller, Dr. Thomas E. Green, official lecturer of the American Peace Soc-