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CHICAGO BLUE LAWS

Plan to Make Political Issue of Sunday Closing.

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If Law and Order League Wins Sunday Saloon Closing an Effort Will be Made to Put the Lid on All Other Business.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Plans to make Sunday closing a political issue in Cook county and in several Illinois districts and to close Chicago up tighter than a drum so far as theatres, street railways, restaurants and barber shops are concerned if the Law and Order League wins its case against the Sunday saloon, are being laid by the United Societies for self government.

Preparations for war against the "Home Rule" bills are being made by the organization, and the executive committee tonight will consider the following scheme for a battle of retaliation drafted by the political action committee:

"Extension of the United Societies throughout the state by the establishment of branches in all senatorial districts where there is a large foreign vote.

"Nominations of candidates in districts where branches are formed to fight senators and representatives who opposed the "Home Rule" bills.

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MINISTERS COMPLETE SESSION

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF PORTLAND DISTRICT PREACHERS' CONFERENCE COMES TO AN END AFTER INTERESTING MEETING.

Yesterday's session of the Preachers' Conference opened at 9 a. m. with a prayer service led by the Rev. A. J. Edwards. "Open Doors for Methodism," was the theme of Rev. John Oval, pastor of the First Swedish Methodist Church of Portland. The speaker said that when Bishop Foss was in Sweden he was so delighted with the clear cut Christian character of the people that he declared that if Wesley were to return and make a tour in search of the real type of Methodism, pure and simple, he would find it in Sweden. The work of our church in relation to the foreign-born population of Oregon was discussed with vigor by Dr. Hollingshead and Dr. Rader. An important communication was received from the president of the laymen's association and the conference took action thereon. Prayer was offered for Dr. Ford, of Sunnyside Church of Portland; a very tender spirit of sympathy being manifested for Dr. Ford, who is critically ill. Prayer was also offered for the trustees of Willamette University, who meet in Salem today, that great success may crown their efforts in planning wisely for this great institution.

A very interesting discussion on the topic, "Why the Presiding Elder?" was led by Rev. Asa Sleeth in a most original and striking address, the consensus of opinion being that the presiding elder is still an imperative necessity under our plan of work as it now exists. "The Distributing of the Bishops," a question that will come before the general conference in May, was vigorously discussed, some difference of opinion being manifested in regard to changing the policy of the church relating to this work. The question of conference evangelists and their relation to the work of the church came before the conference.

The afternoon session was opened by devotional service led by Brother Chapman, and then a brief report of their work was given by the preachers present. Dr. D. A. Walters, conference agent for the permanent fund for superannuated ministers, made a strong appeal in behalf of these honored men and women, who have labored so faithfully in Oregon.

Dr. Rader spoke on the literature of our church and Rev. E. Getlin read a paper on the "Word of God."

At the evening service Rev. J. T. Ablett, of Central Church, Portland, conducted the opening devotions, after which the committee on resolutions presented its report, Rev. W. R. Jeffrey, Jr., reading the same, which was as follows: "Resolved that we hereby express our appreciation for the cordial way in which this church has been opened for holding the sessions of our District Preachers' meeting.

"Resolved, that we further express our appreciation to the pastor and his wife, and to the loyal people of this church, for the cordiality extended to us as a body in the delightful reception given us in this church; and also for the splendid entertainment given us as individual preachers in the various homes of this good people.

"Resolved, that we heartily extend a vote of thanks to the press of Astoria for the kindly way in which they have opened their columns for the report of our sessions."

The report was unanimously adopted by the conference, a brief address being given by Rev. W. B. Hollingshead appreciative of the generous reception accorded the conference, and of the inspiration in the conference session for those who were present.

Dr. Rader preached a sermon on the theme, "Come Over Into Macedonia and Help Us." The mistakes of the church and its errors, its misconceptions of the many precious truths taught by the Savior, were clearly shown by tracing the historical evidence concerning the same. The conception, the purpose and the final mission of the Christian religion was to make men like Jesus in character, and to do this we must have a vision of the purity and beauty of the Christ life. Certain kinds of revivals both ancient and modern were, in the mind of the speaker, a detriment to the progress of true religion. The old heart of the world is aching for love and Christ-like persuasion. The sermon was helpful, instructive and inspiring and a fitting close to a splendid conference of our ministers and members.

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8:45	9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45	39.4	LV. GOBLIE	Ar.	79.7	10:50	8:45
8:55	9:25	9:55	10:25	10:55	46.8	LV. RAINIER	Ar.	78.3	10:40	8:25
9:05	9:35	10:05	10:35	11:05	59.3	LV. MAYBEE	Ar.	63.2	10:15	7:50
9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45	11:15	62.8	LV. QUINCY	Ar.	59.8	10:05	7:50
9:25	9:55	10:25	10:55	11:25	71.2	LV. CLATSkanie Junction	Ar.	56.5	9:55	7:40
9:35	10:05	10:35	11:05	11:35	78.7	LV. WESTPORT	Ar.	47.9	9:31	7:19
9:45	10:15	10:45	11:15	11:45	89.8	LV. CLIFTON	Ar.	40.4	9:17	7:04
9:55	10:25	10:55	11:25	11:55	99.8	LV. ASTORIA	Ar.	19.8	8:50	6:10
10:05	10:35	11:05	11:35	12:05	106.7	LV. WARRENTON	Ar.	12.3	8:14	5:50
10:15	10:45	11:15	11:45	12:15	108.6	LV. HAMMOND	Ar.	7.64	7:57	5:30
10:25	10:55	11:25	11:55	12:25	109.0	LV. FT. STEVENS	Ar.	7.42	7:42	5:00
10:35	11:05	11:35	12:05	12:35	110.1	LV. HAMMOND	Ar.	17.2	7:41	4:55
10:45	11:15	11:45	12:15	12:45	110.7	LV. HAMMOND	Ar.	16.9	7:38	4:50
10:55	11:25	11:55	12:25	12:55	110.7	LV. WARRENTON	Ar.	15.4	7:28	4:40
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