

7-DAY ADVENTISTS OPPOSE BLUE LAW

Speakers Declare Sunday Closing Is Religious Law and Unconstitutional.

Seventh Day Adventists do not believe in the constitutionality of the Sunday closing law, neither do they consider it for the best interests of the people, or moral. Last night at a mass meeting held under the auspices of the Seventh Day Adventists in Women of Woodcraft hall, four speakers set out the position of the members of the denomination regarding the law.

It was held that the state had no right, under the principles set forth in the Declaration of Independence and the constitution, to attempt to legislate for a man's religious beliefs or acts.

Elder W. E. Martin, the first speaker, called attention to the early blue laws of the New England states. He also called to mind the Declaration of Independence and the constitution, and declared that the Sunday laws were religious laws, and therefore unconstitutional. Neither the church nor the state had the right to interfere with the other.

Elder A. J. Bred said that the first Sunday rest petition was presented to congress in 1811, and that since that time every state in the union except one had Sunday rest laws on their statute books. These laws, said the elder, had a tendency to make hypocrites of men.

Elder E. E. Andrus pointed out that the first recorded Sunday law was put into effect in 1811 A. D. It was similar to the Oregon law, he said, providing for the closing of the city shops. He traced the law then down to the dark ages, and said that it was an international and not a local question.

Elder Daniel Nettleton outlined the position of the Seventh Day Adventists, in discussing the question he said in part: "Seventh Day Adventists believe and teach that our people should respect and obey the civil power, should pay their taxes and otherwise be good, law-abiding citizens. We believe, however, that every Sunday rest law is a religious law, not a civil law, and that the state has no more right to compel a man to close his shop on Sunday than it has to compel him to be baptized by immersion, or to pray three times a day. "Seventh Day Adventists do not believe that Sunday is the Sabbath of the Lord, because he has said that the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God," and therefore we observe the seventh day, as the Lord has commanded. We do not disobey the Sunday law and teach that it is wrong from a financial standpoint, or because it will injure our business, but upon the principle that it is an infringement on our constitutional and God-given rights, and were there a law to compel all men to keep Saturday, the true Sabbath of Jehovah, we would oppose the enactment and enforcement of such a law as strongly as we do the enactment and enforcement of the Sunday laws. We believe that all men have a right to worship or not to worship, as they see fit. Men are responsible only to God in the matter of religion, and Sunday laws are religious laws."

BRYAN SURE TO CARRY OWN STATE

J. C. Messier of Harvard, Neb., is visiting friends in Portland. Mr. Messier is confident that Nebraska will be carried by Bryan and Kern. He says that state pride is aroused as never before and Nebraska people have awakened to the fact that they have a man whom the whole nation admires. Lin-

coln, which is strongly Republican, is now almost solid for Bryan, he says, and Fairbanks, 75 miles southwest of Lincoln, another stronghold of Republicanism, will be carried by the Democratic nominee. Mr. Messier says that Harvard, his home town, has never been carried by Bryan in former campaigns, but will be this time. These towns Mr. Messier has personal

knowledge of, but he says he is equally positive from reports that have reached him from other sections of the state, that Nebraska will roll up a big majority for Bryan and Kern.

One of the greatest needs of the present day, according to a British scientist, is for a metal harder than quartz as a substitute for diamonds in drill.

Please send me your Free Trial Offer—Edison Phonograph.

Name.....
Address.....

TO BILERS PIANO HOUSE, PORTLAND, OREGON.

Try It 10 Days Free

Buy only after a "home" test at our expense. We pay freight—give eight months' time to pay, and charge no interest. Send us the coupon and we will mail to your address circulars explaining our Edison Phonograph propositions that will interest you—as it has hundreds of others. We handle all makes—if you have a preference, write us for "Free Trial," and our small-payment plan.

BILERS PIANO HOUSE
PORTLAND, OR.

The largest dealers in all makes of talking machines and records in the northwest.



CONDENSED REPORT OF The United States National Bank

SUBMITTED TO THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS SEPTEMBER 23, 1908.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	\$4,229,061.08	Capital	\$ 600,000.00
U. S. bonds at par	704,000.00	Surplus and undivided profits	518,453.19
Municipal and railroad bonds	702,747.91	Circulation	473,000.00
Bank building	125,000.00	Dividends unpaid	424.00
Due from banks	\$1,117,685.48	Due to banks	\$2,126,288.64
Cash	2,060,451.95	Individual deposits	5,320,300.52
	\$8,983,926.35		7,446,649.18
			\$8,983,926.35

Attest Correct: J. C. AINSWORTH, President.

The Best Air-Tight Wood Stove



Now on the market—all sizes and prices. Warranted for five years, and will last longer. Before buying, call and inspect the

"Prize" Heater

The most popular wood stove in Portland. It has a body made of heavy rolled steel; inside is reinforced by heavy linings in gray iron, cast in sections, so as to absolutely prevent warping and protect the steel sides from the fire; large door opening and a swinging smoke curtain; neat nickel trimmings.

\$1 DOWN, \$1 A WEEK, UNTIL YOU PAY

\$10

FREE—Wood-Lined Zinc Stove-Board with every stove this week.

Sewing Machines 50c a Week



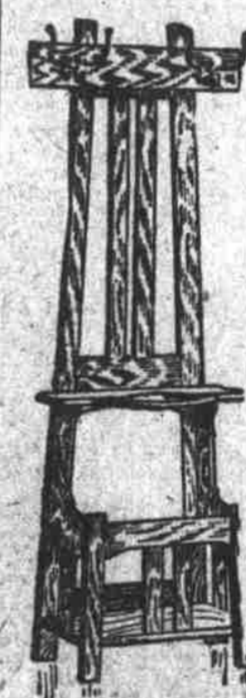
This is the high-grade "Gevurtz Special," and will do the work equally as well as a \$75 machine. It is manufactured in wholesale lots for us, and we give the consumer the benefit of the wholesale price. This machine costs you but \$25—

\$1.00 Down 50c a Week

This machine is made by a factory not in the sewing machine trust, therefore you get a high-class machine at a low price.

CREDIT TO EVERYBODY

We fit up your home on easy payments—A little down—A little each week—You are welcome to credit.



\$12 Hall Racks \$7.50

No. 100—Oak Hall Racks, golden oak, quarter-sawn, fitted with 12x18-inch mirror and brass hat and coat hooks. A fine rack, worth \$12.00; special price.....\$7.50

Solid Oak Dresser

Like Cut Only

\$18.50

No. 287—These are very handsome quarter-sawn Golden Oak Dressers, with beautifully hand-polished cases, genuine French bevel plate mirrors, 24x36-inch size, tops 22x42 inches. Very fine furniture pieces. The regular price in other stores is fully \$35. The Big Store special price is only

\$18.50



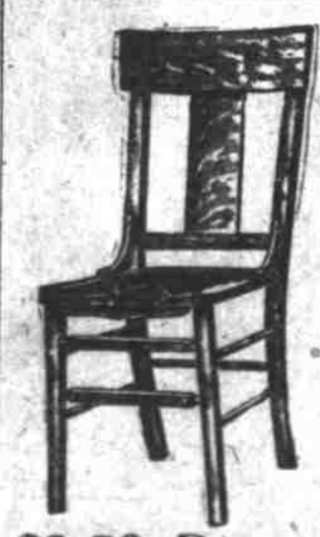
Turkish Rocker \$35

No. 300—These rockers are included in our Leather Goods Sale this week. They are like the cut, covered with genuine leather, best spring construction. Regular price is \$60.00. Our big

Special Sale Price \$35

Buffet \$21.50

No. 555—A Buffet that will meet with general favor. It is both moderately priced and beautifully built. The wood is solid golden oak, quarter-sawn, tightly polished. There are three commodious silver drawers, while the top cabinet is very roomy; a large plate-glass mirror across the entire top gives it the appearance of a \$125 Buffet, while our price is only



\$2.50 Diner \$1.50

The above cut is an exact picture of this well-made Dining Chair, in golden oak finish. It has a fine good, substantial feature and appearance of a \$4 chair. The regular price is \$2.50; our special sale price.....\$1.50

Regular \$8.50 Mission Rockers \$4.25



No. 2636—These handsome Mission Rockers are of solid oak, weathered finish, genuine leatherette upholstery and plain saddle seats. First-class rockers at a great bargain;

\$8.50 Values for \$4.25



\$3.00—Cobbler Seat Rockers \$2.00

No. 297—There are several models of these rockers, and they are all good values at \$3. Special this week at

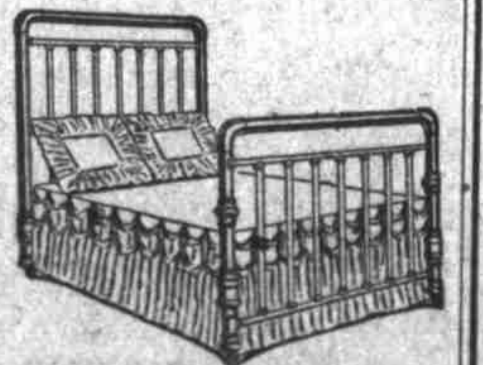
\$2.00



Reg. \$5.50 Values Our Price Only \$3.25

No. 500—This is a high-grade, solid oak diner, with genuine leather box seat, quarter-sawn back, perfect in finish and high polish; a real \$8.50 value, and sold at that price elsewhere; our special price.....\$5.25

\$60 Solid Brass Bed \$45



In purchasing a Brass Bed you should consider quality, then beauty. A Brass Bed like the one shown in cut is far above the average in quality. The finish will wear better and remain bright longer than anything that we have been able to procure for a long time; in fact, the whole shipment of which this was one is of a superior standard. The stock number is 5045, and it may be seen in salesroom on second floor; \$60.00 value for only

\$45

BIG EASTSIDE STORE

GEVURTZ BROS. E. Burnside and Union Ave.