

BROUGHER URGES CITY TO BUILD A BIG AUDITORIUM

Los Angeles Pastor, Formerly
of Portland, Talks of Great
Need for Capacious Conven-
tion Hall.

"Portland should not be allowed to grow bigger without an auditorium capable of seating great crowds," said Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougner, pastor of the Temple Baptist church, Los Angeles, Cal., and formerly at the White Temple, Portland, while in Portland yesterday.

"Los Angeles organized a stock company that constructed the auditorium in which my church holds its meetings. The building has become too small. Portland is going to grow bigger. You can't stop it. So the only way out of it is to build an auditorium as soon as possible. It should and can be done so that returns will be made on the money invested. Let me illustrate by Los Angeles:

Built by Company.

"As I said, a stock company built the auditorium. The building contains 150 offices and six stores. The rents more than meet the cost of maintenance. The Baptist congregation rents the use of the auditorium and other meeting rooms. There is one auditorium that holds 3500 people. That is where we hold our big Sunday night meetings, and already so much greater are the crowds than the room has capacity for that we turn hundreds away every Sunday night. There is a small auditorium which seats 1200 and three large parlors adjoining. Then we have a children's auditorium seating 500, and a basement where 1000 may sit down to a banquet. It is a great building, yet it is only a question of time until we must build larger.

"I cannot see why Portland should not do as well. There is plenty of capital in Portland to put up even a better structure. The use of a little business sense in the construction could make returns on the investment sure and attractive.

Wall a Necessity.

"While I was in Portland I was constant witness of the need of a big meeting place. I had agitated the matter a good while before I went to Los Angeles. I am glad to learn that others are carrying on the work and I hope that it will be successful. Indeed the effort must be successful if those who have Portland's good at heart really realize the necessity for a great convention hall."

Dr. Brougner left last night for Spokane, where he will preach today. He will preach in the White Temple next Sunday, at the request of the Pastor, Dr. Walter B. Hinson.

"Dr. Hinson is one of the greatest preachers in the country," said Dr. Brougner. "I am glad to hear that he is so successful in Portland."

The former pastor of the White Temple is spending a three weeks' vacation at Seaside, with frequent side trips to places where he has been asked to preach.

ROADS COMBINE TO FIGHT PRESIDENT'S RAILROAD BILL

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Fight President Taft's new railroad law to the last legal ditch.

The war conference was held in secret in the music room of the Wentworth house at New Castle, the scene of the deliberations over the Russo-Japanese treaty. No notes were taken and no statement was given for publication.

The International News service is informed, however, on what seems to be the best possible authority that the following are fair samples of the questions about which the railroad lawyers have concerned themselves for three grueling days in the barricaded music room of a summer resort:

"Is the water route provision constitutional?"

"Is the long and short haul clause constitutional in its present form, and should steps be taken at an early date to test its constitutionality?"

"Is the Mann-Elkins bill as to the maintenance of agents and supplying of information respecting described shipments constitutional?"

"Is that portion of section 12 of the Mann-Elkins bill which confers power

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Engine Traverses Street on Wooden Rails



This picture was taken at Twenty-second and Everett streets yesterday.

A large logging engine is being moved along the streets out to Kings Heights, and will be put in service there in the construction work along Melinda avenue and adjacent streets.

The engine was taken from the Portland Iron works at Thirteenth and Northrup streets yesterday, was driven

upon the Interstate Commerce Commission to suspend a rate violative of the federal constitution?

"Is the provision of this section with respect to the establishment of through rates, joint classifications and joint rates constitutional?"

"Is the operation of the provision of this section with respect to routing freight when taken in connection with the Mack amendment constitutional?"

"Is the provision imposing the burden of proof upon the carrier constitutional?"

How the 65 big railroad authorities answered these seven questions, is known to nobody outside of their party. From things they would not say rather than from things they did say, it is inferred that steps will be taken to test the bill's constitutionality. The conference was an amuseusement and a revelation to the fashionable guest of the ultra-fashionable guests of the Wentworth. The lawyers worked Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and part of today.

Time: 21 Hours.

Promptly at 9:30 every morning they dropped the small talk of the hotel lobby and walked into the council room. Nobody saw them again till noon. They had a rest of two hours then back to the music room they marched at two p. m. to remain until 5:30. Everybody insistently had nothing to say. All told the conference occupied twenty-one hours.

Everybody had two books with him. One was the Interstate Commerce law printed for this occasion in the month just passed by the Railway World, with 'all amendments and additions to and including the Commerce Court Act of June 18, 1910, also including the immunity act, the Elkins' law and the expedition act as amended on June 25, 1910.' Printed more highly apparently and guarded much more carefully was the printed book of 'questions.' There were enough of these books to go around and no more. It was said about the hotel that the proofs had been destroyed and the type 'thrown in' in the presence of the conference managers.

PRESIDENT FRENCH SAYS HE RESIGNED FROM HILL'S ROAD

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ney Brown, counsel for the Northern Pacific at Seattle.

Will Have Many Titles.

Upon the formal announcement of President French's resignation, it will devolve upon the trustees to get together and name the successor of James J. Hill's selection. That John F. Stevens was slated for the position immediately upon Mr. French's announcement of his plan to retire, left no room for question, since Mr. Hill, when here a few months ago, stated that eventually John F. Stevens would have full control of the Hill lines that form a part of the system into central Oregon and in which system the North Bank road will figure prominently.

With the appointment of President of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, Mr. Stevens will have more offices and offices than any other railroad magnate on the Pacific coast, for under his direction will be, in addition to the line just mentioned, the Oregon Trunk, the United Railways, the Oregon Electric and the Pacific & Eastern, as well as the east and west lines now being built by the Hill system through the state.

The election of Mr. Stevens is not expected to cause any startling upheavals among the subordinates of the line.

COURT TO DECIDE WHO OWNS WOMAN'S TEETH

New York, Aug. 6.—Who owns the teeth in Mrs. Beale Barstein's head? Mrs. Barstein keeps her mouth tight shut, refusing either to debate the question or to surrender the teeth. Therefore, the question, the only thing about the case that remains open, will have to go before a magistrate.

Dr. Leon Labin says the teeth are his, because he incorporated them in the plate Mrs. Barstein now wears, but for which she refused to pay. Mrs. Barstein retorts that the teeth have not passed out of her ownership, even if they passed temporarily out of her custody; that she is glad to have them back again, and that she intends to keep them where they will do the most good.

While in the edge of the Columbia river, a Hood River boy swam up against and caught a porcupine.

WOULD COMBINE TEMPLAR ORDERS

Earl of Euston Comes From
England to Urge Plan of
Amalgamation.

(Publishers' Press Limited Wire.)
New York, Aug. 6.—The Earl of Euston, who stands highest in Masonry in England, is in New York on his way to Chicago to attend the grand lodge of the Knights Templar. He is past grand master of the Masons in Britain.

Six years ago he started a movement to amalgamate the English speaking Templars of the world. He thinks his idea is approaching success. That is the reason he is here now.

Lord Euston is 62 years old, a widower, florid and well preserved. He is a soldier, too. But while he is eligible, and has a fine title, he is not looking for an American heiress.

PRIZE BAND OPENS ENGAGEMENT AT OAKS



John C. Weber, bandmaster.

John C. Weber's prize American band at the Oaks has at once taken its position as one of the best concert bands ever heard on this coast. The band has been heralded from all parts of the country with more than customary praise, and since opening in Portland it has redeemed every pledge made in its behalf.

Mr. Weber seems to be a most accomplished musician. His directing is marked more by sincerity in his work than by effort to attract attention to himself, and his band is in perfect accord with their leader, playing the most difficult passages with a smoothness and harmony that make the result a delight to the ear. The overtures from the great operas are rendered with as much feeling and precision as are the productions of the big symphony orchestra, occasionally visiting us.

That statement leads to a reference to the musical treat in store for the people of Portland Tuesday afternoon during Mr. Weber's sojourn here. He has arranged to give symphony concerts on those days, and it goes without saying that music lovers will embrace these opportunities to hear the classics rendered in the highest manner possible to produce, through careful study and painstaking practice.

Miss Blanche Mehaffy, the charming soprano with Weber's band, has already assumed a prominent place in the admiration of Portland. Her's is a powerful and beautiful voice, and her numbers are received with unbounded delight at every concert.

The Prize Band of America will remain in Portland for only a limited season, so that it behooves music lovers to embrace the earliest opportunity to hear the band and its accomplished soloists. One attendance is certain to bring repetitions.

GRAND LODGE LAYS CORNERSTONE FOR ASTORIA'S TEMPLE

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ston is to write the faults of their brothers on the sands and their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory.

Services Were Impressive.
The services, though simple, were impressive and marked the beginning of what is to be the future home of Astoria, lodge of Elks, where fraternal greetings shall hold inviolate the memories of the past.

Prominent among the visiting members were Senator George E. Chamberlain, Acting Governor Bowerman of Salem, Judge Hennessy of Portland, and other officials from Portland, Vancouver, Albany and Salem.

At 4 o'clock the Elks' special, with all aboard, left for Seaside to take part in the social session to be held at Cartwright Park tonight.

The clam bake is the feature for Sunday and all that is required, whether an Elk or not, is to be invested with an official badge and one is in line for everything that is in sight.

THOUSANDS OF ELKS GATHER FOR HIGH JINKS AT SEASIDE

Seaside, Or., Aug. 6.—More than 2000 Elks gathered at Seaside to take part in the big social session held at Seaside house at 9 o'clock tonight. The big three ring circus tent was crowded with members of the antlered tribe. The biggest bonfire ever built on the beach was lighted tonight and hundreds gathered around it. Hotels and stores are decorated with the Elks' colors and nearly every available room is taken. Another big delegation arrived on the night train to be present at the big clam bake which is to be held tomorrow afternoon.

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