

CIVIC COUNCIL WANTS SCHOOL LAWS REVISED

The regular meeting of the Civic Council will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the convention hall of the Commercial club. The chief subject for discussion at the meeting, it is said, will be methods of the administration of school board business. Resolutions will be submitted, it is understood, that will specify desired revision of the school laws and reorganization of the school board.

The Civic Council is an organization whose membership is made up of delegates from all East Side improvement clubs. Its president is John H. Haak, and its secretary Sherman W. Walker. The committee to investigate the school board consists of Mr. Haak, Allan R. Joy, L. E. Latourrette and Frank Motter.

It is charged by the council that school buildings built in Portland cost too much, that building and maintenance costs are not properly itemized or included in the estimates, that the books of the board are not and have not been properly audited. A lack of business system is charged against the members of the board and the recommendation that members of the board be elected on a basis of equal representation from every part of the city as well as all classes.

A taxpayers meeting has been called for December 28. Members of the Civic Council have been requested by their officers to come early so that they may have a governing influence at the session. Proposed measures of legislation will at that time, it is said, be submitted for approval, and in their revised form then be submitted to the legislature at its next meeting.

Members of the school board have been invited to cooperate in the proposed revision of school laws and H. C. Campbell and J. V. Beach have been appointed as a committee to meet with the Civic Council.

SENSATIONAL SERMON ON MARITAL WHITE SLAVERY

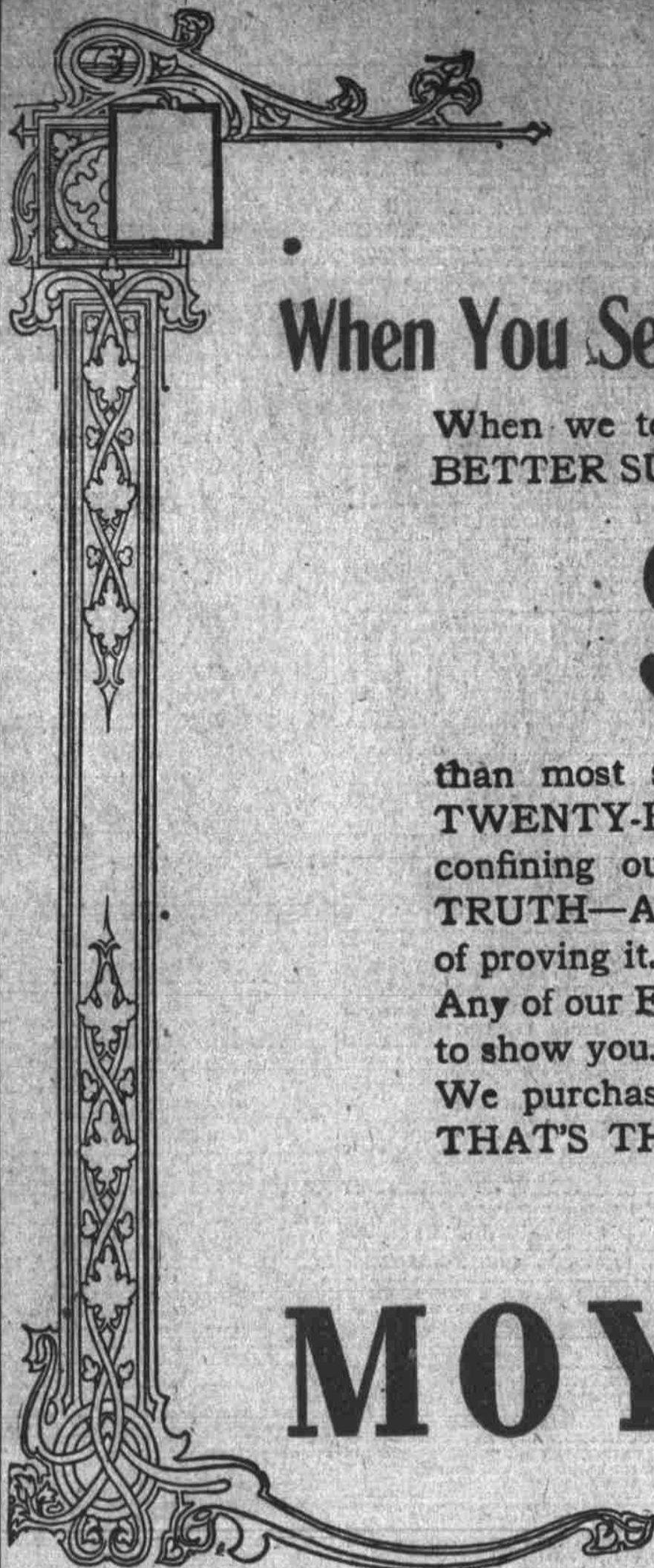
(United Press Special Wire.) Seattle, Dec. 19.—Dr. Mark A. Matthews, Seattle's insistent preacher and pastor of the wealthy First Presbyterian church, from his pulpit last night charged that hundreds of young married women are compelled to practice customs by their husbands that eventually lead to white slavery. The sermon created a profound sensation.

The speaker laid stress on parental neglect of children, allowing bad companionship and lax discipline, and stated that there was ample evidence of criminal matrimony right here in Seattle, where men have married young girls for the sole purpose of perpetuating the white slave traffic.

Dr. Matthews also attacked the moving picture theatres, which, he declared, displayed films of revolting character. Some of the Seattle 5 cent resorts, Dr. Matthews charged, were maintained solely as rendezvous for young men and women.

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