

DIG-CONFERENCE HAS APPEAL FOR EVERY NATION

No Lines Are to Be Drawn in Great Gathering to Forward Ideals of Citizenship, Here in June.

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Portland, Or., March 8.—Announcement is being made in a very aggressive manner both at home and abroad of "The Second World's Christian Citizen Convention," to be held at Portland, Oregon, June 29 to July 6, 1913. Surely there is something bold, vigorous and almost audacious about such a proposal as that. There is nothing small certainly in the purpose of the national reform association, which makes this announcement and stands behind this conference.

One important thing about the conference is that it is to be held at Portland, Oregon, a great and growing city of the northwest. Have you noticed that Portland, according to the United States census, actually increased in the decade 1900-1910, from a population of 86,425 to 207,314, an increase of 129.2 per cent? Portland occupies 55 square miles of territory, has an assessed valuation of \$290,000,000, and an estimated population now of 250,000. Then as neighbors in the northwest we find Seattle with a population of 237,194; Spokane with 104,407; Salt Lake City with 92,777, and Tacoma, 82,972. These figures are according to the last United States census; and all of these cities would claim a greater population now. Surely the great northwest, expanding as it is doing, is a strategic point for such a conference! It is a place for big things.

Now a Church Conference. It is well to observe again, that this is a conference in the realm of citizenship; not reform merely, though essentially connected with reformatory movements; not missionary, though it is vitally related to missionary work; not a business convention, though it has a significant relation to business—but it is a conference in the sphere of citizenship, of politics, of statesmanship, of civil government. It concerns a man's relation to the nation and to the government; the nation's relation to the man; and the nation's relation to the whole world. A man is not a full man unless he is a political man. What a multitude of questions, personal and social, academic and intensely practical, radiate from the civic sphere, or reach into it. The sky is full of them. A very large interrogation point follows many of them. An answer is imperative. They are vitally connected with the whole kingdom of God and with every child on the street.

Mark, then, what has been suggested already, that this is to be a Christian conference. It is not to be a denominational, a sectarian, nor even an ecclesiastical conference. It is not a church conference, but a political conference, a citizenship conference. But it is to be a distinctly Christian conference, a conference on a Christian basis, and from the Christian view point. Its background is to be the Word of God, as far as the latter concerns the civil sphere; and no further than that. It is not for merely human diagnosis and prescription. It will aim to work out civil problems in harmony with the teaching of the humble Nazarene, who is also the prince of the kings of the earth. But let it be just as distinctly observed that Christian patriots in connection with this conference are merely asked to come together, untrammelled by human authority, for conference on a Christian basis as to what the will of the Master is in civil affairs in the present hour. And, also, in this same connection it should be kept in view that for constant guidance in the prosecution of this great enterprise we look to Him for whose kingdom it has been inaugurated. "In hoc signo vinces" is the only sign by which we hope to conquer.

World-wide in Scope. The call for this conference is writ large in that it is a world conference. It is not a national conference. It is to be cosmopolitan in scope—England and Germany and Turkey, for China and India and Persia, for Morocco and Egypt and the Transvaal, and for the islands of the sea. It is for all the world.

The special tour of the president of the national reform association in Europe, the brief trip of another officer in Asia, the brief trip of another officer in Asia, the brief trip of another officer across our own continent, not to speak of the enormous bills of postage, help to show the earnest effort being put forth to make this conference truly international.

And yet this is not a new proposal at all; for this is to be the Second World's Christian Citizen Conference. The first was in Philadelphia. That was a fine conference in 1910, a great conference. It continued from Wednesday till Sabbath. Were you there? Do you recall the crowds and the enthusiasm? Were you present at that tremendous meeting in the Academy of Music, the Headland of China was there; and Ferguson of India; and Van Eise of Arabia; and McCarrall of Cyprus, and Dr. Dickie of Berlin; and Dr. Carman and Attorney John A. Patterson of Canada; and Francis E. Clark was here, and D. J. Burrell, and Robert Ellis Thompson, and Arthur J. Brown; and C. A. R. Janvier. At this conference the one prevailing thought was the Kingdom of Christ. That its various parts cohere and are interdependent received forceful illustration in the fact that missionary and reformer speakers by slides and spoke from the same platform, reading more or less clearly that their respective vocations are not extremes in importance and time, but are closely and vitally connected, each being dependent on the other for present and final success.

And the world's boiling for the second conference! Notice the tremendous amount of literature being sent out from Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. Read the reports of field agents. Read the letters from representative men. Observe the wide-spread publicity being given to the conference by the press. Look at the list of speakers from home and abroad. And the program is not yet complete; far from it. If the friends of this movement—and who should not be its friends?—only trust in God, keep their powder dry, and push the battle to the gates, there is prospect of such a gathering at Portland, Oregon, on June 29, 1913, as will make the hosts of hell tremble, and will encourage and invigorate the workers for God's kingdom unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

All French army posts at which aviators are shown, are shown as being under the government weather bureau as a measure of safety for those who navigate the air.

A lot of Stoves and Ranges got a drenching. We've marked these down—decidedly. They're just as good for you as ever. On sale on the Third Floor.

FIRE SALVAGE SALE

We're making low prices on Carpets and Rugs, too. Lots of these that were on display on the floors got wet. You can have them for very little. On sale Seventh Floor.

Of \$30,000 worth of new Furniture that was affected by fire or water in our store the night of Friday, February 28.

Putting mighty low prices on all these goods for quick clearance—losing sight of cost entirely in many instances — taking off as much as half, or even more in many cases.

Most of this stock is only touched by water. Some of it you'll have to hunt to see what's the matter—but it has to get out just the same as that which is damaged.

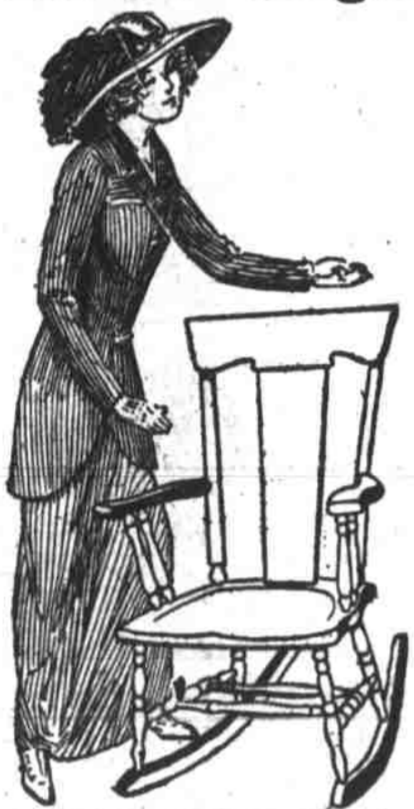
Every piece of Furniture—every article, in fact—has a special tag on it, giving the regular and sale prices—and all have the original sale tags on as well.

SALE STARTS MONDAY, 9 A. M.

SEE WINDOW DISPLAYS

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Here are a few of many good Chair and Rocker bargains you will find here now



\$4.35 for \$8.50 Rockers—Fumed oak, have genuine Spanish leather upholstery—spring seat.

- \$8.50 for \$15.00 Chairs or Rockers—Fumed oak, has goat-skin upholstered seat, large and roomy—automobile seat.
- \$5.50 for \$10.00 Arm Chairs—fumed oak—brown Spanish leather upholstered seat.
- \$9.95 for \$17.50 High-Back Rockers—Fumed oak, full upholstered back and seat in brown Spanish leather.
- \$14.50 for \$30.00 Rockers—Full upholstered back and seat in green leather—finished in waxed oak.
- \$1.55 for \$4.50 to \$6.00 Reed Rockers—150 of these—some have only been wet, some only slightly discolored—every one a big value at its sale price.
- \$2.45 for \$4.50 to \$6.00 Reed Rockers—75 of these—have only been wet—come in assorted colors, natural, green and brown fumed finish.
- 95¢ for \$2.75 to \$5.00 Reed Rockers—75 or these—just the thing for bedroom or sewing—all natural finish—in good shape—have only been wet.
- \$2.75 for \$6.00 Rockers—25 golden oak finish—have imitation leather upholstered seat.

300 Reed Rockers and Arm Chairs have been graded into three lots, according to their condition.

All upholstered in cretonne, back and seat; all wide, roomy; have been wet only.

- \$5.00 for \$10.00 to \$12.50 Chairs and Rockers
 - \$6.25 for \$12.50 and \$15.00 Chairs and Rockers
 - \$8.75 for \$15.00 and \$17.50 Chairs and Rockers
- \$2.95 for \$10 fumed Rockers, quarter-sawed oak; have deep automobile cushions. These have been wet—some scarcely noticeable.



Lots of Dining Room Furniture goes at little prices —HERE'S HOW YOU SAVE ON SOME.

- \$28.50 for a \$45.00 Polished Golden Oak Buffet.
- \$39.00 for a \$60.00 Early English Solid Oak China Cabinet.
- \$9.45 for a \$15 Solid Oak Dining Table.
- \$13.50 for a \$40 Cellarette—Early English finish, solid ¼ sawed oak.
- \$6.50 each for a \$27.50 and a \$35 Cellarette—Both solid ¼ sawed oak.
- \$16.50 for a \$37.50 Mahogany Dining Table—48-inch circular top, 8-foot extension, heavy round pedestal, clawfoot base.
- \$24.75 for a \$60 Polished Golden Oak Buffet—All ¼ sawed oak, good size, has large beveled mirror.
- \$6.50 for a \$20 Birdseye Maple Commode (or Stand)—Has large lower compartment and one large drawer.

Part of our "Make-It-Right" policy is to conduct a sale in a legitimate way—just the same as our regular daily business—to give you real value for the money you spend with us. And this Fire Sale is no exception—we intend to make a very quick disposal of these goods—there's just one way to do it:



- put the prices low enough for anybody's pocketbook.
- to mark each piece just what it's honestly worth to "you," the buyer and user.
- to sell what was affected by the fire, the water and the breakage or damaging in any way of things that always results from a fire in a retail store.
- We've done all this.

—Mr. "Make-It-Right."

A lot of the third floor stock was pretty well wet down— now we're marking them way down

Here's a 5¢ Table with goods on it that sell all over town for 15c to 75c—Bread Knives, Kitchen Knives, Can Openers, 3-bar Towel Racks, single-bar Towel Racks, Cake Turners, Sifters, Granite Ware, Cleavers, Saws, Garden Tools, Clothes lines—these are a few of the things. A 15¢ Table, formerly 50c to 1.50 for things here—Such things are Granite Wash Basins, Skillets, Griddles, Tea and Coffee Pots, Granite Teakettles, nickel-plated Tea Pots. 15¢ for Brooms—Regular 30c to 50c.

Special Prices on Rogers' 1847 Silverware to Get You Better Acquainted With Our Jewelry and Cut Glass Department—Just Inside the Fifth Street Entrance

- \$4.25 for regular \$5.00 Set of Knives and Forks6 each
 - \$1.50 for regular \$2.00 Set of Teaspoons6 each
 - \$2.75 for regular \$3.50 Set of Dessertspoons6 each
 - \$2.95 for regular \$4.00 Set of Tablespoons6 each
 - \$2.25 for regular \$3.00 Set of Oyster Forks6 each
 - \$2.25 for regular \$3.00 Set of Orange Spoons6 each
 - \$2.95 for a \$5.50 Chocolate Set.
 - \$1.50 for a \$2.00 Sugar Shell and Butter Knife Set.
- All the above in two pretty designs, either the Charter Oak or Vintage pattern.

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A good Homefurnishing Store Fifth and Alder

Look for these tags; they're on every floor, on lots and lots of Furniture; they're all over the building, on furniture, on rugs, carpets, on curtains — and in every instance they mean substantial savings.

In a sale of this kind, prices alone mean absolutely nothing unless you see the goods—Come and see for yourself how much in earnest we are to give you good, big value to move this stock out.

This sale will stand the acid test of strictest comparisons, quality for quality, price for price, with any of recent years.

Come, it offers you unusual opportunities, for this fire occurred at a time when thousands of dollars of new goods were being put into stock. It was most unfortunate for us in many ways, but a lucky thing for you.

Here are some of any number of good offers in Dressers and Dressing Tables

- \$36.00 for a \$100 Set — Consisting of a Tuna Mahogany Dressing Table and a Revolving Chair. Both have large adjustable French mirrors. Only one of this set.
- \$28.50 for an \$85 Dresser—Polished golden oak, quarter sawed. A very handsome pattern. Has 28x34 mirror, two large and two small top drawers.
- \$18.75 for a \$35 Mahogany Dresser—Beautiful French design, with large beveled plate mirror.



\$17.75 for \$30 and \$35 Princess Dressers—Birdseye maple; three handsome designs to choose from. All have large beveled plate mirrors.

\$6.75 for a \$17.00 Toilet Dresser—Solid quarter-sawed oak, polished golden finish. Has bevel plate mirror, 14x24, two large drawers and compartment below.

\$135 for a regular \$378 Dining Room Suite

Eleven pieces, all solid oak, Early English finish—Large Buffet, China Cabinet, 54-inch Circular-top Pedestal Table, Serving Table, six Dining Chairs, one Arm Chair. This price for complete set only.

Lots and Lots of Beds go in this Salvage Cleanup Most of them are only a little scratched

- \$2.95 for \$8.00 Iron Beds—50 in this lot—full size—in green, white and blue enamel.
- \$3.95 for \$7.50 and \$8.00 Iron Beds—25 of these—full size—have brass top rail and knobs head and foot—green, white and blue enamel.
- \$5.75 for \$10.00 Beds—Quantity limited—full size—in blue enamel only.
- \$4.75 for \$8.50 to \$13.50 Beds—Only seven of these—all three-quarter size—in white, blue and green enamel—scratched on the posts mostly.
- \$6.75 for \$12.00 to \$22.50 Beds—Just eight of these—all full size beds—all very striking designs—green, old ivory, blue and cream enamel.



To facilitate your buying and to better handle a large crowd of buyers, the sale goods have been distributed on the display floors as follows:

- First Floor—Library and living-room furniture, reed furniture.
- Third Floor—China, crockeryware, art ware, sewing machines, kitchen and cooking utensils.
- Fourth Floor—Bedroom furniture—dressers, dressing tables, chiffoniers, brass and enameled iron beds.
- Fifth and Sixth Floors—Dining-room furniture, buffets, china cabinets, dining tables and chairs.
- Seventh Floor—Carpets and rugs, draperies and curtains.
- Eighth Floor—Go-Carts, perambulators, tabourettes, pedestals and stands.
- Ninth Floor—All odd chairs, rockers, davenport, couches.
- Tenth and Eleventh Floors—A miscellaneous lot of furniture that was principally affected by the fire—consisting of rockers, arm chairs, dining chairs, etc.