## Capital Hournal



## Commercializing Shame

The Ku Klux Klan have on exhibit as part of their pro-
anda for arousing and fanning the flames of fanaticism paganda for arousing and fanning the flames of fanaticism
intolerance and community discord to the end that more intolerance and community discord to the end that more
money may flow into their coffers for the benefit of kleagles, and more votes be cast as dictated by their cyclops, women
posing as "escaped nuns." Several such are touring the posing as "escaped nuns."
country in the kian employ.

As the merits or demerits of any particular woman we know nothing, save that some are commercializing virtue, but the federal secret service operatives are author the land as professional "escapes," never saw the inside of a nunnery and are merely unscrupulous adventuresses brazenly peddling scandal for profit. It will be noticed that al such "escapes" are careful not to give details, or to be
specific, lest they be held to legal account, but make their specific, lest they be held
accusations very general.

There probably are authentic cases of immorality exist ant among the Catholic clergy, just as there are among the protestant and other clergy. But they are the rare excep
tion and not the rule. Punishment in such cases is said to be drastic, for the church maintains a discipline unknown to dominational churches, There would be just as much excuse for the Salem preacher who left his wife and family a year ago to run away with a 17 year old girl, to tour the country on his return from prison, lecturing on the moral depravity of the pulpit as there is for any "escaped nun" to capitalize the story of her shame.
The Capital Journal holds no brief for the Catholic or other church, but views attacks upon any church or religion as un-American and a violation of the constitutional guarantees of liberty. If one church is successfully attacked because it is a minority, the turn of others at the hands of
the intolerant majority will follow, as the night the day. All churches must unite against intolerance lest in the future Aheir own rights be attacked.

## The Lost Cause

Having definately and authoritatively decided for the
wenth time last Wednesday that there will be a world's steenth time last Wednesday that there will be a world's
fair in Portland in 1925, even if the taxpayers have to pay the entire cost, the board of managers just as definately
and equally as authoritatively decided the following Friday and equally as authoritatively decided the following Friday
that there would not be a world's fair in 1925 but that there would be one in 1927, the additional time being needed to filch a million dollars insubscriptions from the beneficiaries. Perhaps by the coming Wednesday, the directors, appalled by the magnitude of the task of getting anyone to subscribe real money to an exposition, will def
tively decide to hold the fair in 1929.

The final and long delayed death notice of the 1925 exposition, over which its inspiration, Julius Meier, read the
funeral services some time since, comes as a shock to the funeral services some time since, comes as a shock to the
public spirited citizens of Portland who have made such a heavy investment in the lost cause by the purchase of buttons and banners, which are now rendered useless. The en-
thusiasm these 1925 emblems engendered was only exceedthusiasm these 1925 emblems engendered was only exceed-
ed by the avidity which Mayor Baker spent the fair bill ed by the avidity which Mayor Baker spent the fair bill
slush-fund in hot-air excursions, but the fact is beginning to soak into the heads of even the boosters,
than buttons and banners to build a fair

There is one way to end, at least until th
from shell-shock, all this agitation for an exposition to be built at the overburdened taxpayers expense, and that is to Portland to raise fair money by taxation, which will neces sarily mean a heavy state tax for cooperative displays and thing needed in a state where taxation is so staggering that it scares away investors. If an exposition is really desired, been-without looting the taxpayer.

## Tax Cutting Bunk

The total amount levied for taxation in Oregon in 1922
$\$ 40,473,906$. Of this only 6 percent or $\$ 2,514,080$ is for strictly state purposes, outside of roads and schools. This amount includes the cost of maintainance of all state insti-
tutions and the expenses of state government This six percent is the amount that directly
This and
the governor's supervision and is all that does comes under Walter Pierce says that he will cut taxes in two, he is mere ly playing the demagogue, for he is promising an impossi-
bility. Iy of the total taxes, 23 percent, or $\$ 9,373,376$ is nominal soldiers bonus bonds, $\$ 2,040,905$ for state aid to elementary
schools, the state market road tax, the higher schools, the state market road tax, the higher educational
millage taxes, and the tax for educational aid to soldiers. A
Lotal of $\$ 6,859,296$ out of the $\$ 9,373,376$ was voted by the Oregon's tax bill for education was $\$ 16,695,930$ in 1921 ,
of which $\$ 2,217,208$ or 13.8 percent was authorized by the people in the higher educational millage bill, $\$ 116,335$ or 2,5
percent for high schools and $\$ 10,692,602$ of 64 percent for grade schools, It is apparent that the governor hercent for
trol oon-
but Mr. Tierce funds and cannot reduce the expenditures but Mr. Pierce by his advocacy of the compulsory school
bil, wuid inerease these taxes over a million dollars a year
to educate students now educated at private from $\$ 3,000,000$ to $\$ 5.000,000$ to provide additional sehool
rooms to care for them, present facilities being
By far the larger part of taxation is under the direet con-
troi of either district, county or municipality and is cal supervision and not under the governor's jurisdiction counties and cities fix levies, not districts, drainage districts, A total of 94 persent of alt the taxes have been authoriz-
od by vote of the people, and the governor cannot be binm
d for them, and the axece aving except in the statecutivels powerless to effect iny
natent, and only slightly in
lat. The talk that Pierce or any ofther a two is bunk. There is no magie cureall for high taxation

PANTOMIME-ByJ.H.Striebel


Along State Street

From all appearances, all goodlookers dye soung.

The freedom of the seeze is demanded by verery hay fever
A flat nose usually womes from sticking it into othe
Why do they call them soft drinks, when they are so harr
rex downt
Women may be abl to dodge the poles, but they can
doze their taxee
"Came home. LIzizie All is forgiven," is the song of the
Thares no ifferenene enteven a censored movie and a five

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