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ing. This bill is manifestly unconstitutional." THE PORTLAND CITIZENS' AND TAX-PAYERS' ARGUMENT: "If the number of chil-



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A PRICELESS HERITAGErequired to be published by the From a child thou hast known treasurer. If the national and state the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.-2 Timothy 3: 15.

governments, being guided by long experience, find it necessary to the protection of depositors and stockholders to require financial publicity five times a year from the na-

ation charged, or collecton taken IS pal corporation-a corporation in Jesse Winburn, who is proving him-

A CHANGE NEEDED We have no note of personal criti- tional and state banks, how much

cism against any of the candidates more important that a municipal running on the Blake ticket. As corporation, usually under the dommen they are fair average citizens. ination of banks and politicians, All except two of them have been should do it.

time.

on the council for the past two Put a light in the dark places of years. They must stand on their the earth and there will be less record. They must explain away, skullduggery-holdups, arsons, robto the satisfaction of citizens gen- bery and the like-by 70 or 80 per erally, why they have been led to cent. Publicity is more effective, indulge in "joker" bond issues and even, than arc lights in dark places, "joker" resolutions, constructed to to stop graft and misappropriation deceive the voters of Ashland. They of public funds. Publicity is lightmust explain satisfactorily why they light that designing politicians fear have persistently dillydallied with -and it is always safe for the pubthe water question for the past two lic to demand publicity, at least of years. They must explain the tre- the finances of a municipality. Such mendous waste to taxpayers in the publicity would cost less than one installation of meters that would hundred dollars a year and would not work. They must explain why likely save thousands of dollars to they juggled the city funds to the taxpayers, no matter how conscienextent that they needed a bond is- tious the administration may be sue of \$18,000 in order to put mon- working, because anybody will pracey back into funds which they had tice greater economy when they diverted to other uses. They must realize that their transactions will

explain to citizens why, while claim- be at once put in the hands of every Grants Pass Visitoring a great saving to taxpayers, stockholder of the corporation This Eli Dawes, of this city, was a taxes have persistently gone up. is a fact of such common knowledge visitor in Grants Pass Saturday, They must explain why they reduced and experience that it needs no ar- looking after business interests. the amount of electric current to gument.

small consumers from 17 kilowatt The government not only requires Fall suits in the newest styles and hours to 11 kilowatt hours for a that banks make such staments to patterns, at Paulserud's. dollar. They must explain to water the government under oath and pubusers why the price of water has lish them, but they also send bank been doubled on lawns and increased examiners to each bank frequently zines should see ELHART'S Novemfrom \$8 an acre to \$12 for irriga- to examine books and papers to ver- ber 1 to November 10. Special ofify the correctness of these sworn fers. tion.

They must answer why, during and published statements. Evitheir whole tenure of office the peo- dently the government has found it ple have never been taken into their expedient to do that for the protec- Phone 465. confidence on the finances of the tion of depositors and stockholders.

city by publishing, from time to Then why this laxity in handling Club Meeting at Medfordtime, condensed statements so that public funds? No wonder taxes go The Greater Medford club held its citizens might become familiar with up and results go down. No won- regular meeting at the Hotel Holthe financial status of the town. der public funds are being juggled land this afternoon at 1 o'clock. The

Slyvester Patterson published an and juggled and waste is multiply- club is composed of women devoted open letter in the forum columns of ing in the handling of public busi- to the civic interests of the city and this paper several months ago, pos- ness.

sibly more than a year, asking for We believe, when the Loomis tion of women's clubs. such a statement and that request ticket is elected and takes the reins

has been absolutely ignored. The of government, as it surely will, and FREE! Trial treatment costs people have been kept in the dark Sylvestor Patterson honest, patriotic nothing. Chiropractic and Electroin regard to the finances of the city. and independent acting citizen that Therapy is doing WONDERS! I am We are told that a financial state- he is, is given the handling of the getting results where others have ment is made quarterly to THE public funds, that a condensed. failed. Chiropractic adjustments COUNCIL. Well, what does that comprehensive statement of Ash- only \$1.50. Dr. Angell, First Nat'l

which every taxpayer is a stock-self of much value to the city by icy in relation to the financial de-Our hats are off to the women of tails of the corporation by publish-the Civic club and especially to Miss ing a condensed statement of the Chamberlain, whose thought, effort city's financial status from time to and heart has been in the work

from the beginning, and to Jesse It is our opinion that the tax bud-Winburn whose generosity has made get would be greatly reduced, by it possible to raise such a fine saving here and savings there, if structure to public uses in the city quarterly financial statements were

of Ashland.

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support of any private or parochial school in this State, or ever has, or ever can, under the plain prohibition of the Constitution and laws.

destroys the Private Schools.

That it will increase taxation at least \$1,000,000 each year, and require from \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,-000 investment in new public school buildings.

That not one cent of public money goes to the

That it vests in the County Superintendents arbitrary and unappealable power to grant special privileges to the wealthy and influential, by which they will be exempt from the law.

That it will prevent parents from educating their children in private schools both inside and outside of the State, as they cannot even send their children elsewhere to be educated.

That so far from being united in support of the Bill, the Masonic Fraternity in the State is divided, many of the leading Masons are openly opposed to it, and the Grand Master of the State Grand Lodge has publicly denied that the Grand Lodge indorsed it.

That the best elements in the social, religious, educational, and political life of the State are opposed to the measure.

That the educational leaders, inside and outside of the State, are opposed to the Bill. Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, of Columbia University, says: "It should be called a Bill to render the American system of education impossible in Oregon." The Presidents of Yale, Princeton, Chicago, Leland Stanford and other great Universities have emphatically condemned it.

That the private schools, under the existing law, are required to conform their course of studies to the public schools standards, the English language is made compulsory, and they are subject to the inspection and supervision of the State authorities.

That the proposed law will close up every orphan asylum, home for defective and dependent children, and other private charities, where any elementary instruction of the inmates is attempted.

That it destroys the rights of minorities, the most vital and valuable principle of Americanism, and the one that has preserved this country from the tyranny of Old World Governments.

THE ARGUMENTS UNANSWERED against the bill are contained in the "Voters Pamphlet" issued by the State. The chief points of the same are as follows:

dren now attending the public schools is to be increased by adding those now taught in the private schools, it is inevitable that overcrowding must result unless new buildings are supplied, and it is also certain that taxes must be materially increased."

3. ST. HELEN'S HALL (EPISCOPAL) AR-GUMENT: "No invidious fact or condition affecting public interest has been called to our attention that would furnish in the slightest degree an excuse for the proposed legislation."

4. THE PRINCIPALS OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS' ARCUMENT: "It is against the best American ideals of freedom, in that it denies to men and women freedom of thought and action in the choice of environment and influences for their children.'

5. THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS' ARGUMENT: "We are not at all certain that a man educated in the public school is more intelligent than if he were educated in a private or sectarian school, nor have we heard any convincing argument that a person is necessarily more patriotic if educated in a public school, than if he were educated in a school not supported by public taxation."

6. THE CATHOLIC ARGUMENT: "There is no occasion now for agitation that will estrange old friends and neighbors, and that will divide our people into classes and factions. No greater misfortune can befall us than movements calculated to create divisions.'

7. THE PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS' AR-GUMENT: "It is based on the philosophy of autocracy-that the child belongs primarily to the State; it is an unjustifiable invasion of family authority, and threatens ultimately the guarantee of our American liberty."

The foregoing "Negative Arguments" are as strong today as when written and filed. They remain unshaken and unshakable, after three months of public discussion.

The great International Convention of the Episcopal Church, meeting in Portland recently, adopted strong and unequivocal resolutions condemning this bill.

The State Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at its meeting in Salem last August, refused to entertain any movement looking to an endorsement of the bill, by the express ruling of the Presiding Bishop.

Upon the foregoing statement of the case we invoke the fair and intelligent judgment of the voters of Oregon, confident of the result if a regard for the inherited and fundamental principles of reasonable liberty are to prevail in this state.

CATHOLIC CIVIC RIGHTS ASSOCIATION OF OREGON By Dudley G. Wooten, 316 Morgan Building, Portland, Oregon. **Executive** Secretary

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