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STAGING EUGENIC CONTEST

As announced elsewhere there will most likely be a eugenic contest at the coming fair. It will be the first in Eastern Multnomah and is likely to be of high value in championing the rights and privileges of many children who have hitherto passed unnoticed as to their physical proportions.

While the right of a child to be well born is conceded, the right of the child already born has been too lightly considered and in many cases has even been unrecognized. To give the existing child its due is a truly religious duty—and that is the sum total of the efforts now being made that it shall not only find life worth living as it grows older, but to enable it to live worthily.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, a noted Jewish Rabbi of Portland, in an article published three years ago says:

"Eugenics will doom child-labor, the worst side of which is not that it kills some children, but that it suffers some survivors broken and maimed, to become parents on the morrow. Eugenics means that the state will not suffer men to be overworked and underpaid and underfed and underhoused, for a father is a parent."

Here then, is the object of those who are carrying on the great idea of betterment of the human race. They are working among the babies of today so that when they have attained the age of reason they will understand that work and want shall not go hand in hand.

These children will be the men and women of the next generation and they will demand that the toiler shall not always be needy and the idler revel in opulence. It will be their function to remould the educational ideals of the nation.

The teachers of eugenics are insisting that the outcome of their work will give rise to a new statesmanship that shall help the world to have a true conception of national health; they would inculcate the idea that the nation is richest which contains the greatest number of well-born, healthful, contented, upright citizens. The new statesmanship, basing itself upon the eugenic model, may yet put an end to such wars as are now clutching Europe by the throat. It may teach England in the next thirty years that its chief destiny is not to have the greatest military or naval organization in the world; it may teach the Germans to recognize that "every man is still our brother" and that all are equal, whether they live under the royal standard or the tri-color or the imperial banner. It may teach every warring nation that the others are not to be defeated, but that each shall not lose its victorious mood.

To quote Dr. Wise again:
"The aim of the eugenist will never be to cut off the life of children unfit to survive, but to prevent their birth, even though a host of false ideas and perverted social customs stand in the way. And, it needs to be added, in the word of a teacher of authority, on the science of eugenics, 'on our principles the eugenic question can only be decently raised only before conception.'"

It has been aptly said by a famous humorist that to reform a man you should begin with his grandfather. The society of three generations from now will realize that it began with the grandfather and that it will not then be under the necessity of protecting itself against the perpetuation of incurable diseases, physical, mental or moral. All such will have been eliminated if the young grandfathers and grandmothers of today have been properly reared and educated.

The scoffers of eugenics will have to be educated that in a general way everybody is in sympathy with the purposes involved in, as people, generally speaking, are sympathetic towards the subjects of a socialistic state that will better humanity. There will be a difficult task devolving upon our teachers to define the status between eugenics and racial socialism. Nearly everyone is a socialist upon some subject, and nearly everyone is a eugenist up to the point of interpreting and applying the principles thereof.

A final extract from Dr. Wise:
"Eugenics is an attempt to restore the dignity of motherhood. A race that belittles motherhood is warped and stunted. We must go back to the apotheosis of motherhood, not of one mother believed by many to be the mother of a divinely-begotten son, but of every mother who shares in the divinely-ordered processes which give life to man and man to life. Eugenics may almost be said to be an attempt to magnify and to glorify parenthood."
Josh Billings once said, "It is bet-

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE SEPTEMBER 8-9-10

The annual teachers' institute for Multnomah county will be held in library hall of Central Library building, at Tenth and Yamhill streets, on September 8, 9 and 10. It is estimated that, by holding the institute during vacation, a saving in time of the salary value of about \$2000 will be made. Besides this, plans of work are outlined and discussed before the opening of schools for the year, to the advantage of teachers and pupils.

County Superintendent A. P. Armstrong is a believer in the practical in education, and is arranging an institute program accordingly. One interesting half-day feature will be a visit to the Union Stock yards of North Portland, for which full-time credit will be given when certificates of attendance at the institute are issued. The visit in question will be optional with teachers. Evening sessions of the institute will be held, if this is necessary to enable teachers who may not care to participate in the visit to make up the required number of hours of attendance.

DEAD BODY FOUND MAY BE SUICIDE

A body found near Troutdale on Tuesday last with two deep knife wounds in the throat is supposed to be that of F. J. Rooney. The man was evidently a railroad worker as he had a card issued by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen; also a membership card in the Pocatello Y. M. C. A. It is believed he was murdered, although the coroner holds that it is a case of suicide. A pocket diary found in the North Bank yards has been identified as the property of Rooney but there is some doubt as to that being the dead man's name as a memorandum also found gives the name of George Olssonmer. The diary gives the names of relatives in New Jersey.

CITY TREASURER SEEKS INFORMATION

City Treasurer J. H. Metzger has taken exceptions to the published statement in the last Outlook concerning the receipts and disbursements by the county on account of the city of Gresham.

The county auditor's statement reads as follows:
RECEIPTS:
Balance on hand January 1, 1914 \$.02
Treas. 1913 taxes 2,654.92
Sheriff, delinquent taxes 32.88 \$2,687.82
DISBURSEMENTS:
Paid treasurer of Gresham \$2,567.11
Bal. on hand June 30, 1914 \$ 120.71
RECEIPTS:
March 16 \$ 869.62
April 29 1161.15
May 22 536.34
July 20 156.69
Total \$2723.20

The apparent discrepancy is caused by the collection of delinquent taxes and their payment to Treasurer Metzger between June 30 and July 20. The county auditor's figures are correct.

DANCING PAVILION AT NEW LOCATION

The dancing pavilion at the fair grounds has been moved to its new location near the southeast corner and is being placed on its permanent site to be put in order for the purposes to which it is assigned.

A new lobby will be built on the north side to take the place of the old one. The orchestra stage will be in the lobby hereafter, also the check room and ticket counter.

The new rest room is rapidly nearing completion, being enclosed and the roof on. A septic tank has been built for drainage of the toilet room, the plumbing of which is well under way.

The frame for the two new stock barns is up and they are being roofed. Other improvements are being made, the most noteworthy being the electric lighting system which will be entirely changed.

Mr. Farmer:—We want potatoes, apple, green corn, chickens, butter, eggs, plums, prunes. We are making special cleanup price on Field Fence. If you intend using any soon it will pay you to see us. Metzger Bros.

ter for a man not to know so much than to know so many things which aren't so." Eugenics teaches us that it is better to know the right thing about ourselves than to know the wrong. There is truth in both maxims.

Important Announcement in Voting Contest

Read the Rules so you will thoroughly understand all the conditions.

The ballot box is placed in Puffer's Store. Votes are dated and have a time limit of two weeks. Anybody can vote for any candidate.

The ballot box will be opened for the first time and votes counted, Monday evening, August 24. The list and standing of candidates will be published in the Outlook of Tuesday, August 25, and each Tuesday thereafter during the campaign.

The committee selected to count the votes consists of Mrs. John Metzger, Miss Minnie Shriner and E. C. Lindsey. The counting will be public and take place at Puffer's store, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

Votes may be cast up to six o'clock Monday evening, Aug. 24.

Votes will be counted each Monday evening during the contest. The contestant having the highest number of votes at each counting will be awarded the weekly prize.

A record will be kept of the count each week and the standing to date published.

The first weekly award will be a set of one half dozen silver teaspoons, Wm. Rodgers & Sons.

Who will get them?

PLANS FOR COMING ANNUAL CONFERENCE

By L. H. WELLS.

PORTLAND, Aug. 13—(Special)—Arrangements are being made for the annual session of the Oregon conference, which will be held in Centenary Methodist church September 23. It will be one of the great gatherings of Methodism in the Northwest, and some of the ablest men in the denomination will attend and take part. Some vital questions will be considered at this gathering. It has been seven years since conference met in Portland.

Preparations are being made by Rev. Delmar H. Trimble, pastor, and Rev. J. W. McDougall, district superintendent, with the assistance of the members of the church. Bishop R. J. Cooke, D. D., LL.D. will preside. It had been arranged that Bishop Cooke should hold the conference at Helena, Montana, and the Bishop of Montana come to Portland, but the final arrangements were that Bishop Cooke should preside at the Oregon conference, which is reported highly satisfactory to ministers of this conference. Bishop Cooke is considered the foremost bishop of the Methodist denomination. In view of his recent bereavement in the death of his son it was considered better that Bishop Cooke should preside over his own conference in his own diocese than go to Montana.

To entertain and take care of the Oregon conference will be no small task. There will be 150 active ministers in attendance, and in view of the fact that conference meets in the metropolis this year the wives of the ministers will generally attend the conference, which will increase the number to be cared for. The Harvard plan will be followed, a plan which was provided some years ago, that is, bed and breakfast will be provided the ministers, and ladies of Centenary Methodist church are now planning to provide lunches in social rooms of the church at a minimum charge. Many Portlanders have many special friends among the ministers who will attend from outside the city. Any of these wishing to entertain these special friends among the ministers can reach their object by communicating with Rev. Delmar H. Trimble, the pastor, who with Rev. J. W. McDougall, district superintendent, is making arrangements. Rev. Mr. Trimble expects to devote the last two weeks before conference to completing the details for the entertainment of conference.

The business of conference is to receive reports of the work from the various charges in the conference, provide ways and means for carrying on the work for the ensuing year, examining the character of the preachers and stationing all ministers in the charge for the ensuing year. The minister each church shall have and the church each minister shall have is absolutely in the hands of the conference cabinet, which is composed of Bishop Cooke and the four district superintendents—Rev. J. W. McDougall, Portland district; Rev. James Moore, Salem; Rev. J. T. Abbott, Eugene; and Rev. H. J. Van Fossen, Klamath. The cabinet will be in session in the afternoon and evening of conference week making up the stationing report, which is the important work of conference.

Business sessions of conference will be held from 9 a. m. to 12 m. each day. The afternoon and evenings will be devoted to anniversaries and events of importance connecting with conference work, at which representative men of the denomination will speak. Bishop J. W. Robinson,

of India, will represent foreign mission field, and Dr. P. J. Moveety, of Philadelphia, home missions. Dr. Wallace McMullen, of the Drew Theological Seminary, of Madison, New Jersey, for ten years pastor of the Madison-Avenue Methodist church, N. Y., will speak each afternoon between 4 and 5 o'clock on "Pastoral and Practical Theology." Dr. McMullen is considered the ablest and most brilliant man in the Methodist denomination.

It has been 20 years since an Oregon conference met in Centenary church. It met in Grace church seven years ago. Centenary has made tremendous progress since then, but more especially within the past four years. Although a down-town church in four years it has taken in 900 new members, and the congregations are now larger than for twelve years past. Rev. Mr. Trimble has been pastor four years. Centenary has come to be a factor in the civic affairs of Portland. Centenary has one of the finest churches in the state. It has ample committee rooms for use of the conference committee, and an auditorium that will accommodate 1500 people. For the entertainment of the Oregon conference Rev. Trimble will have the substantial assistance of the entire membership and the different organizations. The indications are that this session of conference will be one of the best, most important and effective held in many years, in point of business to be transacted and in the presence of leading men of the Methodist denomination.

Resolutions were adopted at the close of the conventions of the Evangelical association at Jennings Lodge Thursday, condemning Sabbath "desecrations" among young people especially. It is set forth that young people of the country are given to Sabbath excursions, Sunday automobile trips, and picnics and attending the 5-cent shows neglecting religious services. It is set forth that these and other Sabbath amusements are absorbing the time and attention of young people of the country. The Sunday school league elected Rev. E. D. Hornsueh, of Portland, president; Rev. H. C. Able, Portland, vice president; Mrs. Eva Bishop, secretary; Lloyd Dinsmore, treasurer. Attendance was large, all the tents being occupied and outside rooms had to be rented to take care of all who came. Bishop William Horn, who delivered daily lectures, left yesterday for California.

The funeral services of Mrs. Louisa Partlow, pioneer woman of 79 years of age and widow of the late J. M. Partlow, was conducted yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment was made in Lone Fir cemetery. Rev. C. E. Cline, friend of the family, officiated. Mrs. Partlow came to Portland with her family in 1852, and made her home in Portland till her death. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. M. A. Lovelidge, Mrs. A. E. Caffee and Mrs. L. M. Davis of Portland. Two sisters survive her, Mrs. W. S. Hudson of Laurelhurst, and Mrs. S. Greene, of Wisconsin. Death was caused by paralysis. Mr. and Mrs. Partlow were old-time residents of East Portland.

Notice to Fruitgrowers

Growers who are selling pears through the Gresham cannery association are notified that they can get boxes at the O. W. P. depot at Gresham any time after Wednesday, August 12.

EUGENIC CONTEST AT COUNTY FAIR

Arrangements are being made for a eugenic baby contest at the coming county fair. President Lewis has been in consultation with O. M. Plummer, who is engineering the idea in Portland, and will have a further conference with Mr. Plummer, E. J. Werlein and Dr. Mary V. Madigan next week when full arrangements will be completed.

It is intended to have the contest come off on the last afternoon of the fair in the space provided by the enclosing of the old machinery hall. A large room 40x40 feet is available with an entrance directly into the new rest room now being built. Dr. Madigan will conduct the contest and will announce the points on which examinations are to be made. It will prove attractive and should meet with the approval of all parents who have babies of suitable age to enter.

VANCOUVER FAIR A BIG CELEBRATION

The Outlook acknowledges the receipt of a season ticket to the Columbia River Interstate Fair, to be held at Vancouver during the week beginning September 7. The association has secured one and one-third round trip fares during the whole week.

George P. Larson, the secretary-manager, has secured some good attractions aside from the displays, Irwin Bros.' Wild West show will be there to entertain the people, it being the leader in that line, surpassing even the Pendleton and Walla Walla round-up in spectacular effect.

The occasion will also be the celebration of the 90th anniversary of the founding of Vancouver and a celebration in honor of the commencement of the interstate bridge building across the Columbia.

UNION HIGH SCHOOL ARMSTRONG'S IDEA

A. P. Armstrong, county school superintendent, will attend a meeting in the West Portland schoolhouse next Monday at 8 p. m. for the discussion of the organization of a union high school district. The districts interested are West Portland, Alto Park, Hillsdale, Maplewood and Garden Home, the last being in Washington county.

Since the advance in tuition rates for non-resident pupils made by the Portland schools, the question of establishing union high schools is receiving much consideration in the adjoining country. It is expected that three will be organized during the present year.

INFLATED PRICES FIND A PROTOTYPE

The Outlook has been notified that linotype metal has gone up two cents a pound. The notice is not going to make any difference in the cost of subscriptions or advertising but it leads one to suspect that the metal is being used to make bullets of, hence the rise in price.

During the civil war the price of candles went up, and a woman buying some at a grocery store was told she would have to pay more than formerly if she wanted to get them. "Mercy sakes!" she exclaimed, have they gone to fighting by candle light?

RULES GOVERNING THE VOTING CONTEST

RULE 1. The Puffer Mercantile Co. will issue votes as per following schedule, excepting as hereafter may be mentioned:

100 for \$1.00 on cash sales.
200 for \$1.00 in merchandise paid with due bills.
300 for \$1.00 on payments of old accounts.
200 for \$1.00 on due bills sold.
200 for \$1.00 on bargain and clearance sales.

In reference to issuing votes on old accounts, they may be issued for the payment of old accounts, that were incurred prior to July 1, 1914. Votes will not be given on new charge accounts unless this particular account is paid within thirty days, then votes may be issued if the merchant is willing and so orders.

RULE 2. Votes will be issued with a time limit of two weeks, and must be cast in the ballot box, provided for that purpose, before the expiration of the time limit. Before casting votes, make a record for your own guidance.

In order to facilitate voting you are requested to place your votes in an envelope and seal it. Please write the number of votes the envelope contains and the name of the candidate you desire to vote for on the outside.

RULE 3. Employees, clerks and relatives of the merchants and newspaper publishers cannot participate as candidates.

RULE 4. Merchants shall in no

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP SUGGESTED

The Outlook has received a lengthy communication which it cannot print, from a reader of this paper in which he advocates municipal ownership of the saloon business. His argument is based on the assumption that the town needs the revenue to be derived, and that many people will have liquor anyway. While some persons will agree with him that money for liquor is spent in other places, and that the liquor is drunk here; also that the license money could be used by the town, yet there are some insuperable barriers to the plan of a municipality becoming a saloon keeper.

It is not necessary to recount, all the arguments against municipal ownership of such a "public utility" as a saloon, but the one that would make the people collectively a law breaker should be sufficient. The plan has been tried in other places larger than Gresham. It was even tried out in the state of South Carolina and failed to work. Public ownership of the saloons placed the entire populace on the same plane as the individual saloon keeper and the experiment failed to bring in the revenue expected of it.

From the standpoint of the economist who decries monopoly the plan is untenable; and from the other standpoint of morality it is not to be considered.

If a majority of the people should say that the liquor business is to be resumed in any place there is but one course to follow and that is to educate the people to vote the other way. When there is a majority against the traffic the voice of the people should prevail. In this nation the majority rules and there should be a strict compliance with its decree until that majority sees fit to reverse its decision.

The Outlook's correspondent is well meaning but has a strong idea of American laws, customs and social privileges. Because some people will drink there can be no excuse whatever in setting the beverage before them. We are not all to become lawbreakers in order to keep a few from becoming lawbreakers themselves.

SCHOOL POLICY IS FOR UNION

Division of school districts was declared against at a special meeting Tuesday of the District Boundary Board at the courthouse. The petition to create a new district out of District 15 and District 6, the latter a joint district, was denied. These two districts are known locally as Pleasant Home and Lusted.

The board took the view that the tendency is to consolidate districts rather than to divide them. It was believed that the action asked would be to create a new district at the expense of taxable property and a number of children of two existing districts, one of which would be left too weak to maintain a good school.

County Superintendent Armstrong declared himself in favor of consolidations.

instance issue votes until such votes have been properly stamped with their firm name. Customers should refuse them otherwise.
RULE 5. The soliciting of votes in the merchant's store, in front of store or on premises is prohibited.
RULE 6. A vote that is scratched or marked in any manner after it leaves the merchant's hands, shall be thrown out, providing this defacing should appear that a figure had been tampered with.

RULE 7. After November first no new candidates will be entered.

RULE 8. Everybody is invited to nominate candidates. All that is necessary is to send in the name of any young lady in the community. This will entitle her to 2000 nominating votes and she will be entered as a candidate.

RULE 9. Votes are not transferable after being cast.

RULE 10. Votes that are not properly stamped with the merchant's signature, or votes with the time limit expired, will not be accepted.

RULE 11. A committee selected by the merchants will count the votes each week, beginning with the third week and report the results in the Outlook. Committee will be announced later.

And votes will be given at the time sales are made only.

The Gresham Outlook will give 2000 votes for each dollar on new and 1000 votes for each dollar for renewals or back subscriptions.