

DR. BROUGHER FLAYS PLAY FROM STAGE

Auditorium Rings with Denunciation of Show That Is to Be Presented There

DR. BROUGHER BANS 'QUEEN'

Temple Baptist Church Minister Wants Tab Kept on 'Moulin Rouge' Audience

Scene, Temple Baptist church; time, Sunday night. The Rev. Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher in his regular sermon attacked the play, "The Queen of the Moulin Rouge," and called on the police to suppress it.

Scene, Temple Auditorium; time, Monday night. "The Queen of the Moulin Rouge" is scheduled to open its much advertised Los Angeles engagement.

Thus, from the very spot where the play is to be presented—a pupil Sunday, a stage weekdays—the theatrical production was denounced to a congregation that crowded the seats that twenty-four hours later will be occupied by the theatergoers, and twenty-four hours after the minister's sermon the silken clad queen and her court of pleasure lovers will kick their legs in the exact spot where the preacher waved his arms in denunciation of them.

Dr. Brougher put forth a new method of elevating the stage. He addressed the audience of a committee of prominent citizens by the city attorney's office to be stationed in the lobby of the theater and jot down the names of those who attend the play. He has a list of names of the ministers, the city officials, the women's clubs, the W. C. T. U. and the purity leagues. The minister would have these names published in the newspapers, he said, in the belief that many will go to taste the forbidden fruit who would not go if they were to be found out.

ENJOIN IT BY LAW, HE SAYS

The minister incorporated some other ideas in his sermon. He said that a play has been advertised to be presented in the Auditorium theater this coming week that is a disgrace to Christian civilization, and that it should be suppressed calmly and soberly. Either the play is absolutely out of harmony with ordinary decency, or else the advertising is an absolute lie. He said that he would distribute and post upon the streets advertising matter as suggestive of immorality should be enjoined by law from enacting a nuisance against public decency. He said that he would be wondering if the authorities could not proceed against this company under the same law that makes it possible to prohibit the exhibition and the sale of immoral pictures.

"If the advertising is so obnoxious to people of decent feeling and refined taste, then the play must be even more so. If it is not what it is advertised to be, then the company ought to be arrested for obtaining money under false pretenses.

"It is not merely the church people who are protesting against the presentation of life in the underworld of Paris to an audience of our citizens, but there is not a decent man or woman in this city who does not protest against it. If the play had a great moral lesson to teach there might be found some people who would claim that it was worth while to witness the sale of immoral pictures. I would teach a lesson. Personally, I do not believe it is necessary to crawl through the sewers of Paris in order to learn that it would be a good thing to avoid them.

SCORES THOSE WHO GO TO PLAY

"I have two things to say: First, A play of such immoral tendencies reveals the immoral character of the men who produce it. Second, I would like to see the men who go to the play in order to write such an indecent thing.

"In the second place, I want to say to all the positions of my being, in view of what the dramatic critics have said about this play, that men or women who go to the play, that they are very bad advertisements of their own indecency and love of that which is degrading. I understand that City Attorney Eddie has appointed a committee to go Monday night to the play and decide whether it is indecent enough to be stopped by law. I want to suggest to him that he appoint another committee to go Monday night to the play, to stand in the Auditorium lobby tomorrow night and take the names of those who go to the play. He should list in the newspapers the next morning, and let us see the names of the reputable, refined, high-minded, cultured people who were seen flocking into the Auditorium to witness the play. I would be greatly surprised in the people of Los Angeles if any cultured, refined, purity-loving, educated man or woman is seen going to that play, outside the committee appointed by Mr. Eddie. I would suggest that they wear badges, so that their purpose in going will not be misconstrued.

DEFENDS CHURCH IN THEATER

At the morning service, speaking on "The Church in the Theater," Dr. Brougher said: "This church is in this theater building to do a special work in the heart of this great city. People can worship here in this Auditorium even if it is a theater. Those who do not go to plays presented on this stage never think that they are outside the church. People will come to the services in this temple that never darken the door of the ordinary church building. I believe that God sends his church right here to do a work that it could never have done in any other place. I am not afraid of any criticism that people may pass on our religious services in theater. I am only afraid of what Jesus Christ will say on the judgment day if we fail to take advantage of the great opportunities we have here to preach the gospel to the multitudes."

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL PASTOR JOINS IN PROTEST

Dr. Day Says: Suppress 'Queen of Moulin Rouge'

Dr. William Horace Day attacked the "indecent stage" at the First Congregational church in a sermon on Christmas question, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" He said: "The church member who attends tomorrow night's performance at the Auditorium is like Cain. He gives the same answer to the question: 'Am I my brother's keeper?'"

DR. WISHARD PREACHES AT HIGHLAND PARK CHURCH

Celebrating his eighty-fifth birthday anniversary, the Rev. S. E. Wishard conducted a special old folks service yesterday morning at the Highland Park Presbyterian church and preached an eloquent sermon.

DR. WISHARD, WHO HAS COMPLETED FIFTY-THREE YEARS IN THE ACTIVE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH, IS WELL KNOWN IN LOS ANGELES. IN PREPARATION FOR THE SERVICE HE WAS SEEN TO CONVEY BY AUTO TO THE CHURCH. IT WAS FILLED BY MANY FRIENDS OF THE CLERGYMAN FROM ALL PARTS OF THE CITY.

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DR. WISHARD SERVED AS A MISSIONARY AMONG THE MORMONS IN UTAH AND SINCE RETIRING HAS DEVOTED MUCH OF HIS TIME TO LITERARY WORK, PUBLISHING TWO BOOKS ON RELIGIOUS THEMES. THREE YEARS AGO, AT THE AGE OF 82, HE WENT TO CHINA ALONE TO VISIT HIS DAUGHTER, WHO IS A MISSIONARY THERE WITH HER HUSBAND.

Dr. Wishard served as a missionary among the Mormons in Utah and since retiring has devoted much of his time to literary work, publishing two books on religious themes. Three years ago, at the age of 82, he went to China alone to visit his daughter, who is a missionary there with her husband.

GOLDEN RULE POLICE ARREST LIVELY 'GHOST'

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 18.—It was at the peaceful hour of 3 o'clock yesterday morning and Lieut. Doering was sitting in the seventh precinct station writing out his reports. Except for the distant hum of the owl cars not a sound could be heard.

Suddenly the stillness was broken by a shout. A man was heard running toward the station. The lieutenant half rose from his chair as the front door flew open and a hatless, excited citizen burst in. His eyes stuck out and he was gasping.

"Ghosts!" he panted. "Blankety blank ghosts runnin' around your ol' precinct. Scarin' everybody. Un'erstan'?" Scarin' everybody. Scarin' me. Why don't yuh run 'im in? He oughter get ev'rybody. I'll buy drinks for crowd if bloomin' ghosts ain't out night hawkin'."

Lieut. Doering ran to the door and looked up the street. He made out a white form standing in the pale glow of a street light. The patrol wagon, with Patrolman Cunneen, was sent after the "ghost."

Cunneen came back with a flesh and blood man, clad in a night shirt. Evidently the man was delirious. He said he lived at Broadway southeast and Union avenue.

"Who is your doctor?" asked Doering. The man told him. The doctor was telephoned and he said that the man was Wesley Green, 40, 4069 East Eighty-second street, who is suffering from typhoid fever.

Green was taken home in the patrol, after being bundled up in blankets by the police. A search party had already started out for him, as it had been discovered that he had escaped from his bedroom.

The excited person who turned in the alarm still stood around. "That wasn't a ghost," said Doering. "You'd better go home."

"Suppose I don't know ghosts when I see 'em? Twas ghost. You're 'traid to pinch 'im. It's that golden rule and you don't pinch ghosts. I'm going home."

PROTEST AND BACK OFFICERS OF THE CITY IN SPITE OF THE MONEY BACK OF THIS KIND OF THING IS AS BAD AS JUDAS WHO BETRAYED AN INNOCENT MAN FOR A FEW PIECES OF SILVER.

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CLERGY PENSION FUND PROGRESSES

First Triennial Report of Episcopal Church Commission Reaches L. A.

ENDEAVOR TO RAISE 5 MILLION

Result of Investigation Shows Average Minister's Salary Is \$700 a Year

The first triennial report of the five-million-dollar general clergy pension fund commission of the Episcopal church has reached Los Angeles and is proving of special interest to the many friends of the Rev. J. J. Wilkins, former dean and rector of St. Paul's pro-cathedral, who has served as secretary and general field agent toward raising the fund.

The movement toward raising such a pension fund was inaugurated in the diocesan convention of the diocese of Los Angeles, 1907, and presented as a memorial from this diocese to the general convention of the church which met that year and which unanimously endorsed the movement.

Dr. Wilkins, then stationed in Los Angeles, was appointed secretary of the movement, and in 1908 assumed the work of raising the fund, toward which a goodly sum has already been attained and the work has been firmly established.

The report says our average clergyman is really a pauper. This has been disputed. It has recently been contended that, generally speaking, his income is quite sufficient for his needs, and much more desperately small it is not, rather than deplored. But the last report of the United States census bureau on this subject effectually shatters that absurd fiction. It shows, by figures indisputable, that the average annual salary paid to the clergy of this church in cities of the first, second, third and fourth class—in cities, that is, ranging in population from 25,000 to 100,000—is only \$1242, and if it be only that in the indulgence of the frontier, where clergy wear out their lives in the loneliness of a heart-breaking isolation, and if they do, some of them, of an old and large diocese in which the average salary is only \$665 per year. Of another that it remains from \$700 to \$300.

All this forces us, in the absence of better, real information, to conclude that the salary paid by this American church, to its ministers, is a disgrace to our culture, to her average citizen, and, as the secretary of the general clergy relief fund has published abroad, studies together upon many of the best of the church, his wife—must live like gentilefolk. Impossible! Yet they are gentilefolk, and they do, some of them, live like gentilefolk who do not murmur, who make no complaint.

The Christian Endeavor society of Los Angeles is planning to do a work of charity for the inmates of the county hospital. Wednesday of this week a present will be given each patient at the hospital. A Christmas tree will be given to the inmates of the county hospital. Wednesday of this week a present will be given each patient at the hospital. A Christmas tree will be given to the inmates of the county hospital.

Mrs. E. R. Hudson, superintendent of the hospital benevolent work, will have charge of the Christmas tree. She will have charge of the Christmas tree. She will have charge of the Christmas tree.

Mrs. F. P. Rossiter will have charge of the program to be presented by the junior orchestras of the city and Miss Margaret Jarman will give several songs.

Gifts will be received by the Endeavorers at 215 O. T. Johnson building and gratefully acknowledged.

Dark Men Perpetrate Dark Deeds in Dark Places

Holdups by negro footpads have become so frequent during the past week that the city detectives have received orders to go to special lengths to round up the colored robbers.

In each case the negroes have followed their victim until he has reached a dark, shaded spot. Here one rushed in front of the victim, ordering him to stop and threatening him with a revolver while the others in the gang went through his pockets. In most of the robberies two negroes have taken part, though in one instance there were as many as four.

That portion of the road between Eugene, Ore., and Weed, Cal., which is now the main line, will be in the position of a branch or a connecting link between these two cities. Ashland, Med. rd., Grants Pass and other growing cities will not be on the main line.

JOHN S. WILLETTTS. NOTED POPULIST IN KANSAS, DEAD

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 18.—John S. Willetts, the first Populist candidate for governor of Kansas, who made a close but unsuccessful race against Governor Lyman U. Humphreys in 1890, when the Farmers' Alliance was gaining tremendous headway in Kansas, died suddenly at his home at Mc-Louth, Kas., this afternoon. Death was due to heart disease.

The Populists always claimed that Willetts was "counted out" in 1890 when he made the race for governor, and these charges of election fraud helped in 1892 to bring about the election of Lorenzo D. Lovelling, the first Populist governor the state ever had.

WOMEN AND MEN ROLL NAKED IN SNOWBANK TO REGAIN YOUTH

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Seven men and three women, devoid of raiment, wallowed and rolled in the snow in a back yard at Evanston in the belief that thus they would renew their youth. The youngest was 45, the oldest 65.

The women were separated from the men by an eight-foot board fence, over which they threw snowballs at one another.

The institution where this took place is the Kosmos Physical Culture sanitarium, and the "cure" is known as the "first aid to nature."

Dr. Henry E. Lane, who conducts the sanitarium, had a similar place on the north side until he was forced to leave because of the criticisms of his neighbors.

The snow cure is combined with the sun cure, and in both treatments Dr. Lane insists on nudity.

CERTIFICATES DISAPPEAR; CHINESE WANTS \$30,000

Suit in Texas Shows Value Set on Privilege to Enter the United States

(Special to The Herald)

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 18.—It is worth \$10,000 to a Chinaman to be admitted into the United States, according to the amount in suits filed in the district court here by Chinese laborers, Ng Lee and Ng Yoo. Alleging unlawful seizure of certificates permitting them to remain in this country, the Chinese have sued the United States immigration officers, secret service operators and officials of the customs department. Each plaintiff asks damages in the amount of \$15,000. Each certificate is valued at \$10,000, and in addition to this amount each sues for \$5000 for exemplary damages.

In their petition the Chinese state that last September they were in possession of certificates which permitted them to remain in the United States as Chinese laborers; that they returned to China, taking their certificates with them, and that just before starting back to the United States they mailed the certificates to a registered letter to June Lee, a fellow countryman in San Antonio, to insure safe delivery.

When they arrived here and demanded of Lee their papers he handed them the empty envelopes in which the certificates had been mailed from China. The plaintiffs allege that the certificates were unlawfully seized by federal officers.

The attorney for the Chinese states that \$10,000 is a modest valuation. It is a poor Chinese laborer who cannot save \$500 a year. The average Chinese remains in this country between twenty-five and thirty years, and then, with his savings, goes back to the Celestial empire a rich man in the eyes of his countrymen.

MRS. FRANCIS PIERCE DIES, AGED NEARLY FOUR SCORE

Two Sons Prominent in Educational and Church Circles

Mrs. Francis Clark Pierce, wife of the late James Washington Pierce, and mother of Professor Edward T. Pierce, many years the president of the State Normal school here, and of the Rev. C. C. Pierce, pastor of Memorial Episcopal church, died yesterday afternoon following years of declining health. She was 79 years old. Since the death of her husband some years ago, she had lived with her only daughter, Mrs. Catherine Wheat, 1307 West Ninth, where her death occurred.

Mrs. Clark was born in Franklin, N. Y., Dec. 14, 1831. She was married at an early age and lived there until the close of the civil war, in which Mr. Pierce fought until the close. Later the family moved westward, coming to Los Angeles several years ago. Beside Professor Pierce and the Rev. C. C. Pierce, six other sons survive. They are Herbert, Robert W., William H., M. A., E. E. and C. W., all of whom live in Los Angeles.

Private funeral services will be held at the residence Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Burial will take place Tuesday afternoon.

COMPANY LETS CONTRACT FOR TWENTY-SIX DERRICKS

Wealthy Philadelphians Aid North American Petroleum Project

SAN BERNARDINO, Dec. 18.—A contract has been let by the North American Petroleum company for the construction of twenty-six standard derricks, together with various camp buildings, in the Kramer-Barstow district on the Mojave desert in this county. Work is to start at once. Already five camps of machinery and 25,000 feet of lumber with ten miles of line at Haves, in the Santa Fe tracks, five miles south of the field, are on hand.

Wealthy Philadelphians are behind the North American company and are pleased are the directors with the report of their field engineers. That twenty-six derricks will be built at once. They will all be on section 10 of the Hiawatha district. A local syndicate owns all the school land for a radius of a number of miles about the field of the North American company. The first well is to be put down within a few miles of the Kramer Consolidated well, from which tools were stratum have just been recovered. The Kramer people claim that they have struck high gravity oil.

Dr. Anderson has the contract with the North American company and the agreement is on file in the county recorder's office.

RAILROAD 'CUTOFF' WILL MAKE MAIN LINE A BRANCH

New Route to Connect Portland with San Francisco

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 18.—According to the statement of Julius Kruttschnitt, director of operation and maintenance of the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific railroads, Klamath Falls will be on the main line from Portland, Ore., to San Francisco after next June. He has announced that the new "cut-off" will be finished about June 30.

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MINING AND OIL

WOMAN TAKES BREAKS RECORD IN PRODUCTION OF COAL

Report from Geological Survey Shows Total of 2,553,940 Tons in 1909

Statistics compiled by the United States geological survey in co-operation with the bureau of the census show that the total production of coal in Montana in 1909 was 2,553,940 short tons, having a spot value of \$5,029,225.

In this production the state surpassed all previous records, exceeding the earlier highest output 2,016,557 short tons, made in 1907, by 537,383 short tons, or 26.6 per cent. Compared with 1908, when the output was 1,920,190 short tons, the production in 1909 showed an increase of 633,750 short tons, or 33 per cent, and the value increased in slightly greater proportion, from \$3,771,248 to \$5,029,225, a gain of \$1,257,977, or 33.3 per cent. The average price per ton was \$1.97 in 1909, against \$1.96 in 1908.

The increase in production was general throughout the state, but the most important factor was the effect of developments in the Butte mountain field, near Billings, in Yellowstone county. Prior to 1909 no commercial production had been reported from that county.

The development of the Butte mountain field began in 1908, following the advent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railroad, and in 1909 the field produced nearly 200,000 tons.

LARGE INCREASE IN PRODUCTION

The older coal producing districts show large increases in production. Carbon county, in which the Red Lodge field is worked, increased its output 121,552 short tons. The Cottonwood Belt district, in Carbon county, increased its output 11,000 short tons. The Judith basin field is worked, where the largest percentage of gain of the older counties having increased its production from 90,315 short tons in 190