

GAMBLING EXPENSES WERE VERY HEAVY

Daily Account of the Six Local Houses Was \$2,165—Games Often Lost Big Sums Besides—Local Play Was Light.

Prior to the action taken by Sheriff Word in closing the six local gambling establishments they were collectively at an expense of about \$2,165 a day. These figures are secured from authentic sources. Of this amount the Portland club was at a daily expense of about \$615; Eugene Blazier and August Erickson, \$500 each; Fred Fritz and Jack Blazier, \$250 each, and the Mason cafe \$200.

In order to stand such an outlay it is evident that the income of the gambling houses must have been large. This is true, when averages were taken at the end of a year and ultimate winnings considered, but during the dull season several of the houses barely paid expenses and one or two are said to have run at an actual loss. It is claimed, moreover, and the facts kept on file are produced to prove the statement, that from 60 to 90 per cent of the money made by the gambling houses was what is termed "transient coin," that is, was won from men traveling through the city.

Money in Transient Play.
"If we had depended on local play for our money," said Nate Solomon, "we would have been forced out of business in a week. It is principally the men traveling through the city that frequent gambling houses, and it is seldom that a local player is what is known as a 'plunger.' There are a few of them, but they are the exception rather than the rule."

Considerable mystery attaches to a gambling house in the minds of most people. Many look on all gambling games as "sure things" affairs, and are of the opinion that to go into one of them means nothing but "dropping a wad of money." That the percentage is always in favor of the establishment, except on what are called "case cards" at faro, is true. The proprietors of the houses admit frankly that otherwise they would not be "in the business." But they are frequently hit good and hard by some lucky player and sometimes play in poor luck for an extended period.

Coin Refunded Families.
No complaints have been registered in Portland for a long time about games being run "crooked." It is also a remarkable fact that the most "of the trouble has been with out-of-town players or their families. Several women have come to the city from other places and demanded money back which their husbands had lost. It is said that in numerous instances demands were made for money that had not been lost, husbands going on sprees, spending their money and then claiming to have lost it in the card rooms. Usually money was refunded to the families when it was shown that they would otherwise be left without means of support.

Club Losses at Faro.
For the last three months before the place was closed, it is said, the club made little money. The two faro games ran behind \$1,000 in that period. What are known as "side games"—roulette, blackjack (or "21"), craps and other forms of play—made the usual winnings. But the play was very light, so much so in fact, that it was common talk among the players that some of them might find themselves out of a job by what is known as the "gravy shift" being taken off in the case of the roulette wheel and craps. The club men state, however, that they never had any intention of cutting these games out of the shift, which is from 2 to 10 o'clock in the morning.

At Erickson's a few devices not employed by the Portland club were in use, including the wheel of fortune. These wheels are placed on the wall and are

spun round by the dealer, a bit of cardboard or other material operating to cause them gradually to decrease in speed and finally stop. Chips or money are placed on numbers or colors. The percentage in such games is greatly against the player. Erickson's expense of \$500 a day included his concert hall and three bars.

Other Devices Employed.
Still another device is employed at Fritz. It is composed of several large dice in a wire frame, which is swung round and stopped quickly by the dealer. Betting is on numbers and on combinations. The percentage is largely against the player in this game. The wheel of fortune was also used at Eugene Blazier's.

At all the houses poker was played in side rooms. Poker is largely a game of skill as well as luck, and when a square game is dealt, the player was sure of being out the "rakeoff." While the wheel percentage is heavily in favor of the house, the game is usually played, roulette is one of the few gambling devices that cannot be "fixed." The odds against the player on colors, odds and evens and the first or the second 18 numbers are slightly more than five per cent. They mount upward, varying with the form of play. The wheel is looked on as a good "money maker," as are craps and blackjack. Faro might be out out if there was not a demand for the game.

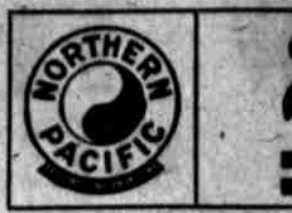
One interesting point not commonly recognized, which stands gambling houses well in hand from a financial standpoint, is that no matter how much the most men win keep on playing until in time the percentage against them tells and they lose all their winnings and a great deal more besides. On the other hand, when most players lose at the start, they keep on playing in the hope of redeeming their losses until they "go broke." Many times local houses would have "been in the hole," to use language commonly employed, had players quit when their winnings were large.

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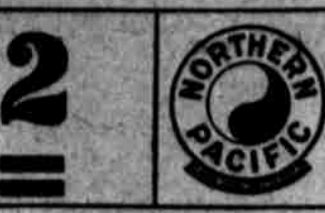
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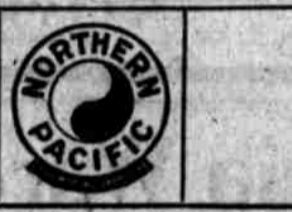


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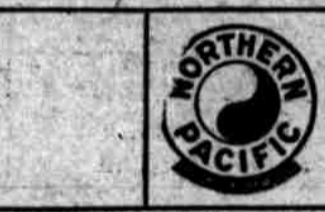


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SALVATION ARMY PIONEER COMING

MRS. STILLWELL WILL DELIVER SEVERAL ADDRESSES DURING THE WEEK AND URGES TWO MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL CORPS IN MARRIAGE.

Local members of the Salvation Army are deeply interested in the visit to this city of Mrs. Brigadier Stillwell, pioneer officer of the army work in Oregon and Washington. Brigadier Stillwell is expected to arrive here during the coming week and will deliver several addresses while in the city.

The first meeting will be held at the Salvation hall, 255 Davis street, August 1. Mrs. Stillwell will speak at the headquarters of the corps in marriage. The corps is in charge of Ensign Bigney and Captain Holston. Next Saturday night the first meeting will be held at the headquarters of Corps No. 4, 123 First street.

Sunday morning she will deliver an address at the Minnah Presbyterian church, Powell and Twelfth streets, and in the evening at Grace Methodist church, Taylor and Twelfth streets. On her trip to Portland she will be accompanied by Adj. E. C. Organ, matron of the Rescue home in this city, Ensign Mary Foster and others. The Salvation Army Northern Pacific staff brass band will furnish music at all the meetings.

The Sunday meetings will not interfere with the regular services at headquarters, which will be held as usual. On Monday night the last of the series of meetings conducted by Mrs. Stillwell in this city will be held at 123 First street.

Mrs. Brigadier Stillwell is now secretary for the rescue and alms work on the Pacific coast, and her visit to Portland will be primarily in the interest of these branches of the service. It is 18 years since the work was begun in this city.

The first corps was stationed on Burnside street between Fourth and Fifth. Shortly after a second corps was established on the east side on Union avenue. The two corps were under separate administrations. The introduction of the Salvationists to Portland was not deeply appreciated by the city, especially on the east side, and the few couples, who had the temerity to march along the streets were often pelted with rotten eggs, decayed vegetables and similar missiles.

Finally a number of the army were arrested and thrown in the East Portland jail. Among the number that were imprisoned was Maj. J. N. Parker, who was an adjutant at that time, and is now in charge of the work in Oregon and Washington. The major's sister, Ensign Mary Parker, is now secretary for Major and Mrs. Dublin, divisional officers for Oregon and Washington. Judge Williams, the present mayor of the city, defended the Salvationists and succeeded in securing their liberty.

P. FISHER DIES AT McMINNVILLE
P. Fisher, a son-in-law of Alfred Allen, who lives on the east side, died yesterday at the Hotel McMinville of congestion of the brain. He was confined to his room Thursday morning by an acute attack of chronic kidney trouble, and at 4 o'clock that afternoon was found delirious by the proprietor of the hotel.

MINING JOURNALS BOOM CONGRESS

SPECIAL EDITIONS OF TRADE PAPERS WILL BE ISSUED TO TELL THE MINING WORLD OF ANNUAL MEETING, AND INCIDENTALLY ABOUT PORTLAND.

Different periodicals throughout the country and especially mining journals are manifesting much interest in the coming session of the American mining congress. Many of them are preparing to issue special editions. Secretary Mahon of the congress in its receipt of a letter from the editor of the Denver Daily Mining Record stating that a special Mining Record edition of 25,000 will be published before the congress convenes. This will contain interesting information on the resources and advantages of Oregon and will be elaborately illustrated.

Secretary Mahon has been busy during the past two or three weeks furnishing material, both photographs and information of interesting parts of Oregon and especially of the mineral producing sections of this state, to these periodicals which are going to issue special.

Ex-Governor Henry T. Gage of Los Angeles, Cal., has consented to appear on the program and will address the congress on some subject not yet chosen, as will also Judge James A. Gibson of the same city. J. J. Greenherold of California will deliver an address on "Radium."

Preparations are being made for removing the headquarters of the secretary from the city hall to the armory where the congress will convene. In all probability the change will take place in about a week, or as soon as arrangements are made for the mining exhibits which are going to be sent to the congress.

Appointments of the following additional delegates have been received at headquarters: Charles N. Herrell, governor of South Dakota, has appointed; Elwood C. Pershore, Vermillion; C. C. O'Hara, Rapid City; J. M. Lawson, Aberdeen; S. G. Russell, W. E. Ely, and Harris Franklin, Deadwood; Jonathan Wright, Custer; Fred Cross, W. S. O'Brien, T. H. Goodman and A. L. Reed, Lead; F. R. Baldwin, Mattland; C. B. Amesen, Roubidoux; John Blatchford, Terry, and John Gray, Terraville.

G. R. Chrisman, mayor of the city of Eugene, Or., has appointed; Otto Olsson, Will. G. Gilstrap and A. W. Walker, have appointed; W. L. Connell, R. G. Brooks and James S. MacAnally, have appointed; George F. Wolz, mayor of the city of Fremont, Neb., has appointed; H. C. Brunner, Thomas Carroll and Robert Bridger, have appointed.

W. F. Nichols, acting governor of Arizona, has appointed; John H. Page, Grandview; Walter Douglas, Bisbee; W. E. Deery and L. E. Hewins, Phoenix; Col. Thomas Ewing, Los Angeles; J. E. A. Haggart, Mayer; A. D. Barnhart, Prescott; C. E. Mills, Morenci; Howard W. Kemper, Kingman; Thomas Hughes, Nogales; John J. Martin, Fortuna; N. G. Berry, Globe; R. R. Richardson, Patagonia and W. F. Staunton, Tombstone.

Commissioners of the District of Columbia, Washington, D. C., have appointed; S. F. Emmons, J. S. Diller and F. L. Ransome, have appointed.

VISITING PAUPERS ARE BURDENSOME

COUNTY OFFICIALS OBJECT TO INDIGENT PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN MULTNUMAH INSTITUTIONS AFTER BEING SHIPPED OUT BY THEIR HOME COUNTY.

Repeated violations of the law prohibiting the authorities of one county sending paupers into another to become public charges have aroused the indignation of County Judge Webster and County Commissioners Barnes and Lightner. A warning will be sent offenders, and if the practice is continued prosecutions will follow.

In the case of Mrs. Telitha Dykstra of Dallas the Polk county superintendent, instead of reimbursing Multnomah for taking care of her for two months, sent in a bill Friday asking that this county bear the expense of providing for her since she returned home, though Mrs. Dykstra has been a resident of Polk county for 27 years, by her own admission. She is the woman who a few days sent a pitiful protest to Judge Webster against being forced to come here and enter the county hospital.

Mike Cuddy arrived in the city yesterday from Davenport, Wash., and applied to Dudley Evans, superintendent of the county board of relief, for a permit to enter the poor farm. The matter was drawn to the attention of Judge Webster, who decided immediately to send the man back to Davenport.

Another man who recently came to the city from Washington is being taken care of at the Grand Army barracks. He came here to receive treatment at the county hospital. He admitted having been shipped to Portland by the King county officials, having made his home until he became paralyzed and a recipient of county aid at Seattle.

At the present time there are 200 inmates of the poor farm and county hospital. The officials declare the expense of the county looking after its own charges is heavy, without these institutions being made a dumping ground for other counties of the state and for Seattle. It was only three months ago that an afflicted man had to be sent back to Seattle, the authorities there having shipped him here to get rid of him.

In answer to the notification of the Polk county officials that they would expect to be reimbursed for taking care of Mrs. Dykstra, Judge Webster mailed a letter yesterday stating that the woman, by her own admission, is a resident of that county and had been one for 27 years. She was in this city only five weeks, not long enough to gain a residence, but was cared for at the county hospital during that time.

From letters received here since she went to your county," writes Judge Webster, "we are convinced that she belongs there and has relatives with whom she could stay or who should look after her."

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- March—"Cassara's Triumphal" Mitchell
- Waltzes—"Jolly Girls" Vollstedt
- Overture—"The Mill on the Cliff" Reissiger
- B. F. Driscoll
- Selection from the musical comedy, "Prince of Fieslen" Luder
- INTERMISSION
- Grand selection—"Cavaleria Rusticana" Mascagni
- Selected Messrs. Brown, Miller, Wahn and Wansstrom
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ODOROUS LAUNDRY HAS A HISTORY

The Chinese laundry at 246 Sixth street which has been placed temporarily out of commission by Charles E. Runyon securing a restraining order in the circuit court, is a concern with a history. For years efforts have been made to close the place on account of the noxious and health-threatening odors originating there, and it was only after such gentle persuaders as dynamite bombs

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