

CALL FOR BRIBERY

Ministers Oppose Licensing Gambling.

MAYOR'S POLICY ATTACKED

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"FINING SYSTEM VICIOUS"

Pulpits of the City Are to Unite in Fighting Open Gambling—While Opposing Mayor, Ministers Say They Esteem Him Personally.

Although the Mayor announces himself as opposed to gambling, and though the law forbids gambling, yet he deliberately authorizes the open violation of the law and announces such authorization as a part of his public policy.

MINISTERS ON THE MAYOR'S POLICY.

After intensifying in some degree the language of its committee, the Ministers Association yesterday adopted a statement regarding the municipal policy under which gambling is practically licensed by the city.

The committee, composed of Rev. E. L. House, Rev. E. P. Hill, Rev. J. R. Lathrop, Rev. Albyn Esson and Rev. H. J. Talbot, which was appointed by the association to investigate and report on the matter, presented its findings to a general meeting of the ministers yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The report of the committee is as follows: "The committee's report was prepared by Dr. H. J. Talbot at the request of Dr. House, and was concurred in by all the members.

The association, however, desired that the language of the report should be even more pointed than that used by the committee, and Dr. House was accordingly instructed to make some changes in the document before giving it out for publication.

The report makes no recommendations as to what the ministers or the public should do, but confines itself to condemning the present policy on various counts. Nor will the ministers themselves give any indication of what suppressive action they contemplate taking in the future.

Pulpits to Ring With Attacks. At the close of the meeting yesterday afternoon a motion was adopted requesting all the ministers of the city to attack the administration's policy from their pulpits on Sunday next, and it is possible that some scathing sermons will be the result.

The report of the committee as finally adopted by the association reads as follows: From interviews with Mayor Williams and from other sources of information we have ascertained certain facts which we wish to lay before the public concerning the attitude and policy of the present city administration toward gambling-houses in the city.

It is claimed that the present administration found at the beginning of its term of office that, contrary to law, gambling was being permitted and protected.

Also that the proprietors of gambling establishments purchased such protection by the payment of money to officials whose duty it was to suppress gambling and close the houses.

It is stated that the present administration attempted to enforce the law by prohibiting gambling and closing the gambling-houses; but that such attempts failed because funds could not be secured that would convict the proprietors of gambling-houses for their violation of law.

It was shown that the regular revenues of the city were insufficient to meet the necessary expenses of the municipal government and the administration was badly in need of funds for that purpose.

NEW SCHOOL RECORD

Opening Day Shows Attendance of 11,045.

INCREASE OF 1205 IN A YEAR

Prolonged Vacation Brings in a Rush of Students—Within a Few Weeks an Enrollment of 12,000 is Expected.

School opened yesterday morning, and more than 11,000 pupils were enrolled at the various schools of the city. The day was a record-breaker in the matter of attendance, which was the largest for open-

Major's Duty to Enforce Law.

We do not understand that it is the province of the Mayor to make laws, to modify law, or to suspend law, but that it is his duty to enforce law.

SEEK A MISSING LASSIE.

Dr. E. F. Tucker and Robert C. Yenny on a Hunt.

Somewhere in South Portland a lady of high degree is wandering homeless, masterless and probably foodless. She is an Alfrede terrier, and answered "the call" to the wild days of a few weeks ago from England. Had the professional ethics of a hackman allowed him to halt a funeral procession, she would probably have been captured, but not even the thought of the large reward offered could induce the driver at the head of the cortege to commit such an act.

Dr. Robert C. Yenny is a dog fancier, and his Alfrede terrier, Lassie, is a considerable expense he imported a beautiful female straight from the bonny banks of Alfrede. Highly disgusted by the long, tedious passage, Lassie arrived in Portland while Dr. Yenny was absent from the city. Her advent had been expected, however, and Dr. E. F. Tucker received her with all the honors due her status, her pedigree, and incidentally, her price.

Lassie took one look at the climate and decided she didn't like it. She was homesick, and the American accent bored her to the very marrow. At a high-toned Scotch lady being traded in such a manner was very disagreeable to her sensibilities. She turned her delicate nose to the heavens and moaned aloud for Scotland. Portland made her tired.

Dr. Tucker did what he could to reconcile Lassie to her new surroundings. Medical advice she treated with scorn, and the doctor's dog turned down on her. After she had been in the city about three days he thought a carriage drive about the city would help to whittle away the time until Dr. Yenny returned and Lassie was off his hands. She is off his hands now, but that is the worst of all.

With Lassie tucked away in a hamper behind his trap, Dr. Tucker drove out to some friends on Eleventh street. His horse trotted along at a lively gait, and in turning a sharp corner Miss Lassie, that Scotch lady of high degree, was shot out upon the asphalt in a most undignified manner.

Oh, but Lassie was mad! Dr. Tucker made an examination of her dainty body and found that she had received no injuries. So he thought she would follow the trap to his friend's. Disgusted to the very end of her tail, Lassie trailed along behind the trap. The trap was hitched up and the front door closed. Lassie was left to her own resources.

"Just fawney me staying with that man after he has treated me in such a beastly way," said Lassie to herself, and she trotted off down the street. Dr. Tucker had been confident that Lassie would stay by the trap until he returned. But no Lassie was there.

It was up to Dr. Tucker to find the dog before her rightful owner returned. He told every one he knew, and advertised in the papers, but Lassie is still on the missing list.

It was a hackdriver employed by the United Carriage Company who first saw Lassie after her indignation leave-taking of Dr. Tucker. He was leading a long funeral procession to Riverside cemetery, when he saw Fulton he spotted a dog of Lassie's description by the road. He had read the description and remembered the reward. But he couldn't stop the funeral procession to catch a dog, and though Lassie was in sight for several minutes he had to forego the chance of that nice big reward. She has been seen several times since, and was hanging around Day's mill at Fulton street.

Lassie is a rough-coated female Alfrede terrier, with black body and tan head and legs. She wore a light leather collar with brass fittings. Both Dr. Tucker and Dr. Yenny will joyfully receive any news of the aristocratic canine.

DON'T PAY POLICEMEN.

Money for Their Services Should Go to the Chief.

Regarding the action of policemen in demanding money for their services at the street carnival, Mayor Williams said yesterday that the officers have no right to charge for extra services, under the charter, although the money should be paid to the chief and not to the patrolmen.

"Any corporation or person wishing to employ a policeman for services outside the regular line of duty should make the fact known to the chief," said Mayor Williams. "The chief will collect the charges, and the receipt will be turned over to the credit of the police and firemen's relief fund. However, no policeman is allowed to make any such collection, and the law forbids any policeman taking money or remuneration of any sort for any kind of public service. I will file charges of malfeasance in office against him."

Summer weakness can be avoided if the blood is purified by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

DEATH OF WILLIAM A. ATLEE

Old-Time Employee of Wells, Fargo & Co. Passes Away.

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William A. Atlee, who died Sunday morning at the residence of Mrs. J. H. Lucas, his sister, in this city, was well known to the pioneers of Portland, having been agent for Wells, Fargo & Co. here during the years 1871-2, preceding Colonel Dudley Evans, now president of the company. Prior to this, he spent about six years in Eugene, going to that point in 1866, serving as clerk in a store. About 1862 he was made superintendent of Tracy & Co.'s Express, which had an extensive business between Portland and Northern Idaho, and which was soon afterward enlarged by absorption of Rockefeller and Moesman's Express, which operated in the Boise Basin. The mining excitement which had brought Lewiston and the surrounding country into prominence was short-lived, and the express business dwindled to small proportions, and was finally discontinued, the field of operation being transferred to Southern Idaho.

Mr. Atlee was placed in charge of the recent country with a view of opening that territory. The total length will be 156 miles, and it is expected that all will be completed in two years.

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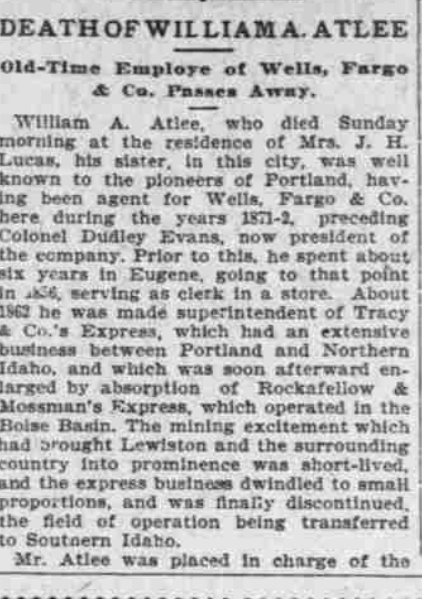
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WAITING FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL TO BEGIN



PUPILS AT ENTRANCE OF HARRISON-STREET SCHOOL.

ing day in the history of Portland. To be exact, 11,047 students were enrolled, an increase of 1205 over last year, despite the fact that the Highland School, with its several hundred pupils, remained closed. The contractors have agreed to have the Highland School ready for occupancy next Monday.

Fortunately, the distribution of pupils was such that none of the schools was seriously overcrowded. The half-day class system will be necessary only at the Central and North Central Schools, and at only one in two or three classes of the lower grades. The attendance at these schools was comparatively heavier than in any other districts.

Just how heavy the attendance was in the county schools could not be ascertained, as the enrollment reports have not yet reached the office of the County Superintendent. All of the 70 county schools opened with the exception of the Warrandale School, which is not yet finished. Reports of the attendance are expected to-day.

City Superintendent Rigler attributes the heavy city attendance of yesterday as much to the fact of the prolonged vacation as to the year's increase in population. If school had been opened on schedule time, September 15, the attendance would possibly have been much lighter. Taking yesterday's influx as a criterion, Superintendent Rigler believes the attendance will have reached 12,000 in the course of a few weeks.

The enrollment returns of the various schools showing the number of pupils entered at each during yesterday follows:

Table with 2 columns: School Name and Enrollment. Includes entries like Williams Ave., 485; Portland, 118; Bolander, 445; Benton, 101; Fernwood, 120; McKay Green, 101; North Central, 120; Thompson, 677; Superior, 484; Albina Central, 179; Lincoln, 120; Warrandale, 691; Clinton Kelly, 301; Couch, 683; Millard, 220; Park, 723; Sunnyvale, 467; Harrison, 122; Alameda, 121; Felling, 678; Marquam, 100; Portland, 102; High School, 98; Fulton, 96; Woodlawn, 250.

Nearly all the details of enrollment were completed yesterday, and today will be devoted to classifying new pupils, distributing classes, and assigning lessons. Before the end of the week all the preliminaries will have been completed and the pupils will have settled down to hard work.

Book and stationery stores were the scene of unusual activity during the afternoon, after the students had learned what books they would require for their studies. Many hundred books were sold, and the activity in school supplies is expected to continue during the entire week.

DO YOU WANT A DOG?

Mayor Williams Allows Farmers to Take Their Pick in the Pound.

The hapless canines that meet death in the city stray pound simply because there is no one of the humane family that takes sufficient interest in them to pay a dog license have a friend in Mayor Williams. The Mayor admits that it is necessary to keep the ranks of the homeless curas thinned out, especially in the city, but he believes that death is a penalty too severe for the mere fact of their existence on earth. By the Mayor's orders any one living in the county may, henceforth, take his pick of the dogs in the poundkeeper's cages, and the dogs may escape the executioner by being taken outside the city limits to live. This order, it is believed, will have the effect of saving the lives of many untaxed canines. There are many exceedingly fine dogs that get into the poundkeeper's clutches, and it is thought there will be no small number of farmers avail themselves of the Mayor's new order.

Electric Roads From Fresno.

FRESNO, Cal., Sept. 21.—Articles of incorporation are ready to be filed by the Fresno Traction Company. The capital stock of the new corporation will be \$500,000. It is the object of the coming to this valley of Henry E. Huntington with his electric line enterprises, although his name is not mentioned in the papers of incorporation. The scheme of the incorporators is to construct four electric roads all leading from Fresno to the ad-

AGAIN SPEAKS FOR CANADA

Attorney-General Finlay Before the Alaska Boundary Commission.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Attorney-General Finlay, at today's session of the Alaska Boundary Commission, continued his argument in behalf of Canada, citing the utterances of American officials and passages in the American case which he argued upheld Canadian contentions.

The Attorney-General declared that the inlets of Alaska must be considered territorial waters. In this connection, Lord Chief Justice Alverstone called the attention of the Norwegian Commissioners in the Behring Sea arbitration, that the waters of the fjords of Norway were territorial, and that the coast of that peninsula subsequently represented a line drawn from headland to headland.

The Attorney-General said that this principle should be applied to Alaska. Lord Alverstone apparently was unwilling to bind himself to such a sweeping application, and suggested that, owing to geographical peculiarities, it was impossible to apply to Alaska some principles applicable elsewhere.

The Attorney-General quoted the contention of the United States in the Behring Sea arbitration in support of the Canadian view of territorial waters, and as the American contention did not prevail on that occasion, Lord Alverstone said it could not now be used in favor of Canada. Attorney-General Finlay occupied the entire day. He will conclude his argument tomorrow.

Norwegian-Danish Conference.

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 21.—At the closing session of the Norwegian-Danish conference of the M. E. Church today, Bishop Hamilton announced the appointments, which include the following presidents: California district, Elbert J. Lundegard; of Oakland; Montana district, Nellis P. Hansen; of Butte; Oregon district, Chris L. Hansen; of Portland; Washington district, Joseph Olsen, of Tacoma.

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Some Prices and Further Details.

A nice new and reliable upright piano for \$100.

One in mahogany, \$118. Several in resolute walnut cases, double-veneer, ivory keys and ebony sharps, \$128.

Still other styles, \$137. One-tenth of the amount down and 25 cents per month buys them.

These are not to exceed a carload and a half of these pianos. They are not second-hand, not even shop-worn, but time is shorter and everything on our door is to be sold.

We have now, but we won't have Saturday a number of the highest grade of cabinet grand upright pianos that retail everywhere for \$350 to \$500, but they're going out here by Saturday if we have time to go to say split prices in two; but we will take that much. However, we're going to make it worth your while to be here now.

We said we would close out all of our stock, and we're going to do it. We firmly believe that never again will it be possible for you to buy pianos and organs on the terms at which we're now going to close them out.

If you are not quite ready to take advantage of our come in and make your selection anyway. A small deposit will hold them.

Remember that a great many high-grade upright pianos, medium size, which ought to bring \$250 and \$300 are on hand here at \$125 to \$150. Special terms to close out quickly, \$20 in cash and \$10 a month.

The line of pianos made by the "Chamberling of Boston, Weber of New York, and the New Scale Kimball of Chicago." Besides these, there are innumerable other line makes, such as the Vose, Decker & Son, Bush & Gerts, Knabe, Steinway, Brinkerhoff, Fiske, Lester, Philadelphia's great piano, etc., etc., all of which are on sale here at less than small dealers' wholesale prices.

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