

ABSENTEES STOP COUNCIL MEETING

No Quorum Obtainable to Pass Initiative Against Saloons to the Voters.

FIVE MEMBERS STAY AWAY

Those Who Blocked Efforts of Anti-Saloon League Are: Foeller, Merrill, Rumelin, Sherrett and Zimmerman.

Those present at the Council meeting yesterday:	Albee, Bentley, Fiessel, Whiting, Zimmerman.
Those whose absence prevented a quorum:	Foeller, Merrill, Rumelin, Sherrett, Zimmerman.

By process of filibustering tactics, a few members of the City Council yesterday thwarted the will of more than 3000 voters.

In conformity with due notice, it had been arranged for the Council to assemble at 10 o'clock yesterday morning for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 33, article 1, chapter 2 of the city charter, to the effect that "whenever there shall be presented to the Council a petition signed by a number of voters equal to 15 per cent of the vote cast at the last preceding city election, asking that an ordinance, to be set forth in such petition, be submitted to a vote of the electors of the city, the Council must submit such proposed ordinance to the vote of the electors at the next city election; but such ordinance shall not be valid unless within the powers herein granted to the Council."

In accordance with the prayer set forth in a long petition filed with the City Auditor, and containing the names of upwards of 3000 voters gathered from the best portions of Portland, Mayor Williams issued a call for the City Council to assemble at the hour indicated yesterday morning for the purpose of taking the required action.

Those Who Were Active.

Those who were active in circulating the petition requesting the City Council to submit the foregoing ordinance to the voters of the municipality were: E. O. Miller, L. B. Rhodes, Robert Finley, Jordan C. Adams, P. E. Willis, R. V. Pratt, Levi Reed, C. E. Morgan, S. L. Mullan, C. R. Donnell, F. S. Akin, J. S. Hamilton, P. W. Miller, F. W. Nelson, O. H. Simmons, E. W. Godfrey, E. S. McAllister, Charles H. Howard, C. Lombardi, E. W. Harlow, Levi Johnson, William Horan, C. W. Hays, M. C. Van Tyne, W. W. Morse, S. M. Myers, E. C. Lapham, E. P. Bennett, L. H. Hewitt, W. M. Wynne, H. C. Krump, M. Carter, F. L. Young, Lionel L. Paget, C. N. Rankin, Charles A. Lindell, Ebenezer M. Blane, Arden M. Rockwood, G. H. Heston, Will S. Hale, Charles H. Heston, Hutchingson, E. S. Johnson, William Stuel, J. H. Cole, W. C. Cole, E. D. Patterson, H. R. Beckwith, E. Quackenbush, Daniel D. Warner, P. J. Bennett, W. S. Wright, Samuel Connell, Earl J. Brodough, J. R. Wilson and W. H. Markell.

In the short space of two days more than 20 per cent of the voters of the city attached their signatures to the document. These names were all gathered along the commercial highways and business marts, and from among the homes of the best part of the community, and the names were vouched for by the sworn affidavits of those whose names are given above.

Under the circumstances, it was naturally supposed that a majority of the members of the Council would be on hand to render respectful attention to the demands of their constituents, but in this public was disappointed, because, when the hour approached for the municipal body to go into session, it was plain to everybody that enough members of the body would remain away to prevent a quorum and thus defeat the ordinance of those who had appealed to them for relief.

Those members of the Council who were in their seats when the City Auditor called the roll were: H. R. Albee, Ninth Ward; A. K. Bentley, Fourth Ward; A. F. Fiessel, Tenth Ward; J. P. Sharkey, Eighth Ward; and Dr. Sanford Whiting, Councilman-at-Large. The following were absent: L. Zimmerman, First Ward; C. E. Rumelin, First Ward; Matt Foeller, Second Ward; Fred T. Merrill, Third Ward; and D. T. Sherrett, Seventh Ward. All had been properly served with a notice to attend the special meeting of the Council, and were fully aware of its intent.

Sharkey Wants to Adjourn.

Immediately after the roll call, Mr. Sharkey, in response to the announcement that there was no quorum, made a motion to adjourn. There was no second, and Mr. Fiessel asked that the object of Police be instructed to summon the recalcitrant members.

"When shall he bring them here?" inquired Mr. Sharkey, answered Mr. Fiessel.

"Right away," answered Mr. Fiessel.

A recess was then taken for half an hour, during which time those interested in the petition had excellent opportunity for analyzing the situation. Those present to urge the passage of the proposed ordinance were Rev. J. R. Wilson, president of the Anti-Saloon League; A. H. Johnson, Earl C. Broadguth, attorney for the petitioners; Dr. G. L. Tufts, R. Lee Paget, candidate of the Prohibition party for Mayor; J. Thorburn Ross, E. J. S. McAllister, Rev. Henry Marvott, M. J. Blagen, E. Quackenbush and many others more or less prominent in ecclesiastical and temperance circles.

It was the consensus of opinion that there was no valid reason why the absentees should remain away, but a slight hope was entertained that the officers would bring in at least one more member and complete the quorum. Shortly after 11 o'clock Mayor Williams called the Council to order, whereupon a second roll call developed the fact that Councilman Sharkey had disappeared during the recess. No excuse was offered for his departure, the prevailing opinion being that he had become alarmed for fear some other member might be brought in by the police and thus create a quorum. At all events, he lost no time in getting away as soon as the recess was taken, and a few minutes later was observed going up Fifth street at such a rapid rate that he hit only the high places in his flight.

Fiessel asked that a recess be taken until 12 P. M.

Albee declared: "I am willing to remain here 48 hours, if necessary."

"So am I," replied Fiessel, "but we can accomplish nothing by taking a recess until this afternoon 5 o'clock as per-

mit the police department to gather a quorum."

Albee consented to this arrangement, and Fiessel's motion was adopted unanimously.

Fiessel then suggested to the petitioners that they "get busy and hunt up the absent members. The police are evidently looking over their heads," said he, "and the best thing you can do is to go with the officers and show them where either Zimmerman, Foeller, Merrill, Rumelin or Sherrett are located."

When some of the representatives of the petitioners considered this good advice, no one seemed to be willing to take the initiative, so that when the hour of assembling arrived there was no change in the attendance of members.

Finally Forced to Adjourn.

As soon as it was seen that no quorum was present at the afternoon session, Bentley moved to adjourn, and the motion was seconded by Whiting. A vote upon the question resulted in an equal division, both Fiessel and Albee opposing adjournment. Later on, however, when it was seen that there was no hope of securing a quorum, Fiessel offered a motion to adjourn, and it carried without a vote being taken. The report of the Chief of Police indicated that Zimmerman had gone to his mine, near Baker City. Merrill was out town on business, both Rumelin and Foeller were alleged to be in Vancouver and Sherrett was working on a plumbing job at Oregon City. By a strange coincidence, all these individuals, who have heretofore been so faithful in their attendance at the Council meetings, found it convenient to remain away when there was really some reasonable excuse for them to be present.

Just what action will be decided upon by those opposed to the location of the saloons near the entrance to the Exposition gates is as yet unknown, as no tangible steps have been taken in the matter. There are hints of mandamus proceedings against the City Auditor to compel him to submit the question to a vote of the people, and there are also rumors of a special election to determine the points at issue, but everything is in the air at the present time, and so many complications are liable to set in, even if the measure carried, that those conducting the saloons feel confident that a sufficient number of legal objections and technicalities could be interposed to tide them over until the Fair closed, which would satisfy their needs.

It is significant of the present situation to note that L. Zimmerman, independent candidate for "Councilman-at-Large" yesterday morning transmitted to the City Auditor his resignation from the contest, and his name will therefore be omitted from the list of candidates for business reasons and a lack of public appreciation of his efforts as his excuse for declining to make the race.

Councilman Rumelin stated last night that he had supposed the Council meeting was at the usual hour, 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and business calling him to a point beyond Vancouver, he had gone there, expecting to return in time for the meeting. While on his way to the City Hall, he said, information reached him that the Council had adjourned, hence he did not appear. "I did not try to avoid the issue," explained Rumelin, "and should have voted against the measure had I been there."

Councilman Merrill had similarly expressed himself in a letter sent to the Council yesterday morning, giving business reasons for staying away.

Councilman Foeller declined to talk about the matter last night, but he would be willing to make a statement today.

Neither Sherrett nor Zimmerman could be found.

THE WONDERS OF HAWAII

E. M. Boyd, of the Hawaiian Promotion Committee, Here.

E. M. Boyd, of Honolulu, is at the Portland for a couple of days' visit in the city, on his return to his home after a few months spent in the East. Mr. Boyd is a member of the Hawaiian Promotion committee and a most enthusiastic exponent of the wonderful things to be had in that country across the sea. Although an old newspaper man, who has long trained in the use of words, and was while in the business counted one of the best word painters, he has now begun to talk up his adopted country, to use his own expression, "drools and runs adjectives at the mouth." He has a motto in telling of the beauties of Hawaii, which is generally "When your country is at its worst and you need a change, come to us, for our country is then at its best." He still has an optimistic glow in the face, and holds to the doctrine that the volences, the brilliancy of its foliage and the happiness of its residents. He is an apostle of happiness and content, and holds to the doctrine that the virtues and balm are to be found in Hawaii in sizes to suit and for the asking.

Mr. Boyd is now attempting to arrange with the steamship companies running between San Francisco and Honolulu for especially low rates during the Summer, in order that those who come to the Coast to see the Fair and want to visit at the same time the extreme West, can take a side trip to the islands at a nominal cost. He is practically assured that his plan will be made and that great inducements will be offered to prospective tourists during the Summer or later in the year. He will leave this evening for San Francisco, preparatory to his departure for home.

Business College Graduates.

Sitting behind a huge bank of flowers on the stage of the Marquam Theater last night, 23 young men and women, graduates of the Holmes Business College, were receiving diplomas from the hands of their principals, the occasion which they had prepared themselves. The house was filled with friends of the graduates.

Following are the names of those who graduated:

Combined course—John M. Dresler, Grace G. Mathews, W. A. Wildrick, John P. Carroll, Hattie A. Brandt, Athena M. Deesler, Sarah E. Smith, Mrs. M. R. Dorellis, S. Dayre Freeman, Geda E. Tallbert, Wister Morris Adair, Magdalene C. Amacher, Maxwell M. Page, Ivis Spencer, Almada Rodin, Agnes M. Dunbar, Sarah M. Jones, Mae McMullen, Hattie E. Currie, Verena Card, Arthur H. Day.

Bookkeeping course—Maurice R. Babcock, Edna M. Britton, Florence M. Stafford, Volna J. White, Mark Goldstein.

Short-hand course—Heien F. Rush, Julia C. Burke, Dora Branham, Cella Chernis, George Mapel, Della M. Mason, Emmett C. Hoffman, Margaret Lee, Susan Smith, Winnifred B. Evans, Mary Otten, Lena Moser, Freida Park, Paloma C. Blumenthal.

An address to the class was delivered by Rev. Clarence True Wilson, D. D., while Rev. Edward M. Sharp pronounced the invocation. Mrs. G. Holmes Lawry, principal of the school, presented the diplomas and C. W. Lawrence gave the medals to the honor students, Misses Julia C. Burke, Heien F. Rush and Paloma C. Blumenthal and John M. Dresler took part in the literary and musical exercises.

Asks Police to Find Wife.

J. F. Johnson, of Hillsboro, called at Police Headquarters yesterday and asked the aid of the officers in a search for his wife and child. The child, a boy, had deserted him recently, and he thought they came to Portland. He wants his children especially. He said he met and married the mother of the boy in a matrimonial paper, several years ago.

JUST ONE MAN IN THE WAY TO COMPLETE CONTROL OF STATE, COUNTY AND CITY.



MAYOR VETOES IT

Meat Inspection Ordinance Is Dealt Death Blow.

WILLIAMS GIVES REASONS

Does Not Object to Inspection of Meats, but Finds the Proposed Ordinance Complicated and Burdensome.

FOR ANOTHER FAIR SALOON

License Committee Grants Privilege to Sell Liquor There.

OHIOANS WILL ENTERTAIN.

VICTORIA BOOSTS THE FAIR

Hopes to Profit by Side Trips From Portland.

FOR FIRST ANNUAL PARADE

Firemen and Policemen Will Be Seen in Street Procession.

exception of the fireboat and crew, will be in line—22 pieces of apparatus and more than 125 uniformed men. It will be the first time Portland citizens have had an opportunity of viewing the full paid Fire Department. The men will ride in their accustomed places on the machines, except when the reviewing stand is reached, when all but the drivers will dismount and walk a block. The parade will be headed by ten mounted policemen, which will be followed by a band. The entire police force will be in line, commanded by Chief Charles H. Hunt and Captains Grizmacher, Moore and Bailey. The men will be in dress uniform. The line of march will form at Sixth and Salmon streets and move north on Sixth to Burnside, east to Fourth, south to the City Hall, where the parade will be reviewed by the Mayor and other city officials. After the review the companies of the Fire Department will return to their respective headquarters, and the Police Department will give an exhibition drill before abandoning.

Mayor Williams yesterday vetoed the meat inspection ordinance that was passed at the last regular session of the City Council, giving what is generally considered some exceedingly cogent reasons for his action. The measure was rushed through the body hastily, and adopted before anybody had a chance to offer any tangible remonstrance. Since then the Mayor's office has been daily besieged by representatives from the dairymen adjacent to the city, from wholesale and retail butchers, commission men and others whose interests were directly affected by the adverse provisions of the proposed municipal law. Especially noticeable were the applications for the three lucrative positions provided for in the ordinance, together with the feature making the Pacific States Packing Company a clearing-house for all the meats coming into Portland. In making the veto the Mayor reviewed the objections to the ordinance and said:

"Taking this ordinance altogether, I think its provisions impose too many and unnecessary regulations upon meat dealers, and subjects them to unnecessary labor and expense in providing for the inspection. An assistant Health Officer at a salary of \$600 per month has recently been appointed to visit the meat shops in the city and see that the business there is conducted in a proper manner. I do not believe that as a general rule the meat dealers of Portland are inclined to sell diseased or unwholesome meats to the people, because self-interest, if no other consideration, would induce them not to engage in that kind of business, for any meat dealer who would sell to his customers such diseased or unwholesome meats would be quite sure to lose the business of those customers.

It seems to me that a plain and simple provision in an ordinance providing for regular and constant inspection of the meat shops of this city is all that is necessary to protect people from buying diseased or unwholesome meats.

because we expect to have a great many Exposition visitors take a side trip to Victoria. We have sent pamphlets to all parts of the world every one bearing facts concerning the Exposition. Sixty per cent of these pamphlets have been sent to Eastern Canada and the Eastern States. We think we have done much to advertise the Centennial."

Mr. Cuthbert was recently in Salt Lake City, where he discovered that the Commercial Club of that place was making preparations to visit the Exposition with a special train. He easily persuaded them to go on to Tacoma, Seattle and Victoria, after paying the Fair a visit. The date of the excursion has not been definitely settled, but will perhaps be well along in the Summer.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Al Mendenhall has gone to Seaside to remain for several days.

Mr. Nathan Joseph, of San Francisco, is at the Hotel Portland for a few days.

Clifton N. McCarthy passed through Portland last night from Hickekall en route to La Grande, where he will meet his aunt, Miss Harriet Ankeny, and his aunt, Mrs. William M. Molsen, who are bringing the body of Miss Charity Ankeny from Philadelphia to Walla Walla for burial. The funeral will probably take place in Walla Walla on Sunday afternoon.

Concordia Zither Club Programme.

The Concordia Zither Club gave its first public concert last night at Arion Hall under the direction of Professor A. S. Hobbie. French horn and other soloists were suggested for the entertainment of the visitors. Upon motion, Vice-President Dr. Emmet Drake, who presided in the absence of President W. M. Calk, was empowered to appoint the necessary committees. He appointed refreshment, membership, auditing, reception, entertainment and literature committees. He also appointed a committee to act in conjunction with the other state societies in securing a common headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce building.

Banquet to Worthington.

The railroad officials of Portland have arranged a banquet to be given at the Hotel Portland this evening in honor of B. A. Worthington, who is about to depart for the East to take his new position as vice-president of the Oregon Lines. The banquet will be strictly a railroad affair and will be attended by 20 or more of the prominent railroad officials of the city.

High Temperature for May.

Temperature slightly higher than usual for May was registered at the Weather Bureau yesterday afternoon, the mercury reaching 82 degrees at about 3 o'clock. The highest temperature during the morning was 70 degrees at 10 o'clock. On May 28, 1897, the thermometer reached 87 degrees.

TALK AT WOODLAWN

Mayor Makes Forceful Speech on Campaign Issues.

CHALLENGES DETRACTORS

Williams Vehemently Denies Charges of the Municipal Association and Brands the Authors as Scoundrels and Liars.

Woodlawn citizens heard Mayor Williams last night defend his administration and singe his enemies. The audience was of about 100 persons and applauded vigorously.

Mayor Williams covered much the same ground as in his speeches in Albina, Monday night, and in Sellwood, Wednesday night, but put more emphasis on denying the "liars and scoundrels" for having robbed of great sums of money by grafts of pooling contractors. He declared with much force that members of the executive committee of the municipal association were "liars and infamous" statements before the primaries that there had been a \$20,000-graft in the construction of the Morrison bridge.

"Dirty men" was what His Honor called them, and their manner of fighting him he scored as a "contemptible trick of self-righteous men who pretend to be so much better than other persons in Portland."

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"It is sometimes said that age is venerable," he remarked in a jocular allusion to critics who have called him "too old" for Mayor, "but it doesn't apply if you take what my opponents say about my qualifications for Mayor." Near the end of the speech, the Mayor, in again advertising to the vilification to which he had been subjected and the charges of graft called on "any man to come forward who says that I ever appropriated in my life money that did not belong to me," and in concluding his remarks he said:

"If you have no faith in my record as a resident of Portland for 30 years, nor in my integrity, nor in my ability, to serve this city as Mayor, vote for my opponent; you may get a better man—and you may fail."

As for preachers, he said he was aware that there were many good clergymen in the city; his own minister was one of them, "who preaches the Gospel as it is in the Bible, and not politics."

Though the city property was 49 mills, the Mayor pointed out that the city received only 7 mills of the 49, and that this was the reason for having resorted to the temporary system of lining gamblers. Members of the Municipal Association who objected he had invited to make complaints against the offenders and to sue out warrants for their arrest, "but they wouldn't, and simply stood back and howled and howled."

Tonight the Mayor will speak in Black's Hall, Thirteenth and Powell streets, East Portland.

LANE SPEAKS IN SELLWOOD

He and Others Talk to Audience in Firemen's Hall.

Firemen's Hall in Sellwood, was well filled with an audience of ladies and gentlemen last night, who came to hear what Dr. Harry Lane, Democratic candidate for Mayor, had to say. D. M. Donough, a well-known warhorse in the Democratic party, was the chief speaker, but for the evening his Democratic was muzzled, and he was commissioned to introduce Frank Gibson, a Republican, as chairman for the evening. Mr. Gibson, who is a fluent speaker, said he was a Republican, and, as Mr. Donough had said, there was no politics in the meeting and only a gathering of citizens. Mr. Gibson addressed the audience at home with the bunch of Democrats who adorned the platform. After Mr. Gibson got well started in his opening speech, the Mayor, who had the platform became a little nervous lest their Republican friend would carry off the oratorical honors, and frequently consulted their watches. Mr. Gibson finished his speech, and Mr. Lane spoke for some time, reviewing Mayor Williams' administration and pointing to Dr. Lane as the man who would give the people a better administration.

Following Mr. Munley's talk, Dr. Lane was introduced, who remarked that it was very embarrassing to address an audience after hearing so many complimentary things about himself, for he said he was a modest man. Dr. Lane in his address followed about the same line he started out with in his campaign. He said Mayor Williams was a very high compliment, and in some respects did not altogether agree with Mr. Munley. He did not question Mayor Williams' honesty in the least, but insisted that many of the abuses in his administration were due to the men with whom he was surrounded.

"If I am elected Mayor of Portland," said Dr. Lane, "I will be the Mayor. If my Executive Board inaugurates a policy on the sly that I do not approve of then I will be around looking for another Board."

He said that he would look out for the contractors, who, he said, were pretty good fellows, but would stand pretty close watching. He would examine the sewers and inspect other improvements and see that they are according to contract. Dr. Lane made a pleasing talk and was frequently applauded.

Every one in the room, and there were at least 100 members present, responded with alacrity, and plans were immediately suggested for the entertainment of the visitors. Upon motion, Vice-President Dr. Emmet Drake, who presided in the absence of President W. M. Calk, was empowered to appoint the necessary committees. He appointed refreshment, membership, auditing, reception, entertainment and literature committees. He also appointed a committee to act in conjunction with the other state societies in securing a common headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce building.

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ent band, all under five years of age, and these, with a few invited "graduates" and many mamma and papa fathers, had a good time in the church parlors. The social was in charge of Mrs. R. H. Tate and Miss Helen Brigham, and assisting them were Mrs. E. P. Hill, Mrs. H. F. Butterfield, Mrs. B. D. Warner, Mrs. H. L. Walters, Mrs. E. T. Allen and Mrs. T. A. Sherman. A programme for the entertainment of the children, arranged by Mrs. Tate, consisted of a quartet, Mrs. Sue Gable Whitehurst; ladies' quartet, Misses Protzman, Collins, Wolfe and Hopkins; solo, Master Donald Sibley; solo, Miss Susan Whitehurst; and a duet, Mrs. S. Gable Whitehurst and Mrs. S. Gable Whitehurst. After the music the children were seated to a rose-decorated table and served with a supper of crackers and milk.

EXCEEDED THEIR RIGHTS

Chicago Makes Attack on Franchises of Street Railways.

CHICAGO, May 25.—What is regarded as an aggressive move in the efforts of Chicago's municipal ownership votaries to obtain a legal decision as to the holdings of the street-car companies was made today, when quo warranto proceedings seeking to learn by what authority the Chicago City Railway and the Union Traction Company continue their use of the streets were begun in the Superior Court in the name of the State's Attorney.

The petition for judicial inquiry alleged that the companies have exceeded their franchise rights by a substitution of electricity for horsepower, as originally granted, and have thereby forfeited their claim to the use of the streets. The petition was presented to Judge Chytrus, and he ruled the defendants to answer June 5.

Funeral Arranged for Sunday.

The remains of Miss Sophie Martin, aged 25 years, who died while visiting her sister, Mrs. Leonard Jones, at Denver, will arrive in Portland this afternoon, and will be taken to the home of her mother, Mrs. Sophie Martin, 288 Grand avenue North. The funeral will be held from the residence at 7 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Miss Martin's death was caused by stomach poisoning. She is survived by a mother, one brother, F. H. Martin, of Tacoma, and four sisters, Miss Dollie Martin, Miss F. Martin, of Portland, and Miss C. Martin, of San Francisco, and Mrs. Jones, of Denver.

COFFEE CONGESTION

Causes a Variety of Ails.

A happy old lady in Wisconsin says: "During the time I was a coffee drinker I was subject to sick headaches, recurring every two or three weeks, and sometimes lasting two or three days, totally unfitting me for anything."

To this affliction, which some years ago, a trouble with my heart that was very painful, accompanied by a smothering sensation and faintness.

"I would be unable to lie down, but was compelled to sit gasping for breath until I was perfectly exhausted.

Dyspepsia, also, a few years ago, came to make life harder to bear. I took all sorts of patent medicines as well as doctor's prescriptions, but none of them helped me for any length of time.

"The doctors frequently told me that coffee was not good for me, but without coffee I felt as if I had no breakfast. I finally decided about two years ago to abandon the use of coffee entirely, and as I had read a great deal about Postum Food Coffee, I concluded to try that for a breakfast beverage.

I liked the taste of it and was particularly pleased to notice that it did not 'come up' on my coffee, but I am thankful that I am once more a healthy woman. I know my wonderful restoration to health came from quitting coffee and using Postum Food Coffee. Its name given by the Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

"There's a reason," and it is this. Coffee has a direct action on the liver with some people, and causes partial congestion of that organ, preventing the natural outlet of the secretions. Then follows biliousness, mallow skin, headaches, constipation and finally a change of the blood corpuscles and nervous prostration.

Baby's Mission Band Social.

The Baby's Mission Band, of the First Presbyterian Church, was given its annual concert yesterday afternoon by the ladies of the Women's Missionary Band. There are about 45 members of the band.