

Old Headquarters for Fight and Baseball Fans Torn Down



SITE OF ROTHSCHILD BUILDING AT NORTHWEST CORNER OF FOURTH AND WASHINGTON.

THE razing of the old frame wooden structure at the corner of Fourth and Washington streets marks the passing of Portland's famous baseball and sporting headquarters, known commonly among the fans as "Schiller's."

The buildings on the property were erected many years ago as residences and after passing through various stages of reconstruction, have finally been relegated to the past by reason of the demands of modern times which made it essential that the property be utilized as the site of a large office building, which will be erected by Rothschild Bros.

The corner which was occupied by the cigar store was the sporting headquarters here before Ed Schiller opened the smoke dispensary. Many years prior to the Schiller occupancy the White Elephant saloon held forth and in front of this well-known resort in the late afternoon gathered the well-known figures of the early-day sporting fraternity. Prizefighting, baseball, cockfighting and horse racing were discussed and wagers placed liberally and enthusiastically, more so than in the present day, for then money was plentiful and the town was "open," permitting games of chance of all varieties.

Years previous to the White Elephant the place was known as Wagner's gen-

eral merchandise store and was on the outskirts of the city.

When Schiller's supplanted the White Elephant in the '30s, the sports still congregated there, although instead of talking "shop" over cocktails and mugs, they puffed on the end of a Havana and wagered their money just as liberally, although occasionally they would adjourn to the third emporium in the rear of the "smoke house."

The old corner was the meeting-place of lovers of all branches of sport, but the principal factor represented were the fans of the National game. This was evidenced so strongly no doubt by reason of the ballplayers themselves making the corner their rendezvous, and here they were sized up, quizzed and patted on the back by the enthusiasts.

With the opening of the 1901 Pacific Northwest baseball season, which resulted in the winning of the championship by Jack Grim's Portland team, the fans followed the career of the team by daily discussion of their home performances and speculation on the result of the road games as flashed on the score-board hung in front of the "rope" factory.

The familiar faces of Andy Anderson, Max Muller, Joe Tinker, Martin Glennon, Sammy Vigneaux, Lou Mahafey, Jake Delsel, George Engle, Willis Saltisbury, Bob Brown, Fred Weed, Jack

Grim and, last of all, "Talkative" Jack Marshall, secretary of the pennant-winners, were seen at the cigar store counter nightly in the weeks when the "bunch" were playing on their own lot. It was also at this well-known corner that "Main 188" was kept busy by the sweethearts, friends and admirers of the different players, who would call up for, or be called up by, this or that favorite of the diamond. It was the source of information for many a festive fan who inquired the result of each day's battle at the ball park, for the enterprising cigar dealer arranged to have the score of each game sent him by wire or telephone, and it was promptly chalked up on the bulletin-board for the benefit of the fans unable to attend the daily contest in town, or to inform them of the doings of the team on the road.

Schiller's was famous for the unique characters who assembled there from time to time. Some of them are still in town, while others have drifted to other parts or gone to the great beyond. Foremost among the peculiar habits of the corner was the late Julius Caesar. The poor old negro, who was a slave to "Chinee gin" and other as deadly concoctions, was the most rabid baseball fan in the city. Julius, arrayed in his pug hat and red vest, would amble down the street and, reaching the score-board at Schiller's, would glance at the figures dis-

played thereon. Were they favorable to the home team, he would deliver an oration on the merits of certain of the players, but were the figures adverse, he would sadly shake his head and wander away. Julius was acquainted with Shakespearean writings, and often in front of the store he would be induced through the medium of a small coin or two, generously donated by Jerry Powers, to recite a selection from the bard's story of Julius Caesar.

In the years following the rejuvenation of baseball in 1901, Schiller's continued to be the headquarters of the players. When Portland joined hands with California in baseball affairs, Mike Fisher was added to the attractions at the "smoke house" whenever the Sacramento and later the Tacoma and Fresno clubs visited Portland. The Sacramento hot-air merchant always managed to attract kooky crowds, for he usually furnished a flow of mangled language that was funny until he overworked his dictionary, and would ensconce himself behind the counter and checks, much to the amusement of the hangers-on and players of the nickel-cats.

Yes, many were the good old days, enjoyed at the old hangout of the sports. Julius, who haunted the place will be red-acted to find new quarters, and whether they congregate as in the past is doubtful, and remains for the baseball season to develop.

BOARD MAKES NEW RULE

WILL COMPEL CITY CONTRACTORS TO TOE MARK.

Time for Completion of Street Work Will Be Fixed by Mutual Agreement.

In the hope of forcing contractors for street work to complete jobs within the time limit, the Executive Board adopted a new rule yesterday afternoon. Hereafter, before any contract is let, the members of the street committee will confer with the contractors and decide what is a reasonable time for its completion. Herebefore the time has been fixed by City Engineer Taylor.

From now on when contractors are behind time, the board expects to enforce the clause which permits the imposition of a fine of \$5 for each day that a contractor is behind with his contract. As it is now at every meeting of the street committee contractors plead for extensions of time, and the members of the committee are groping about to find a remedy.

R. L. Sabin introduced a resolution, which was passed, requesting the street railway company to renew its tracks on First street between Madison and Burnside streets with heavier rails and to improve that portion of the street which it must keep in good repair under the terms of the franchise. The property-owners are improving the street. It is believed that the company will not object to making the changes.

The board approved the report of the fire committee that the contract at \$109 be awarded to A. G. Long for a new Champion combination hose and chemical wagon. The bid was the highest of three, but was accepted on recommendation of Fire Chief Campbell. Other contracts were awarded as recommended by the committee.

The following bids for street improvement were opened:

- Florida street, O'Neill & Co., \$271.42.
- East Thirty-fourth street, Stevens Bros., \$162.46.
- Texas street, O'Neill & Co., \$222.81.
- Vancouver avenue, Bechtel Bros., \$237.14.
- Pacific Bridge Company, \$213.16.
- Virginia street, O'Neill & Co., \$745.32.
- Minnesota-avenue sewer, George Gordon, \$232.34.
- Florida-street sewer, George Gordon, \$267.
- O'Neill & Co., \$266.82.
- Ohio-street sewer, George Gordon, \$190.90.

KILLS A LARGE COYOTE

Columbia Slough Rancher Rids the Neighborhood of Chicken Thief.

J. Holtzgrabe, who lives beyond Woodlawn, on Columbia Slough, a few days ago shot and killed a coyote that had been robbing the hen-houses of the neighborhood. The animal was a large specimen and was the second one to be shot in that neighborhood in the past 12 years. The animal was brought to Portland yesterday and is being mounted by Fred Brazeel, a taxidermist.

Mr. Holtzgrabe splod the coyote while on the lookout for some skulking chicken

DEVLIN OFFERS REWARD

WILL PAY \$500 FOR EVIDENCE OF THEFT OF NAMES.

City Auditor Positive Signatures Were Not Removed From License Petition.

City Auditor Devlin yesterday offered a reward of \$500 "for evidence that any part of the petitions accompanying the McKenna \$1000 license ordinance" were stolen from his office, where it was recorded by the Municipal League. Mr. Devlin is positive that the petitions were not tampered with while in his custody, and asserts that he is "morally certain" that charge is unfounded.

The announcement of the reward follows:

To the Public—I have been accused of carelessness in not seeing that copies of petitions known as the McKenna license ordinance and to the effect that parts thereof have been stolen after being filed in my office.

I am morally certain that such accusation is without foundation, and that all of such petitions ever brought to my office are there and that the same have been properly guarded.

I extended to the people presenting such petitions every possible courtesy, by which they were enabled to file the same within the time provided by law.

I realize, however, that there is always the possibility of error and if any petition or part thereof should be taken from my office no one could regret it more than I, and inasmuch as such would be a crime and punishable by law, I hereby offer a reward of \$500 for any evidence that any part of such petition was taken or destroyed, and that will lead to the detection and arrest of the person or persons guilty thereof.

THOMAS J. DEVLIN.

Bad Boys Throw Eggs at East-Side House

Mrs. Elna Parker Causes Arrest of Henry Erickson, Alleged Leader of Hoodlum Gang.

AN egg-throwing match, with Henry Erickson as the directing head, took place Sunday night. The object of the onslaught of a gang of youngsters, with a superabundance of fresh eggs, was the house at 31 East Third street north, occupied by Mrs. Elna Parker. She discovered the coyote as it approached his hen roost.

These boys gather near our house every night and hoot and yell at the top of their voices," declared Mrs. Parker to Clerk Frank Hennessey, of the Municipal Court, while he was issuing the warrant for Erickson's arrest. "They congregated Sunday night and literally plastered the front of my house with eggs. They also have done the same trick with other houses in the vicinity, but none of the neighbors would have them arrested. I decided to do it, and will fight the case in court."

TAKING ORDERS FOR GOOD COAL

The Rock Springs Coal Company is taking orders for good coal. Call up East 154.

Father and Son Dragged Into Court

ASTORIA, Or., April 5.—(Special.)—John and Quincy Robinson, father and son, were arraigned in the Justice Court this morning on a complaint charging them with the larceny of ropes, blocks and chains from the stranded British bark Peter Iredale. Quincy Robinson pleaded guilty and was fined \$20, which he paid, but his father pleaded not guilty and was placed under \$50 bonds to appear for trial.

Boodlers' Sentence Commuted

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 5.—Governor Folk today commuted the sentence of Emil Hartman and Julius Lehman, former members of the St. Louis House of Delegates, convicted of booting, to expire on June 15. They were sentenced in 1904. Hartman for six years and Lehman for seven years.

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OIL COMPANY PAYS ITS TAX

COMPLIES AT LAST WITH DEMANDS OF OREGON LAW.

Puts \$632.02 Into Treasury—Corporation Clerk Drennen Makes Good His Word.

SALEM, Or., April 5.—(Special.)—After a strenuous effort and a voluminous correspondence on the subject, Corporation Clerk Walter Drennen has compelled the Union Oil Company, a \$10,000,000 California corporation, to pay into the office of the Secretary of State \$632.02, corporation fee and license for the privilege of doing business in this state.

Mr. Drennen found on investigation that this company had not paid any money into the state coffers and immediately made a demand on them for the collection of a declaration fee of \$50 and a license fee of \$282.02, covering that period from August 1, 1904, to June 30, 1907.

When appointed to the office he made the statement that his entire time would be devoted to digging up the delinquent corporations, and he has a long list he is working on. One by one they are beginning to come through with the payment of fees required under the law.

ASHLAND'S SUB-POSTOFFICE

For Convenience of Public One Is Placed Near the Depot.

ASHLAND, Or., April 5.—(Special.)—A sub-station of the Ashland Postoffice will be started in operation on May 6, near the Southern Pacific Depot. Postmaster J. R. Casey today received a letter from the First Assistant Postmaster-General at Washington, D. C., authorizing the same. In response to a petition which he recently forwarded asking for the establishment of the station, for which the Government will provide a clerk at a salary of \$50 per month, who will issue money orders and do a registry business.

It will be conducted as a branch of the main Postoffice, and its reports and business will pass through the latter.

The business of the Ashland Postoffice for the fiscal year just ended on March 31, amounted to \$19,357.48, which will place it in a class entitling this place to consideration for the establishment of a free delivery service. The business of the preceding year amounted to \$251,75 and the receipts have shown a steady increase right along.

RIDE HORSE TO NEW YORK

Homer Davenport's Arabian Stallion Being Groomed for Trip.

SALEM, Or., April 5.—(Special.)—Dr. Charles J. Korinek, of this city, left for Sheridan, Yamhill County, to make an inspection of Homer Davenport's Arabian sorrel stallion prior to his long trip across the continent from Sheridan to New York. To prove to the world that the Arabian horse is built for endurance, Mr. Davenport plans to have the animal ridden across the plains and mountains by a Whitman College student, who is his relative. Mr. Davenport paid \$500 for "Nedra," who is now 16 years old, and was on exhibition on the "Trail" at the Lewis and Clark Fair. The stallion nearly lost his life in the Morningstar fire last March, but was rescued by Leon T. Davidson.

Fire at McGill University

MONTREAL, April 5.—The McDonald Engineering building at McGill University was destroyed by fire today. The loss is estimated at \$750,000; insurance \$420,000.

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