

'CUSSWORDS' USED BY LIQUOR MEN

Big Row at Meeting of Liquor License Committee of the Council.

TWO LICENSES REVOKED

Amendment to Women-in-Saloons Ordinance Passed Up to Council Without Recommendation. Fight in Prospect.

WHAT THE "JOKER" MEANS.

If the amendment to the Cellars ordinance passed by the City Council tomorrow, as proposed by Councilman Rushtlight, Councilman Cellars declares the law may as well be repealed that "eating house" means nothing in particular, and that the reduction in number of feet or floor space where liquor can be served with meals from 400 to 300 will make it possible for women to enter every saloon in the city.

The fate of the ordinance is uncertain. Tomorrow the Council will meet and the proposed amendment will be up for discussion. Great public interest has been aroused, and a delegation of prominent ministers will be present to watch the proceedings.

During a stormy session of the liquor license committee of the City Council yesterday afternoon a committee of prominent ministers sat quietly by and listened to what is regarded as the most uproarious meeting this committee ever experienced. A feature of the heated debate was the open rupture between Councilman Driscoll and John Friedlinger, business agent for the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association, and Jacob Reisch, a member of the Board of Governors of the organization. Friedlinger and Reisch, in the verbal thrusts administered by them used a generous supply of profanity, at the utterance of which the preachers cast significant glances at each other. Councilman Cotel, the chairman, made no effort to curb the row, which for a time threatened to end in a fight.

After the tempest died down, the committee voted to continue citing saloonkeepers for trial; recommended revocation of two saloon licenses; passed the alleged "joker" amendment to the Cellars "women-in-saloons" ordinance to the Council without recommendation and refused to grant restaurant liquor licenses to several well-known downtown restaurants.

Saloon Agents Assail Driscoll.

The fury of the representatives of the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association at Councilman Driscoll knew no bounds when he declared that no organization opposes certain saloonkeepers for its own selfish interests and that the best men in the business will not join the society.

Business Agent Friedlinger attacked Mr. Driscoll with all the vehemence at his command, including profane and abusive epithets, after which Mr. Reisch, of the organization's board of governors, lambasted Mr. Driscoll and begged him to prove what he had said. Mr. Driscoll told the two men that they could not tell him anything about the business; that he knew why they favored certain persons and opposed others, and that he would not allow the Retail Liquor Dealers to dictate to him.

While the two saloonmen and Councilman Driscoll were administering verbal lashes, their words were bandied about in a tone so loud that people from all sections of the City Hall were attracted and the room was filled to suffocation in a few moments. Throughout the hot clash, Chairman Cotel did not attempt to restore order, neither did he suppress or endeavor to suppress Messrs. Friedlinger and Reisch, who were speaking without the privilege of the floor having been granted them.

The ministers were Dr. William Hiram Boukies, of the First Presbyterian Church; Dr. E. Mackley, of the First Christian Church; Dr. K. Nelson, Allen, of the Hawthorne-avenue Presbyterian Church, and Dr. J. W. McDougall, of the Mount Taber Methodist Episcopal Church. Although the committee representing the Retail Liquor Association occupied much time on the floor in stating their position on all subjects coming before the Councilmen during the meeting, not one word was spoken by the ministerial delegation.

Burden Thrown on Council.

There was less debate over the proposed amendment to the Cellars "women-in-saloons" ordinance than any other feature of the session, principally because there is such a strong division of sentiment among the members of the liquor license committee on this subject that it was known no decision could easily be reached, and the whole session, introduced by Councilman Rushtlight, was "passed up" to the Council without recommendation. This is the matter which called out the ministers. The delegation will be present at the Council session tomorrow to witness the proceedings.

Reducing the number of square feet necessary for an "open and public dining room," and the inclusion of the words "eating house" are the two "jokers" alleged by the opponents of the proposed Rushtlight amendment to be concealed in the new section sought to be added to the Cellars ordinance. The terms of the Cellars law, now in effect, forbid women to enter saloons or restaurants where liquor is served with meals, except where there are "open and public dining rooms," having no obstructions, and having at least 600 square feet of floor space. The real "joker," however, is declared to be the two words "eating house," included in the proposed amendment.

Possible Effect of Amendment.

Councilman Cellars declares that, if the Council adopts the amendment, carrying the words "eating house," and reducing the required number of square feet of floor space from 600 to 300, it will permit of every saloon in the city installing an "eating house," and in this manner the result will be that women will again be permitted in every saloon in Portland. Mr. Cellars declares that, if this should

be done, "the law may as well be repealed."

"What is an 'eating house'?" asked Councilman Cellars. "There is no ordinance defining the term, but there is an ordinance defining a restaurant. The latter must furnish three full meals every day and the other, for all that the law says, may mean any place where a sandwich is served once a day, or whenever it is necessary, in order to permit of women being in an establishment from which they are now barred. The only change this ordinance needs now, as I view it, are two; one to make it read 'licensed restaurants,' and the other to exempt family liquor stores from its provisions."

Councilman Rushtlight says that the Cellars ordinance robs a woman of her personal liberty, and makes a distinction between her and her husband, brother or escort that is unconstitutional. He says that, if a man takes a woman into certain places in Portland for the purpose of buying a glass of beer or other liquor, the woman, according to the Cellars ordinance, must eat a full meal in order to get liquor while her escort can drink without ordering anything to eat. This, he contends, is un-American, and without justification by law.

Restaurant Licenses Denied.

The liquor license committee had before it seven applications for restaurant liquor licenses, included among the establishments being the Perkins Hotel Cafe, the Hofbrau, Richards, the Louvre and the Turn Hall, all places of prominence in the downtown district. City Attorney Kavanaugh has ruled that the Cellars ordinance makes it necessary for all establishments serving liquor with meals to have a license for it, but the members of the committee did not sign the applications in the required number, and unless they do so later than tomorrow, City Auditor Barbur declares that the police will be obliged to see that no liquor is served with meals in any of the places named. The Councilmen are divided as to the proper sum to be paid for these restaurant liquor licenses, some favoring \$100 a year, if the Council does not act tomorrow in this matter, patrons of the places named will not be served with liquor at the tables in the dining-rooms, it is said.

The committee voted to continue the police saloon-keepers to appear and show cause why their licenses should not be revoked, in cases where no license has been in violation of the Municipal Code. This system was attacked by Councilman Driscoll, who said it is useless to do this, and that the rule was adopted simply because the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association wished it, in order to weed out of the business certain men who are not in the organization's good graces. This was the remark which caused the uproar at the outset.

Two Licenses Revoked.

After voting to continue the plan, the committee took testimony in the cases of R. Pugliese, of 361 North Sixteenth street, and J. F. Berger, 514 Saylor street, and voted to revoke both licenses. Both saloon-keepers were fined in the Municipal Court for violations of the ordinance. The committee found the charges sufficiently serious as to recommend that the Council revoke the licenses.

Business Agent Friedlinger, speaking for the retail liquor dealers, declared himself in favor of an ordinance "cutting out the free lunch in every saloon in Portland." He declared this free lunch to be a disgrace, and a thing which should be abolished by law. No action was taken, but it is thought something will be done later.

Councilman Rushtlight inquired about the West Coast Cyster House, on Seventh near Alder street. He said he understood that Ed Johnson, whose license was revoked several months ago, is still in charge of that place, although it was agreed by him that he would turn the business over to a new proprietor, Ed Kennedy. Mr. Rushtlight said he had been told that this place needs a rigid investigation, nothing was done.

W. B. CHASE PASSES AWAY

Former City Engineer of Portland Succumbs to Paralytic Stroke.

As the result of a stroke of paralysis received at McMinnville, last February, William B. Chase, ex-City Engineer of Portland, died at an early hour yesterday morning at Good Samaritan hospital. Since he suffered the paralytic stroke he has been confined to the hospital.

Mr. Chase was born in Ohio 33 years ago. He was a member of the



The Late W. B. Chase.

ago. He came to Oregon when a young man and married Miss Georgia Barker in 1884. He was the engineer in charge of building the Burnside-street bridge, and was City Engineer under Mayors Mason, Storey and Howe. It was while engaged at his profession at McMinnville last February that he was stricken. He was a member of Conventary Methodist Church for years, and the deceased is survived by two daughters, Miss Marion Chase, a trained nurse at Good Samaritan hospital, and Miss Jessie Chase, who lives at Cliffs, Wash. Miss Marion Chase was with her father constantly during his illness. He is also survived by a brother, who resides at Oakland, Cal., and a sister at San Francisco, Cal.

Institute at McMinnville.

McMinnville, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—The annual County Teachers' Institute will be held at this city beginning Wednesday of this week and ending with the school officers' meeting on Saturday. Among lecturers who are expected to be present are Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman, E. J. Reester, president of Monmouth Normal School; Miss Cornelia Marvin, of the Oregon Library Commission; J. M. Fowers, City Superintendent of Salem Schools, and W. R. Rutherford, of Tillamook schools.

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BOARD OF TRADE OFFICIALS RESIGN

President Townsend and Secretary Muller Suddenly Quit Organization.

WILL ASSIGN NO REASON

Action of Merchants' Exchange in Providing Sample Tables and Giving Information Thought to Be Cause—Board Criticized.

Annoyed because the Merchants' Exchange intends to provide grain sample tables and furnish more complete information to grain men than the Board of Trade, two officials of that organization, President T. S. Townsend and Secretary Fred Muller, handed in their resignations yesterday to Vice-President A. B. Steinbach with the request that they take effect immediately. Neither will discuss the cause for the act but it is generally understood the officials are angered because of the competition of the Merchants' Exchange.

Since the reorganization of the Board of Trade the first of the present year, its grain sample exchange has been its chief activity. After considerable argument at the time, it was decided to deny in grain options and this has lost it the support of a part of the grain dealers. It is said the management of the exchange has not been an entire success and that the trouble culminated yesterday when the active management of the Board of Trade decided to give up its efforts to carry on an option-dealing grain exchange. By the officials who have resigned, the Merchants' Exchange is blamed for their action.

Directors to Meet Today.

"I can stand any kind of competition," declared Secretary Muller yesterday, who was in anything but a calm frame of mind, "and have been in the exchange business for many years. I welcome competition. But this sort of competition is altogether something I will not stand."

Mr. Muller would not explain to whom he referred, nor would he make clear his reasons for resigning, declaring that until the board of directors has had a chance to act upon his resignation, he would not discuss it. A meeting will be held either this afternoon or tonight by the directors to act upon the resignations.

Grain men declare that the Board of Trade exchange, by reason of its dealing in options, did not wholly meet the requirements of the grain dealers in Portland. They say that they have been getting grain information from the Merchants' Exchange, which is owned and operated by E. W. Wright, an out-of-town man, and that they have been getting grain information from the Merchants' Exchange, which is owned and operated by E. W. Wright, an out-of-town man, and that they have been getting grain information from the Merchants' Exchange, which is owned and operated by E. W. Wright, an out-of-town man.

Wright Tells of Exchange's Work.

"I hardly see why the Merchants' Exchange should be dragged into the apparent internal discussions of the Board of Trade," said E. W. Wright, who for the past 12 years has managed the exchange. "No one connected with the exchange has ever in any manner interfered with the Board of Trade, and the Exchange will gain nothing by the Board's disruption. The announcement that the members of the Merchants' Exchange would be afforded facilities for a sample market as soon as the Exchange moved into its new quarters, in accordance with the request of members who have supported the Exchange for many years—some of them for a quarter of a century.

"As a matter of fact, the Exchange, nearly 20 years ago, established a sample market in connection with its marine insurance business, and it was only because the business had not at that time reached proportions that warranted it. The Merchants' Exchange has always been run in the interests of the grain and shipping trade, from which it drew its support. It will continue on the same lines. There is undoubtedly a field here for a produce exchange, where the rapidly increasing butter and egg trade can be handled but the grain business of the port is too big to be mixed up with other features in no way connected with it."

Options Said to Have No Place.

Theodore B. Wilcox, president of the Portland Flouring Company, in discussing the matter, said: "The Merchants' Exchange is willing to establish a cash market, for which there is a field here. The Board of Trade Exchange deals in options, to which I am opposed and have been ever since it started. I cannot support an institution which fosters gambling in the grain trade, and I do not think there is a field for that sort of thing here."

Another prominent man who did not wish his name used, said: "There are too many bodies here to handle the grain business. I suppose there has not been a demand for what the Board of Trade has provided. The Chamber of Commerce handles grain samples, the Board of Trade has a grain exchange and the Merchants' Exchange has a grain news and shipping intelligence. We have been using the latter firm for a joint time and saw no reason to make a change when the Board of Trade's exchange was opened. But we joined and sent one of our men down there. The option business did not seem to go and from our experience, we did not get much out of it."

W. J. Burns, resident partner of Ballfour, Guthrie & Co., gave it as his opinion that the service supplied by the Merchants' Exchange was of more value to grain men than that furnished by the Board of Trade's option-dealing exchange.

QUESTION GOES ON BALLOT

Mount Scott District to Have Opportunity to Vote on Annexation.

Residents of the Mount Scott district will probably have an opportunity of voting on the annexation question at the coming election. County Clerk Fields said last night that he will this morning order the ballots printed.

Earlier yesterday Mr. Fields said that he would withdraw from the Supreme Court at once the appeal of the case involving the balloting question if those opposed to annexation did not come forward with a bond to indemnify the State against loss. The bond was furnished yesterday afternoon, but counsel failed to obtain an assurance from the Supreme Court that a decision would be handed

down before November 2. Thus it is probable that the question of legality will have to be fought out after election. It is the contention of those who wish to defeat the annexation that the November election is not a general election, hence the question cannot be submitted to the voters. As Mr. Fields has no personal interest in the case, he felt that he should not be called upon to bear either court costs or attorneys' fees.

TYPHOID IN BAD WATER

Every Case Comes From This Cause, Says Dr. Yenney.

Members of the State Board of Health met with the people of Roseburg Saturday night in a public meeting held in Pike's Hall in that city. The meeting was presided over by Dr. E. V. Hoover, County Health Officer, and Judge Hamilton delivered an address of welcome to the visiting doctors. Dr. Andrew C. Smith, of the meeting and president of the board, said that he was called home on account of a death in his family.

Papers were read by Dr. E. A. Pearce, of Portland, on "Tuberculosis," and by Dr. R. C. Yenney, on "Good Water, and Sewage Disposal." It is the intention of the board to meet with citizens of communities in different parts of the state for the purpose of disseminating information regarding the duty of citizens in assisting physicians in their work of preventing disease.

At Roseburg the board met in connection with the good roads meeting held Friday and Saturday. Attorney General Crawford, who was in attendance at the good roads convention, making a short address at the night meeting. Dr. Yenney, in his paper, said that the cleavage of the Board of Health is to have such conditions prevail as will lead to the greatest health and consequent happiness of the people of the state. The main object of the points in his paper follow:

"With the board we have in each county a health officer, numerous inspectors, the whole making a profession, a great many societies and practically all the live, energetic citizens, both men and women, working shoulder to shoulder in the endeavor to prevent and avert the various health officers in securing those conditions so essential to the material progress of the state.

"It goes without saying that no individual or community can be healthy without good water, and in abundance. It is also just as true that no individual or community can be healthy without a proper disposal of the products of bodily waste, and it is an established fact that the contamination of water comes chiefly through its pollution with the products of body waste. The problem, then, is to create such conditions as shall prevent absolutely the pollution of water, and complete prevention of such waste entering sources of water supplies or destroying the products of body waste by some means, and the products of body waste can be disposed of without danger.

"Our streams, springs and wells were originally pure, wholesome and free from disease-bearing products. It has only been through the presence of man and the carelessness of man that they have become contaminated. Man, instead of preserving the original purity of the streams as the source of the most widely distributed and universal food product in existence, which they are, has converted them into filthy sewers, filled them with disease-producing germs, and has created for himself by his own acts a never-ending source of worry, expense and sickness. Where direct contamination of a live stream is too difficult, he manages to indirectly pollute his water supply through soil contamination from closet or cesspool.

"Impure water causes, as a rule, gastro-intestinal diseases. However, the most important of these is the disease that ranks beyond pneumonia and diphtheria, so far as mortality is concerned, is typhoid fever. This is in nearly all instances a water-borne disease and is rarely contracted through other avenues. In all cases typhoid fever arises from a pre-existing case, and the infection from the pre-existing case comes from bowel and urinary excretions. When a case of typhoid fever arises you may say, without fear of contradiction, in practically every instance the afflicted person had been drinking water contaminated by a previous patient.

"Our statistics show 360 cases of typhoid fever, the probable total for the present year, there having been 261 cases reported since the first of the year. On the basis that each of these cases involves in only two ways—complete medical care, nurse, etc., would cost easily \$3 a day, or \$180; he will lose, reasonably stated, \$280 in wages, or a total loss of \$460. This amount multiplied by 360 patients results in a total of \$160,000. This is quite a sum to pay for the scourge of a preventable disease, for a disease the prevention of which—the securing of good water and good sewage disposal—in itself tends to one of our greatest economic assets. Money invested in good water production a larger return to the people than when invested in any other way."

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