FRIENDS AND FOES OF LIQUOR DEBATE

Preachers, Councilmen and President of Saloonmen Discuss Cellars Law.

UNUSUAL MEETING IS HELD

Bennett Speaks for Present Ordinance-Rushlight Defends the Amendment, McKercher Gets Hearing for Prohibitionists.

reacher and saloonkeeper, prohibitionist and the advocate of the license system, members of the City Council and just ordinary, plain cftizens in every walk of life gathered at the White Temple Wednesday night under the auspices of the Men's Club of that church and listened to a general discussion on the mooted ordinance keeping women from saloons and the ing women from saloons and the amendment by Councilman Rushlight, which was recently defeated. It was a precedent in the line of unique affairs in churches. After frank talks of from free to ten minutes, covering all phases of the question, it was apparent that south the Cellars ordinance and fut a little more kindly toward one another than heretofore. It was a good thing, and may bear destrable results. Tr. J. Whitcom: Brougher, the pattern is tills. "Women-In-saloons."
B. Lee Saget spoke in favor of prolibilities, and may bear destrable results. Tr. J. Whitcom: Brougher, the pattern is the license system is all wrong. The whole affair vas most informat and delightfully interesting. No bars were put up, except that each speaker must observe the ordinary courtestes, and after the two hours of discussion, indulged in by preachers, saloonkeepers, Councilmen and others, Dr. Brougher expressed himself as highly pleased for each other.
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arry as to the electronics the speakers showed for each other. "It was said by some that we would have a rough house here," he stated, "but we have instead had a mighty" good time together, and we understand each other some better than when we first came into this place tonight."

All Sides Are Represented.

These who spoke were Councilman Bennett, in defense of the Cellars or-dinance, Mr. Cellars being absent; Councilman Rushilght, in defense of Councilman Rushilight, in defense of his amendment, which was vetoed by Mayor Lane; Frank Hoffman, president of the Retail Liquor Dealers' Associa-tion, who defended the license system; Rev. E. S. Muckler, who contended for elimination of Hquor from all botels and restaurants, as well as keeping women from saloons and small estab-lishments; F. I. McKercher, who spoke for prohibition, and several others, who had their own views of the matter. Hustrative of the cordiality and good feeling that existed between the

the residual of the contrast of the participants, it may be said that, after the meeting. Mr. McKercher, a rabid prohibitionist, hurried down the aisle, extended his hand to President Hoffnan, of the liquor dealers' organization, and said: "My brother, how are you tonight?"

"First rate," replied President Hoff-an. "I am very glad to meet you." Then, as it was late, the big crowd

such a stringent law as that, this is true. I greatly deplote it." Would Close All Saloons. Wonthe Crope All Saloons. The matter as viewed by a prohibition-ist was told by F. J. McKercher, who told that he demands the closing of all saloons, and that every one of the other speakers "begged the question." He said that the whois trouble dates back to ISE2 when the Federal Government li-cenred the saloon. The result of this, he said, is shown in many ways. He declared it is certainly not right to legis-late women out of saloons and not to legislate the men out also. "What is the difference," he asked, "between a woman drinking in a room of to square feet or no larger than a gim-let-bole?" let-hole?" Notning short of absolute prohibition. no said, will ever saide the matter and settle it right.

At this juncture Dr. Brougher called for the collection plates. "Aren't you mistaken" asked Rev. Mr.

"Aren't you mistaken?" asked Rev. al. Muckley. "The ushers will please pass the plates and every man will please be so kind as to take an apple." replied Dr. Brougher. This little act created a very happy social feature. While this was being done Councilmasn Baker sent over to the Bungalow Theater and secured the sorv-ices of Milton W. Seaman, who accompa-tions of the sorvices of the plane. Mr. nled M. L. Bowman on the plano, Mr. Bowman singing a beautiful solo. He remded to an

Speaks for Retail Dealers.

President Frank Hoffman, of the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association, was intro-duced, and said that prohibition, so far duced, and said that prohibition, so far as stopping the drinking, is a failure. In all the "dry" precincts, he declared, wagons.deliver goods for drinking every day. As to women, he asked: "Why is it that a womain can drink in a place like the Hotel Portland and not in any respectable saloon?" He said that so long as the Council heenses "the liquor dealers are going to fight to hold their husiness, and it remains to be seen who will beat fit out."

"That is a delicate question." replied Mr. Baker.

"That is a deficite ducation. replace Mr. Baker. "I knew that when I asked it." snid Rev. Mr. Muckley. "When I came into this hive I ex-pacted to be stung." replace Mr. Baker, amid great laughter. He then said that he belleved that "fashionable" hotels are necessary to so large a city. Councilman Kellaber declared that he has always been suspicious of the Cellars law because when Mr. Kellaber tried to amend it to exclude liquor from restau-rants Mr. Cellars voted against it. "Dr. Brougher closed the debate by say-ing he supported the Cellars law "because it is the best we could get at the time."

BIGGY WANTED TO RESIGN

Conflicting Reports of His Intention Given Out.

no inlimited of any kind that he con-templated resigning from his position. The statement crediting me with any communication from Chief Biggy appears to have been materially exaggerated, to say the least."

EXPLOSION VICTIM DIES

Emil A. Harget Succumbs to Injur-

ies at Hospital.

Emil A. Harget, one of the two men in-jured Monday morning in an explosion at the plant of the Portland Gas Com-pany. First and Flanders streets, died yesterday afternoon at St. Vincent's Hos-pital. Harget was unconscious from the time of the accident until his death and physicians had early given up hope of his recovery.

his recovery. At the time of the explosion, Harget and B. H. Meehan were working at the top of the super-heater from which the gas flows into an enormous iron tank. The gas in this compartment became over-heated, causing a large iron elbow to burst. Harget fell 30 fest, but Meehan clums to the roof and his injuries are not

clung to the roof and his injuries are not considered fatal.

considered fatal. Harget is survived by a widow and a little child, living at 142 East Twenty-sixth street. Mr. and Mrs. Harget lost a small child by death a short time ago and the widow is prostrated.

INDIAN SERVICE TO END

Leupp Says Passing Will Be Great

Help to Red Men.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.-Reorganization

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—After 48 hours' search no trace of Chief of Police Biggy's body has been found. Rumors and surmises that the Chief is in hiding are without foundation. The Mayor and Police Commissioners intended to keep him in office, notwithstanding charges that he was incompetent.

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MESSAGE IS

Letter of Late Chinese Emperor Thanks President for Return of indemnity.

PRESENTED BY TANG SHAO

Wishes That American People Be Ever Blessed With Prosperity and Peace-Roosevelt Gives Reply to Special Minister.

WASHINGTON. Dec. 2.—"Long may our excellency enjoy good health and applness; may the American people be ever blessed with prosperity and peace; these are our heartfelt wishes." These are the sentiments expressed in

These are the sentiments expressed in the concluding sentence of the letter from the late Emperor of China to the President, handed him today by Tong Shoa Yi, the special Chinese Ambaasa-dor, thanking the United States Govern-ment for the remission of \$14,000,000 of the indemnity guaranteed by China for dam-ages resulting from the Boxer rebellion. The presentation of the letter took place in the blue parlor of the White House this afternoon.

Square Deal

The letter was as follows: The letter was as follows: "The Emperor of China to the President of the United States of America, Greeting: "Mr. President: China has always maintained the most friendly relations with the United States since the estab-lishment of intercourse between the two countries. By taking the initiative in pro-mains remussion of a northon of the incountries. By taking the initiative in pro-posing remission of a portion of the in-demnity as provided by treaty, Your Ex-cellency has won the respect of mankind for magnanimity and just dealing. Furthermore, the Congress has given signal proof of friendliness by giving effect to Your Excellency's recommenda-tions

tions. 'In sincere recognition of this generous action we hereby appoint Tong Shoa Yi, an official with the rank of President of a Ministry and Governor of the province of Fenglien, as Special Ambassador, to proceed to the United States for the pur-pose of presenting this, our letter. We proceed to the United States for the pul-pose of presenting this, our letter. We have always placed entire confidence in his eminent ability, clear perception and sterling integrity. We have specially commanded him, in the discharge of his duties to convey to Your Excellency the expression of our grateful thanks and testify to our leading triangelin. It is

expression of our grateful thanks and testify to our lasting friendship. It is our hope that the relations of the two countries will be further strengthened by mutual confidence. Long may Your Excellency enjoy good health and hap-piness; may file American people be ever blessed with prosperity and peace; these are our heartfelt wishes. "Given on the 24th day of the eighth moon in the 34th year of Kwang Hsu. (Sept. 19, 1960)."

(Sept. 19, 1908)." Last Message.

In presenting the letter Ambassador Tang recalled that it was the last mes-sage addressed by his late majesty to the President, and said that every line of it breathed friendship and good will for the Government and people of the United States and volced the sentiments of all China

of all China.

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Atlantic to the Pacific, was begun here today when four small Government mine-planters, no bigger than tugs, steamed from Hampton Roads at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Two of the tiny craft, the Col. Geo. Armistead and the Major Sam-uel Ringgoid, are destined for Seattle, via Cape Horn, while the others, the Gen. Samuel F. Hunt and the Gen. Henry Knox, have been assigned to Manila and will proceed there via the Suez Canal. These boats will form a part of the Army coast defense service. with which to purchase 100 shares of Atchison common on June 25, and that TINY BOATS' LONG VOYAGE Atchison common on June 2a, and that he had never received the stock nor had his money been returned. Re-ceiver Allen testified, however, that an examination of the books of Harris, Winthrop & Co. Dorr's New York cor-respondents, showed that the stock had been purchased. Upon this showing the decadart was discharged. Mine-Planters on Trip Around Horn From Hampton Roads. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 3.-A hazthe defendant was discharged. ardous journey, the like of which has Webfoot Oli Blacking keeps feet dry. Makes shoes last. All dealers. been undertaken heretofore only by the naval torpedo-boat flotilla that accom-panled the battleship squadron from the coast defense service. SEND FOR OUR LARGEST AND NEW LEADING FUR FUR CATALOGUE MANUFACTURERS MAILED FREE OF THE WEST. Cor. 4th and Morrison Sts. **GRAND PRE-HOLIDAY SALE FUR COATS**

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hurried forth from the church.

Brougher Is Elected President.

At the beginning of the meeting Dr. Brougher was elected president of the Men's Club, to fill a vacancy, and made a brief speech, in which he said he will never be satisfied until there is a mem-bership of 2000. He said that the day will surely come when the members will have a mighty influence in civic affairs. He declared that the club is to be active in politics and should be able to "make some people sit up and take notice." Dr. Brougher then introduced Council-

vised the Chief that the members of the Board would not entertain the idea of his resigning under fire. Mayor Taylor, when asked today if Chief Biggy's resignation had been placed in his hands by Commissioner Keil, as had been reported, characterized the re-port as erroneous. The Mayor said: "I have had no communication with Chief Biggy, oral, written or otherwise, for over a week past and I have received no infimation of any kind that be con-templated resigning from his position. man Bennett, who spoke in place of Councilman Chilars, the latter being in Scattle, Mr. Bennett said that the Cellars ordinance is the result of trouble the City Council had with saloons. He explained that the cases which came up for consideration were nearly always found to have been brought about by women in the saloons. He declared that no member of the Council is favorable to women in saloons, contrary to a general opinion.

Mr. Bennett, who supported the Cellars law, snid that it is believed by its friends in the Council that it is the best measure ever enacted in Portland for the protection of young women and girls. He said, however, that it was deemed In a said, however, that it was deemed unwise at the time to bar women from all dhing-rooms, lest it should become obnoxious, so the limit on rooms where women might be served with liquor was placed at 459 square feet. Councilman Rushlight was then hiro-duced and at ones proceeded to defend

duced and at once proceeded to defend the amendment recently introduced by him, which was passed by the Council, but was later vetoed by the Mayor and the veto sustained.

Mr. Rushlight said the first clause of his amendment provided for the sale of hottled goods in family stores. The next clause cut down the floor space to 200 square feet. This, he said, was done to give certain places here, legitimate un-der the law, the right to operate. He then said the objections to the Celiars ordinance are that it is too sweeping in its restrictions on women; he believes women are able to protect themselves, women, are able to protect themselves, he mid. Another objection, he said, is that the Cellars law permits women to purchase bottled goods in drug and gro-cery storen, but it forbids the sale to women elsewhere, except in restaurants serving liquor with meals where there is an open and public dining-room, with 400 square feet of floor space. He said that he believed Mr. Cellars was careful "not to offend the mighty-the Grocers" Association, the Amaigamated Druggists and the big hotels." all of which are per-

Association, the Amaigamated Druggists and the big hotels," all of which are per-mitted to cater to women. He said his sole motive in endeavoring to amend the Cellurs law was to mete out justice to all. Rev. E. S. Muckley then took the platform and Dr. Brougher said that, being a preacher, Rev. Mr. Muckley would be held down attentive to time. The would be held down strictly to time. The speaker declared in favor of amending in a way that will put out of business

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Reorganization will prepare if for going out of business of the Indian service along lines which at no distant day, is the general aim of Commissioner Leupp, according to his an-nual report, just issued. "No greater help," he declared, "can come to the Indians than through hav-ing this service pass out of existence in test the right way." the "hig" hotels. "I believe Councilman Rushlight is honest." said Rev. Mr. Muckley, "Why, ing this service pass out of existence in just the right way." The Commissioner argues that there is no better way of accomplishing this re-sult than for Congress to grant him the additional employes he needs "to guide the office in its decline." A large degree of success, says the Commissioner, has attended his efforts to suppress the liquor habit among In-dians. Awnest." said Rev. Mr. Muckley. "Why, he looks as honest as a preacher! If he had on my coat, you could not tell him fruor one. Now, I think the amendment he offered was in the wrong direction. It would have allowed many places to sell liquor to women which are barred under the Cellars law. This was the wring way to amend: it is better to amend in a way that will put liquor out of the Hotel Portland grill, the Oregon grill, the Hot Bran, the Quelle and other larger restaurants Mr. Cellars and that the public would not stand

grill, the Hof Brau, the Quelle and other inrger restaurants. Mr. Cellars and that the public would not stand alcohel. Phones Main 671, A 2457, **

that he was incompetent. That Chief Biggy offered his resigna-tion to Police Commissioner Hugo D. Keil an hour before his death, and during the period of his visit to the Commis-sioner's home at Belveders, became known today. Kell admite the where

good will and friendship between the United States and the Chinese Empire which it is the cherished aim of this Government to foster for all time."

Boycott on Austria Spreads.

the period of his visit to the commis-sioner's home at Belvedere, became known today. Kell admits that the miss-ing official offered to surrender his po-sition, in the hope that the Commissioners would be relieved of newspaper criticism, to which Biggy felt they had been sub-jected on his account, but Kell, accord-ing to his own declaration, refused to ac-cept or consider the proposal, and ad-vised the Chief that the members of the Board would not entertain the idea of ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 3 .- The Turklah boycott of Austrian goods has extended into Egypt and Albania and is threatening to spread throughout the entire Mussulman world.

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