## **BLOW IS STRUCK** AT INITIATIVE LAW

Sellwood Club Seeks Its Repeal, Regarding It as Menace to State's Welfare.

#### STRONG ACTION IS TAKEN

Out Evils of System and Pledgfor Its Elimination.

That the initiative and referendum law is iniquitous, a menace to the prosperity of the State of Oregon, an instrument of great danger in the hands of unscrupulous demagogues and faddists and un-American, was the decision of the Seliwood Republican Club, reached after a long discussion Monday night.

The meeting was called specially to consider the initiative and referendum law, and J. W. Campbell, who presided, set forth in a short talk the reasons why he thought the law should be repealed. He called attention to the long and confusing ballot at the recent election, and declared that not one man in ten could vote with intelligence and discrimination upon so many measures, many of which were complex and contradictory. He closed by saying that the law was a menace to the state and a dangerous instrument in the hands of the demagogue. Fellowing Mr. Campbell's talk he read the following declaration, which was adopted:

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Whereas, Our husiness prosperity depends largely upon the stability and permanency of our laws and governmental conditions, and as the initiative and referendum has adopted in 1802 by the people of the State of Oregon has proved by its operation to be a disturbance and a promoter of instability, making it possible to change our fundamental laws with the sreatest facility and for the slightest reason, thus creating distrust in the minds of investors and tending to hinder growth; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we denounce the initiative and referendum law as a menace to our business prosperity in that it affords opportunity for theorists to have enacted into law measures that no representative Legislature would attempt to enact. It affords means by which demagogues and cliques can promote measures which are thrust upon the attention of the unwilling voter, who has neither, time, means, inclination nor opportunity to inform himself properly upon them, and who, by refusing to vote, or voting bilindity, is liable to work injury to the state. In the three general elections under this law the voters of the state have been called upon to decide 32 different questions of greater or decides 33 different questions of greater or the meansures, making a total of 85 propositions submitted to the voters of the state have been called upon to decide upon 85 local measures, making a total of 85 propositions submitted to the voters of the state have been called upon to decide upon 86 local measures, making a total of 85 propositions submitted to the voters of the state have been called upon to decide upon 86 local measures, making a total of 85 propositions submitted to the voters of the state have been called upon to decide upon 86 local measures, making a total of 85 propositions submitted to the voters of the state have been called upon to decide upon 10 decide

Peter Hume, president of the Sell-good Bank, introduced another resoluwood Bank, introduced another resolu-tion, less drastic than the foregoing. It set forth that the initiative and referendum had been abused and must be amended so it would not be a dan-gerous instrument. He favored mak-ing it difficult to get an initiative measure before the people, providing that initiative petitions should not be promiscuously circulated, but should be left at the office of the County Clerk or City Auditor, and voters interested should go to these places voluntarily should go to these places voluntarily and sign the petitions. Mr. Hume contended that this would do away with fraud and abuse in the use of the law.

#### Long Discussion Follows.

Both resolutions were exhaustively discussed. William La Force argued that the first resolution was the right one and that there was no use to attack the measure mildly, for that would effect nothing. H. W. Golding spoke for the complete elimination of would effect nothing. H. W. Golding spoke for the complete elimination of the law from the statutes of Oregon. J. F. Kertchem also declared that while he had been inclined to support the resolution of Mr. Hume, he thought the first one covered the matter. He said that the movement meant a long fight before the law could be repealed.

J. D. Stevens was given opportunity to speak, and he attacked Statement No. 1 and the primary law, but contended that it would be a long time before the initiative and referendum could be repealed. He held that the law is really part of governmental system.

At the conclusion of the discussion the first resolution demanding complete elimination of the initiative and referendum was adopted. The club will co-operate with other clubs to secure repeal of the law, either through the Legislature or by the people themselves.

#### WANTS WATER SHUT OFF Sellwood Club Objects to City Sup-

plying Golf Links.

The Seliwood Beard of Trade has taken up the water question in that suburb, and voted at the meeting Monday night to "demand" that the Water Board at once shut off during the irrigating time each day the four-inch main that now supplies the Golf Links with water. It was said that this four-inch main reduces the pressure in Seliwood so that many of the residents have no water morning and evening, while lawns are being irrigated. evening, while lawns are being irrigated. And further it was contended that the water main that supplies the Golf Links extends outside the city limits and into Clackamas County, contrary to the rules of the water plant. Outside of the times when people are using water on their lawns there is sufficient water in Self-wood.

wood.

At this meeting it was reported that good progress is being made on the big newer system for Sellwood. However, it was said that in a few of the lateral connections defective cement had been used. The sewer committee was instructed to look into the matter. Secretary Adams was instructed to send in writing a vote of thanks to the Ladies' Auxiliary for its assistance in getting up the Festival float which won first prize. W. H. Morehouse, chairman, reported that nearly enough funds had been raised to meet the expenses of the float.

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O'Brien Estate Probated.

The estate of Mrs. Bridget O'Brien, worth \$3000, was admitted to probate in the County Court yesterday, and Mrs. Mary Power and J. D. Keinsedy appointed executivity and executor. Mrs. O'Brien died May 7, 1905.

ARTISTS WHO CONSTRUCTED FLOATS FOR ROSE FESTIVAL, AND MANAGER OF CARNIVAL





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een appreciated in such a substantial

Following the presentation of these medals they assured Mr. Hoyt and Mr. Hutchin that if the Rose Festival ever needed their services in the future they would come, no matter what other duties they might have to sacrifice.

successful pageants given, the follow-ing are the men who were responsible for the brilliant pageantry of the Fes-

Gras pageantry work.



PIERRE L TRAGUO



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marbleizing effects which were con-spicuous in several of the most gor-geous floats.

One of the most touching incidents connected with the closing of the third annual Rose Festival was a little ceremonial conducted immediately following the farewell electrical pageant in honor of the exodus of Rex Oregonus, King of the Carnival. The sculptors, artists, painters and decorators whose work had been so loudly applauded for the fine appearance of the various pageants were called together by President Hoyt and General Manager Hutchin and presented with testimonial medials of gold in appreciation of the splendid work they had done in creating the masterpieces which were displayed in the different processions. These men were assembled by Mr.
Hutchin after his trip back East last
Winter, when he secured the promise
of the Chicago Association of Commerce that it would arrange its dates so as to be here for the Festival. They exe-cuted the general schemes for floats which he originated.

#### NOLTA DEFENDS HIS BAND

masterpieces which were displayed in the different processions.

The recipients of these tokens of regard and gratitude were so overcome not only by the applause which had greeted their handlwork throughout the long lines of march but by the remembrance from the Festival that most of them gave vent to unbidden tears of gratitude. There were men who had assisted in years past in making Mardi Gras of New Orleans, the Veiled Pro-Will Go to Seattle Despite Unions' Opposition.

J. H. Nolta, manager of the Peninsula Band, takes exception to the statements made by union musicians in declaring that organization an unfair band. In defending his band, which he proposes to take to the Seattle exposition, Mr. Nolta

Gras of New Orleans, the Veiled Pro-phet of St. Louis and the Priests of Pallas of Kansas City what these spec-tacular celebrations had been and this was the first time their efforts have rae Peninsula Band is an amateur or-ganization and was organized simply to furnish the people of Portland and the residents of the Peninsula with concerts during the Summer. The members of the union, in objecting to our going to Seattle or any other place are "butting in" on something that is no concern of theirs. In the first place, they never asked us to toin the union, and as for their charge of duties they might have to sacrifice.

Aside from Mr. Hutchin, who worked out the general scheme of the different parades, prepared details of design for the individual floats, and to whom Mr. Hoyt assigns principal credit for the successful pageints given the follow. In the first place, they never asked us to join the union, and as for their charge of amateurism, we admit that and are proud of it. The Peninsula Band has been organized only a few weeks, and right now I am willing to wager that it can play just as pleasing music as any union organization, and this we are willing to leave to a competent board of musical critics.

"I am prepared to fluence this trip to for the brilliant pageantry of the Fes-tival week:

J. W. Harper, general director and master float-builder, who has had charge of the construction of the floats of the Velled Prophet celebration, in St. Louis for more than 30 years, and who directed many of the recent Mardi Gras pageantry work.

"I am prepared to finance this trip to Seattle, and if the Peninsula Band wants to go to Seattle it will go despite what the union bands think about it. We don't pretend to compete with them at all, for our band is merely an amateur organiza-tion and we give most of our concerts

"The Park Board has allotted a concert every three weeks to the Peninsula. This seems an injustice to our section of the city, but the Peninsula Band will give three free concerts every week and we don't care whether the Park Board sends its union band or not."

### BANQUET TO BE TENDERED

California Excursion Will Be Portland's Guest Friday Night.

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William Stewart, of St. Louis, a pupil of Harper's, who has been engaged in a similar work at St. Louis, New Orleans and Kansas City for the past 18 years. He acted as superintendent of construction of all Festival floats.

Anthony Truckenbrodt, modeler and papier mache artist, who has not only done work for a number of American spectacular celebrations, but who came here with a reputation among several foreign centers in his particular field.

Pierre L. Traglio, one of the brilliant young decorative artists who is rapidly forging to the front under the direction and tutelage of Harper and Stewart. Traglio has peculiar talent in his line which has never been so strongly emphasized as in the work he executed for the Festival.

Charles Pearson is another of the shining lights of Harper's staff and is the man who is directly responsible for the brilliant electrical light effects of the leading night processions. Pearson is considered one of the foremost electrical artworkers in his class in the country, his greatest achievement, perhaps, being the Tiger Lily float which was generally considered the most exquisite work of the electrical parades.

Three special artists assisted in the Reservations are now being made for he banquet to be given Friday night in conor of the members of the California honor of the members of the California business men's excursion. About 100 visitors will be entertained, and it is expected that an equal number of local business men will attend. The details of the banquet are in the hands of the following committee: W. D. Wheelwright, chairman; General Charles F. Beebe, T. B. Wilcox, John M. Scott, Fred A. Jacobs, W. D. Fenton, J. C. Ainsworth and William MacMaster.

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The excursionists are due to arrive at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon and will be taken for a trolley ride to various points of interest. The banquet will be held at 6 o'clock and will be informal in character. The party will resume its journey to California about midnight.

COUNCIL INTENDS TO CLOSE MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENTS.

Mrs. Baldwin Declares Conditions Now Worse Than Before North End Was Closed.

Action to secure revocation of numerus licenses for massage parlors, scattered throughout the city, was begun yesterday afternoon by the license committee of the City Council. Mrs. A. Lupke, having an establishment in the Columbia building, was criticised by Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, who appeared before the committee and charged that the place under question is used for the performing of criminal operations upon young women. Councilman Menefee, chairman of the committee, said that he favore revocation of this license, and a thorough investiga-

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Mrs. Baldwin, who is chief of the Police Burean for Protection of Giris, declares that of 30 alleged massage parlors visited by her and investigated, 25 are nothing but houses of ill-repute, conducted by former inmates of North End establishments. Mrs. Baldwin gives it as her judgment that the conditions now existing are wome in some respects, than abounded in the restricted district prior to the time it was closed up by order of Mayor Lane.

Councilman Menefee and his colleagues on the committee were greatly surprised at the disclosures made by the testimony yesterday afternoon. A young woman told of entering into an arrangement with Mrs. Lupke, through a detective agency and Mrs. Baldwin, to ascertain if a criminal operation could be performed by Mrs. Lupke. The latter, according to the

Mrs. Lupke, through a detective agency and Mrs. Baldwin, to ascertain if a criminal operation could be performed by Mrs. Lupke. The latter, according to the evidence adduced, did not hesitate, naming a rate of \$25 for the operation. A check was given, and the young falv made an excuse, saying she would return at a given time.

"In my opinion," stated Mr. Menefee, "this woman's license should be revoked by the Council without delay. I shall take this matter before the committee at its regular meeting next Monday and will perhaps introduce an ordinance, the terms of which will make it necessary for applicants for such licenses to appear in person before the committee before a license is issued. Something must be done to close the dens now existing under the guise of massage parlors. Conditions appear to be worse now than when the North End was open."

Mayor Lane, several months ago, ordered Chief of Police Gritzmacher to close up every house of ill-fame in Portland. This was done, and now it is said that, in many of the rooming-houses uptown, the former inmates of the houses that were closed, are occupying apartments, greatly to the humiliation of respectable people.

#### Jewelry Gone, So Is Boarder.

With two diamond rings and a gold watch belonging to his landlady, Roy E. Camp, an express wagon driver, has disappeared from his boarding-house at 51½ North Ninth street. Mrs. Jeffery, proprietor of the place, made inquiry contribution of the place, made inquiry contribution of the place. prietor of the place, made inquiry con-cerning the young man at police head-quarters lest night. He left the house yesterday morning at 6 o'clock, announc-Mrs. Jeffery stated to the police sha be-with her jewelry,

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