

COFFEY LAMENTS WILD GAMING FINES

Methods of Judge Tazwell
Hinder Enforcement of
Law, He Says.

CHINESE CASES ARE CITED

Imposition of \$7.50 Penalty on
Each Offender Direct Slap at
Police Department, Declara-
tion of Chief Commissioner.

In a statement yesterday John B. Coffey, police commissioner, makes the charge that the desire of the present municipal administration to enforce the laws, so far as gambling is concerned, is seriously hampered by the apparent disinclination on the part of Municipal Judge Tazwell to impose penalties sufficiently severe on offenders, against whom evidence has been produced, to discourage further violations.

Mr. Coffey disclaims any intention of attacking Municipal Judge Tazwell personally or his administration of the office he holds.

Mr. Coffey, however, in unmistakably plain language, lays the inability of the administration to suppress gambling directly to Tazwell because of his imposition of minimum fines against men arrested for gambling.

Minimum Fines Levied.

The statement by Mr. Coffey is the sequel to the part he played in raiding a Chinese gambling den at 285 Everett street last Saturday night and the subsequent action of Tazwell in letting about 80 Chinamen and other foreigners off on payment of a fine of only \$7.50, while the statute for violation of which they were charged provides for a maximum fine of \$200.

"The executive part of the city administration claims to be earnest in its efforts to stamp out vice whenever it secures positive proof, but the executive arm can never fully or fairly accomplish its earnest endeavor unless the Municipal Judge is in sympathy with its efforts," said Mr. Coffey yesterday. "Therefore whenever there is shown in the Municipal Court positive proof of continued and defiant violation of the law, only a just and adequate penalty can serve as a deterrent."

Early Sunday morning, August 13, I took part in securing the actual evidence of the violation of the gambling ordinances by about 80 Chinamen. They were caught in the act about 2 o'clock in the morning, together with all the outfit of an up-to-date gambling establishment. They were taken to the City Jail and the bail of each was fixed at \$50 by the Chief. The limit of fine is \$200. Practically none had the necessary bail. The proprietor of the gambling establishment sent for his attorney, W. W. Banks, who at that hour, about 2 o'clock in the morning, got into communication with Municipal Judge Tazwell.

Bail Is Reduced.

"What representations were made to the Judge are of no consequence, but it is a fact that Judge Tazwell, without investigation or communication with the authorities as to the nature of the law's violation, promptly reduced the bail of each to \$20 and the gambling proprietor quickly put up the bail for each as reduced by the Judge.

"On Monday, August 14, Attorney Banks appeared for the defendants, and the Judge, at the attorney's request, allowed a postponement of the trial, August 18, and informed that the rule for such offenses is to allow a postponement for one day and no more, except in special cases, and in cases of this kind, Attorney Banks or his 80 Chinamen, are given special privileges.

"On Friday, August 18, the cases were tried, the evidence of the law's violation admitted. It is known that these are continual and defiant violators of the gambling laws. Defendant, Judge Tazwell displayed his knowledge of this known fact by stating from the bench his knowledge that Chinamen are known to be continual and natural gamblers. In the face of this knowledge and statement, he fined them a paltry seven dollars and fifty cents, where the limit of fine is \$200.

"I asked whether such action on the part of the Judge will serve to discourage these continual and defiant violators of the law.

"The Judge said that he dealt leniently with these defendants because they were natural gamblers.

Methods Are Censured.

"It is said that this class of Chinamen, by nature and centuries of breeding, regard life cheaply, and Judge Tazwell, by the same course of reasoning, when a Chinaman murders a fellow countryman, might deal with the murderer leniently because, from the nature and breeding of the murderer, he has a very slight regard for the life of a human being.

"I do not intend this statement as a personal attack on Judge Tazwell, but to show how the earnest efforts of the city authorities to discourage vice may be hindered and handicapped by the complaisance of the judicial part of the administration, if not in sympathy with the executive branch.

"Four white men were recently caught gambling and Judge Tazwell fined each \$20, though the case was not an aggravated one. Neither color, race nor previous condition of servitude should make any difference either in the detection or in the punishment of crime, and while I have anything to do in connection with the city's administration I propose to adhere to that principle.

STORIES TOLD IN OPEN AIR

School Children Prefer Witch and
Indian Tales Most of All.

Instead of the regular "story hour" at the library during the Summer, each playground in the city is visited once a week for the purpose of story-telling. Lists of good books on different subjects, in the form of book marks, are distributed, thus making a library story hour in the open air. From 18 to 25 children gather each time to hear the stories of all kinds, from "Little Black Sambo" and "The Ugly Duckling" to "Robin Hood," "Siegfried" and "King Arthur." At one of the playgrounds the children are very decided in their preference for witch stories, and at others they will listen with tolerance to fairy tales, but all crowd around eagerly for Indian stories.

The Brooklyn playground is far from the Central Library and its branches, so books are packed in cases and taken out for distribution. After the story

hour each Tuesday, the children choose their own books, which are charged to them as they are at the children's room or at any of the branches.

Miss Kate Felling told some Indian stories last Tuesday, and had with her some very interesting curios which are now on exhibition in the children's room at the Central Library, where the Indian stories have also been put on special shelves and Indian pictures on the walls. Invitation is extended to all the boys and girls to come and see.

APPLES WILL BE GIFTS

Oregon Fruit to Be Distributed at
Pittsburg Land Show.

Oregon's Development League and the Northwestern Fruit Exchange will distribute Oregon apples at the big land show in Pittsburg, October 12-28. A carload of apples will be furnished by the Fruit Exchange, and the Development League, which has already contracted for space at the land show, will have charge of the distribution.

An information bureau will also be maintained in the Oregon concession.

RURAL MAIL CARRIER LOSES ONLY FOUR TRIPS IN FIVE YEARS.



L. T. West,
RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Aug. 19.
—(Special.)—L. T. West finished five years as carrier on rural route 2 last Tuesday.

Arrangements will be made with commercial organizations in every section of the state to have literature forwarded to the Pittsburg Commercial Club, to be sent to Pittsburg.

The Pittsburg Land Show has become one of the big events of its kind in the East, and arrangements for the coming show are more extensive than they have ever been before. This has influenced the Development League to obtain space for an exhibit, as officials of the association believe it will offer an excellent opportunity to interest Eastern farmers in the Northwest.

St. Louis Minister to Speak

Dr. W. J. Williamson, pastor of the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis, and spokesman of the "Men and Religion Forward" movement in the United States, will speak in the First Presbyterian Church in this city at 8 o'clock Friday evening, August 25, giving a general outline of the purpose and development of the organization. A branch of the movement Dr. Williamson represents was organized here about six months ago, with R. R. Perkins, of the Portland Y. M. C. A., as local secretary, and the meeting Friday night will be held under his auspices. Dr. Williamson is now in San Francisco, and Portland will be his next stopping place in a tour of the United States and Canada, which will include 75 cities in the former and 15 in the latter.

JAPANESE INFANTS LABOR IN COURSE PRESCRIBED BY KINDERGARTEN.



TINY NIPPON STUDENTS WHO ARE GETTING KNOWLEDGE IN MODERN STYLE.

Smiles of gratification would wreath the shadowy faces of Froebel and Pestalozzi, if they could return from across the River Styx and drop around at the corner of Seventh and Couch street, Portland, some afternoon, to see their educational principles in operation among the little Nipponese in the picture herewith. Over the door of a house at that corner is a sign that says Japanese Kindergarten, and through the windows comes the chant of baby voices, engaged at the games and labors laid down by the German savants as the basis of all education.

Then, at a fixed hour, the tiny students trip down the stairs and, under the direction of a monitor, himself about as tall as a desk, they are marshaled two and two and go on their constitutional just like the young women of the most aristocratic "seminary." Trim and neatly-dressed Japanese women, the teachers, stand smilingly by and superintend the operation, which the young dignitary carries through with great solemnity and earnestness.

Only a part of the student body is shown here. As many as 15 rising Nipponese are sometimes seen in attendance.

Enameled Bedroom Furniture

The rare beauty, quaint style and exquisite cleanliness of painted furniture make it ideal for the bedroom and especially for the guest room.

While fine enameled furniture is common in the better Eastern shops, it is somewhat hard to find in the Portland stores. We are therefore rather proud of the display in our windows this week.

There are five fine enameled suites—four patterns, of which one is shown both plain and decorated. All are perfect representations of the Colonial and French styles. They are of hardwood and wood-and-cane construction, finely made and finished. Two are beautifully decorated by hand.

Complete suites contain full-size bed, bureau, chest of drawers, triple-mirror dressing table, chair and rocker, and range in price up to \$625.

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DEED TRACED HERE

Alleged Document Forger Is
Held at Seattle.

LOCAL GANG IS SUSPECTED

D. A. Hatfield Jailed in Sound City
May Be Man Wanted by Cameron.
Prosecutor Asks About Local
Attorney Who Signed Paper.

Activity of a gang of alleged deed-forgers who operated in this city some months ago, has moved to Seattle, where an extensive series of frauds has been perpetrated, according to a communication from Prosecuting Attorney Murphy to the District Attorney here. Two men, whose names appeared frequently in the transactions here, are in jail in the Sound city, and the prosecutor has asked for information as to their transactions here.

Many Portland men were drawn into a scandal a few months ago, when it came to light that a number of investors had been victimized by a chain of fraudulent deeds, all leading back to certain lots in Milton, Cal., which were found to be in the heart of a cemetery. Many were arrested, some were held to the grand jury, and others were released, having convinced the court that they were innocent victims. Among those not brought before the courts, but whose names appeared frequently in the transactions, were D. A. Hatfield and George Sanborn. Sanborn had been accused of a similar fraud before the series of swindles came to light and fled from the city.

Attorney Here Involved.

Prosecuting Attorney Murphy now writes that Hatfield is in the County Jail at Seattle on a charge of forgery. Recently a letter arrived at the jail addressed to M. G. Garman, care of a Portland attorney, and thence forwarded to the jail at Seattle. Hatfield claimed the letter. It contained what the prosecutor terms a suspicious-looking deed, drawn by Max Garman to Gottlieb Henning, and acknowledged before a lawyer in Portland, about whom the Seattle official seeks information.

The letter also tells of the arrest of Joe Dyer, alias John A. Arnold, and J. G. Sampson, alias George Sanborn. They are accused of trying to defraud an automobile firm by offering a false mortgage for \$2000 as security for \$1500 in the purchase of an automobile. The mortgage purports to cover lots 1 to 7, block 5, Sunset Park Addition to Bandon, Coos County, given by Oscar B. Lemps.

They supported the mortgage by showing a suspicious bill of sale from the Northwest Timber Company, of which H. Banfield is president, and C. Corbett, secretary. This was acknowledged before the same Portland attorney.

Sanborn has admitted his residence in Portland and that he traded property with Hatfield. He was a witness for Hatfield at his trial.

Deputy District Attorney Page believes that Hatfield is Edwards, alias Nelson, whom all the victims and accused referred to in explaining their share in the tangle of frauds. He was urgently sought here at the time of the exposures, but could not be found. The information from Seattle has given new impetus to the investigation of the alleged frauds here, some of which are still pending in the courts.

SOIL EXPERT IS HERE

H. W. GRUNSKY, OF MEDFORD,
TO INSPECT FARMS.

Government Irrigationist Opens
Portland Office to Investigate
Agricultural Districts.

The United States Department of Agriculture has recently assigned one of its experts in irrigation, H. W. Grunsky, of Medford, Or., to conduct a series of investigations in one or more of the many promising agricultural districts east of the Cascade range.

The irrigation investigation office has gradually extended its field of operations from small beginnings, 15 or 20 years ago, until now it has a corps of trained engineers invading each of the states west of the Mississippi River as well as many of those east.

Of all the offices and branches of the Department of Agriculture there is perhaps none more directly helpful to the condition of the individual farmer than this office. Connected with the office are Engineers Don H. Bark, in Idaho; Frank Adams, in California; and A. P. Stover, in the Willamette Valley, Western Oregon. The results of experiments are brought to the attention of settlers by object lessons near at home and through bulletins and other publications, and are creating a revolution in irrigation practices, in the economic use of water, by leading the way in districts where irrigation has hitherto been thought unnecessary. Engineer Stover's work in Western Oregon is a good illustration of this. When Mr. Stover started out in 1907 to talk of irrigation experiments in the Willamette Valley he was laughed at from

SALESMAN ARRESTED HERE

O. C. Dunn Wanted in Oklahoma
City for Alleged Misuse of Mails.

O. C. Dunn, at one time a salesman for Tull & Gibbs, living at 408 Main street, was arrested yesterday on a charge of using the United States mail to defraud. He waived examination and will be held for the Oklahoma City authorities, from whom the indictment was sent to the Portland Federal authorities.

Dunn, according to the indictment, with several others, organized a big "fake" commission house in Oklahoma City, the scope of its business being many thousands of dollars. The promoters secured a large amount of different goods on the strength of their organization and sold them without first paying for them. Letters sent through the mails on the business paper of the firm will be used to place the Federal charge against them.

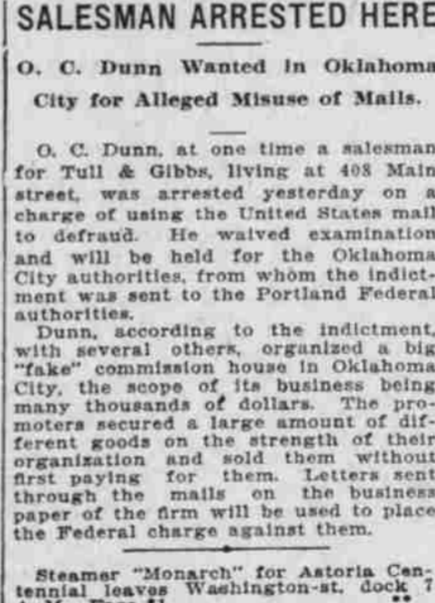
RAILWAY PRIVILEGES GRANTED

The County Court granted the Mount Hood Railway Company the full right yesterday to run its tracks over the county roads along the projected line in the eastern part of Multnomah County. The application for the rights of way was made some time ago.

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