

ASTORIA CHARTER

Pominent Business Men Favor the Tuttle Amendment.

DEMOCRATIC BULLDOZING

Threats Made by the Boss That Improvements Will Be Stopped If the Tuttle Charter Is Passed and the City Left in Darkness.

In order to ascertain the opinions of the prominent citizens and taxpayers of Astoria on the proposed amendments to the city charter, a representative of the Astorian interviewed over 50, and with but a single exception, the position taken by the Astorian was indorsed. The interviews were not confined to republicans, but included many prominent democrats. Every one interviewed was in favor of changing the time for the general election from December to June. Several of them were in favor of abolishing the police commission entirely, but all, with one exception, favored the appointment of a police commission composed of one democrat and two republicans to hold until the next general election.

Dictator Smith, the democratic leader, is opposed to the whole shooting match. He is opposed to anything that will not give the democrats all the offices and perpetuate them in power. He even got so warm in the collar that he tried to intimidate Mr. Coolidge of the Electric Light Company to compel him to go to the republicans and compel them to withdraw their amendments, and that if the amendments were not withdrawn, he with the assistance of the democratic council would stop all improvements in the city and put out all the electric lights. This is the system of bulldozing that has been used by the democrats to carry the city and county elections and elect democrats to office.

There is a very large majority of the best citizens of Astoria who want a change in the administration of the police department. It is a well known fact, said a prominent business man, that the police have taken an active interest in local politics, while the rules of the department prohibit it. What Astoria needs is a police force removed from politics and this is impossible under the present administration. Not only do they take an active interest in city politics, but county politics as well, and they use their authority to compel men to vote to perpetuate the democratic party in power.

A prominent democrat stated that he was opposed to the present management of the police force, for the reason that there was no legal police commission and efforts have been made to file charges against a certain officer, but they were unable to do so on account of there being no commission to try them. Every republican interviewed, was in favor of the amendments proposed by Senator Tuttle, while there are not a dozen men in the city but what are in favor of changing the elections from December to June, the opposition being confined exclusively to democrats who are holding office, and several of the city officials, who are democrats, are noncommittal.

A prominent member of the chamber of commerce stated that this was the first time the democratic council had arrogated to themselves the authority to prepare a city charter. That the charter prepared by the common council was prepared and adopted by that body, without even consulting the chamber of commerce, and the chamber was composed of all the largest taxpayers of the city and ought to have as much right to suggest amendments as the democratic council. If the Tuttle charter were to be submitted to the chamber of commerce it would be ratified by a unanimous vote, and it has more interest in Astoria and its charter than Boss Smith and the five democratic members of the common council.

Old-Timer Gone.

Seattle, Jan. 20.—Benjamin B. Allen, an employe of the United States assay office, is dead in this city at the age of 59. When the Southern Pacific railroad was built to connect with the Union Pacific, he came to San Francisco by way of the isthmus in charge of the first locomotive ever brought to the Pacific coast. Mr. Allen superintended setting up these locomotives, which were employed on the run between Sacramento and Ogden.

HARRIMAN ISSUES BONDS.

Lucien Cut off Goes to Coterie of New York Bankers.

San Francisco, Jan. 21.—E. H. Harriman, president of the Southern Pacific, has completed, it is said, arrangements to issue to New York bankers \$10,000,000 of bonds on the Lucien cut off of the Central Pacific. The bonds will be secured by a first mortgage on

the new cut off and the securities will be known as "Through short line first mortgage 5 per cent bonds." They are to mature on October 1, 1914, unless previously redeemed as an entire issue at the company's option at 107½ and interest on October 1, 1909, or any semi-annual interest day thereafter.

PHILANTHROPIST DIES.

Dr. Blynn was a pioneer among Women Physicians.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Dr. Obelia Blynn, a pioneer among the women physicians of Chicago and 30 years ago a prominent figure in the medical circles of this city, is dead in the county infirmary at Dunning, after several years of ill health, which culminated in mental breakdown last April. She was 60 years of age.

Dr. Blynn was a graduate of the Women's Medical college of Philadelphia and came to Chicago about the time of the great fire. She was the first to advocate free public baths, was a member of the Chicago Medical Society and of the Women's Press League and devoted much time to Y. M. C. A. work. She had maintained a large practice but spent nearly all her income in philanthropic undertakings.

Resolutions.

Resolutions in regard to the death of Prof. H. S. Lyman, adopted by the Astoria City Teachers' Association, January 21, 1905.

In view of the fact that the late H. S. Lyman had been for several years closely associated with the schools of Astoria and the state of Oregon, and had rendered valuable service to the teachers and people of our county as superintendent of schools, and further, since he had enriched the literature of our state by his masterly historic stories and poems of the northwest, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Prof. H. S. Lyman we, the teachers of Astoria, have sustained a deeply felt loss; not only as an educator are we called upon to deplore his death, but as a dear friend and brother, who sympathized with us in every effort that tended to the uplifting of our profession, strengthening us by his wise counsels and noble Christian character. The state loses in him a son who bade fair to make her glorious with his pen, one, whose life lent only a noble argument to the creed of all who knew him, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the papers for publication, and printed copies be sent to the relatives of Prof. H. S. Lyman.

JENNIFER N. BUSEY.
MARY E. LEMON.
LUCY B. MORTON.
Committee on Resolutions.

S Danziger & Co. Causes a Sensation.

Since the above firm announced its determination to remodel the entire building and make its present store double in size, people have flocked to the store to secure a share of the great bargains that the old reliable firm is offering. In order to make room for the mechanics to begin work, \$15,000.00 worth of high class clothing, hats, shoes and furnishings at a saving of 25 to 50 per cent off regular prices, is a real picnic for all tariffy people.

The many improvements will take an army of carpenters, painters, paper-hangers, plasterers, plumbers, laborers, etc., several weeks to complete it, but everything must be in shape for spring trade if it should be necessary to work two shifts night and day.

S. Danziger & Co. have the best wishes and support of all Astorians, as the people of this city feel the need of a big clothing store where the best grades of Men's and Boys' wear can be had (without being compelled to look to Portland for their needs). It seems strange that a city as large as Astoria has never really had a store of the above character.

"C. J." Guilty.

Our esteemed evening contemporary accuses C. J. Curtis with manipulating the Astoria charter bill. Guilty. He was the man who did the job, framed the bill, sent it to Senator Tuttle with his name blown in the bottle in order to insure its passage. Should anything else go wrong in the legislature or any bills be stolen, lay it to C. J. When he came to Astoria 25 years ago he tried to be honest, but made a failure of it, and everything that has gone wrong since that time has been laid to him. In order to relieve anybody else from responsibility in the matter and to save all controversy, C. J. admits the allegation, including the nickle-in-the-slot machine bill. There is nothing like being magnanimous. There is no use in denying anything when the preponderance of evidence is against you.

Charged With Seduction.

Pendleton, Jan. 21.—Emmett Starr is facing a charge of seduction instituted by Leah King. Starr was arrested yesterday at Athens. He has married a girl in Alberta county.

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