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Question of Police Commissioner Not Settled By Council.

LAW IS PERTINENTLY STATED

These Important Officers With Their Large Prerogatives Something More Than Mere "Ministerial Agents"—Some New Ideas Worth Digesting.

The three lawyers to whom were submitted the question of the tenure of office of a Police Commissioner appointed to fill a vacancy, have filed their joint opinion, but it is too elaborate to print in full. The question submitted to them was "does such appointee hold until the next general election," or "does he hold for the full unexpired term of the Commissioner whose office he was appointed to fill?" These attorneys hold, that the appointee holds the full unexpired term, that his term of office does not expire at the next election. The reason for this, as gravely announced by these learned gentlemen is, that the Police Commissioners are not "officers" of the City of Astoria. It was necessary to so hold, for if they are officers, then the term of office of an appointee expires at the next general election.

In the light of the charter this holding is indeed remarkable. Centuries ago, only a certain class of individuals, who were supposed to be most profound, were permitted to read or interpret the laws, and in those good old times the common people got it in the neck; now things are different. The ordinary layman has an equal right, he is not bound to swallow every statement simply because some learned individual says it is so written. Copied below, for the benefit of readers of this paper are all the provisions of the City Charter that refer to the question at issue, so they may read, and therefore understand.

In the first place it must be understood that the legislative assembly at its session of 1890 repealed all former city charters of Astoria, and enacted in one bill, a complete city charter, and it is under this same charter, with a few amendments, none however touching the present question, that the city is now being governed. This act comprises sections numbered from one to, and inclusive of 170, and of course, every section is a part of the act.

Sec. 11 of this act provides: "There shall be a general election in the City of Astoria on the second Wednesday in December, annually."

Sec. 12—"All officers required to be elected by this act, shall be elected by the qualified voters of the city or ward, as the case may be, at the general election next preceding the expiration of the term of the then incumbent of the office; provided, that the present officers of the City of Astoria shall continue in office until the expiration of the term for which they were elected, the same as if elected, or appointed, pursuant to the provisions of this act, excepting the harbor master."

Sec. 27—"An office shall be deemed vacant upon the death or resignation of the incumbent."

Sec. 28—"A vacancy in any office caused by a failure of a person elected to qualify therefor, as prescribed in section 24, or made by or consequent upon the judgment of any court, or in any of the cases specified in section 27, must be filled by appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the common council, to continue until the next general election."

Sec. 24 above referred to, simply provides when the term of office begins, and the time in which an officer must qualify, and the form of the oath of office."

Sec. 118—"The police force of the City of Astoria shall be appointed and organized by three police commissioners. The Police Commissioners shall be residents, voters and taxpayers of the City of Astoria, and all vacancies occurring in the board shall be filled by appointment by the mayor of the City of Astoria with the consent of a majority of the Common Council. The Commissioners shall take the oath of office required by other city officers."

Sec. 119—"The term of office of a police commissioner shall be six years, and until his successor is elected and qualified."

Sec. 120—"The present police commissioners shall continue in office for the respective terms for which they have respectively been elected, and the successors of each shall be elected at the time prescribed in the present laws, so that

one police commissioner shall be elected every two years."

It will be observed that a police commissioner is as much an officer of the city as the mayor; their duties are laid down with the same care. The only thing is, that the council makes all appointments, excepting only police commissioners, the mayor makes these. But under the plain provisions of Section 28, an appointee continues in office until the next general election.

There is, therefore, this state of affairs, that we can all understand; a police commissioner is an officer of the city. He is elected by the qualified voters thereof, the same as every other officer, and at the same general election. He is required to subscribe to the same oath of office that all other officers of the city are required to subscribe. It is surely a remarkable circumstance that they should be governed by a different rule of law for were not their offices created by the same act all other officers of the city were created? This office becomes vacant the same way as other offices, and is governed by the same rules.

A species of such refined logic, hair-splitting distinctions where no distinction exists, such straining at phrases, will not meet with the approval of the people. The voters ought to have the right to elect an officer who governs a municipality, particularly in such cases as this, where the charter says they shall.

The learned attorneys assert, however, that while a police commissioner is not an "officer of this city, yet he is a "ministerial agent." No argument will be attempted. None would be bold enough to enter into the polemic discussion of a question so grave, with such valiant opponents; but the right remains to quote the charter.

The latter part of section 118, which prescribes the powers and duties of the police commissioners, reads as follows:

"The board of police commissioners has the power and it is their duty within said city to organize, govern and conduct a police force within said City of Astoria, and to that end may: (1) Appoint a chief of police or one or more captains of police, and a suitable number of regular policemen. (2) Remove or suspend any member of the police force, including the chief and captain, for any cause they may deem sufficient, to be stated in the order of removal or suspension; (3) Make all necessary or convenient rules or regulations for the organization and conduct of said police force, for the care and management of the city prison, for receiving and hearing complaints against any member of said force; for the forfeiture of all or any portion of the wages that may be due any member of such force on account of misconduct, or negligence in the discharge of his duties; and they may adopt rules and regulations not inconsistent with the city charter for the management, control and organization of the police force."

Here we have a tribunal with extraordinary powers; power to enquire into and determine, and enter final judgment upon, the most valuable right of citizenship. A court that has power to hear charges of grave import against an officer, one who by statute of this state is made a peace officer, an officer under the state constitution and to hear evidence for and against him, and to pass final judgment against him, depriving him of a most valuable constitutional right. A court that can take from a citizen money actually earned by him, and give it to the city, a tribunal that has full power to make rules, in other words, laws, for the government of this city. Yet an official with all these powers, these learned gentlemen inform us, is not an "officer of our municipality," but is simply a "ministerial agent."

The citizens and taxpayers of this city, surely can not be led astray with such flimsy argument, such refinements. It is the duty of the Republican party, the father of all true and genuine reforms to restore to the people their birthright, the right given them by the charter to elect their officers by a vote.

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ASTORIA WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS HOLD SPECIAL MEETING

Called for the Purpose of Reviewing the Society Work in Regard to the Referendum Bill.

Yesterday afternoon, in the basement parlors of the First Baptist church of this city, the Woman's Suffrage Society of Astoria held a special business meeting, at which there was a full attendance. Mrs. Lyman J. Trumbull, acting president, in the chair, Mrs. Whitney, the regular secretary in charge of the records, with Mrs. E. A. Gerding, the treasurer and nearly all the local membership in evidence.

The society was formed here in June last, for express purpose of expediting the state movement for the building up of a general petition for the submission under the referendum law, of the question of female suffrage to the voters of Oregon at the next general election, it being the third, and final test of public approval or disapproval of the measure in this state.

The new petition must have upon it the names of 8000 legal voters within the state, each and all such names being certified to by the clerks of the respective counties in which it shall be circulated and signed, and the big task has been segregated and turned over to the societies in each county, the assignment to the society here calling for 300 signers, certified legal voters, 295 of which have been secured, all duly certified by County Clerk Clinton, to date.

The meeting yesterday was called to decide whether the work should go forward or whether it should be dropped; and the ladies, loyal to this, as to all else they undertake, declared in favor of finishing the work, which must be completed by January 1, 1906. They had at one time 262 signatures of the 300 needed, but fifty-seven of these were stricken from their roll by County Clerk Clinton as not duly qualified and registered voters on the Clatsop records, a set back which the ladies cheerfully negated by securing sixty new names at once; and these, and others with them, will be soon submitted for Mr. Clinton's scrutiny and judgment. They have no doubt about issuing from the task in triumph, and are receiving encouragement from all sides, and are particularly grateful to the men of this city for the consideration shown them at all times.

The society has among its members four devoted men, Messrs. Mahone, Trumbull, Forsythe and Whitney, to whom the society owes much for sterling advice and guidance in the big work it has undertaken. It will hold an important session on Monday, November 19th, and expectations are rife that the work will have progressed to a point where assurance will be certain. At all events, it will not be the fault of the local group of suffragists if the list of 300 names is not turned in at Portland headquarters in due season, from Clatsop County.

HIPPODROME SOCIAL.

The student body of the Astoria High school will give a grand entertainment, dance and hippodrome social, on Friday evening next, November 3, 1905, at the A. O. U. W. hall, (the old Presbyterian church), and those in charge aver that it will be decidedly interesting. The young people need some funds and hope to realize the required amount in this pleasant fashion, at 15 cents admission.

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