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A Good Time Had by the Scandinavian Society on Sunday.

The United Swedish-American Society and many of their friends held a basket picnic on Sunday at the Jeffers' Ranch on the Lewis and Clark and an enjoyable time was had. Games of all kinds and dancing were indulged in and though the affair was informal the details were carried out with precision. The informality of the occasion added to the pleasure of the event.

When the married men were pitted against the single men in a tug of war contest the real excitement began. Seven men on each side grasped the rope that threatened to be torn asunder by the strong pull of the husky contestants. Judge Anderson on the married men's side failed to show as strong a pull as he has with the people and fell out of line early in the contest, while Otto Sund stayed with it like a veteran. Charley Wesche, on the single men's side, evidently had in mind that his sweetheart was looking at him and nearly burst a blood vessel. Will Anderson,

the anchor man on the bachelors' side, worked like a trojan to win for his side—but alas, the married men—the strongest men—although they dropped out one by one, had a strong man in the person of Otto Sund who pulled them over the line, single handed. Adolph Johnson who was instrumental in getting up the picnic, decided that the married men won.

Some dancing was then indulged in and the games were called. Considerable amusement was created in these contests by the desperate efforts of each contestant to win and the results were as follows: Jens Hansen had a lead pipe cinch on the fat men's race—he is a plumber—the prize being a bottle of Anti-Lean. Chas. Wirkala won the lean man's race and secured a bottle of Anti-Fat. In the boys' race, ages 12 to 15 years, the prize was won by Frank Lindstrom, who carried off a baseball and bat. Sophie Anderson won the girls' race and is the proud possessor of a beautiful wax doll valued at 15 cents, donated by "Deac" Humphreys.

The party returned at 7:30 in the evening thoroughly happy and anxious to know when the next gathering would be held.

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

REGULAR MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT—A BUSY SESSION—PRIVATE ROOM ORDINANCE LOST BY A TIE VOTE—OTHER ORDINANCES

The city council met in regular session last night all the members being present except Councilman Belland.

The minutes of the last regular, and of the adjourned meeting, of August 9th, were read and approved.

A remonstrance was received from property owners of Astor street between Sixth and Eighth streets, asking that the improvement contemplated be postponed until next year on account of the lateness of the season. After considerable discussion the remonstrance was placed on file.

A remonstrance was received from H. G. Van Dusen, objecting to being placed in assessment district of Irving avenue improvement, and placed on file.

A remonstrance was made by John Hahn G. Ried et al, property owners on Commercial street between Second and Third protesting against the proposed grade of that street and it was referred to committee on streets and public ways.

A petition from Alice C. Parker et al, including nine-twelfths of the property owners interested, asking that the improvement of Third street from Commercial street to the right of way of the Astoria and Columbia River Railroad be postponed until next year was after debate referred to committee on streets and public ways, the city surveyor and the city attorney to establish grades.

Gus Holmes et al asked to be allowed to improve Twelfth street from Duane to Exchange street by private contract. The petition was referred to committee on streets and public ways.

The petition of Aug. Rantio asking that the retail liquor license of Oscar Hill of the Bunker Hill Saloon be transferred to him, was referred to the committee on health and police and city attorney.

The Regatta committee petitioned that certain streets be set apart for Regatta concessions. The matter was referred to the committee on streets and public ways with power to act. The

corners asked for by the chairman of the concessions committee were of Tenth, Eleventh and Fourteenth and Commercial streets, and Eleventh and Bond streets.

A petition was presented by A. Heikka asking the council to allow his residence to remain in the street on Melbourne avenue until the street is improved, and referred to the committee on streets and public ways with power to act.

The property owners on Fourteenth, between Jerome and Lexington petitioned the council to postpone the proposed improvement of the block bounded by Jerome and Lexington until next spring as they thought it too late to do the work this season. The request was granted.

A communication was received from J. H. Whyte of the Chamber of Commerce, attaching his letter to J. H. Thatcher and the reply to same. Councilman Hansen said that the council and the people had heard the same story years ago and moved that the city attorney be directed to examine the franchise with a view of declaring it forfeited if it had not been fully lived up to. The motion was carried unanimously. Mr. Whyte's communication was placed on file.

A communication was received from Dora Badollet, representative of the Badollet estate of this city, asking the council to accept \$168.38 in payment of street assessment for which property had been sold. Referred to committee on ways and means and city attorney.

Regarding the property which the city wished to purchase for engine house, Mr. G. W. Roberts, agent of the O. R. & N. Co., sent a communication to the council stating that the tax and right-of-way agent had not as yet been able to take the matter up on account of his absence from Portland but that it would be taken up and Astoria would be treated fairly in the matter. The communications was referred to the ways and means committee.

A communication was received from St. Mary's Church through Father Waters, stating that the church would pay the amount of assessment \$1223.54, before advertisement and on a favorable report being received from the ways and means committee and the city attorney the proposition was accepted on condition that all claims on street be waived.

The ways and means committee reported favorably on the petition of estate of L. Dielmann tendering payment of street assessment and the report was adopted. The same committee reported that they had examined the report of the city auditor regarding appropriations and expenditures and recommended that it be placed on file also recommending that the protest of Anna Minar be placed on file. The report was adopted. The council then ordered the following bills paid as approved by the same committee.

E. A. Higgins, \$1; Daily Budget, \$83.80.

A refund of \$40 to P. A. Peterson was also recommended by the ways and means committee and allowed.

The health and police committee to whom was referred the matter of the transfer of liquor licenses of Johnson & Cook and Chas. Wise reported favorably and the licenses were ordered transferred.

They also reported favorably on the following bills which were ordered paid: Chas. Rogers, \$11.90; Prael-Eigner Co., \$2.25; D. H. Welch, \$15; Sherman Transfer Co., \$2; John Carno, 50 cents; Phillips Transfer Co., \$1; Central Drug Co., \$4.85.

Liquor licenses were granted to Victor Carlson and D. J. Cummins.

The committee recommended that the petition of Chas. Wirkala be granted and that the following bills be ordered paid: Prael-Eigner Co., \$73.13; Astoria Hardware Co., 25 cents; C. W. Holmes, \$6.50; Astoria Crushed Rock Co., \$28; Foard & Stokes Hardware Co., 55 cents; L. A. Carter, \$10; City Lumber Co., \$72.52; Geo. W. Sanborn, \$18; John Carno, \$9.75; Astoria Lumber Co., \$8.80; R. M. Gaston, \$9.90; Prael-Eigner Co., \$19; Chas. W. Holmes, \$675; Frederickson Bros., \$60.

The public property committee reported that the applications for building permits from W. J. DeLashmuth John Reswick and Frank E. Johnson were approved and all were issued. The petition of J. H. Whyte was approved by committee and the use of the lower floor of engine house was granted for the county fair.

They also recommended the payment of the following bills: J. A. Montgomery, \$5.70; Troy Laundry Co., 85 cents; Warrenton Transfer Co., \$8; Foard & Stokes Co., \$14.35.

The fire and water committee reported favorably on the following bills and they were ordered paid: Reliance Electrical Works, \$6.75; Prael-Eigner Co., \$44; Leo Grannia, \$3.75; Frank Hart, \$7.10; Astoria Electric Co., \$5.05; A. G. Long, \$15; H. J. Foster, \$15; Scholfield & Mattson, \$1.90; Allen Wall Paper Co., \$3.15; Sherman Transfer Co., \$4; C. W. Holmes, \$50; Oreognian, \$2; Frank Carno, \$7.50.

When the ordinance regulating the license for peddling came up considerable discussion ensued. This ordinance calls for a license of \$75 per day on itinerant peddlers and is intended to reach "fake" peddlers. It was finally passed. An ordinance ordering a sewer on Ninth street from Commercial street to the A. & C. R. R. Co.'s right-of-way and directing that bids be advertised for was read and under suspension of the rules was placed on final passage and passed.

An appropriation of \$1500 to the street repair fund was made by ordinance.

An ordinance defining the city council's



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gill's method of procedure in condemnation of property was read first and second time. This ordinance refers to streets abutting on O. R. & N. Co.'s docks.

An ordinance appropriating \$228 from the general fund in payment of bill of Gamewill Fire Alarm Co. was read second time.

The ordinance defining the duties and fixing the salary of the superintendent of the city cemetery was passed.

Ordinance to appropriate \$675 from the general fund for payment of Chas. W. Holmes for team of horses was passed.

Ordinance to appropriate \$718 in favor of W. C. Laws & Co. for plumbing on new engine house was passed.

Ordinance appropriating \$714 to pay E. A. Gerding was passed. This is in payment for work on Irving avenue at Sixteenth street.

The amended ordinance prohibiting boxes or private rooms in bar rooms and restaurants, as published, was placed on its final passage under a suspension of the rules and without debate a vote was taken. The result was a tie vote, 4 to 4. Councilmen Hansen, Lebeck, Logan and Robinson voting against it. As the city charter states that a majority vote of members present are necessary to pass

an ordinance this ordinance was lost.

The following resolutions were adopted: To improve Commercial street from Seventeenth to Twentieth. To improve Exchange street from Ninth to Twelfth. Bills against the city were referred to the proper committees.

Council then adjourned until the next regular meeting night.

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