

ASTORIA MIGHT COM-PROMISE ON THIS

PROJECTED PLAN OF NEW YORK TO MINIMIZE EVIL OF OPEN SALOONS.

When the "committee of fourteen", which has been very active in all matters of excise "reform" in this city and in the betterment of the excise system along the most practical and not sentimental lines, starts a vigorous campaign for limited "Sunday openings" and has the backing of an influential contingent in the clergy, including the Reverend Doctor Peters, there is surely some prospect of a partial ending at least of the farce of Sunday liquor-law enforcement. The committee's bill is the result of a long study and investigation of liquor-selling conditions, and its provisions project no fine-spun theories. Briefly, the plan is to grant special licenses to the keepers of saloons whose premises are directly on the street and have entrances and exits in full view of passers-by, but have no interior communication with any other premises that may be in the building, these special licenses to permit the proprietors to keep their places open on Sundays from 1 o'clock p. m. till 11 p. m.; the cost of this special permit is to be 25 per cent of the regular license fee paid and in addition to it. It will at once be seen that this plan is a blow aimed at the "Raines-law hotels", so called, some of which have been the most vicious and persistent violators of the Sunday-closing law, although in most instances keeping technically within the law a part of the time at least through the well-known device of the "Sunday sandwich." These hotels now have licenses that permit the sale of liquors on Sundays under the same restrictions that apply to the regular or more "respectable" hotels and to clubs, restaurants of the higher class and so forth; but the committee's bill will contain a provision giving the legal definition of a hotel eligible for a Sunday liquor license as one having not less than twenty-five rooms; that is a number much larger than is provided in the present Raines law and is presumed to be entirely too large for a saloon-keeper to make profits on Sunday sales where most of the rooms are untenanted, as now; so keeping up the face of "running a hotel" simply for what money there is in Sunday-selling would be heavily discouraged, and the result would probably be the gradual, if not the prompt, disappearance of bogus or "Raines-law" hotels and only such inkeepers as conduct bona fide establishments would take out regular hotel licenses. It is worthy of mention and consideration here that this same "committee of fourteen" has been engaged in activities that have resulted in the reduction of the number of the more disorderly or pronounced "Raines-law" hotels from around fourteen hundred to seven hundred and fifty, or nearly 50 per cent. The bill also provides for increasing the number of the special agents of the State excise department from sixty to one hundred and fifty, about ninety of whom would be assigned for duty here in New York; a saloon-keeper with a special Sunday license who violates the law for a second time would forfeit his license; and the number of places to which liquor license of any sort would be granted would under this bill be limited in proportion to the population—a plan which is one of the most practicable and best-working in the Swiss system of excise described by the Commercial recently and favorably commented upon.

It was "a condition and not theory" that confronted the committee and its clergymen co-workers. Liquor is now sold unlawfully in New York City at all hours of the day and night on Sundays. Is it possible that by legalizing its sale for ten hours on Sundays and restricting it in various other ways to reduce the evils of Sunday-selling and stop making the excise law a hollow mockery? It would surely appear to be—and the scheme now proposed looks like a much more practicable one than had heretofore been suggested. It would at least disarm those critics who denounce our municipal authorities as arrant hypocrites.

If the committee can now devise a scheme for stopping illegal early openings and illegal late closings, it will further demonstrate its usefulness to the community.—New York Exchange.

WASH THEM, ANYHOW!

CHICAGO, March 20.—It is unethical, not to say improper, to wash a young woman's face without providing her with something to protect her hair. President Schneider of the board of education offered this ruling and as a result the board at its next meeting will be asked to make a special appropriation for six rubber caps. It is the custom at some schools to scrub the boys regularly in the morning, and it has been found necessary to include some of the girls.

COSTLY ENOUGH

Women Want The Tariff Framers to Keep Hands Off Stockings.

CHICAGO, March 20.—"Killing the stocking tax!" A country-wide movement against certain features of the Payne tariff bill, which will be participated in by more than two million women, is seen in plans just launched here. Chicago club women have determined to enlist the National Federation of Women's Clubs in an attack on the schedule in its application to stockings and stocking material. Features of the Payne bill which retain the present high tariff on wool, silk and cotton stuff, and even increase the tariff on cotton stockings are also being discussed. Mrs. Frances Everett, president of the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs, announces that the stocking tax situation will be brought at once to the attention of the national organization.

WRETCHED BLUNDER

Chicago Policeman Kills Peaceful Citizen Taking Him For A Crook.

CHICAGO, March 20.—A fragile woman with an eight months child is today mourning the loss of her husband, Joseph Finn, 26 years old, who lies dead because Alexander Scott, a policeman, mistook him for "Pickles" Kilroy, a suspected robber and shot him. Immediately after the shooting Scott realized his mistake, notified his station, surrendered and was held in custody pending the coroner's investigation. When he was informed that the widow of his victim with her child in her arms was wondering why her husband did not come home to supper, he was overcome and it was some time before he could explain the shooting in detail. He said he fired after Finn refused to stop upon being ordered to surrender and had made a motion as if to draw a weapon. Kilroy is much older than the man whose life was ended.

BATTLED FOR HIS LIFE

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 20.—A bear fought a crowd of citizens in the streets yesterday and after a long battle was killed. The beast, which probably came down the Northern Pacific track or the river, was discovered by a boy who saw the animal hiding under a boxcar. An alarm was given and a crowd gathered. It was suggested that the animal be captured alive, and men with ropes and clubs surrounded it. Once brought to bay, the bear made such attacks upon the crowd that none dared approach. It was finally killed with a shotgun.

A NARROW SHAVE

CHICAGO, March 20.—One arrest was made yesterday and more are expected today in the attempt to unearth the labor plot which was at the bottom, the police declare, of the blowing up of the \$300,000 railroad bridge at Indiana Harbor yesterday. Had the nitro glycerine which destroyed the bridge been ignited five minutes earlier 300 passengers on Lake Shore train bound for Chicago probably would have suffered injury or death.

MORE SNOBBERY. Pittsburg And Rome To Unite In Case Of Money Marriage.

CHICAGO, March 20.—The Tribune today prints the following special cable dispatch from Rome: "Another international marriage is about to enliven Roman society. This time it is an American, Miss Thaw, daughter of Alexander Blair Thaw of Pittsburg who, together with his wife and daughter, has been spending the Winter in Rome. The happy man is the young Marquis Teodoli, member of one of the best known and oldest Roman aristocratic families."

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THE LATEST FASHION NEWS

BY JUDIC CHOLLETR

WHAT TO WEAR.

Flowers on Hats Arranged in Tight Little Bunches.

Tight bouquets of small flowers of a camellia are going to be stunning decorations for spring hats. Lilies of the valley must not be overlooked when a summing up of hat decorations is being made. Algrets of these stiff flowers are much liked.

Cording, or, rather, cord manipulated



A KITCHEN APRON—2508.

into motifs and passementerie bands, is much used now for trimming smart house gowns.

Here are some jewelry don'ts: Never wear precious stones in the morning. Don't at such times wear anything except what is actually necessary to fasten collar, cuffs or waist belt.

While no skirt at the present time can be called full, those designed for soft, thin materials are often made to fall in voluminous folds, but they have the top closely laid in tucks that produce the sheath fit.

Jet and cut steel novelties are about the shops in the shape of buckles and buttons. The apron seen in the cut is neat and much more attractive than the regulation style of this garment.

JUDIC CHOLLETR.

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FEMININE FRIPPERIES.

Small Hats in Spring Millinery Showing—Color Schemes.

Spring hats are to be seen in some of the shops, and the shapes for general wear are small and close. The trimming is massed over the crown.



PRETTY SPRING COSTUME—SKIRT 4450, WAIST 4451.

and in many instances it is of flowers. Green is a favorite color scheme. A brilliantly beautiful material for an evening gown is a gauze of shimmering gold and pale yellow in inch wide stripes.

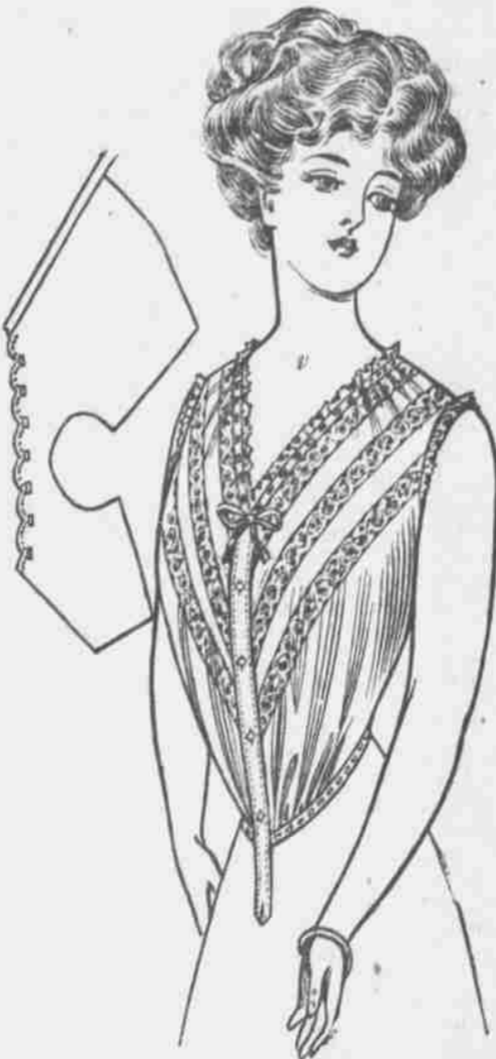
Everything high in the collarure line is tabooed just now. Low, broad lines prevail.

The design seen in the cut is an attractive model for a spring or early summer costume if carried out in any of the lightweight materials or new summer silks. JUDIC CHOLLETR.

WENT UP IN SMOKE

"No. 75", Last of Chicago's Old Street Cars, Burned Up.

CHICAGO, March 20.—The quick-step and the dead march mingled in a weird and curious medley at the obsequies of "The last of the trailers" in Chicago.



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Surrounded by a horde of people, sunk in the mud, defaced by brutal curio seekers, defiled with kerosene, jeered at and derided, the ancient vehicle which had carried \$1,500,000 Chicagoans, blazed gloriously for a short time and then gave up the ghost.

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