STILL SQUABBLING OVER THE SALOONS

SAME OLD SPIRIT IN CITY COUNCIL FURTHER DELAYS SETTLEMENT OF LIQUOR LICENSE QUESTION—PRESENT STATUS OF ALL NIGHT SALOONS MAY CONTINUE.

The same split in the city council which defeated the measure for taxing side entrances, introduced last year, became apparent yesterday when the proposed ordinance for regulating the liquor license problem came up for discussion.

The liquor license committee had stood divided in the morning on the proposition, Zimmerman and Sigler being willing to vote for the "additional bar" clause, and Bentley standing out in favor of the side entrance tax. However, neither were willing to entertain the "all night" proposition, and after several hours' argument it was agreed that the four members were to turn in the "additional bar" clause with unanimous approval. This was understood to be in the nature of a compromise.

When the measure came before the council in the afternoon Councilman Bentley had introduced another ordinance and asked for consideration of both measures at the same time. This was declared irregular, and then he asked that the compromise amendment be referred back to the committee again. Councilman Albee couldn't understand why he should take this course, but Bentley insisted that he thought it was the only proper way to get the consideration of both ordinances at the same time.

This was the last regular council session of the year, and as it is absolutely imperative that the question be settled before the licenses for the first quarter of 1904 fall due, Mayor Williams announced that he would call a special session for December 26, and unless some sort of an agreement is patched up in the meantime things will go on the same as they have this year.

"I did not expect any votes on this proposition," explained Mr. Bentley in introducing his side-entrance ordinance, "but I desire the council to go on record. I knew that it would be killed when I brought it up, but here is the time and place for you men to declare yourselves."

The feature of this squabble involves two propositions, viz: Shall the licenses be changed or shall they remain undisturbed? This question is subdivided into the propositions of charging for extra bars; charging wholesalers with a retail bar two licenses; charging a license for side entrances, and charging for the privilege of operating the liquid dispensaries all night. There is where the split occurs.

One faction is in favor of assessing an extra license for each extra bar and the two licenses for wholesale and retail establishments; the remainder are in favor of the whole proposition clear down the line.

There is no question, it is said, that the first will carry, possibly unanimously, but the minority are fighting tooth and nail to have the other features incorporated into a new law.

It is understood that the mayor is willing to sign the "extra bar" ordinance and possibly the side-entrance tax, but the impression is prevailing that he will instantly veto any section embodying the privilege of remaining open all night. "What is the difference, though," suggested a number of councilmen, "the saloons practically stay open all night, anyway. We might as well be paid for the privilege which they now enjoy for nothing."

The remainder of the council session was devoted to the passing of Rumelin's permanent crosswalk ordinance, the election of a new councilman and other routine business.

At a star-chamber session preceding the opening meeting Dr. Sanford Whiting was nominated for councilman-at-large to succeed the deceased B. T. Cardwell, and was elected unanimously.

Peter Selling protested against the proposition of improving Washington street with asphalt. He thought that such material should not be used on a thoroughfare with a street car line.

The protest against the East Sixth street elevated roadway was discussed. It was explained that the people wanted the bridge but did not want to pay for it. This was nothing new to the councilmen.

City Attorney McNary decided that reassessments are valid but that the boundary of a district could not be changed. This was in reply to a query as to changing certain assessment districts.

A vast number of street improvement ordinances were considered.

FUNSTON ON INSPECTION TRIP.

Department commander, Brig.-Gen. Frederick Funston, accompanied by his aid, Lieut. Burton J. Mitchell, left last evening on his annual inspection tour to Boise barracks, Idaho, Fort Walla Walla and Fort Wright. The general will inspect the garrisons in the order named, going to Boise first and will return to Vancouver in time for Christmas.

PARKER APPEARS IN CONVICT'S GARB

Detective Joe Day of the Portland police department left last night for Helena, Mont., armed with extradition papers for possession of T. W. Parker, alias T. Walter Browne, wanted in this city on a charge of forgery. Parker is at present in the city jail at Helena. The accused is a young man of good appearance and is said to have operated extensively in Walla Walla and in Montana towns. He also served a sentence in the Washington penitentiary at Walla Walla. His father, a resident of Deer Lodge, Mont., has agreed to make good the paper passed in Montana, and the prisoner will not be prosecuted there. He secured about $300, it is said, while in Portland.

LATE SPORTING NEWS

LEAGUE CHAMPS TO PLAY WINTER BALL

After listening to the honeyed accents and persuasive eloquence of a young baseball manager in Santa Barbara, says the Bulletin, and hearing of the golden harvest of ducats that awaits the champions of 1903 in the Channel city, Capt. Frank Dillon has decided to keep the Loo-Loos together this winter for the purpose of playing a schedule series of games in that burg against a picked professional team.

In this action he has the support of the players themselves, who see a chance to pick up some money during the dull season, and Manager Morley has agreed to let the men play in their uniforms of last season, which will give the Upcoast fans a rare chance to see a pennant winner in action, just as it looked when it filed out on the field during the playing season.

Thus far the Santa Barbarans have shown willingness to patronize good baseball very liberally, considering the size of the town. There is a good ball park in the city and the accommodations for the conduct of the game are as good as could be desired.

The Pitching Staff.

For pitchers Santa Barbara will have McKay and Cooper of the Oakland team; Lewis will catch, Fred Clark of the Chicago Nationals will play first base, Bowlegged Bill Gannon second, Russ Hall short, and Jack Hardy third, while in the outfield will be that capable trio, Martinke, Dalrymple and McLaughlin. The entire list have played a great deal of professional ball.

The Loo-Loos will take their battle array of 1903 with them, excepting Toman. Teeley Raymond, Chimmie's temporary successor, is not available, and Fred Raymer, ever an earnest, faithful ballplayer, has volunteered to fill Toman's shoes which he can readily do, as he is a star both in the field and at the bat. Newton and Gray will be the pitchers; Dillon first, Wheeler second, Raymer short and Jud Smith third will make up the infield, while the reliable suburbanites, Ross, Hoy and Cravath will hold forth in the neithermost precincts.

Santa Barbara dropped out of the midwinter league on account of the long railroad haul, and prospects being hardly promising enough to warrant entering upon the schedule. Only one game every week could be expected.

RACING RESULTS

(Journal Special Service.)

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—On a muddy track yesterday Proper, the heavily-played favorite, won easily from Fossil. Starter Holtman has suspended Jockey Bullman for three days for getting left at the post on Arthur Ray in the first race. Summary:

Futurity course, selling—Alice Carey won, Mountebank second, Puss in Boots third; time, 1.12.

Six furlongs, purse—Rockaway won, Mendon second, Captain Forsee third; time, 1:15.

Seven furlongs, selling—Red Cross Nurse won, Miss Ringlets second, The Bugaboo third; time, 1:29.

Mile and a sixteenth, handicap—Proper won, Fossil second, Oarsman third; time, 1:47.

Five and a half furlongs, selling—Nervator won, Sad Sam second, Lansdowne third; time, 1:08⅕.

Mile and 50 yards, selling—Lord Melbourne won, Jane Holly second, Rosarie third; time, 1:45⅗.

At New Orleans.

New Orleans, Dec. 17.—Crescent City results:

Five furlongs—Eva Russell won, Palmist second, Sid Silver third; time, 1:02.

Mile and a quarter, selling—The Bobby won, Free Admission second, Hayward Hunter third; time, 2:10 4-5.

Six furlongs—Morning Star won, Pickwick second, Bronx third; time, 1:15 2-5.

One mile, selling—Ivernia won, Mynheer second, MacBeth third; time, 1:43.

Six furlongs—Cardinal Wolsey won, Bon Mot second, Major Mansir third; time, 1:15 2-5.

One mile, selling—The Messenger won, Lee King second, Pompino third; time, 1:43 4-5.

PHILBROOK ELECTED CAPTAIN OF PACIFIC

(Journal Special Service.)

Pacific University, Dec. 17.—The members of the football team and substitutes met this morning in Brighton chapel to elect a football captain for the season of 1904. J. W. Philbrook was unanimously chosen to fill that important position, and he indeed deserves the place.

Mr. Philbrook has played football for only three years but he has made a reputation that one may well be proud of. Starting in at tackle he filled that position for two years, and was pronounced by all who saw him play, to be one of the best tacklers in the Northwest. This year he was shifted to fullback, and he was certainly one of the best men in the state at that position. Whenever a yard was needed "Big Phil" was given the ball. Philbrook weighs 195 pounds and is very speedy. Mr. Philbrook is a member of the junior class, and is president of the student body.

The sophomore class held its try-outs for the bowling team last evening, and the following men made good: F. M. Fletcher, W. B. Shively, J. Sweek and M. L. Barnel. This team will bowl the junior class team for the championship of the school. Considerable interest is being manifested in bowling this year, and an effort will be made to secure contests with other school or club teams. The juniors will hold their try-outs the last of the week.

FREEMAN IN TOWN.

Buck Freeman, the Brown's first baseman, who has signed for next season, arrived in Portland last night, on his way to Victoria, where he will spend part of the winter. Freeman will spend a day or so in town before going to the Sound.

CHALLENGED AT QUOITS.

Frank Tichenor, the world's champion quoit pitcher, who is in this city, has received a challenge from T. C. Cooper of New York to pitch a series of games at some place to be selected later. Tichenor was quite prominent in this sport last summer, participating in a number of contests.

Wolf Creek, Josephine County.

Wolf creek, in Josephine county, is a placer producer for many years in a crude way. The ground was worked over 25 or 30 years ago, and after white labor had exhausted what they considered the best value by the crude methods employed at that time the Chinese rewashed several of the beds and made a great deal of money from it. It is estimated, outside of what the Chinese took out, that Wolf creek has produced in the neighborhood of $5,500,000, but this was taken from the stream bed, and no banks to any extent were washed for the precious metal.

At the present time three heavy giants are in operation under the supervision of the Wolf Creek Mining & Development company, of which M. B. Bozorth is secretary. This company has a tract of land that shows rich placer deposits on several hundred acres, and last year was practically their first operation in mining. It is the largest placer ground in the district. The creek is credited last year with a production of $30,000.

A long ditch line and flume carries sufficient water to give a power for using the giants.

Besides the placer ground at the head of Wolf creek the company owns three full mining claims, situated on the lead which all miners claim the placer gold came from. This company is developing a fine ledge of ore, which has already been encountered. The work is being done by tunnel, and conditions are ideal for that kind of mining. The ledge is easily traced for miles. The gold of Wolf creek is coarse and easily saved.

The property of the company is very promising, and without the quartz claims placer gravel sufficient to pay heavy dividends is in sight. The claims of the company are situated about five miles from Wolf Creek station, and there is a splendid wagon-road all the distance.

On the opposite gulch, over the divide from the quartz claims of this company, is Coyote creek, on which sensational finds of gold ore have recently been made.

It is the belief of conservative mining men that the quartz claims of the Wolf Creek Mining & Development company are situated on the same rich ledge and the same compact as that upon which the rich discoveries were recently made.

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Chickerings and Webers

These are the most notable shipment in point of beauty and finish ever received by this establishment. Despite the labor troubles and difficulties in procuring materials in the East, both factories have produced for the holiday trade the most superb instruments we have ever seen. Of the two carloads of Chickerings, ten were uprights cased in finest selected mahogany, the style being the chaste, but exceedingly artistic Colonial. The remainder, 16 in all, are grands and baby grands, in rosewood and mahogany of the most exquisite finish. The entire car of Webers were uprights, in rosewood and mahogany cases. We can safely predict that every one of these pianos will be included in our Christmas deliveries.

Other Choice Makes

Brinkerhoffs, Lesters, Wesers and Riccas, many in special art cases, designed especially for the Christmas trade, were also received the past week.

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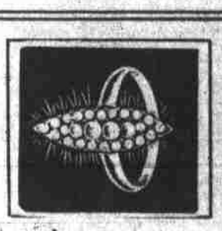

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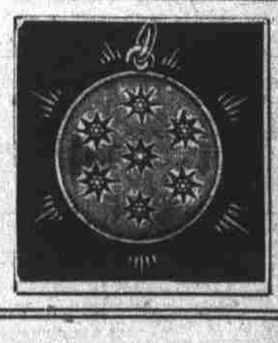

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