

HAVE NOTHING TO GIVE AWAY

St. Johns Franchise Will Cost Money in the Future, Says the Council.

VALUABLE PERMITS HAVE BEEN FREELY BESTOWED

Nothing Received From Telephone, Light or Car Corporations but Recent Attempts to Carry Away Remaining Franchises Thwarted.

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St. Johns has to a considerable extent been afflicted with the same liberality of its councilmen that has recently afflicted Portland citizens in the matter of the Front street franchise, but rights formerly given public service corporations freely are going to be doled out in the town hereafter, and if any corporation gets a monopoly it will pay for it. The new order of things was instituted when the St. Johns Hotel company was forced to pay a \$1,000 license for its bar, besides building a \$10,000 brick building. This precedent is being followed in the matter of a gas franchise. A proposition that a year ago would have been received with open arms is today being closely investigated by a special committee of the council and if a franchise is granted it will be for value received.

A. R. Richardson last week desired submitted a proposal to the council to build a gas plant in the town if given control of the situation and pledged himself to begin work on this plant in 30 days after the franchise was given, to furnish gas at not to exceed \$1.25 a 1,000 feet and to pay the city 5 per cent of the gross income. The council believes the franchise is worth more, and also doubts whether the petitioner has ample financial backing to enable him to give the town adequate service. Then, too, the price quoted is considered high, St. Johns having the idea firmly fixed that \$1 a thousand is enough for gas.

During the year it is probable that some of the corporations now doing business in the city without contributing to the expenses of the government will be brought up with a sharp turn. The telephone, electric light and power companies have no agreement with the city, further than a permit to use the streets for their lines. No compensation worthy the name was given for these permits, which have been used as exclusive franchises, and there is nothing to prevent the council, according to legal authorities, levying a round tax on these corporations.

St. Johns has a city of 3,000 people with industries that employ hundreds of men and mills that have pay rolls ranging from \$2,500 to \$10,000 a month. The recent rapid growth of the town and the realization that it is the only separate corporation near Portland together with the increase of its importance as a railroad center with the coming of the Northern Pacific have contributed to make the place worthy of consideration by public service corporations, and recently various attempts have been made to corral valuable franchises under one name or another for a nominal consideration.

MEANS MUCH TO DISTRICT.

Double Deck Bridge Across Willamette Would Bring New Era to Peninsula.

The day that sees the final announcement by the Northern Pacific Railway company that a double deck bridge will be placed across the Willamette near the drydock will be one of public rejoicing for St. Johns and the entire peninsula district. Every commercial body on the peninsula has urged that such a bridge be constructed, and the council of St. Johns, at its city meeting recently assembled, have echoed the sentiment. It is not a mere matter of feeling with the residents of the peninsula. For 20 years they have been forced to travel a round-about course to Portland, teaming has been put to many disadvantages and building material has consequently been much higher than had a direct route to the city mills been open.

The drydock bridge would shorten the way to the city by three miles, and, besides, would give traffic an easy grade over the highly improved Linnott road. Such a kipping off of the distance between the town and the city would make all the water front peninsula property available for city mills and factories, would throw open wide stretches of the waste lands of the peninsula to city residents and would bring a new isolated district within an easy reach of the heart of Portland as many of the west side residence suburbs that now are being crowded with fine homes.

MARSH STILL AHEAD.

Grand Avenue Fill Falls to Render Trestle Safe or Lake of Mud Stable.

Every day sees a change in the condition at Grand avenue, where the fill is being made across Hawthorne slough. Today the fill trains are working from the north bank, venting out only far enough on the trestle to dump their loads, and crews of workmen are sawing, hammering and bolting up the shaky trestle. The latter for 50 feet in the center of the peninsula is supported about five feet and the iron main running across has been bent in long curves, the heavy pipe being warped as though cast in some great mold. Should it prove impossible to use the entire trestle, an attempt will be made to build the fill gradually out from the north bank. The only advantage of such a system is the probability that when the soft center of the marsh is reached, the fill, trestle and all will continue to drop. So far the big, soft lake of mud has shown no intention of becoming stable, and the addition of trainloads of earth only pushes up the soft mud in long ridges, the effect of the fill being seen for 100 feet each side of the trestle.

EAST SIDE NOTES.

The St. Johns' ferry was formally opened yesterday, the boat being given the free use of the new boat all day. A series of dances has been arranged by the Good Times Social club of Portsmouth, the first of which will be given tomorrow evening. Three more dances will complete the series, these being given on alternate Tuesdays until the first of May. Three store blocks are under way in Montaville, and when completed the cost of these improvements will be about \$12,000. Tenants for all the store rooms are said to have been already secured. At a meeting of the Republicans of the eighth ward at the east side justice



Scene in Supple's Shipyard During the Recent Cold Snap.

TO HOLD CHINESE HAS NO FAITH IN PRISON CONSOLIDATION

Police May Refuse to Let Them Out on Bail Till Complaints Are Filed.

ATTORNEYS INSISTED ON POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION

Because of This, Five Out of Seven Arrested Last Week in Raid Were Let Off—Law on Subject Gives Police Chance to Hold Men Legally.

A new tack taken by lawyers to secure the acquittal of Chinese clients arrested for gambling during police raids is likely to cause the Mongolians more trouble than their legal sponsors dreamed of. Hereafter bail may be refused the Chinese until complaints are filed. This means that they will have to spend the night of their arrest in the city prison.

The law on the subject is clear. If it is adhered to strictly no bail can be accepted by the police until after a complaint is filed. This means that Police Judge Cameron must be called on to name the amount of bail. The law gives the police 24 hours in which to file a complaint after making an arrest, and a writ of habeas corpus does not become operative until after the expiration of that period. Sunday is a nonjudicial day and Chinese arrested Saturday night may be held until Monday afternoon. Chin Gee was arrested Saturday night by Acting Detectives Murphy, Jones and Welch at 130 1/2 Second street and charged with having lottery tickets in his possession. He was induced to open his house where he kept the tickets and the evidence was secured. Captain Slover at first refused to accept bail. After a conference with Chief Gritzmacher, however, he decided to permit the Chinese his liberty on \$200 bail of \$25. Judge Cameron visited the station shortly afterward and upon request explained the law. It is likely that if counsel for Chinese insist on identifications, which is always difficult, the police will adopt the plan of refusing bail as a retaliatory measure. In the trial of several Chinese arrested during a raid last week the detectives on the witness stand were requested to identify them and could do so only in the case of two, the other five being discharged.

CALLS AMENDMENT FAKE AND SALOONMEN FAKERS

The proposed amendment to the local option law is a fake, and the saloonmen are the fakers, declared Paul Rader, president of the State Anti-Saloon League, last night in an address in the Taylor Street Methodist church. "They declare that they want a square deal and the police which is which is solely in their own interests. "It's time for the people to awake and fight this sort of thing. There are enough men attending church in Portland to vote anything they wish. The trouble is there are too many goats mixed with the sheep. There are times in Portland when the very spirit of God seems to be in the churches, but at the same time corruption is rife in politics. "You may have a good mayor and some other good city officials, but if the devil himself wanted to establish a saloon in Portland he could get a license to locate it on any corner he desired. The only way to remedy conditions is to take an active interest in politics and city government. As a prelude to his discourse the speaker branded as false the report concerning the attack made on him at Salem, that he had said that it was a plot of the liquor men to take his life.

Speaking With Irish. Tomorrow evening at the Epworth M. E. church, Twenty-third and Irving streets, an entertainment will be given, entitled "An Evening With Irish Friends." A good deal of interest has been manifested in the program, which will consist of Irish songs, recitations, music, etc. It will begin at 7:45 o'clock. courtroom tonight, the ward will be organized for the campaign. It is planned by the party leaders to organize every ward and outlying suburb on the east side by means of similar clubs. SBohoh circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., will give a patriotic entertainment at Woodmere hall Wednesday evening. War songs and illustrated talks will be featured.

BLAMES SOCIETY FOR DRUNKARDS

Dr. J. W. Brouger Says Social Class Is Worse Influence Than Low Dive.

COSTUMES OF SOCIETY HANDIWORK OF DEVIL

Life of Typical Girl Who Goes to Balls and Parties Superlatively Selfish, Says Preacher, Without Purpose and Absolutely Sinful.

In a sermon at the White Temple last night, Dr. J. Whitcomb Brouger assailed the stronghold of that class which arrogates to itself the title "society," and declared that the life of the typical society girl was superlatively selfish and absolutely wicked. The auditorium and Sunday school room of the church were filled in spite of the inclement weather.

"The word society," said Dr. Brouger, "is here used to designate a distinctive class to be found in every city and in nearly every community. I use it in its special sense as referring to that 'clique' which pays particular attention to all the forms and set occasions of social intercourse. There is a certain coterie in every city which arrogates to itself the title 'society.' In one sense this clique is insignificant, in another it is more or less influential. The pretensions of this set are frequently accepted as the proper fashion for all to follow. I have no prejudice against an 'exclusive society,' but I have no sympathy with many of its arrogant assumptions. "The life of the typical society girl is supremely selfish. The usual aim of this clique is to gratify every selfish desire. In order to accomplish this she must have money. Mammon, therefore, is the god she worships. To enter this circle of individuals and go the pace that they set somebody must furnish the money. This is the basis of entrance into the clique. The question of brains, or talent, capacity or character, manhood or womanhood, are not the first consideration. "Life Is for Self. "Self is the center around which the universe revolves to them. They have no thought for the great, serious problems that affect their fellow women. The triumphs of this world for them center around their personal appearance, the gratification of their appetites, the indulgence of their passions and the satisfaction of their selfishness. The mighty questions which they consider in carrying out this ideal are the latest styles in dress, the up-to-date tints in color, the most stylish mode of dressing the hair, while the figure that led last year is chosen by the manipulation of the dressmaker's art into a still greater deception this season. No life could be more out of harmony with the ideals and teachings of Jesus Christ than such a life. "He who came to please himself lived upon the principle of self-denial. His life was the ideal one. A life built upon the principle of self-gratification will never stand the test of time. The only way to make a life that is not worth the living, for Jesus Christ has said distinctly that he who would save his life shall lose it. "Not Worth Living. "A life without a great purpose and mission in the world can never touch the heights of true nobility. The society of which I am speaking spends its time in card playing, theatre going, dancing and the giving of receipts and suppers. Their chief business in life is to go to eat and to drink and to sleep, to spend the winters in pleasure in the city and the summers in pleasure at the seashore. Now, I ask you honestly is a life worth the living whose chief business is to satisfy its appetites and indulging your sinful tendencies, with no other purpose but to 'eat and drink and be merry, for tomorrow you die?' Think of an aggregation of such people eating themselves 'society' and can it be possible that any young woman should so miss the meaning of life as to envy some other girl who is throwing away life's greatest treasure in a frivolous and superficial use of time? "The world in which we live is a world in which there are a thousand wrongs to be righted, millions of hearts to be comforted and a thousand opportunities to make a life count as belonging to the whole world. A life wasted in the petty rounds of social frivolity cannot fail to be condemned in the sight of God, both here and hereafter. "Such a Life is Positively Sinful. We can see this in the extravagance, luxury, idleness and dissipation of this so-called 'society.' Where there are luxury and idleness, dissipation is a foregone conclusion. You cannot sow the seeds of luxury and idleness and not reap sinful dissipation. Sow the seeds of social drinking and you will reap the drunkard. I charge society today, and therefore the society girl has to bear her responsibility, with doing more than the low-down dive to make drunkards of our boys and girls. The society girl who is willing to serve the intoxicating cup to a young man will some day reap her harvest as the wife of a drunkard in a home of misery and woe. "Sow the seeds of card playing and reap gamblers. The society girl who is willing to waste her time in playing cards for prizes will some day wake up to find that she has set the example for some young man to enter a life of failure and ruin through gambling. The laws should be enforced against gambling in society as well as in the den down town. "Dress Modeled by the Devil. "Sow the seeds of immodesty and reap a life of immorality and shame. The manner of dress used by so-called high society people for young women was modeled by the devil himself, for the express purpose of exciting the passions of men and leading both the man and woman to ruin. Sam Jones was not mistaken but told the truth when he said: 'If God Almighty had intended for women to wear dresses that are décollete beyond the point of discussion he would have furnished her with feathers. "Sow the seeds of the round dance

J. G. Blake Says Postal and Western Union Companies Will Go It Alone.

IF THEY WERE UNITED RIVAL WOULD BOTHER

C. C. Adams of New York, Vice-President of Postal Company, Visits Portland for First Time, With His Wife—Likes Town and Country.

C. C. Adams of New York, vice-president of the Postal Telegraph company, accompanied by Mrs. Adams, is a guest at the Oregon hotel. With him are L. W. Storrer of San Francisco, general superintendent of the Pacific coast division, and Mrs. Storrer, and J. G. Blake, district superintendent with headquarters at Seattle. "This is Mr. Adams' first visit to the Pacific coast," said Mr. Blake, "and we are acting as his chaperons. "When mention was made of the semi-annual rumor that the Postal and Western Union are about to consolidate, now going the rounds again, Mr. Adams laughed heartily. He endorsed the remark of Mr. Blake when the latter said: "There is just about as much chance of the two companies merging as there is of the United States annexing Canada. "Suppose we did consolidate," Mr. Blake continued. "It would simply mean the organization of another telegraph company. To prevent such a possibility we are remaining separate corporations. Too much competition would not do material good. We are trying to give the people the best there is in our line, and we do not see any advantage from merging. "Well, I see Portland is growing very rapidly," interpolated Mr. Storrer, who has visited here several times. "If you don't look out you will have to buy more land upon which to spread. "As Mr. Adams had never been in Portland before, he said he was not competent to pass upon the development of the city, but declared it had made a most favorable impression upon him, adding: "The man who said the west was a country of great distances and equal possibilities most certainly knew what he was talking about. "Touching upon financial matters, Mr. Adams confirmed the stories of other influential men to the effect that while the east is prosperous, it is not keeping pace with the west, particularly the Pacific coast. The coast, he said, is receiving much attention in eastern financial and commercial centers.

Will Consolidate Omission. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Olympia, Wash., March 19.—The state board of audit and control announces that after April the offices of steward and physician at the state penitentiary will be consolidated and the physician must also act as pharmacist and devote his entire time to the work in the penitentiary.

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WHEELWRIGHT TALKS ON SCOTTISH REFORMATION

William D. Wheelwright delivered the third of a series of lectures on church history in Calvary Presbyterian church last evening to a most appreciative audience, taking as his theme "The Scottish Reformation Under Knox." Notwithstanding stormy weather the attendance was good. Mr. Wheelwright's treatment of his subject was scholarly, full of evidence of wide research and fraught with food for thought. Next Sunday evening, C. Henri Labbe, French consul, will speak on "The Huguenots."

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and reap fallen women and immoral men. I do not say that all who dance the round dance are immoral, but I do say that if they retain their moral purity it is in spite of the dance and not by means of it. It had its origin in the low dancehouses of Paris, and ought to be sent back to its own grave. "Sow a life of sinful indulgence, reap a conscience that will send you to hell of regret and remorse at the end. "High society as now constituted has no great philanthropic purpose for which to use its money. It has no great moral motive to control its pleasures. It has no sublime purpose to guide its energies. All its powers of beauty and attractive personality, with its wealth and opportunity, are wasted in a vain effort to gratify self; but, in the end, it must join its voice in the wail of an ancient sealer for pleasure in crying, 'All is vanity and striving after wind, and there was no profit in it under the sun.' God save our young women from such a life."

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