

CONCANNON STIRS UP "RIGHTEOUS" INDIGNATION

Flays Councilman for Standing in With Corporation. Councilman's Words Hit Sore Spot and Bring Forth Hubbub of Holler-Than-Thou Explanations.

Once more Councilman Vaughn called upon the majority party yesterday to take the air-brake ordinance off the table and place it upon its final passage, and once more his efforts failed. Vaughn spared nobody's feelings in the speech he made against the dilatory tactics of the majority in allowing the measure to lie unnotified while the Portland Railway, Light & Power company takes its own time in putting on airbrakes.

The ordinance provides that the company shall have its cars equipped with airbrakes by January 1, 1909, and the company asked that the measure be not passed because it is installing airbrakes as rapidly as it can. The majority party acquiesced to the company's request.

Not so Vaughn. He announced when the measure was placed upon the table he would call it up at every council meeting until the council had either passed it or killed it. He has kept his promise and yesterday again spoke in favor of the measure. Vaughn referred to the recent death of Fansher, who was killed by a car and said that while he did not know positively, he did not doubt that if the car had been equipped with airbrakes the man would be living today.

Vaughn Leashes Condon. Vaughn said "he did not believe in making fish of one and flesh of another," and that the council should mete out the same kind of legislation to a corporation that it would to an individual. He said the council requires the patent peddler to move on from one block to another but when it comes to a corporation like the Portland Railway, Light & Power company with millions of dollars behind it, the members not only did not compel the company to "move on" in putting on airbrakes on its cars, but allowed a measure affecting this corporation to die a long and lingering death on the table.

Councilman Cotel replied to Vaughn and said that the reason he did not vote to put the measure on final passage was because the company was exercising good faith in placing airbrakes on its cars.

Councilman Cotel gave the expert testimony of the witness and said he had attended the coroner's inquest over Fansher's remains and found that startling conditions existed. He said the testimony of one witness was to the effect that the car was going at the rate of but four or five miles an hour. He said that according to this witness Fansher had been struck by the car and dragged 30 feet. Cotel pointed out that had the car been equipped with airbrakes it could have been stopped almost instantly.

No Answer to Cotel's Speech. The councilman explained that another witness testified that he had stepped off the distance from the place where Fansher had been struck to the place where the car was stopped and found the distance to be 43 feet. This was considered to be greatly in excess of a reasonable distance for stopping a car moving so slowly as the one that killed Fansher.

Further explanation elicited the information that the motorcars were inexperienced and did not thoroughly understand the operation of the lever brakes with which the car was equipped. Dr. Cotel said that if the car had been equipped with air brakes the motorman, although inexperienced, could have stopped the car in a few feet and probably saved the man's life.

There was no reply to Dr. Cotel's speech. When the vote was taken to remove the ordinance from the table and place it upon final passage it was lost by a strict party vote. Councilman Concannon, who misunderstood the vote and thought the council had killed the measure, cried out:

"God pity you fellows, if you ever come up for election again, this act will live to come up and curse you." In an instant turmoil was precipitated. Everybody was striving to get on their feet, but Concannon continued until his voice alone could be heard above the din. Mayor Lane allowed him to finish his remarks, but that he was out of order and they ended the debate.

Baker Squirms a Little. Councilman Baker attempted to remove the sting of Concannon's remarks by insinuating that Concannon had been guilty of neglect of duty. Baker arose and said sarcastically to Concannon: "I at least represent my ward, Mr. Concannon. Now I am compelled to perform an unpleasant duty in that I have been asked to go take up a matter that it is your duty to perform."

Citizens living in your ward, Mr. Concannon, have come to me and asked me to take up the matter of the improvement of New street, which is in your ward. They say they have taken up the matter with you and that you have done nothing in the matter. Now will you explain to the council why you have neglected your duty?" Concannon was on his feet in an instant and excitedly said:

"Yes, I will tell you. I took action in this matter and simply because there are corporation men down there who did not want the improvement they remonstrated it down. If it had been poor men the improvement would have gone in but because corporations are on the street the improvement was killed."

Something Always Over. A stout went up when Concannon finished and Baker was forced to sit down. Baker accepted his defeat gracefully and later went over and shook hands with his conqueror.

Following the debate on the airbrake ordinance Councilman Annand announced that a fender test would be held early in April. Mayor Lane asked that the Liverpool fender be tested at that time and Oskar Huber, representing the company, stated that the Mayor Lane's request for the test of the Liverpool fender had been received.

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and that orders had been issued to build one. The fender test will be delayed until the sample can be erected and all will be tried out at the same time.

DALLAS' GREAT TEAM DISBANDS

Crack Collegians Will Go East on Long Tour Next Winter.

Dallas, Or., March 27.—The Dallas college basketball team disbanded last night, after a season of almost unbroken victories. In the state league the collegians played eight games, winning every one of them. Their only defeat of the season was at the hands of the Muscatine, Iowa, team, but this defeat means nothing, as the visiting team's referee was unqualifiedly partial to his teammates, a local team, no matter how strong, being handicapped to a great extent by his rulings. The collegians made a total of 532 points for the season, as against 183 for their opponents.

A series of games had been scheduled with Snohomish, Washington, basketball team, but owing to the fact that two of the Dallas players are sick in bed with mumps, it was thought advisable to call off the games. The local team can lay claim to the coast championship as Snohomish, the only other possible claimant, played the game with Nome, Alaska, which team was in turn defeated by Dallas.

Arrangements are now being made to send the present players on an eastern trip next season, local capital being back of the proposition.

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James J. Corbett.

supported by the clever actress Miss Rose King and a painstaking company of players. This well-known favorite player surprised even his best friends last night by the excellence and finish he has developed.

Mary Mannerling Next Week.

The charming actress Mary Mannerling, supported by an excellent company of players, will present the delightful comedy, "Glorious Betsy" at the Hellig theatre, Fourteenth and Washington streets, for three nights, beginning next Thursday night, April 2. A special-price matinee will be given Saturday. Seat sale opens next Tuesday.

"Burgomaster" Seats Selling.

Seats are now on sale at boxoffice the Hellig theatre, Fourteenth and Washington streets, for the coming engagement of "The Burgomaster." This favorite musical-comedy will begin an engagement of four nights at the above theatre next Sunday night, March 29. A special-price matinee will be given Wednesday afternoon.

"The Mysterious Mr. Raffles."

George Alison will play the role of the mysterious Mr. Raffles with the Baker stock company next week, opening Sunday matinee, and this is a piece that attracts every eye, whether a regular theatre-goer or hot, for it is way out of the ordinary.

"When We Were Twenty-One."

There will be only three more opportunities to see Henry V. Esmond's beautiful play, "When We Were Twenty-One," as presented by the Baker stock company, and it is a rare treat, the most blaze theatre-goers cannot fail to enjoy to the fullest extent. Tonight, tomorrow matinee and night will close the run.

"What Women Will Do."

"What Women Will Do" has had a prosperous week at the Empire and those who have gone to see it out of curiosity, excited by the peculiar title, have been most pleasantly surprised to find a play of much more than ordinary interest. Last performances tonight, tomorrow matinee and night.

cast has been making such a marked impression. It is one of the red-letter events of the season. Moving pictures between acts.

"Captain Impudence" Coming.

There will be an especially attractive bill at the Lyric next week, commencing Monday night, in the shape of Edwin Milton Royle's brilliant comedy-drama, "Captain Impudence." It will present the members of the company at their best and will mark the debut of Carlos Urquart. New moving picture films will be shown between acts.

STEPHENS ACCUSED OF STEALING HORSES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Walla Walla, Wash., March 27.—Warren Stephens, who for the past two years has been wanted at Pendleton, Oregon, on a charge of horse stealing, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff John Cummings of Walla Walla county, near Wallula, yesterday afternoon. Stephens is charged with having done some extensive horse stealing in Umatilla county two years ago but has been in Canada since that time. He was recognized yesterday morning by an old acquaintance, who informed the sheriff.

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