MAYOR TAKES SECOND SLAP AT COUNCIL

Denies Emphatically That Letter Dealing With Conditions in North End Was Either Political or Moral Move—Game of Council.

Members of Party Opposed to Executive Purposely Took Wrong Inference That Letter Was Promise to Purge City of Dives.

That Mayor Lane's letter to the council in regard to the north end was not a political or moral move on the part of the city's executive and that he did not promise to close every disorderly house in the city if he was provided with 10 more policemen was stated by Mayor Lane this morning. He said that such places within the city are unlawful and that the law had been invoked upon him and that his letter was simply to set forth what action must be taken in event the city decides that there must be a general cleanup.

So far as Councilman Baker's contention that the letter of Mayor Lane is a political move, one only has to go to the record of the council of last February when an ordinance was introduced asking for eight additional detectives and for four additional patrolmen to find out that Baker voted against the proposition, yet he is now reported as heartily in sympathy with giving Mayor Lane all the policemen he wishes.

The statement that the letter is a political move also lacks conviction in that Toomey and the other north end business men petitioned not only Mayor Lane but the council as well to purge the district. The council saw the impending dilemma and very shrewdly "passed the buck," to use a sporting expression, to Mayor Lane by referring the petition to him for action.

Gives His Best Advice.

Instead of sending the communication back to the council without a recommendation of any kind, the mayor studied the situation and advised the council to the best of his ability according to a statement he made this morning.

"If these places must be closed why we must take precaution to see that they will remain closed after we start on such a crusade," he said. "There is no attempt on my part to start a moral or political move of any kind. The places mentioned in this petition are unlawful, and the law has been invoked upon me. Therefore I have simply stated to the council what must be done. The councilmen do not realize any more than I do that this evil is one of the greatest moral problems that any city has to contend with, and to call my statements a political move is unfair.

"The councilmen know as well as I do that this petition was not circulated by me. I had nothing to do with it in the beginning, but now that it has been referred to me for action I have not evaded the question, but have given the best advice on the matter within my power. It is now up to the council to act upon it in the same manner.

Must Have More Police.

"As I stated in my letter yesterday the task of putting a stop to the evil would be a greater one than could be handled by the present police force. Therefore when I state that additional policemen will be required and that it is within the province of the council to provide them, the recommendation should be taken for its worth and not construed as a political move on my part to embarrass the council."

Few communications have stirred up public opinion in Portland as Mayor Lane's letter. It is generally conceded to be one of the most able communications ever sent to the council and containing more truth in regard to a distasteful condition than has perhaps ever before been expressed. That he is ready to take hold of the problem and solve it satisfactorily, while at the same time recognizing the gigantic size of such an effort, shows his position more clearly than the council did when it referred the position to him without first referring it to its own council committee on health and police.

Wallace's View of Situation.

Councilman Wallace has taken a view of the question which he considers not only fair to the mayor but to the council as well. He said this morning that so far as Mayor Lane or the councilmen know such conditions do not exist. He says that if Toomey and the other signers of the petition had found such a condition in the north end as they petitioned to have removed they should have filed informations with the city attorney and appeared against the persons. In that way he said the city officials would then have official cognizance of the situation. While Mr. Wallace did not deny that such conditions do exist he said that the occupants were entitled to a trial and have the charges proven before the city ordered them to move to another district or to leave the city.

The attitude of the other councilmen who have expressed themselves on the question of giving additional policemen to the city is somewhat laughable when it is considered how they voted in the past when there were sharply defined parties in the council, the majority party fighting the mayor.

When the ordinance was introduced last February asking for additional detectives and patrolmen, not only Baker but Annand and Menefee as well voted against it. In fact, the majority party voted solidly and defeated the measure while the minority party with four votes supported it.

Council Swings Over Again.

At that time the councilmen refused to grant the additional police officers for several reasons. In the first place, because a large sum had been appropriated to the police department fund, and that an additional amount should not be taken out of the general fund for the department which the majority party declared a cohort of Mayor Lane.

Later, when an attempt was made to have the salaries of the additional officers paid out of the police fund already appropriated by close management and relinquishing other things desired for the department, the majority party declared that the promise was only a subterfuge and that the department would come in toward the close of the year and ask for additional money, thus ultimately securing the money for the additional policemen out of the general fund. Not trusting themselves the councilmen could not trust anybody else.

QUESTION OF GRAFT SUBJECT OF CAMERON'S NORTH END INQUIRY

District Attorney George J. Cameron is conducting an investigation of north end affairs with a view to discovering, if possible, whether the denizens of that unsavory section of the city are paying for police protection, and if so, who is getting the money.

The district attorney stated this morning that he had been looking into this matter in a quiet way for some time. He is picking out proprietors of disreputable houses here and there and having them come before him to answer questions he puts to them in regard to graft. These people are not subpenaed; they are merely requested to come.

What the results of the investigation so far have been, if any, Mr. Cameron, when asked about the matter this morning, did not care to state.

"I have been hearing for a long time," he said, "that money is being passed to secure protection for these houses. If that is so, I want to know it, and I want to know who gets the money. One thing is certain; if I learn what houses are paying for protection, they will not be allowed to run any longer. I will put a stop to that."

The district attorney disclaimed any knowledge of or connection with the proposal to wipe out the district entirely or to remove it to some other quarter of the city. "I understand Mayor Lane has said," he stated, "that if the council will give him more policemen he will close up all those houses. I don't think he needs any more policemen. I can close them up with the policemen we have now. But what's the use? It seems to me the only result would be to scatter the women all over the city, as happened before when the bawdy houses were closed up. In fact, I understand that the mayor has already driven some of these houses out into the residence district. A man told me the other day that there is one of them out west here. I have not yet got enough evidence to act upon, however."

"Do you mean to say you think you can wipe out the social evil in this city?" the district attorney was asked.

"Has it ever been done anywhere?" he parried. "It always has existed and it always will. But I don't see any use in scattering it all over the city. Of course, I understand that the people of the north end don't like to have it there, but it's got to be somewhere. But I can and will close up any houses that I find are paying for protection."

Mr. Cameron seemed inclined to pooh-pooh Mayor Lane's idea of driving the women out of town altogether, and seemed to insinuate that he did not believe the mayor really intended to do anything of the kind. "But," he said, "I don't know anything about that, and I have nothing to do with either Toomey's proposition to move the houses to some other quarter of the city. All I am after is to find out about this talk of graft and put an end to the business if it exists. I can't afford to have anything of that kind going on, for it would reflect upon my office."

VALLEY PRUNE GROWERS UNITE

New Association Buys Packing Plant at Albany—$10,000 Stock.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 20.—The Northwest association was formed at this place yesterday for the purpose of packing prunes this season. It is a new factor in the Willamette valley prune market. It includes some of the largest growers of this section of the valley. Its members declare it will not join the packers' combine, which was formed here some time ago, and will be the only large packing firm outside the Packers association. The new Growers' association has purchased the packing plant of Lesselle Bros., at Albany, and will operate it. The plant has a capacity of 150 cars for the season. The capital stock of the new concern is $10,000.

Among the growers who joined in organizing the new concern are L. M. Gilbert of Rosedale, Enos Presnall of Salem, S. P. Kimball and M. M. Ellis of Dallas, A. L. West and I. M. Crozier of Rosedale. L. M. Gilbert was elected president, Enos Presnall vice-president, and S. A. Lesselle secretary and manager.

Lesselle was formerly manager of the packing plant owned by Lesselle Bros., and it is apparently the purpose of the new association to make use of his knowledge of packing and marketing fruit. Mr. Lesselle said tonight that prunes can be sold in the east at figures a full cent above the price now offered by the packing houses which are members of the Packers' association.

The growers who have organized the new association will proceed at once to enlarge the membership. One of the plans of the new concern is to require all members to dry their prunes thoroughly, so that there will be no danger of the fruit spoiling, as was the case in some instances last year. In order that the growers shall have no incentive to underdry, each grower will be credited with the additional weight his fruit may gain during the processing, grading and packing, which increase is considerable in many instances.

WIFE BEATERS FACE THE WHIPPING POST

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Jacksonville, Or., Aug. 20.—Jacob Moore of Wisner, Jackson county, was today tried in Justice Dox's court on a charge of wife-beating. The husband weighs 200 pounds; the wife 105.

The defendant entered a plea of not guilty. The evidence, however, was conclusive.

"Twenty dollars and costs is the fine imposed," announced the court. "Rogue River valley husbands will take notice: The whip devised by the Sichel wife-beating law still hangs in the sheriff's office."

Tillamook, Or., Aug. 20.—Mose McCrum, the Portland man who was arrested and placed in the county jail for wife-beating, in lieu of $500 bail, has been bailed out by his brothers, George and Jim, of Portland. McCrum will come up for trial before the circuit court which convenes here in November. He will be tried on a charge of wife-beating. If convicted he will be the first man punished under the new wife-beating law in Tillamook county.

FRONTIER DAY AT WYOMING CAPITAL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Cheyenne, Wyo., Aug. 20.—Special trains from Denver and many other points brought large crowds of visitors to Cheyenne today for the opening of the annual Frontier day celebration. The celebration, which was inaugurated some years ago as a purely local festivity, has grown in popularity and magnitude until it has become one of the foremost yearly carnivals to be given west of the Mississippi.

Foremost on the carnival programme are the world's championship riding and roping contests. These contests originally were participated in only by cowboys from various parts of Wyoming, but this year the entrants include expert lariat throwers from Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas and other states and even far-off Hawaii has sent two contestants to the tournament.

The races are to be run for the first time over the magnificent new track at Frontier Park. The park has been greatly improved since last year by the construction of a new track, a steel and concrete grandstand, with a seating capacity of 4,500, and the enlargement of the stabling accommodations. Many fast horses have been secured. The prizes offered this year exceed $10,000.

POOR OLD RAT LOOKS OUT OF HIS HOLE AND SQUEAKS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Aug. 20.—Senator Thomas Collier Platt, deposed boss, whose word once was law in the ranks of the Republican machine of the state, broke his long silence on matters political today to say:

"I do not believe Governor Hughes can be reelected. If the Republican convention makes the mistake of nominating him for reelection Bryan's chances for carrying New York will be greatly improved."

Platt has been a bitter enemy of Hughes. It is reported that the aged and decrepit senator will do everything in his power toward preventing the nomination of the governor, but his power is now so limited that leaders pay little attention to him.

ROCK ISLAND TO TAKE G. A. R. MEN

Eastern Road Invades Coast and Captures Delegation to Toledo.

Sunday night the Rock Island road will send a special car of G. A. R. delegates from Portland to join the G. A. R. special over the Rock Island, which will leave Salt Lake for the grand encampment at Toledo Tuesday morning. The itinerary of the trip includes Colorado Springs on Wednesday morning, Omaha on Thursday, leave Chicago Saturday morning and reach Toledo Saturday afternoon.

Although not of great importance in itself the fact that the Rock Island has secured the G. A. R. excursion is indicative of the fight being made by that system to secure Pacific coast business and the success they have experienced in wresting it from the regular Pacific coast lines.

That the progressive Rock Island is making such a play for coast business gives strength to the rumors that the system has its eye on the new Moffat road now being built from Denver through northwestern Colorado to Salt Lake City. This line is now in operation as far as Steamboat Springs and David H. Moffat, the Denver banker recently announced that the work would be pushed through to Salt Lake as rapidly as possible.

There has been constant talk of a new line from Portland to Salt Lake to connect with the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific—the "Moffat road"—and it would probably be sooner or later added to the Rock Island, making Oregon one of the "Rock Island states of America."

OREGON CITY G. A. R. MEMBERS LEAVE SUNDAY

Oregon City, Aug. 20.—Several members of the G. A. R. and Women's Relief corps of this city, will leave Sunday evening for Toledo, Ohio, to attend the national encampment of the G. A. R.

Among the party are the following: Department Commander J. T. Apperson and wife, J. F. Nelson, Enos Cahill, D. K. Hill, E. F. Brown, Mrs. J. R. Williams, and Mrs. Higgins, department president W. R. C.

They will leave by special car, from Portland to Salt Lake, and from that city a special train will be made up along the line to Chicago, via Omaha. The tickets will be good for 90 days, returnable by any route.

After the convention Commander and Mrs. Apperson will make a trip to the far east, returning by way of the Canadian Pacific road to Vancouver, B. C., and thence by steamer to Portland.

DIVORCE SACRED AS MARRIAGE, SAYS HE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Santa Rosa, Cal., Aug. 20.—After having married couples for many years, when he was a clergyman at Sebastopol, Cal., Rev. A. K. Farnsworth has turned divorce lawyer and is now handling the cases of couples who wish to untie the marital knots that he was formerly instrumental in tying.

His first suit was filed in court here yesterday. It is a suit of George McDonald, who has been married for over 30 years and is the father of grown children.

Rev. Farnsworth, who can now either marry or unmarry couples, says the business of helping mismated couples to become separated is as sacred as that of aiding the unmated to join.

WORK ON GRAVITY SYSTEM COMMENCES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Aug. 20.—Actual work of estimating the cost and feasibility of Pendleton's proposed gravity water system was started today when an engineer from the Kelsay engineering firm of Portland started to the headwaters of the Umatilla river, 35 miles east of here, to begin measurements of the water flow. It is estimated that the gravity system will cost about $250,000 and if sufficient water can be found at any place on the upper Umatilla river it will be started within a few months.

RAILROAD RATES BAR STOCKMEN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Klamath Falls, Or., Aug. 20.—Unless the stockmen of this section secure a better rate they will be forced to drive to Shasta valley, California, before loading stock on the cars. Some of the stockmen made a shipment from Mount Hebron, a station on the California Northeastern, but the rate was so high that they can afford to drive to Montague, a distance of about [illegible] miles, and load at that place. Another effort is being made to secure better rates, for it is much more convenient for the shippers to load at Mount Hebron.

GOT JEALOUS, NOW GETS WHAT'S COMING TO HIM

Joe Ticky, the big fisherman who shoved a revolver into the face of Frank Ekhart after he had knocked him to the ground, was bound over to the grand jury under $500 bonds by the municipal court today. The trouble was caused by Ticky's jealousy after his experience at a dance.

For New Mexican Delegate.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Santa Fe, N. M., Aug. 20.—William H. Andrews, of Albuquerque, is for the third time the Republican nominee for delegate in congress, having been selected by the territorial convention. Opposing him for nomination were Charles A. Spiess of Las Vegas, Judge E. A. Mann of Albuquerque and T. B. Catron of Santa Fe. Andrews was supported by a Republican organization including Chairman H. O. Bursum of the territorial central committee and National Committeeman Solomon Luna.

Tobacco Growers Organize.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Bowling Green, Ky., Aug. 20.—Leading tobacco growers to a total of several score met in conference here today to complete the organization of an interstate association for the purpose of advancing their mutual interests and affording protection to the industry. The proposed organization is to embrace the associations already existing in Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee.

GAGE OF BATTLE DOWN TO WILEY

Faddish, Ignorant and Vindictive, Says a Prominent Californian.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—Fruit growers of the Pacific coast are interested today in an interview by Arthur R. Briggs, president of the state board of trade, in which he intimates that Dr. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry, may lose his head in the fight with the growers. When he read the dispatches that quoted Dr. Wiley as saying he was enlisted for war against the sulphuring of fruit, Briggs said:

"What does he mean by war? Is it to be understood that he intends to pursue his fad, which by all authority is not based on knowledge, until he ruins the fruit growers of California and the Pacific coast? His position seems to be that of determination to have his own way and to assume authority which is entirely outside and beyond any reasonable attitude. The time has come when fruit growers and all interested should organize for self-protection. If in the contest the doctor should lose his head for being too officious and vindictive, he would have himself alone to blame."

ENOUGH FINANCIAL DOPE IN LONDON

(United Press Leased Wire.)

London, Aug. 20.—The Aldrich-Vreeland financial commission, composed of United States senators and representatives, announced today that sufficient data had been obtained in Great Britain regarding the monetary systems of foreign countries and the commission would return to America without further investigating. It was the plan of the commission to tour all the capitals of Europe, but after their stay of several weeks in London the commissioners find they have collected enough data to meet all their requirements and that further research would entail useless expense. It is said that nothing will be announced regarding the results of the investigation until a report is made to congress.

FIREBUGS THREATEN PROPERTY OWNER

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—Detectives are today trying to locate a gang of incendiaries who have been terrorizing the Potrero for weeks by starting fires. A note received last night by President Isidor Jacobs of the California Canneries company was as follows:

"You think you raised hell locking up innocent boys, but you ain't got the right one yet. Your old place will go up in smoke before another month. Yours, truly, W. N."

The California Canneries company's big warehouse in the Potrero has twice been set on fire during the past few weeks and extra watchmen have been employed.

The arrests referred to in the letter are those of Fred Duncanson and Thomas Nermille, each 17 years old, who were accused of having something to do with the fires. They were released for lack of evidence.

ROOSEVELT BOOKS PASSAGE TO AFRICA

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Aug. 20.—It is reported here today that President Roosevelt has engaged passage on the liner Celtic, which will sail March 7, 1909, for Europe. If this report is true, he will remain in the country less than three days after his successor is inaugurated, and will lose no time in starting for the hunting trip in Africa that he has planned.

Companies Incorporated.

Salem, Or., Aug. 20.—Articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the secretary of state as follows:

Blazier Logging company; principal office, Portland; capital stock, $200,000; incorporators, Eugene Blazier, S. C. Spencer and J. E. Blazier.

The Sandy Valley Fruit Growers' association, principal office, Sandy, Ore.; capital stock, $1,000; incorporators, A. G. Bornstedt, Mike McCormick and E. Coalman.

Lents Grange Hall company, principal office, Lents, Or.; capital stock, $3,000; incorporators A. F. Miller, A. F. Hershner, W. A. Young and Donald Furey.

Wolf Creek Combination Mining company, principal office, Portland, capital stock, $1,000,000; incorporators, W. H. Burghardt, M. L. Pratt, G. T. Williams and A. W. France.

Wagner Aeroplane company, principal office, Portland, capital stock, $100,000; incorporators, Louis Wagner, A. C. Pike and M. B. Meacham.

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