

WOLVERTON IS LOSER BY \$46,000 AND HAS FRANCHISE TAKEN UP

Disposition of Sacramento-Mission Club Will Be Made by Committee of Three.
LEAGUE TO PAY PLAYERS
Will Make Assessment to Meet Salary Demands—Directors Will Be Glad to Take Harry Back Again.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 27.—Failure to pay the salaries of the players was the reason assigned today by Pacific Coast league magnates for their action last night in voting to forfeit the membership of Sacramento-Mission club, which means that the franchise held by Harry Wolverton and Lloyd Jacobs has been terminated. It was announced that the claim of the players would be met by an assessment of the league.

Wolverton and Jacobs are said to have lost \$46,000 since they bought the franchise from Jack Atkins. Just what will be done with the Sacramento franchise will be determined by a committee of three to be appointed today by President Al Baum. The club directors considered the fate of Wolverton's club at a meeting here last night, adjourning at midnight to meet again at 11 o'clock today.

Recently Wolverton obtained an option on Recreation park, the old home of the Seals, and submitted a proposition for the use of the park. He proposed that the Mission club should make its permanent home there but his plan was opposed by the owners of the Oakland and San Francisco clubs. League directors declared here today that if Wolverton could finance the club for another year they would be glad to take him back into the fold. He said, however, that his interests were in the hands of an attorney and he believed they would be properly cared for. Otherwise he had no statement to make.

OREGON ELEVEN RESTING UP FOR GAME WITH 'W'

Bezdek Has Two Weeks to Prepare Players for Clash With Dobie.

University of Oregon, Eugene, Or., Oct. 27.—With the hard Idaho game closed away Oregon will take it easy the coming two weeks. The team game Friday here with Willamette university is not being taken very seriously, because of the weakness of the Safon team as evidenced by the big score rolled up against them by Stewart's Aggies early this season. Oregon has no game after Friday until the clash with the eastern team, Saturday, November 14. Oregon's record in such poor shape because Saturday's battering ought to be entirely mended by the time of the game up north. Reports from spectators at Saturday's game at Seattle have it that the score does not indicate the closeness of the game. Washington unprovoked evening in that they have more than one team ought to have," as an Oregon fan who wasn't in the game and who has played football on some of the eastern teams, said today. According to this authority, Washington used seven or eight forward pass formations and couldn't catch the ball. Washington's yardage was made on round plays, the Seattle players being unable to pierce Whitman's line. The same man, who requested that his name be not mentioned, said that Washington was lower than last year, and that the team played to win. "I can't understand it; Dobie has practically a veteran team. I expect Oregon to win by two touchdowns when Oregon and Washington play on the 14th."

Oregon meets O. A. C. November 21 in Corvallis, and ends the schedule for the year in Portland on November 26 in the annual Turkey day game with Multnomah.

Welsh Will Make 135 Pounds for Go

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 27.—An ultimatum was hurled at today, the lightweight champion of the world, today by Nate Lewis, manager of Charlie White. Welsh was told that there would be no fight in Milwaukee between White and Welsh unless Welsh agreed to make one of two weights—123 pounds at 3 o'clock, or 135 pounds at 8 o'clock. The men are scheduled to clash in a 10 round bout on the evening of November 9. Welsh is understood to have announced that he will make 135 pounds at 2 o'clock and not a minute later.

Langford Leaving Tonight for Frisco

San Francisco, Oct. 27.—Promoter James W. Coffret received word today that Sam Langford, the Boston negro heavyweight, will leave for San Francisco tonight to get in condition for his 20 round bout at Daly City on the evening of November 13 with Harry Mills of New Orleans. Langford's manager, Joe Woodman, said it was Langford's intention to get into good trim for the Mills bout, as they realize that Sam is going against one of the best heavyweights in the world in Mills.

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TAXPAYERS AND WAGE-EARNERS' LEAGUE ANSWERS COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED

Business Is Not "Fine" in Dry Towns

SALEM SUFFERS BUSINESS LOSSES FROM DRY RULE

Store Property Rentals Drop \$75 a Month in City.

BANK DEPOSITS OFF \$300,000

Fourteen Business Houses Quit in Less Than Year—School Attendance Less.

Many Oregon papers have been loaded down within the past three weeks with repeated assurances that "Business Is Fine in Dry Towns."

The three most important Oregon cities to become "dry" nine months ago were Salem, Oregon City and Springfield.

If business is fine in those cities the taxpayers and most of the business men would like to have the "drys" explain just what they mean by "fine." If they had said "business is thin," then they might have been more easily understood.

Let them answer first about conditions in Salem. Ex-Councilman John D. Turner, of Salem, an attorney, is sponsor for the following facts about that city:

Salem went "dry" December 1 last, closing 15 saloons, three restaurants and two wholesale houses and withdrawing liquor permits from eight drug stores and cut off an annual license revenue of \$15,400. Ninety men and a monthly payroll of \$7500 were put out of commission. Most of the men have left the city. All buildings vacated by these concerns are still empty, except six, which have been occupied by tenants who have vacated other buildings, several of the best buildings being boarded over and used as billboards. More than 500 modern dwellings are "for rent." Store property rentals on State street have dropped \$185 to \$110 a month, but "business is fine."

Fourteen other business places have closed since December 1 last, aside from the saloons and restaurants. Included are three shoe stores—two by the sheriff and one voluntarily; one of the largest dry goods stores has been sued for the first time in 20 years. Scores of clerks have left the city, causing the loss of more payrolls to the city, but "business is fine."

A leading prohibitionist promised to build 16 new dwellings if the city went "dry." Nine houses were begun, two have the windows and doors in, but have never been finished; no work has been done on the others besides their bare frames.

Building permits from January to August, the last nine wet months of 1913, were \$388,925; from November, 1913, to September, 1914, the next 11 "dry" months, they were \$120,000 less, or \$268,160.

The grammar school opening day enrollment in 1913 was 1510; on the same day 1914, 1469, but "business is fine."

Bank deposits show a decrease of \$209,942 since the town went "dry," even after allowing for the \$485,000 deposited this year from sale of bonds in Boston. The decrease, therefore, really should be \$794,942, but "business is fine."

The attendance at the "Cherry Fair" this year was about one-half what it was the last "wet" year. The Ministerial association before the election which made Salem "dry," told the Cherry Fair promoters that they would make up for the donations usually made by the saloons, but utterly failed to do so this year and the promoters refused to hold that carnival. The "Cherrians," consisting of 100 real boosters, but of no prohibitionists, then pledged their personal membership for the necessary funds, requiring the payment on their part of \$500. To rub it in, the Methodists then turned their church into a restaurant, put the kitchen in the pulpit and competed with the legitimate restaurants for the little business that their proprietors had hungrily looked for as a possible annual god-send.

Business must be "fine" in any city when building permits, payrolls, bank deposits, bankruptcies closed stores, depopulated dwellings, depressed realty values, school enrollments and carnival statistics all tell so dreary a story of literal fact. Maybe the prohibitionists mean that the "agitation business" is fine.

Five Hundred Names of Men, Women and Concerns Opposed to State-Wide Prohibition

The Committee of One Hundred has brought this organization into issue by repeated false statements that it is an organization of one person, Mrs. Abigail Scott Duniway, its president.

On this page is a statement from Mrs. Duniway herself which should make the blood of every fair-minded citizen of Oregon boil because of the heartless attacks which this grand old woman of Oregon has silently borne in defense of her conscience.

The Committee of One Hundred challenges the production of one hundred names of Oregonians who are opposed to state-wide prohibition. It agrees to print these names alongside its own membership of one hundred whenever they are produced.

Herewith are the names of OVER FIVE HUNDRED Portland men or concerns who have signed the rolls of membership of this organization and its articles of faith. The original signature in each case is exactly as it is written on this page.

These names are published, not so much in the acceptance of any challenge issued by the Committee of One Hundred, as in denial of repeated statements that the Taxpayers' and Wage Earners' League consists of but one person, namely, its president, Mrs. Duniway.

In a spirit of good faith and fair-mindedness and as proof that these charges have been made in error by the Committee of One Hundred, it would appear that the least that the Committee of One Hundred might do would be the public admission of its own mistake, in order that the public may relieve that Committee of One Hundred of the suspicion that it is resorting to evasive, even dishonest politics.

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AN OPEN LETTER By Abigail Scott Duniway

Had I not learned many years ago that it is impossible for a person to hold positive opinions on any public question without becoming the object of abuse on the part of one's opponents, my days and nights during the past few weeks would have been filled with much pain and grief.

I have been the constant personal target of hundreds of persons, speaking in the name of prohibition, who have stormed and raged and vilified because I have publicly opposed their theories.

I am glad to say, however, that I am stronger in my faith, as this campaign draws to its close, and as I become more and more convinced that the people of Oregon, the big, good-minded, thinking people are about to destroy this fetich which would attempt to make a new generation of spineless wretches by an impossible scheme of legal evasion.

I wish to publicly deny that I ever repudiated Mr. Lincoln's position on this subject. I was called out of bed after midnight one night to answer such a question. I replied that at the moment I could not find the authority for the statement that Lincoln was opposed to prohibition, and on this reply was based the untruth that I had repudiated such statement. The affidavit now in my possession satisfies me of the truth of the statement. I will be glad to show this affidavit to anyone who wishes to call on me.

I personally am responsible for the belief and statement that "Oregon dry" will throw 10,000 men and women out of work.

This league knows nothing of "deliberate registration of floaters in the North End."

WHEREAS, the undersigned men and women, permanent taxpayers and home and business builders of the State of Oregon, view with deep concern the constantly increasing tendency of irresponsible and tax-creating theories to undermine and destroy the property and permanence of establishments in the State of Oregon; and

RESOLVED, that we call upon every present and prospective laborer, taxpayer, home builder, business man and woman and every advocate of personal freedom and individual property rights to unite with us in the formation of a strictly non-partisan alliance of voters, whose object shall be to reduce taxation, oppose the confiscation of real and personal property and create and maintain such legislation as shall effectually and permanently protect us and our possessions from the vandalism of irresponsible theorists and imported agitators; therefore,

WE, the undersigned, being opposed to state-wide prohibition as a specific act of confiscation, hereby enroll our names as members of the Taxpayers' and Wage Earners' League, agreeing to in every reasonable way advance the principles of said organization, it being understood that no dues nor financial obligations shall be attached to such membership except insofar as they may voluntarily be given.

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CLACKAMAS AND OREGON CITY HIT BY EMPTY TILLS

"Dry" Regime Followed by Query as to Receiver.

CITY WARRANTS UNSALEABLE

City Council Calls Election November 9 to Raise Levy 8 Mills to Pay Debts.

Oregon City and Clackamas county, of which Oregon City is the county seat, present an lamentable condition in a business sense as a defunct corporation about to go into the hands of a receiver. In fact, a receivership for Oregon City already has been seriously discussed by certain of its creditors, and Judge Campbell, of that city, has declared his willingness to declare such a receivership, if formal application were made to him, as he would for "any bankrupt corporation."

A special election has been called by the city for November 9 "to relieve the financial condition of the city," the purpose being to vote \$250,000 5 per cent bonds and to increase the tax levy 8 mills in order to take care of the new indebtedness.

On the part of Clackamas county the county treasurer is confronted with an empty treasury for the first time in six years. The Morning Enterprise, a radical prohibitionist daily of Oregon City, in explaining this situation, says: "The condition is considered the result of the amount of delinquent taxes on the county's tax rolls. County Treasurer Tufts refused the first warrants on the general fund Monday, October 12, 1914."

Business must be "fine" in a city and a county when the treasuries of both are empty because of lack of money coming into the strong boxes, with a special election called by the city to increase the tax levy, with a "danger" sign strung along the length of the business portion of Main street by "order of the city council," which read:

"Danger—Main street. Declared Dangerous—All persons traveling on Main street, between fourth side of Moss street and south side of Third street, do so at their own risk."

Banks are refusing to cash Oregon City municipal warrants. Since January 1 the city has issued \$39,991.05 in these warrants according to the report of City Recorder John W. Loder, and these warrants are still unpaid.

The city tax levy in 1913 in Oregon City was 8 mills. Two weeks after the city went dry the council increased this levy to 16 mills for 1914, and on November 9 there is to be a special election held at which the voters will be asked to sanction an additional levy of 8 mills to meet the municipal indebtedness. Yet "business is fine in dry towns," and Oregon City is doing well.

Vacant buildings now stand on Main street, the chief business thoroughfare of Oregon City, as monuments to the memory of on-garage, one clothing store, one restaurant and one livery barn now closed up, but formerly did good business. Fourteen vacated stores line both sides of Main street, and three vacant lots mark the places where three other stores, formerly stood, but which have burned down. So little has been the demand for business property that the burned structures were never rebuilt. But "business is fine in Oregon City."

The Enterprise printing office, which formerly employed a large force of printers and bookbinders and often worked night and day to fill orders, is now operating its job department crew but five days a week, yet the Morning Enterprise is one of the papers that has printed matter about "business is fine in dry towns."