

Council Meeting a Warm One

Incensed at what he believed was the determination of Alderman Rigdon to force Wilbur Gaines upon the police committee of the city council, as a member of the city patrol force, Alderman E. C. Minton, chairman of the committee, arose in a rage, at the council meeting last night, and exchanged acrid repartee with the opposing members, and hurled charge after charge of misconduct at the head of the questioning officer.

The meeting was the warmest in the history of the Salem city council. The debate over the propriety of making Gaines a member of the force lasted a full hour, and resulted in a victory for the committee by the voting down of the officer, and, incidentally, the defeat of Chief Shedeck, who had included Gaines' name in a list of recommendations made to the committee.

The men elected to serve on the force during the coming year, in addition to Al. Foland and Frank Flake, who were elected a week ago, were W. J. White, Jack Welch, R. Woolery and E. Irwin. F. W. Helsner, who was considered a strong candidate, failed to be elected, notwithstanding a letter was read giving Helsner the recommendations of Rev. D. Eryett, pastor of the First Christian church; Dr. R. E. L. Steiner, superintendent of the state hospital; County Judge Busbey, and Tom R. Wilson, bookkeeper at the state penitentiary. The other candidates for places on the force were W. W. Gaines, B. T. Turner, F. A. Minzenmeier, Taylor Smith, F. E. Brock, J. N. Olmsted and C. N. Matlock. Matlock, Olmsted and Helsner were recommended for election by the committee.

Sensational Letters Read.
In submitting his argument against Gaines, Alderman Minton read sensational letters from Esther L. Pewtherer, and from the Justice of the Peace at Independence.

The report of the committee, which included recommendation for the election of Olmsted and Matlock, was rejected. Alderman Rigdon at this juncture placed in nomination the names of 10 men who had been submitted by Chief Shedeck, explaining that it would be the duty of each councilman to vote for four. Rigdon said that the chief had undergone a considerable change of mind since the preceding meeting, and that it was his opinion that Shedeck now wished to work in complete harmony with the council.

When the nominations were made Alderman Jones, a member of the police commission, grew crimson with rage.

"That's a dodge," he cried. "I move that we vote on each name, and vote by roll call."

Minton contended for an aye and no vote, but this was ultimately overruled for the double reason that the charter provides for a ballot vote, and that for each councilman to vote on four names by an aye and no vote was a procedure entirely too cumbersome.

Minton Makes Remarks.
"Is it in order to make remarks?" asked Alderman Minton.

"It is," answered the mayor.

"Well, I want to make some remarks," said the alderman ominously. "I suggest that it is not proper to make remarks about any one, except those in nomination," Rigdon interposed.

"Those are the ones I want to make remarks about," retorted Minton still more ominously.

"I want to give this council the information," stormed Minton, "that hereafter I am going to reduce all motion that I make to writing, and I am going to see further that they are entered on the minutes, as I make them. I went to the city recorder's office this afternoon and found that my motion regarding the submitting of a new list of names by the chief of police is not on the minutes as I made it. My motion

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tion was that the chief of police submit for the committee's consideration a new list of names. He promised he would, and that he would send us the lists this week. Instead he sent lists to all the other members of the council first, and sent lists to members of the committee only today."

Minton Brings Charges.
Speaking of the charges against Gaines, Alderman Minton said that some were matters of record, others were from letters, while others were from Gaines' own mouth.

"I asked Gaines if it was true he had been indicted in Polk county," Minton said, Gaines replied: "It's a damned lie, Ira Hamilton, Sam Burkhardt and the Salem saloons don't want me on the force, and they are bringing these charges to keep me off."

Minton then said that in further conversation Gaines had said that, while working under Chief Hamilton he had found it impossible to enforce the law. A part of the information given from Gaines, Alderman Minton recited as follows:

"I was requested to watch a certain house in this city, and I did watch it. One night I went up there and found Chief Hamilton and some of his friends in that house drinking beer with women. What could I do?"

Could Have Informed.
Answering this, Alderman Minton said:

"If the chief would not let him enforce the law, Alderman Jones, then chairman of the police committee, would have allowed him to enforce the law. This council would have allowed him to enforce it if he had given the information. Besides, for about three weeks now Hamilton has had no strings on Gaines. Has he enforced the law any better? I walked behind Gaines down the street the other day. I saw five men violate the laws of Salem. Gaines did nothing."

Alderman Minton produced the letter from the Pewther woman. The writer charged that one night, on account of poor train accommodations, which had resulted in an altercation between herself and the conductor, the train men had called two burly men, who forced her to leave the train in the middle of the night. She declared that the men refused to show their stars, or give her other assurance than their mere word that they were officers, and that otherwise they had treated her disrespectfully. She said that when she threatened to take the affair up with the railroad officials the officers seemed frightened, and, after consultation with the train men, allowed her to return to Portland. She afterward learned, she stated, that the name of one of the officers was Gaines and the other Shedeck. She partly cleared Shedeck by saying that he had explained to her that he was off his regular beat, and that consequently he seemed to be acting under the orders of Gaines.

He Ran Pool Room.

Minton read another communication from the Justice of the Peace at Independence, stating that Gaines had held a pool room license there, and had violated the law. The letter further stated that a warrant for Gaines' arrest had been sworn out at that place, that to escape arrest Gaines had gone to Salem with a livery team, and that

the next heard of him he was on the Salem police force. The letter alleged that later he came back and plead guilty, but asked to have the facts suppressed. The official told him that the facts were on public records, but since they were not often examined, it was not probable that they would be found out. The letter further cast reflections upon the reputation of former Patrolman Whitlatch, but asked what could be expected in view of the escapade of the former mayor in the Hotel Marion bar. It had become a joke, the letter said, that when a man's reputation got so bad he could not stay at Independence, he went to Salem and got a job on the police force.

Minton Is Rebuked.

Alderman Rigdon severely rebuked Alderman Minton for stating that the letter from the Pewther woman was a matter of record. Before the reading of the letter Rigdon had asked if it was a matter of record. Minton, evidently misunderstanding the question, said that it was.

"We are being imposed upon by untruthfulness," declared Rigdon. Alderman Cummings took Rigdon to task for quibbling over small things, and succeeded in healing the breach. The vote was then taken.

Canada Is in Line for Freedom

HENRI BOURASSA POINTS OUT THAT CANADA NOW BEARS THE SAME RELATION TO ENGLAND THAT THE THIRTEEN COLONIES DID.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 21.—Henri Bourassa, one of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's chief lieutenants, prophesied here today that absolute freedom of Canada will be the result of the present relations between the Dominion and England, which, he said, were similar to those existing between Great Britain and the United States in 1775. "The greatest question in Canada today," said Bourassa, in an interview here, "is that of contributions to the English navy. Canada is a transcontinental country, and so long as we are not represented in the affairs of the empire we should be under no obligation to that empire."

"This is the same trouble as that of your original 13 colonies—taxation without representation. Canada's anti-imperialists and many other classes have turned against Premier Borden because of the dissatisfaction he has created by advocating a \$35,000,000 appropriation for British warships."

"With no representation abroad, we should no more contribute than did the 13 colonies, which now are the heart of the United States."

"Canada needs no navy, and she needs no coast protection, especially at the mouth of the St. Lawrence river. We do not desire to secede from England, but we would rather undergo the national development of independence under the nationalist idea than to have constant friction, disagreements and distrusts under imperialism. Independence is the moral outcome of any colony."

Wilson Is Sticking to His Job

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 21.—New Jersey affairs will occupy Woodrow Wilson's attention right up to the time he is inaugurated president of the United States. The governor discussed his plans here today, and wanted it understood that no "case" is to be made over his trip to Washington.

"I do not expect to go to Washington until March 3," said Governor Wilson. "Of course, I do not expect to have a special car for the trip. I do not expect any friends or committees as an escort either."

"There will be no outsiders in our party—just Mrs. Wilson, myself and daughters. We will stop at the Shoreham hotel, with my cousin, John Wilson, on the night of March 3."

"I expect to continue as governor of New Jersey until I start for Washington, or nearly so. On account of the business demanding my presence in New Jersey, I want the time between the transfer from one office to the other to be as brief as possible."

State Wages Three Dollars.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 21.—Senator Bryant introduced today a bill fixing \$3 as the minimum wage to be paid state employes for all work by contract. A penalty of a fine up to \$1000 or one year in jail is provided.

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THE WILSON FAMILY WILL ALL BE THERE

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 21.—If an inaugural reception is held, my wife and daughters will be there."

This was President-elect Woodrow Wilson's answer today to reports that Mrs. Wilson and their three daughters would take no part in the reception on the day of the inauguration to be held probably in the rotunda of the Capitol.

"I merely asked," added Wilson, "that Mrs. Wilson and our daughters

be excused from handshaking. It would be hard for them to stand in line all afternoon, and I see no reason why they should."

Wilson characterized as ridiculous the reports that the inaugural ball was abandoned because Mrs. Wilson feared the guests would dance the "turkey trot," the "bunny hug," and the "Texas Tompy."

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