

WOMEN'S PRISONERS FOR POLITICAL LICENSING

The Fusion Campaign Committee and the speakers for the cause of honest government enter upon the closing week of the contest with confidence that victory will be achieved at the polls on November 7. The feeling of confidence is not based on surmise. Reports of actual conditions in each of the eighteen Assembly districts are considered and allowances made for errors of judgment on the part of the over-enthusiastic. Great demonstrations of popular interest in Mr. Partridge's candidacy signify to the committee that wage earners have resolved to throw off the shackles of Ruef. The chief purpose of the campaign managers is to bring to the voting booths on election day every registered citizen who is against graft.

EVEN MONEY IS WAGED THAT FUSION WILL WIN

Campaign Committee is Assured That Stay-at-Homes Will Vote Early.

The popular uprising which will oust the grafters from place and power is almost here. Tuesday of next week Ruef will see his political finish. All signs indicate that the people of San Francisco have resolved to submit no longer to the reign and rule of graft and boodle. Since the beginning of the campaign the grafters have encountered a series of reverses. Ruef sought to capture the Republican nominating convention and failed. He employed every resource at his command to prevent a coalition of Republicans and Democrats. He endeavored to confuse the plain issue before the people by placing in the field independent tickets bearing Republican and Democratic designations, but his lawless scheme was foiled by the Supreme Court.

Ruef stands now in the shadow of overwhelming defeat at the polls on November 7. A month ago the grafters were shouting that the betting was two to one in favor of Ruef's candidate. Desperate efforts were made later on to hold the apparent advantage in the betting field, but in spite of everything that the grafting politicians could do the odds changed to 10 to 7, then to 10 to 8 and again to 10 to 5. Before Wednesday evening next the general betting on Partridge will be even.

The Ruefites are now beginning to panic. It would be no surprise if the betting grafters were driven to cover before this day is over. Last Saturday night many wagers were laid on an even money basis.

Such an uprising of good citizenship as San Francisco has not witnessed for a half century seems about to take place. It is just fifty years ago that the good people of the city arose in their majesty and strength and drove the gamblers, grafters and boodlers from power.

The talk one hears on the streets and in public places is that many a so-called "stay at home," who ordinarily takes little or no interest in voting, will go to the polls early Tuesday next week and vote for John S. Partridge.

The large registration of voters and the keen, absorbing interest in the great struggle to redeem San Francisco signify that tremendous voting strength will be shown. To the fusion campaign committee the promise of a heavy vote is an index of victory for Partridge.

To-night Mr. Partridge will speak to the people of the Twenty-eighth Assembly District. He will deliver his message to the men of that important district. Ruef speaks of his own canvass for Partridge's eighth, but his boasting is not seriously taken.

It is reported at fusion headquarters that Henry Rice of the Fire Department and one of the relics of an old regime is making a barragans canvass for Ruef's candidate. Rice is listed on the roll as a hydrant man at \$90 per month. As he is a favorite of Ruef he is paid as the captain of a disabled engine in the corporation.

LEADER TO SPEAK AT MANY PLACES

Open air-Union Iron Works, 12:15 P. M. Take Kentucky-street car.

Twenty-eighth District—Montgomery Hotel, 8 p. m. Second street, between Howard and Folsom. Take Second, Howard or Folsom street car.

Twenty-ninth District—Manzanita Hall, 8 p. m. Fourth and Perry streets. Take Fourth-street car.

Thirtieth District—Richmond Hall, 8 p. m. Fourth avenue and Clement street. Take Sutter, Jackson or California street car and transfer to Sutter or California street lines.

GRAND STAIRWAY FIRE DESTROYS TWO BUILDINGS

Loss of \$4000 Is Caused by Flames in the Town of St. Helena in Napa County

NAPA, Oct. 29.—Two large buildings were destroyed by fire at St. Helena to-day, causing considerable loss. This morning the building on McCone-Connell avenue owned by Mrs. M. G. Ritchie and used as a storehouse for hay and implements was discovered on fire. Owing to lack of water at the place the building was soon burned to the ground. The building was used for some years as a hop-drying house. This evening fire was discovered in the Lenthall building on Pope street, owned by Louis Paulson. In spite of the vigorous efforts of the fire department the building was destroyed in a short time.

No definite cause has been found for either of the fires and it is believed that both were incendiary. The loss on the two buildings is \$4000.

SAN FRANCISCO WINS MORE NOME TRADE

Bank of Alaska Town Prefers to Ship Gold to This City.

TACOMA, Oct. 29.—Ira D. Orton, one of the most prominent attorneys at Nome, reached the Sound yesterday on the Senator for his first visit to the States in five years. He will go to his old home in San Francisco, where he will spend the winter looking after mining suits in which he is interested. Orton is a director of the Miners and Merchants' Bank of Nome. In discussing gold and matters pertaining thereto, he said:

We shipped a great deal of our gold this summer to San Francisco and saved goodly sums of money by doing so. In the first place, the express company was charging altogether too high rates on boats running to Seattle, and in the second place the smelting companies of San Francisco do not charge as much for assay work as the Seattle office. Of course, so far as the bank is concerned, it makes no difference to us where we ship the gold, as all extra costs are merely charged to the owners of the dust, but it was with an eye to the best interests of our customers that induced us to send the gold to San Francisco.

SCHOOLS OF NEVADA CLOSED BY CUPID

Supply of Single Female Teachers Not Enough for Demands.

RENO, Oct. 29.—Several schools in Nevada have been compelled to close because the trustees have found it impossible to secure teachers. Yesterday another school in Humboldt County was compelled to announce that for a time at least the school will be closed, no teacher being available. The Normal School of the State university for the last few years has not been turning out teachers fast enough to supply the demand. Wages for single advanced and from outside States pedagogues have been imported. Even this has not been successful for the rule has been that within a few months the teachers get married and resign their positions.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—District Attorney Jerome stated to-night if re-elected he would apply to the Board of Supervisors for money to retain Charles E. Hughes as special counsel to prosecute the insurance men if they were found criminally guilty.

PLEASE FROM PLEDITS IN ADVOCACY OF HIGH LICENSE

FIGURES GIVE THE NEED OF A TURB. OF STRUGGLE IN BOYHOOD

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REV. A. C. BANE.

Rev. A. C. Bane, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church last evening, whose sermon was strongly against the saloons, said that a five-hundred-dollar license would reduce our taxes. This would reduce our taxes \$7,500,000 for new schools, new hospitals, new sewers and new parks, now so much needed without issuing bonds.

If we carry higher license, it will take 2000 men out of business and put them into the respectable trades. It will take many men out of politics, for the saloon is in politics, encouraged by the administration, and is intimidating candidates and voters. The saloon is crying that high license will throw 2000 men out of employment. They will get better employment. The city had better support them, than support the saloon. It will save 2000 men from hell to close 1500 saloons.

Our police force does not give the city adequate protection. For they keep busy watching our 2000 saloons. With fewer saloons we could reduce the force and have a quieter city. Carroll D. Wright, late government statistician, says the saloon costs the Government \$21 in expense for every \$1 it pays in license. He also says that the saloon is a source of crime and poverty.

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MAKES APPEAL TO LABOR.

Pastor Favors Unions, but Says Schmitts Should Not Be Elected.

The Rev. James H. N. Williams, pastor of the Simpson Memorial Methodist Church, delivered an address last night to his congregation on "The Dignity of Labor," in which he spoke of the present campaign in this city in relation to the laboring man.

Rev. Mr. Williams said that if the dignity of labor is to be maintained, there must be a broad distinction between a man and a machine, with the distinction in favor of the man. No institution, organization or government could be a friend of the laborer unless it recognized his manhood. The pastor said that combinations of capital on one side had necessitated the organization of labor on the other. Combinations of capital had piled up wealth until it was injurious to the general good.

On the other hand, the labor unions had wrought considerable harm to the laboring man. They should work for still better results, he said.

Though speaking strongly for the rights of the laboring man, Rev. Mr. Williams had this to say regarding the coming municipal election:

At present in San Francisco we are in the hands of a few men. It is not possible to show an interest directly and in an outgoing manner for me to be elected, but that is impossible to me and to many of my brethren in the ministry whose sympathies are with the laboring man. We must give them practical support if the conditions were otherwise. Gentlemen of the labor unions have no interest in the election of Schmitts against you and your interests. I know their

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Rev. George Hough in Touch With Workingman

The moral side of the political situation was discussed by the Rev. George A. Hough last evening at the California-street Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Hough told of his sympathy with the laboring man; told how he himself had come from poverty, earning at one time \$1.50 a week, and wished that his tongue might be silenced if he ever lost his sympathy for the class from whom he has sprung.

An unusual scene occurred in the church when the reverend speaker was loudly applauded by men and women when he said that no man is great enough to be Mayor of San Francisco who cannot stand alone. In part the speaker said:

It is not without hesitancy that I speak to you upon this subject of essentially local interest. My comparatively brief residence in San Francisco does not qualify me to make an exhaustive review of local conditions. I have no personal acquaintance with either of the candidates for Mayor, and know nothing of their history, other than which is the common property of the community. As a rule the political arena is purely one of expediency, but when the issues are purely moral, as in the case of the present campaign, it is not only individual righteousness but civic duty.

Prior to entering the ministry I was for a time in the employ of the great political party, and had charge of the national campaign in a large portion of the State in 1896. Thus I can speak from a standpoint of the politician as that of the pastor.

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CATHOLIC PRELATE URGES TEMPERANCE CAUSE

Commended by Archbishop Higher License for Saloons of City Discussed.

In the course of a sermon preached yesterday morning in St. Mary's Cathedral Archbishop Montgomery spoke substantially as follows on the proposed high license measure to be voted on in the coming election:

In a pastoral letter in 1884 the Bishops assembled in the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore expressed the general sense of the Catholic church on the liquor question. Therein they give approval to the zeal of those who, in order to avoid excess, have not only given a bright example to others, pledge themselves to total abstinence, and they invoke a blessing on the cause of temperance and on those who labor for its advancement in a Christian spirit. They not only hope that pater and people would cooperate generously with those so laboring, but earnestly exhort pastors to induce, if possible, those who think that they may be engaged in the sale of liquor to abandon as soon as they can the dangerous traffic and induce the sale of liquor to become a way of making a living. This sensible and conservative view of the liquor traffic has furnished the basis of action on the matter for Bishops and priests and people.

The whole Catholic community of this city has been for many years engaged in the work of the League of the Cross, whose immediate purpose is to reach the young and bring up a generation of men and women of temperance and sobriety. So heartily has Archbishop Montgomery commended the work that for several years he has set apart a priest for it who might devote himself to it as his chief duty. He has also done the many temptations that beset the path of old and young to undermine these endeavors and to lead to habits of drinking and intoxication. All feel convinced that among these temptations the great number of saloons and the almost unregulated sale of liquor hold the first place.

It is often difficult for the Catholic priest to cooperate as he would wish to with many engaged in temperance reform because of the radical measures frequently proposed, and because they are sometimes so mingled with political issues that it would put the priest in the attitude of endorsing or opposing a political party. But when there is a measure proposed that commends itself to our judgment, and when it can be approached, advocated and voted upon without falsifying our position, we should avail ourselves of it. Such a measure is proposed to us now. Ten days from to-day we shall be called upon to vote to increase the license on the sale of liquor in San Francisco from \$84 per annum, the present rate, to \$125 per annum. This measure, if adopted, will become a law that will furnish at least a partial relief. The intent is not simply and solely to create or increase a revenue, though certainly that feature of it is not to be discounted.

No doubt the wholesale and retail sale of liquor is profitable to those engaged in it, but it is just as certain that there is no other factor in our civic life so costly to the community as the matter of liquor. It ought to be made to bear a fairer share of its burdens than it does.

With a slight exception among cities of any considerable size the license in San Francisco is the lowest in the United States, and a corresponding effect is that we have a greater number of saloons proportionately than any other city in the United States.

All of us know what an agent of demoralization and misery these are. The evidences are so many and so plain that they need no enumeration. Let the proposed measure be voted, decrease the number of saloons, bring down the license to a reasonable rate, and create a public sentiment that will demand that San Francisco occupy a place among the cities that would all wish to have as our own city and home.



ARCHBISHOP GEORGE MONTGOMERY.

CATHOLIC PRELATE, WHO URGES VOTERS TO SUPPORT THE HIGH LICENSE PROPOSAL.

HOLD-UP MEN BEAT VICTIM TO DEATH

Albert Scott, a young clerk, was set upon by four brutal thugs at Front street and Broadway early this morning, and after being robbed of \$15 was fatally beaten with clubs wielded by the robbers. Scott, at 2 o'clock, was lying at the Harbor Emergency Hospital in a dying condition.

Colors of Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Evidence at the Churches

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 29.—To-day was "White ribbon" day in the various churches of the city and suburban towns, in honor of the visiting delegates to the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention. The principal event of the day was the convention sermon, delivered by Miss Elizabeth W. Greenwood of New York, superintendent of the evangelistic department, at the First Congregational church this afternoon.

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IS SHORT HIS WITNESS TO MAKE LAWFUL CHARGE

Policeman Arrests Pickpocket, but the Victim Rushes Away from the Scene.

John Campbell, a negro, was arrested last night on Pacific street by Patrolman James Ward, and as soon as a man whom he robbed of a watch chain, located he will be charged with grand larceny. Campbell is accused of several other crimes of a similar nature and he may be identified to-day by several other victims.

For some time a number of reports have been made to the police that watches and stick pins have been taken from habits of the colored dance halls on Pacific street. Detectives Matherson and Mulcahy have made every effort to locate the offender, but he managed to keep at large until he was seen by Policeman Ward last night in the act of taking a watch from a stranger's pocket and passing it to an accomplice. Ward immediately grabbed Campbell and the man who was robbed started after the accomplice. Neither has returned thus far, and now Ward is anxious to learn the name of the complaining witness that he can make a charge against his prisoner.

SAM DAVIS TELLS A WILDCAT STORY

Says He Captured Vicious Beast With Aid of Buggy Robe.

RENO, Oct. 29.—While driving from his farm to Carson last evening Sam Davis, State Controller of Nevada, was stopped on the road by a huge wild cat, the animal standing its ground and holding Davis' frightened team at bay. The controller says he made every effort to drive the ferocious beast away, and falling took the buggy robe from his rig and threw it over the cat, making it a helpless prisoner. Davis carried the struggling feline to Carson and placed it in a steel cage, where it is now on exhibition. Davis escaped without even a scratch.

DOCTOR FALLS INTO A BOILING SPRING

Terrribly Burned Before He Is Pulled Out by Witness of Accident.

RENO, Oct. 29.—Dr. A. Casaccia, a well-known physician of Reno, while sightseeing at Steamboat Springs to-day fell into one of the geysers and would have been literally boiled to death had it not been for the fact that a visitor witnessed the accident and rescued him. Dr. Casaccia was brought to Reno this afternoon. He is terribly burned. The physicians who are attending him will not state whether he will recover.

There are a number of geysers at the springs and the water from them is always at the boiling point.

He that had clean hands and a pure heart, who hath not lifted up his soul to inquire how he may be enriched, shall stand in the Mayor's place?

EASTERN CITIES.	Population.	Number of saloons.	License paid.	Revenue.
New York	3,750,000	10,537	\$1,200,000	\$12,000,000
Chicago	2,900,000	7,017	\$840,000	\$8,400,000
Philadelphia	1,500,000	3,814	\$458,000	\$4,580,000
St. Louis	1,200,000	2,881	\$346,000	\$3,460,000
Boston	900,000	784	\$94,000	\$940,000
San Francisco	400,000	3,200	\$384,000	\$3,840,000
Los Angeles	100,000	900	\$108,000	\$1,080,000
Seattle	100,000	34	\$41,000	\$410,000
Portland	100,000	34	\$41,000	\$410,000
Oakland	100,000	36	\$43,000	\$430,000
Tacoma	100,000	29	\$35,000	\$350,000

We only charge the saloons \$84 a year to do business in this city. This is the lowest license paid in any city in the United States. The average license paid in other cities is \$700 per year and it is just as bad.

You will be asked on November 7 to vote in favor of increasing the saloon license to \$500 per year. This is a financial burden.

We charge banks \$1200, the water company \$1000, hotels, insurance companies and mercantile brokers \$400 per year. All are necessary and legitimate lines of business, and a blessing to the city for doing so. We are permitted to charge the city for \$84 per year. Shame on us to allow it!

A five-hundred-dollar license pays from 95 per cent to 100 per cent of the police expense. In San Francisco they pay but 29 per cent.

Saloons are schools of crime; we would close at least 1500 of these schools and save our cities from becoming criminals. When a crime is committed the police always search the saloons and not the dry goods stores to find the criminals.

Saloons do not attract good citizens to the city.

LABOR IS SCARCE IN SAGEBRUSH STATE

Men Cannot Be Secured to Build a New Railroad.

RENO, Oct. 29.—The work of constructing the railroad from Toano to Ely in White Pine County in all probability will be abandoned or at least delayed for several months because of the fact that the contractors find it impossible to secure a sufficient number of laborers to carry on the work. Grading for a distance of thirty miles has already been completed, but the work of laying the ties and rails is at a standstill. Laborers are imported from San Francisco as well as Salt Lake. Fair wages are paid, but for some reason the men will remain not more than a week, some of them not even a day.

KNIFE-WIELDER IS SHOT.

SAN JOSE, Oct. 29.—In a barroom fight in the Europa Hotel to-night, Umberto Moretti, an Italian, stabbed a fellow-countryman, Ralph Casali, five times and was shot by the latter, the bullet entering the spinal column and inflicting a fatal wound. Casali is also in a critical condition.

ROW AT A WEDDING ENDS IN AN ARREST

One Guest Hits Another on Head With Bottle of Wine.

SAN JOSE, Oct. 29.—Because J. P. Frierio accompanied a demand for a bottle of wine with a blow with a small twig M. V. Serra hit Frierio over the head with a bottle. The row occurred at the wedding of pretty 15-year-old Olivia da C. Silveira to Joseph C. Silveira. The fight ended the celebration and Serra was arrested on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. He was bound over to the Superior Court after a hearing before Justice of the Peace Low.

CONKUK Iowa, Oct. 29.—Eliel Glass was convicted in the Federal court here to-day of infringement of copyright in the case of the play "Way Out West." The case is of special interest as being the first to be tried in the United States under a new law which went into effect last July. The copyright infringement criminal misdemeanor.

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