

BREWERS COMBINE IN THE FIGHT

Will Support Boycotted Seattle Brewing and Malting Company to the End--Northwest Association Takes Action--Union's Claim, 112 Saloons Have Cut Off Unfair Beer

The Northwest Brewers' association held a special meeting in this city this morning and passed resolutions vigorously condemning as "villainous" the action of the Building Trades assembly and the Western Central Labor union and demanding that the "outrageous" boycott on the Seattle Brewing & Malting company's beer be called off at once. If the members of the association, which includes all the breweries in the Northwest, can prevent it, no saloon in the city will be furnished beer at all if it refuses to sell the Seattle Brewing & Malting company's product.

The members of the association have resolved to stand by the boycotted brewery to the last. The resolutions adopted follow:

"Resolved, That the boycott placed upon the product of the Seattle Brewing & Malting company by the building trades and Western Central Labor union, is arbitrary, tyrannical and unjustifiable in every way and manner.

"The fact that an individual stockholder in the Seattle Brewing & Malting company also happens to be a stockholder in the Hotel Butler company does not justify a boycott against the brewing company, which does now and at all times have employed none but union labor, pay its union wages and comply with its labor contracts entered into with the United Brewery Workers' union.

"The United Brewery Workers' union recognized this fact, and they unanimously opposed the action of the building trades and the Western Central Labor union, and demand that they call off this outrageous boycott, AT ONCE."

(Signed) Aberdeen Brewing Co. Claussen Brewing Association Henry Bros. Brewing Co. Olympia Brewing Co. Washington Brewing Co. Bellingham Bay Brewery Columbia Brewing Co. Independent Brewing Co. Pacific Brewing & Malting Co.

There were rumors in labor circles this morning that the King County Board of Supervisors would hold a meeting this morning also, but the meeting was not held. Said Secretary Arthur Gerbel, this afternoon:

"A committee of the Western Central and Building Trades council called upon James Weir, president of the association, last night, and asked him if the association would not take a hostile attitude towards the Seattle Brewing & Malting company. Mr. Weir told them that the association would absolutely refuse to take any action whatever in the matter.

"The members of the association may individually sympathize with the Seattle Brewing & Malting company, but the association can do nothing further than to pass a resolution relating to boycott any union made beer.

"Mr. Weir is himself an acknowledged strong union man, but he cannot see the justice of boycotting union made beer.

"E. F. Sweeney, manager of the Seattle Brewing & Malting Co., said this morning:

"All of these breweries, including ours, not only belong to the Northwest association, but also are members of the national association. If this boycott is continued, and the houses handling our beer are boycotted, then we will call to our aid the national association, and the result will be that no beer of any kind will be sold to houses at present handling our beer, but who hereafter, because of this boycott, declines to sell Rainier beer. These houses simply would have no beer of any kind for sale.

"The secretary of the local Brewers' union this morning wired Geo.

Hook, secretary of the San Francisco Brewers' union, saying that the boycott against Rainier beer was a fake; that the beer was union made, and carried the union label; that all the materials were union made, and that the beer itself was union made.

Manager King of the Butler hotel, said this morning that he has now employed in the hotel--completing the work of furnishing and finishing--about 80 men--a full crew; but he is hiring all competent men who ask for work in order to hasten the date of completion. He says he will open the cafe to the public on Saturday, the date of the opening of the hotel. The waiters and bartenders, secured in San Francisco, will be here in time to go to work on the opening day.

Fifty union bartenders are idle and 112 saloons in this city and Ballard are today refusing to handle the Seattle Brewing & Malting company's beer, as a result of the labor union boycott against that corporation, which went into effect this morning. Not only is the boycott being enforced in Seattle and Ballard, but telegrams have been sent to all the unions on the Pacific Coast and in Honolulu, declaring the Seattle Brewing & Malting company's products "unfair."

According to the union men, every saloon in Georgetown this morning put aside Seattle Brewing & Malting company's beer and replaced it with beer from the Independent Brewing company. An equal number of Ballard saloons did likewise and a committee from the local Bartenders' union is in charge of the prosecution of the boycott there.

The Hismarck cafe, the Seattle Bar, the Marquette, the Totem and 100 other smaller saloons in the city have switched from the "unfair" product to that of the Independent company, according to union men.

The saloons employing union bartenders which refused to make the switch, found that they had a strike on hand. The men were promptly ordered out. There were perhaps half a dozen exceptions to this rule. Several saloons on Pike street and in other parts of the city are leased by the proprietors from the Seattle Brewing & Malting company. These proprietors have expressed a desire to have the union leaders to stop using the "unfair" beer, but say they cannot because the brewing company has a "vicious" plan.

Several of them have said that they will not allow union bartenders to work in their establishments even if they are willing to handle the unfair beer. They say that their patronage is to such a large extent from union men, that their business will dwindle to almost nothing anyhow, and they can do all the work themselves.

W. H. Weaver, business agent of the Bartenders' union, stated this morning that 50 union men were out. The union comprises in all 200 members, and those who are not out are working in establishments which have switched to the use of beer not boycotted. There are 240 saloons in the city.

HELEN GOULD SAYS NO

SHE CAN'T ACCEPT POSITION OF PRESIDENT OF THE LADY BOARD OF MANAGERS

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 14--Helen Gould today notified friends that she could not consider the acceptance of the position of president of the World's Fair, to succeed Mrs. James Blair.

WATER'S ICY GRIP

SUFFERING INTENSE AND OUTLOOK ALARMING AS RESULT OF COLD WAVE IN CHICAGO--AN EPIDEMIC OF DIPHTHERIA ADDS TO SUFFERING

CHICAGO, Dec. 14--The city is in the grip of the most intense cold wave. The suffering among the poor is great. These persons have frozen to death and some fifteen are reported to have been seriously hurt in falls on the slippery streets and sidewalks.

To add to the misery attending the cold wave many little lives are in jeopardy. There is an epidemic of diphtheria in the city, and the cold weather has already caused the mortality to assume alarming proportions. If the cold weather continues, physicians state that the death rate will be very great from this disease, as well as causing it to spread with great rapidity.

Another victim WATERLOO, Ill., Dec. 14--John O'Rourke, while en route to his home last night, was frozen to death. His body was found today entangled in a barbed wire fence, from which he evidently had been too weak to break loose.

THE HOLD UP SEASON IN SEATTLE



HERE IS A "STRONG ARM" GENT. WHO IS LOOTING THE PEOPLE OF SEATTLE NIGHT AND DAY AND THE POLICE CAN'T TOUCH HIM.

MORE STUBBORN FACTS FOR CITY TAXPAYERS

BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS GATHERED IN MORE THAN \$200 FROM DELINQUENT CONTRACTORS IN TWO YEARS--BOARD OF WORKS HAS ORDERED PAYMENT OF BUT \$170 IN PENALTIES

The records of the board of education give a striking illustration of the manner in which the board of public works has deliberately allowed the taxpayers of this city to lose thousands of dollars by not compelling delinquent street contractors to pay forfeit money.

During the past two years the school board has collected \$2050 from delinquent school building contractors, and it is now fighting in the courts to secure \$13,000 more from Cawsey & Carney, the contractors who so long delayed the completion of the new high school.

In the same two years the board has collected \$100 from J. Kalberg, and another of \$120 from Timothy Ryan. The latter fine was remitted to Ryan over the board's decision by the street committee of the city council.

It is any wonder that the school tax levy has remained at the same figure for five years, while the city tax levy has gone steadily upward? The school board will collect, if it wins the fight against Cawsey & Carney, \$14,050 of forfeits on approximately \$10,000 of contracts let. The board of works has collected \$10 of forfeit money on contracts let in the same period, valued in round figures at \$2,000,000.

There are two reasons for this difference. First, the school board has considered that the delays in completing contracts are costly to the school district, and has, therefore, imposed an average daily penalty of \$50, while the board of works, on much larger contracts, has deemed a daily fine of \$2 sufficient; second, the school board has enforced its penalties, while the board of works has not.

The forfeits on street contracts incompletely, up to date, amount to \$272. Not a cent of this has been collected, while the school board has already collected \$2050, and unless Cawsey & Carney win their suit they will collect \$12,950 more. These figures make the defense of City Engineer Thomson and the other members of the board of works, that they fear to exact penalties of contractors because the latter might appeal to the courts, look childish. Thomson's argument is that it would cost the city more to fight the matter in the courts and prove a specific damage against the contractor, than to let the matter go.

The records of the local office of the United States weather bureau show that the present cold wave breaks all records for the first half of December in 27 years. The thermometer registered 13 degrees below zero last night.

Warren Avenue school, contractor, Soderquist & Roseleaf, forfeit of \$750; contractor, H. F. Allen, forfeit of \$1950; compromised at \$400.

The steamship Dolphin, Captain Hunter, sailed this morning for Skagway with 70 passengers and 200 tons of freight.

M'GOVERN HEARING

No decision was reached in the McGovern habeas corpus case Saturday evening. After prosecuting Attorney Scott and his associates had taken the stand and denied McGovern's allegations, the hearing was adjourned until this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

GIRL WHO RAISED \$1 BILLS TO TENS

MISS DALE MATHIEWS. This is Dale Mathews, the Marion, Ind., school girl who with pen and ink raised \$1 bill to \$9. She needed the money to complete her tuition in Angola school.

ONE BIG STORE CLOSES TO CLOSE EARLY EVENINGS

MACDOUGALL & SOUTHWICK COMPANY TAKES UP THE MOVEMENT TOWARD EASING THE BURDEN OF THE POOR WORKING GIRLS IN THIS CITY--EARLY CLOSING IN TORONTO

The movement toward securing an agreement by all the big department stores of this city to close at 6 o'clock every evening according to Saturday finds little opposition except from the managers of the Bon Marche, who claim they cannot afford to close on Saturday evening. MacDougall & Southwick Company have already taken the initiative and announced that beginning Saturday evening, December 26, their store would close every evening at 6 o'clock. The following is the statement given out by Mr. J. H. MacDougall:

"We have considered this step for some time, and have decided to encourage the early morning shopping on Saturdays, both out of regard for our employees and for ourselves. Night work after a long, tiring day is too much for our help to endure.

"Our store was the first to close at 6 o'clock on other days when that move was made some years ago. Now we take the initiative in this move, hoping that the other stores will close every night at 6 o'clock after Christmas. We believe that the people of Seattle will appreciate our efforts in this matter."

The managers of other stores make Saturday evening closing conditional, saying they would follow the example of MacDougall & Southwick provided the Bon Marche would do likewise.

The Bon Marche has refused, as the following statement given out by Mrs. McDermott, president of the firm, will show:

"This store will not close at 6 o'clock Saturdays. To close our store would work a hardship on our wage-earning classes, to which we cater, who are unable to attend to their wants during the day. People from the surrounding towns come here to shop Saturday evening and return to their homes the following day. This city is not large enough to afford having the stores closing early Saturdays, for the simple reason that it has no stores in the suburbs, like Boston and other Eastern cities, to satisfy the Sunday wants of the people. Seventy-five per cent of Saturday's business is done after 6 p. m.

"If some of those who are so interested in agitating this closing movement could only bear the pleas of mothers asking for their children to be given employment to aid in the family support their opinion of us would be materially changed.

The early closing movement, undertaken by the Sociological Society last week, is an extremely popular one, and very few people even among the employers of hundreds of working girls find any objection to establishing an early closing rule. All admit that it would be an inestimable boon for the poor girls who stand on their feet hour after hour every day and claim that keeping them at work on Saturday evening is more trying to them than all the rest of the week combined.

The Star has received from W. H. Marcom, manager of the Hygiene Kola Wine Company of this city, the following statement:

"Permit me to hand you enclosed clipping from the Toronto Saturday Night. I am fully convinced that the public of Seattle would be only too glad to recognize any attempt to curtail the hours of labor of the shop girls. When it is a case of working girls, I am on the side of the toiler."

The clipping is from a last week's issue of the Saturday Night.

HADN'T SEEN A POLICEMAN FOR MONTHS

Burglars broke into the Cascade Grocery store, corner of Fifth avenue and Yester way, last night, and stole a quantity of cigars and chewing gum. They succeeded in opening the cash register, but found only a few pennies and three nickels.

John Weeks, the proprietor, reported the affair to the police at once and complained that a policeman had not been seen in that neighborhood for four months. The burglars broke into the store by forcing the lock of the front door.

BURGLARS AT WORK

(Special to The Star.) TACOMA, Dec. 14--The house of G. T. Burke, 2617 1/2 Douglas street, South Tacoma, was entered by a burglar yesterday evening and robbed of a valuable gold watch, some silver-plated ware, and a number of trinkets of little or no commercial value.

THAT GAS OCTOPUS

Gas consumers are still undecided whether to submit to the exorbitant increase in rates made by the twin gas octopus or to go back to tallow candles and coal oil. The increase is greater in the residence districts, in some instances, than in the business part of the city.

TWO GLARING INSTANCES OF ITS HOLD-UP METHODS

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GEN. REYES SAYS IT'S ALL BOSH

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14--Gen. Reyes called on the state department this morning and held a conference with Assistant Secretary Loomis. He assured the latter that Colombia would probably not begin hostilities at all and certainly not until it had received his report on his Washington mission.

Admiral Coghlan later sent the following: "Mayflower today reports that the Cartagena and Pinzon were at Turbo with from 400 to 500 men. They took supplies and sailed at night. The consul in Cartagena reports that the ship Cartagena returned there on ninth. Atlanta returns to the gulf today for a further search."

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