

YUKON'S GOVERNOR UPON "OPEN TOWN"

Tells How He Suppressed Gambling and Vice in Dawson.

PORTLAND, Nov. 20.—Governor J. H. Ross of the Yukon Territory is here for a few days, en route to Victoria.

Interviewed upon closing gambling in Dawson, Governor Ross stated:

"I figured out that it required the wages of six miners working steadily to keep one gambler," said Governor Ross, at the hotel, this morning. "I can not see that there can be any argument on the subject of the benefit of a closed town. Of course, the sporting element spends a good deal of money, but they produce nothing. They spend another man's money, and that man spends

just that much less. Without production there can be no gain in wealth, and any argument based on any other reasoning is fallacious.

"I experienced no difficulty in closing the town of Dawson, although it was a typical mining town, where gambling and other vice had run uncontrolled for years. I simply issued an order that after June 1 there would be no gambling or dance halls allowed in the Yukon Territory. To those who asked what the order meant, I replied that it was written in English as plainly as it was possible to write it, and that it meant exactly what it said. On June 1 nearly all the pro-

hibited places closed of their own accord. The police closed those that didn't; and there has been no gambling in Dawson since. Nor will there be as long as I am governor. I don't believe in it.

"The sporting element has left the country, and we are glad of it. They did it no good. What we want is miners, producers. On one boat we shipped out over 150 women, and with them went as worthless a lot of men as ever were gathered in one place. Now, those people went undoubtedly to some 'open town.' What good will they do it?

"Legitimate business of all kinds is better since we closed the gambling houses, with the possible exception of the restaurants, which depended in great measure upon the trade of the sporting people for their income. Still, a restaurant is not a productive industry and there are plenty left to supply all the needs of the town."

TO ASK PERCENTAGE OF ROAD'S EARNINGS

New Electric Line May Have to Buy Its Franchise From the City.

The new electric street car company being promoted by Jay P. Graves will ask for its franchise at the next meeting of the common council.

It is anticipated that the matter will not meet with much opposition by the councilmen, as it is generally conceded that the new project will be of benefit in building up and developing various parts of the city not reached by the present street car system.

It is hinted that the council will ask the new company in granting the franchise that a certain percent of the company's earnings be set aside and paid to the city. This percentage will be made reasonable.

In discussing the matter today, the mayor stated that he believes the percentage plan to be feasible, but states that care should be exercised in placing the amount not high enough to overthrow the franchise.

TAKE IN TORONTO.

London Chamber of Commerce Members Visit Canada.

TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 20.—The party of distinguished members of the London Chamber of Commerce which came over recently to attend the dedication of the new home of the New York Chamber of Commerce, arrived in Toronto today and were received by the city officials and representatives of the local commercial organizations. The visitors are to remain in Toronto two days, spending the time in viewing the various industrial enterprises of the city and concluding their visit with a banquet tomorrow evening.

SALE DELAYED.

New York & Ottawa Railroad Not Disposed Of.

UTICA, N. Y., Nov. 20.—This was the date set by the United States circuit court for the sale of the New York and Ottawa railroad, but as an appeal has been interposed no further steps in the direction of disposing of the property will be taken until the supreme court has passed upon the question.

It is said that the Delaware & Hudson Canal company and the New York Central company are both anxious to get control of this road, which touches many Adirondack points and has a valuable right of way through other sections of the mountain region.

Walter Marvin is registered at the Ridpath hotel.

BLACK DIAMOND.

President Walter Originated the Famous Train.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 20.—The inside facts regarding the resignation of Alfred Walter as president of the Lehigh Valley system have come to public notice.

Mr. Walter could not agree with the directors of his company in regard to the plan for securing additional funds for the defraying of expenses in the improvements in the operating department.

The plan arranged by Mr. Walter was rejected by the board of directors and the resignation was immediately tendered.

Alfred Walter is a well known railway officer, having served in various capacities on the Pennsylvania, Baltimore & Ohio and Lake Erie & Western railroads.

He was the originator of the now famous "Black Diamond Express," operated over the Lehigh Valley between Buffalo and New York, generally conceded to be the handsomest train in the world.

Alfred F. Green and bride are expected home this evening.

The bride was Miss Clara J. Orth, formerly popular in the social circles of Minneapolis and is a highly accomplished musician.

The marriage took place at the home of the bride's parents in Seattle on Tuesday evening, Nov. 18.

Mrs. Green's ancestors were pioneers in the region of Minneapolis. The young couple will live with Mr. Furman of the firm of Alexander & Furman until spring.

O'BRIEN-CHOYNSKI.

Interesting Fight Tonight in Philadelphia.

MARRIED

A. Greer of Spokane Weds Miss Orth.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 20.—"Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien, whose great reputation as a fighter was somewhat clouded by his poor showing in his recent fight with Peter Maher, is to have a chance to redeem himself tonight.

He is slated to go against Joe Choynski, the clever Californian, in a six-round go before the Penn Art club. This will be the second time these two fighters have faced each other in the ring recently. In their previous meeting, which was a six-round go in Chicago, O'Brien got the decision over Choynski after a one-sided contest.

Choynski claimed that he was not in proper shape on that occasion and as a consequence tonight's go was arranged. Both men appear to be in good fighting condition and from all appearance neither will have the excuse of poor condition to fall back upon in the event of defeat.

NOTABLE

Wedding in Chicago High Life.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—A wedding of note in Chicago today was that of Miss Blanche Estabrook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Estabrook, and Carl P. Roebling, a member of the famous Roebling family of Trenton, N. J., builders of the Brooklyn bridge and other mammoth structures of the kind.

The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents in Dearborn ave. and was witnessed by a distinguished gathering of society folk from numerous cities.

Miss Grace Sanger was the maid of honor and the bridesmaids were Miss Katherine Grossepup of Chicago, Miss Geraldine Parsons of New York, Miss Lillian Wetmore of New Britain, Conn., and Miss Helen Peck of Omaha. The best man was F. W. Roebling of New York and the ushers were Thomas Riggs, Jr., of Washington, Dr. Thomas Smith of New York, William A. Anderson of Trenton and Edward Ford Johnson of Chicago.

BAPTISTS IN GEORGIA.

Begin a Week's Convention at Americus.

AMERICUS, Ga., Nov. 20.—The Georgia Baptists began a convention here today to continue through the week in Chicago. O'Brien got the decision over Choynski after a highly successful gathering.



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BYRNE

Says Slot Machine Law Will be Enforced

In regard to the new ordinance which goes into effect tomorrow in this city providing that slot machines automatically paying money be removed, Mayor Byrne says these machines must be taken out and the police have full power to arrest proprietors of saloons who have the machines operating after tomorrow.

"We mean to carry out the provisions of this ordinance to the letter," said the mayor. "If machines are found running on Saturday, the proprietors will be arrested and held for trial."

In some instances the saloon men have already made arrangements to have the slot machines taken out and will make no attempt to contest the new law.

PERSONAL.

Father Purcell is up from Rathdrum.

Maurice Keefe of Butte is in the city.

Lester Germain returned to Butte yesterday.

Father Snyder returned to Colfax yesterday.

Angus Sutherland, sheriff of Wallace, is at the Grand.

Rev. Germond Owen of Mullan, Idaho, is staying at the Pacific.

Rev. William G. Bull arrived in town yesterday and is registered at the Spokane.

Miss Nellie Finnegan and Miss Gertrude Bell have gone to Cheney to attend the normal school.

James Lynch, formerly of this city, passed through the city yesterday on his way to San Francisco.

Andrew Hackett has arrived in town from Elko, B. C. Mr. Hackett has been engaged for some months past in locating coal claims on the headwaters of the Flathead river for Spokane people. He is believed to have secured some very valuable claims.

Henry Thornton is at the Grand. Father Snyder of Colfax is spending a few days at the pastoral residence of Our Lady of Lourdes.

J. S. Foreman returned yesterday from a business trip to Alberton. Mr. Foreman states that six inches of snow fell Tuesday night at Alberton and the temperature was at zero.

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