

ROBERT WELCH IS REFUSED LICENSE FOR BUFFALO BAR

Reputation of Notorious Place on Twenty-Fourth Street Responsible for Action.

WAS NOT PUT TO A VOTE

Attorney McEniry Speaks in Behalf of Petitioner and Brewery Agent—Mayor Favors Permit.

The city commissioners at their regular meeting at the council rooms yesterday afternoon again refused to grant a license to Robert Welch for the Buffalo saloon at 314 Twenty-fourth street.

The reputation of the Buffalo stood against it, according to the opinion expressed by the majority of the commissioners and the proposition of granting a license did not come to a vote.

Attorney McEniry discussed the matter from a legal standpoint. He stated that since the council had refused to grant the license on account of the public sentiment against the place, the commissioners, as were many courts, were interpreting the law as they think it should be, rather than what it is.

HOW THIS BOY GAINS WEIGHT

His Mother Says She Gives Him Father John's Medicine to Build Him Up



Seven Year-Old Clifford Mercier

During a recent interview, Mr. Joseph Mercier, of 253 Walker street, Lowell, Mass., said to the writer: "My little boy, Clifford, now seven years old has taken Father John's Medicine whenever he had a cold or cough, ever since he was two years old, and it has never failed to give good results.

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HERE'S NEW ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY WITHOUT HIS WAR TOGS ON



General and Mrs. Hugh L. Scott.

This picture of the army's new assistant chief of staff and his wife was taken in Washington a few days ago, and shows the old warrior in citizen's clothes.

Mr. Welch's father owned the building in which the saloon was located. He said there could be no objection to Mr. Welch personally, and that the applicant had complied with every legal requirement.

Not granted," demanded Mr. McEniry. "Mr. Welch is entirely within the law in regard to his petition. The thing for the commission to do is to issue the license and then revoke it if the saloon is not properly conducted."

Mayor Schriver stated he was in favor of granting the license on two conditions. "When this matter was up at informal session several days ago I voted for it," he explained.

Mr. McEniry, following the stand expressed by the mayor, conferred with Mr. Welch, and the latter agreed to comply with the restrictions made by the mayor.

Commissioner Archie Hart asked to hear from City Attorney Witter on the matter. The city attorney explained to the council that he has always held the commissioners had a right to refuse a license where the past reputation of the place had been bad.

Commissioner Jonas Bear expressed his opinion on the matter. He stated that he knew both Mr. Taxman and Mr. Welch, and was friendly to both.

He said that he knew the applicant to be a man of clean character, and that there is no one he would rather see in the place than Mr. Welch. He said, however that as long as he was not compelled by law he would vote against the license on account of the reputation of the place.

He was fined \$5 and costs on a city complaint, and in default of the assessment was given employment in the city hall, aiding in spring cleaning.

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REYNOLDS CLAIMS NEW LIGHT PACT CONTAINS JOKER

Says City Is in the Grasp of Monopoly Whose Terms Must Be Accepted.

ONE CLAUSE ELIMINATED

Provided That Police Protection Be Given Property of Peoples Power Company.

Vigorous opposition to the terms of the proposed electric light contract with the Peoples Power company developed at the meeting of the city commission yesterday afternoon.

Commissioner Reynolds was especially displeased with a provision referring to police protection for the company's property. "Why should this concern specifically ask for 'protection' any more than a private party," he demanded.

"The city of Rock Island has the best street lighting contract of any town in the state," declared F. W. Reimers, general superintendent of the power company, who was present in the hope the contract would be formally closed in order that the innovations, planned under the new agreement, can be inaugurated at once.

"Don't you think this is a good contract," asked Mr. Reimers of Commissioner Reynolds. "I'll answer, no," replied the official.

"Why, it merely means the lights," replied Mr. Reimers. "This clause has been in all of the former contracts with the city and is in the new agreement with the city of Moline. In the past, the police have been required to guard against the destruction of our lights by boys. However, if this feature of the contract is to prevent its being signed, I suggest that it be removed."

His suggestion was followed and it was taken from the contract. Commissioner Reynolds also objected to a clause providing that no tax be imposed on poles of the company and also a proviso that the present equipment cannot be changed during the life of the present contract which is five years.

He referred especially to placing the wires of the company underground and declared he did not propose to tie up his successors in office to any such kind of agreement.

"Suppose within the next few years, the city decided to eliminate all overhead wiring," argued Commissioner Reynolds. "Do you think it wise to take an action now which will prevent this highly desirable plan to be carried out in the future? As it is now the Peoples Power company tells you if you don't like its electricity, use its gas and if you don't like its gas, use a candle."

So much objection developed to the contract and the hour being late an adjournment of the commission was taken until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Shipwrecked Sailors Marry. San Francisco, May 12.—News of the French bark La Tour de Vergune, which was wrecked last year on Lord Palmerston's island in the South Seas, was brought here by the British bark Antelope. Several of the shipwrecked men had married native women and were content to remain.

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HUERTA'S ENVOYS GET WIDER POWER

Mediators Are Granted Right to Conduct Business With Free Hand.

VERA CRUZ SCHOOLS OPEN

General Funston Closes All Gambling Houses in City Held by His Force.

Vera Cruz, May 12.—Emilio Rabassa, Augustin Rodriguez and Louis Elguero, the three peace commissioners appointed by President Huerta to represent him at the Niagara Falls conference, sailed today for Havana, en route to Key West. They are clothed with full powers, nominally at least, to sign any agreement or convention.

The Mexican senate, in a resolution approving President Huerta's nominations of the three commissioners, conferred "full power and ample authority to judge, counsel, carry on business, and sign any agreement or treaty whatsoever."

Many prominent Mexicans here, however, are not inclined to regard this broad authority as real. Others believe that Huerta has instructed the commissioners to place no insurmountable objections to an amicable adjustment of the difficulties with the United States, believing that the failure of the negotiations might result in pushing American intervention, which they feel would not unite factions but force Huerta to fight alone.

Fear No American Advance. It is the general opinion here that Huerta entertains no fears of an advance of the American forces until after the South American diplomats have concluded their work. This theory is supported by reports brought by Americans arriving from Mexico City, who say that General Maas is evidently only holding outposts for observation, and that he is not concentrating or intrenching his force to resist an advance.

Those skeptical of the good faith of Huerta's participation in mediation declared that he clothed his commissioners in the broadest powers to make show of a record before the world of having done all in his power to reach a settlement.

Mexico City newspapers continue to make bitter attacks on the United States. Alleged copies of the American articles of war are being published in the capital to inflame the public. They represent American military practices as most cruel. The newspapers of the capital also are still insisting that the United States is violating the armistice.

Vera Cruz Schools Opened. Four schools opened here yesterday with native instructors and the same machinery as before the occupation by the American troops. If the experiment of opening these four schools is successful, General Funston plans to of the city. This plan is in line with his policy to gradually restore all local institutions under Mexican law.

Natives awake to the realization today that American occupation had added a new holiday to the long list prevailing in Mexico. Many Americans appeared yesterday wearing white boutonnieres, and today natives learned that they had been observing "Mother's day" under edict of General Funston following President Wilson's proclamation.

Vera Cruz is free of gambling today, probably for the first time in centuries. This vice was wiped out by General Funston's orders, which became operative today.

Kills Himself on a Train. Minto, N. D., May 12.—The body of James MacLealand of Glasgow, Scotland, was found in the toilet room of a sleeper of a Great Northern train when it arrived at the station here yesterday. He had cut his throat with

FORECLOSED BUT SINGLE MORTGAGE

O. E. Yocum, Galva Banker, Who Expired Suddenly, Lient With Debtors.

Orrin E. Yocum, reputed to be the wealthiest man in the vicinity, died suddenly at his bank at Galva Sunday. It appears that he had gone to the bank about 10 o'clock and was engaged in reading his mail, when the fatal illness, evidently heart failure, attacked him.

Mr. Yocum had for practically a life time been identified with Galva, for the family came to the city in an early day. The bank of which Mr. Yocum was owner was originated by his father in 1865 and has since been maintained as one of the solid financial institutions of that section of the state.

By prudent and careful investments Mr. Yocum had obtained large wealth. As a banker it is said of him that he never pushed a debtor to the wall, and that in his long experience there was but a single instance where a mortgage was foreclosed.

The investments of Mr. Yocum were largely in lands in Illinois, Iowa and California. He was, moreover, a large stockholder in the Hayes factory, and the owner of the Mulford Heater company. In addition to the bank in Galva he maintained one in Eureka, Iowa.

The funeral services will be held at the home on Northwest and Fifth streets at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

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