

BOTH DISAPPOINT

Council Fails to Adopt Ordinance for Election on \$1,000 Saloon License.

THEATER MEASURE STANDS

Vote on Liquor Proposition is 10 to 4, While Reconsideration of Other Fails by One Vote.

Although the session of the city council last evening lasted only about a half hour, the aldermen took action on two measures, and in both cases the attitude of the council is to the public in the main disappointing to say the least. The motion for a reconsideration of the discriminating theater license ordinance failed to secure a sufficient number of votes, although nine aldermen favored reconsidering. The measure is up before Mayor Schaffer.

The ordinance providing for an election on the \$1,000 license fee for saloons was brought up for adoption, and the aldermen voted it down, 10 to 4. In the regular order of business of the council, the city clerk, early in the session, presented a number of petitions from the different churches of the city, some signed by individuals, and others by the pastor and other officers and adopted by the church congregation at regular services Sunday. The petitions were from Broadway church, signed by 25 men and 31 women; two from the First Methodist church, signed by 23 men and 18 women; one adopted by the Memorial Christian church congregation; one adopted by the First Baptist church congregation; one from the German Methodist church, signed by 17 men and 23 women; one from the Spencer Memorial Methodist church, signed by 15 men and 10 women; and one adopted by the United Presbyterian church congregation.

Churches Ask Delay.
The church petitions asked for delay in the matter of an election on the \$1,000 license proposition, stating that there is in circulation a petition to abolish the saloon in its entirety under the local option laws, and that this is expected to be in shape so that the proposition will be submitted at the spring election.

Thus the unusual condition presents itself of both churches and saloon interests urging delay, but with different motives.

Adoption Moved.
The regular call of aldermen had reached Alderman Smith, and none of the eight aldermen preceding him had brought up the saloon license election matter. Then Alderman Smith did a rather peculiar thing. He called the ordinance up, and after insisting on a vote, he moved its adoption in order to get a chance to vote it down. He moved the adoption of the ordinance, and when his name was called, he responded "No." There were 10 aldermen voting against the ordinance, four voting for the measure, the vote being as follows:

Ayes—Ostrom, Anderson, Oberg, and Tuckis.

Nays—Benson, Holzhammer, Lawler, Pratt, Smith, Schmid, Trefz, McNealy, Frick, and Utke.

The vote on the measure passed silently, none of the aldermen going into any discussion of the measure, nor of the protests received from the churches, and none of the spectators making any remarks on the matter. There was an air of solemnity in the room, and an intense interest was evident while City Clerk Rudgren called and tallied the vote.

Insist on Justice.
During the week eight aldermen changed their views on the ordinance changing the license fee of the theaters to \$25 for each 100 performances. At least the vote on the motion of Alderman Pratt to reconsider the ordinance indicated as much, for there were nine voted for reconsideration, including that of Alderman McNealy, who was the only alderman who opposed the ordinance when it was adopted a week ago. However, according to parliamentary rule, a vote of two-thirds is required to reconsider an ordinance, and so the measure stands, and five aldermen have lined themselves against the strong array of public disapproval of the measure. The vote on the proposition was as follows:

Ayes—Ostrom, Frick, McNealy, Lawler, Pratt, Smith, Schmid, Trefz, and Holzhammer.

Nays—Oberg, Utke, Tuckis, Benson, and Anderson.

The ordinance aims at, or at least affects, the vaudeville houses, and is an unfair oppression of the theaters patronized by the citizens of comparatively limited means. Such a disposition finds no favor with those who patronize these theaters, nor will any who believe in a fair deal for all concerned.

Before the provisions of the ordinance become effective it is possible that a new ordinance fixing different fees and repealing the disapproved measure passed last week, will be introduced.

The consideration of the theater ordinance was unattended by any of the pyrotechnics sometimes seen in the council chamber, although after the vote had been taken Alderman McNealy, under the misapprehension that the vote had carried, endeavored to shoot off some fireworks. He arose and declared that he "was hip to the whole business before it was up," and he said that when another alderman had approached him and said, "we can do this and that," he had replied, "no, you have it wrong; you can, perhaps, but do not, say we." Just as the alderman apparently was about to describe the skeleton in the closet, the mayor interrupted, indicating to the alderman that his speech had no bearing on anything then before the council, as the motion had lost.

Litigation Possible.
Mayor Schaffer will be petitioned by business men to veto the ordinance, and if this is impossible under the law, it is possible that the ordinance may be fought by the theater men, who will maintain, if the matter gets into the courts, that the ordinance is an unfair and discriminating measure.

That it is unfair and discriminates is the general opinion, but whether the courts will hold it so under the law, remains to be seen, and so far the idea of throwing the ordinance into the courts is merely a possibility.

Given Free Water.
The aldermen, on motion of Alderman Anderson of the waterworks committee, voted to grant free water service to the authorities of Rock Island arsenal at the Twenty-fourth street guard house. It was explained that a public convenience will be given in this manner, and that in addition to this reason for making the concession, the police of the city have the cooperation of the arsenal guards in various ways, and that this is proving of considerable assistance to the police.

Wants Owl Car Back.
Alderman McNealy brought up the question of the discontinuation of the all night service on the Blue line, and on his motion a committee to consist of the mayor, city attorney, and the chairman of the street and alley and finance committees, be instructed to interview General Manager Lardner and urge the restoration of the service. The committee was also urged by aldermen from the west end to endeavor to secure the service to the west end terminal, instead of Fifteenth street as formerly.

Favor Phone Ordinance.
A communication was received from local union No. 109, urging favorable action by the council on the proposed ordinance of the Union Electric Telephone and Telegraph company.

The council will hold a meeting of the committee of the whole tonight to consider this ordinance. General Manager H. H. Bratt intended to have a set of automatic instruments to demonstrate to the council the workings of the automatic exchange system, but has been unable to secure the apparatus. The device will be exhibited as soon as the instruments can be secured.

A committee from the Business Men's association will be present to express the sentiments of the association, as voted at a meeting last evening.

REELECT OFFICERS

Bethany Home Protective Association Chooses Present Incumbents.

OFFICERS' REPORTS GIVEN

Home Is In Excellent Condition for Coming Year and Its Work Steadily Increases.

The Bethany Home Protective association held its annual meeting last evening at the Harper house. Officers for the coming year were chosen and the reports of the various officers for the work of the year just closed were received. The officers were all re-elected, as follows:

President—Mrs. W. C. Bennett, Moline.

Vice Presidents—Miss Sue C. Denkmann, Rock Island, and Miss Ada Stephens, Moline.

Secretary—George C. Wenger, Rock Island.

Treasurer—H. E. Casteel, Rock Island.

On the board of directors J. B. Oakleaf of Moline was elected for one year to succeed Mrs. J. J. Worker resigned, and the following, previously elected for one year, were chosen to continue for the two year term: George McMaster, H. E. Casteel, George C. Wenger, J. T. Shields and Mrs. W. H. Gest, Rock Island, and G. W. Gamble and Mrs. E. H. Sleight, Moline.

President's Report.

Mrs. W. C. Bennett, the president, submitted her report for the past year. Mrs. Bennett spoke of the permanent improvements which have been made at the home, for which the association is largely indebted to generous friends who have liberally donated their time and means. She stated that, since immediate needs have been disposed of, undivided attention could be given to the strengthening of the institution itself. Toward this end a committee of practical business men, recently appointed, is studying the conditions of Bethany home as compared with similar institutions. The revision of the rules governing the home were mentioned as more readily meeting the needs of the larger institution.

Systematized Charity.

Continuing, she spoke of the systematic method which the charitable work has taken in Rock Island and Moline as follows: "Philanthropy in the twin cities is fast being reduced to a system. Each town now boasts a police matron and a visiting nurse. Already Bethany home is reaping the benefit of this new order of things. In many ways the work of these officials coincides with ours, and as we are coming more and more in touch with these loyal co-workers we find the way opening whereby we may become mutually helpful.

"To this end and with the hearty approval of the board of directors, and the cordial consent of the officials themselves, they have been appointed members of a special advisory committee with whom we may in future discuss the many problems which confront us in carrying on the philanthropic work of this community."

In conclusion she stated that the association is starting the new year in excellent condition, giving reason for great encouragement and extended her cordial thanks to those who had laboring loyally to bring about such a standing.

Report of Matron.

The report of the matron, Miss Meda Smith, showed that the work of the institution was large during the year, though two dull months prevailed on account of epidemic. The report contained the following statistics: Number of children in the home at the beginning of 1907, 25 boys and 16 girls; boys received during the year, 28; girls received, 24; boys placed in homes, 8; girls placed in homes, 9; boys returned to their parents, 21; girls returned to their parents, 6; children cared for during the year, 53 boys, 40 girls; number of children at the close of the year, 20 boys, 18 girls; average number of weeks spent by each child in the home, 21; number of deaths, none; infants given temporary care, 4; visits made by matron, 121; visits out of town made, 2; to Coal Valley and Cambridge.

Many Donations.

The donations received during the closing month included many Christmas gifts. The donors for the month were the following: coal, Rock Island Lumber company, two tons; Volunteer Coal company, one ton; Rock Island Sand and Gravel company, 25 bushels; Port Byron Lime association, one ton; Rock Island Fuel company, one ton; Mueller Lumber company, one ton; Silver Cross circle, King's daughters, Rock Island, shoes and rubbers; Rock Island aerie Eagles, 300-pound hog; Dr. Louis Ostrom, medical service and glasses; Mrs. Sudlow, one bolt muslin; Mrs. J. W. Kersch, one bolt gingham; Moline Woodmen, provisions. Those who gave Christmas delicacies and toys were the following: Mesdames M. E. Sweeney, Gus Rohweder, T. P. Davis, K. T. Anderson, B. F. Beck, Hugh Ralston, Marcus Henderson, Miss Mae E. Hess, Silver Cross circle, King's daughters, Moline; J. T. Shields, H. N. Rounds, German Sewing society, Rock Island, Ladies' T. L. E. club; mothers of the Erickson Kindergarten club, Moline; Hazel Hartzell, Viola Lund, Grace Evans, Francis Rowher, Mrs. W. H. Whisler, Mrs. H.

E. Montgomery, Harriett Keator, Mrs. Clara Olson.

Financial Report.

The financial report showed the following amounts received during the year: From rummage sale, \$544.61; from boarding of children, \$1,239.10; from first minstrel show, \$182.62; from Rock Island and Moline minstrel shows, \$635.13.

Report of Secretary.

G. C. Wenger, secretary of the association, made his report, substantially as follows:

"The records of the secretary for the year 1907, show that no money was borrowed; that the building debt was reduced from \$2,000 to \$1,800; that all officers and directors elected for the year served the entire time; that 81 applications were filed to place children in the home, and all except 10 for the purpose of boarding them temporarily, and of these 52 were accepted. Twelve were found to be absolutely unworthy and nine others not in need of temporary relief. The remaining eight applicants were for temporary board and withdrew their applications, when they learned that an investigation would be made as to whether they were in need of help. Special attention is now directed to complete investigation in each case and it is the intention of the association that no child will be taken where this will result in the parents separating or giving up their homes, when it can possibly be avoided. It has also been necessary to know that no parent who desires to place a child to board does so with the view of abandoning such child or obtaining a free home for him for an indefinite period after which intending to obtain possession of said child again. While such impositions are sometimes possible it is believed that none have occurred in the work of the Bethany Protective association.

Finances for Year.

"While very little soliciting was done during the year, still the cash donations amounted to only about \$600 less than those of last year. Mrs. W. W. Taylor, late in the year did some soliciting and intends to finish a thorough canvass as soon as possible, both in Rock Island and Moline.

"The disbursements exceed those of last year, but this is accounted for by the repairing and painting done at the home this year. While the different committees had several rooms papered and painted and some other rooms were improved by donation of individual decorators, the outside painting and repairing was expensive but necessary and Mrs. W. H. Gest raised \$240 by private subscription to pay this. These subscriptions are shown in the report of receipts for the year."

Receipts for 1907.

Secretary Wenger reported the following receipts for 1907: G. A. Stephens, \$200; Ada Stephens, \$200; S. S. Davis, \$200; Mrs. S. M. Atkinson, \$200; Mrs. F. G. Allen, \$100; Miss Sue Denkmann, \$135; Kings' Daughters Union, Moline, \$100; Liquor Dealers association, \$50; Mrs. George McMaster, \$50; Mrs. Julia Rosenfield, \$50; Mrs. W. C. Bennett, \$50; Mrs. L. S. McCabe, \$50; Barnard & Leas, \$50; Easter Cantata, \$45.10; S. S. Davis, \$35; L. S. McCabe, \$35; W. H. Marshall, \$35; E. W. Hurst, \$35; Rock Island Moline municipal ball game, \$31.95; Doreas Circle, Kings' Daughters, \$25; Mrs. J. F. Robinson, \$25; Charles McHugh, \$25; J. M. Gould, \$25; Cooper company, \$25; Mrs. M. H. Wadsworth, \$25; Rock Island Elks, \$15; E. H. Guyer, \$15; Mrs. Reed, \$10; J. L. and J. B. Oakleaf, \$15; L. Chapman, \$10; B. B. T. club, \$10; G. C. Wenger, \$10; Vestment Guild Trinity church, \$6; Elizabeth Huntton, \$5; Dr. L. Ostrom, \$5; William Payne, \$5; John H. Cooper, \$5; A. Mosenfelder, \$5; Reddig and company, \$5; Dewend-Kuschmann company, \$5; Junior association, Broadway church, \$3; Sewing society, Spencer Memorial church, \$2.15; Dr. Bergland, \$2; H. C. Schaffer, \$2; Dewey camp, Royal Neighbors of America, \$2; Dr. Bernhardt, \$2; Mrs. R. Taylor, \$2; David Don, \$1; Otto Rudert, \$1; Mrs. W. S. Rhoads, \$1; Mrs. J. Mirfield, \$1; Mrs. J. T. Taylor, \$1; Dr. Sala, \$1; Dr. Freytag, \$1; Anna Eckhart, \$1; Erick Holmer, \$1; M. & K., \$1; Mrs. S. L. Stafford, \$1; Dr. Bickel, \$1; C. W. Foss, \$1; Dr. Wright, \$1; Dr. McCandless, \$1; Sunday school, 20 cents and anonymous, 25 and 50 cents.

CLUB MEMBERS ELECTING

But One Ticket in Field for Directors of Rock Island Club.

The annual election of the members of the Rock Island Club is being held today, the polls being open from 1 o'clock this afternoon until 8 o'clock this evening. There is but one ticket before the members, that of the directors. Three directors for three years are to be elected. The only ticket in the field is that nominating I. S. White, T. F. LaVelle and John W. Parker.

DIRECTORS ARE REELECTED

Annual Meeting of Peoples National Bank Is Held.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Peoples National bank this afternoon the members of the old board of directors were reelected. The board is composed of William Roth, Otto Huber, Robert Wagner, Charles McHugh, J. H. Trimble, C. B. Marshall and Carl Hellenstiel.

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WORK AT Y. M. C. A.

Reports Submitted at Meeting
Last Evening Indicate
Busy Season.

YEAR'S COMMITTEES NAMED

Greater Efforts for Remainder of the
Winter Urged by Secretary—In-
crease in Athletics.

The January meeting of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. was held at the association rooms last night. Reports of Secretary A. L. Burnett and Physical Director Franks were received and various routine matters considered. The resignation of J. G. Hazard as a member of the board was received and accepted.

In his report Secretary Burnett urged energetic work on the part of the committee in charge of the men's Sunday meetings. A number of large meetings to be held in the association auditorium were announced as probable events during the coming two months. The average number of attendance at the noon meetings at the plow company shops, held once a week, was given at 25, and at the sash and door works at 30, the average being brought down by the fact that neither plant ran full force during the last month. The work of the B. G. M. club was reported as being very satisfactory.

Two social gatherings were arranged by the social committee for the last month.

Mr. Burnett, in closing, advocated the installation of a billiard and pool table for the boys. The project has had previous contemplation, but was opposed by some as not being proper for the Y. M. C. A. It is argued, however, that the boys insist on playing

and might as well be held within the influence of the association while at the game, which in itself is not harmful.

Athletic Department Busy.

Physical Director Franks' report for the months of November and December shows the athletic department has had a very encouraging attendance. The total number attending in November was 942, of which 529 were classmen and 413 out of class. In December the number attending was 1,042, of whom 585 were class members and 457 non-classmen. Figures submitted showed a large attendance in each of the several departments and classes.

Committees Named.

The following are the committees appointed to take charge of the various departments in the association work, Fred Titterton, president, being an ex-officio member of each:

Finance—H. K. Walker, E. B. McKown, Walter Karr.

Executive—G. C. Blakslee, H. K. Walker, F. A. Graves.

Social—Fred Rauh, W. E. Caulpeizer, J. A. Weed, Robert Hoffman.

Physical Department—H. A. Weld, Dr. A. H. McCandless, George Stocker, Dr. A. E. Williams, medical examiner; Judge R. W. Olmsted.

Auditing—H. J. Olmsted, Dr. A. H. McCandless.

Bible Study—B. F. Stoaks, W. J. Beardsley, Rev. Marion Humphreys.

Vacancies—H. A. Weld, Omar Cowden, J. G. Hazard.

Educational—F. A. Graves, H. J. Olmsted, George Kingsbury.

Religious Work—W. J. Beardsley, Omar Cowden, H. E. Shiffer, Frank Wicks, George Stocker, Walter Karr.

Membership—J. A. Weed, H. N. Ward, Alex Faust, Mark Slaymaker, H. W. Roff, Ralph McManus, M. W. Driggs, C. A. Griggs.

Boys' Work—H. E. Shiffer, Mantle Jonassen, Waldo Schoessel, Clifford Kane.

Visitation of the Sick—Walter Karr, W. J. Beardsley, Frank Wicks.

Committees to Banquet.

For the committeemen's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. tonight Dr. A. H. McCandless has been chosen toastmaster. The following will be the toasts and speakers: "Our Religious Work," W. J. Beardsley; "The Membership," James A. Weed; "Friendly Administration," W. Karr; "Recreation," Judge R. W. Olmsted; "Outlook of the Physical Department," Harry Franks; "The Committees," Secretary A. L. Burnett. The time for the membership contest will be extended at the meeting.

Property to Widow.

The will of the late John Burton of South Rock Island was admitted to probate in the county court this morn-

ing by Judge R. W. Olmsted. The will, which was made Oct. 10, 1907, leaves all the property to the widow, who is named as executrix.

LAND DAMAGED BY COAL MINE

Is Basis of Suit of Frederick Seitz
Against Coal Valley Mining Com-
pany, Now on Trial.

The case of Frederick Seitz against the Coal Valley Mining company for \$5,000 damages is on trial in the circuit court. The case was brought to recover alleged damages by reason of the company's projecting a lateral under the property owned by the estate Mr. Seitz represents. The company owned the coal rights, but it is claimed that the surface of the land was damaged, and that a building was damaged as a result of the mine operations. Haas & Weld represent the plaintiff, and Jackson, Hurst & Stafford appear for the company.

American Ships Slow.

It is but natural that Americans should feel regret that we have been taking such slight part in the advancement of ship building, and have allowed the English builders to turn out such record breaking ships as the Lusitania and the Mauretania proved to be. It is also only natural for a sickly woman to want Hotsetter's Stomach Bitters first of all, because past experience has proven that it is not only safe and reliable, but when taken promptly at the first sign of distress, immediate relief is assured. It is therefore a wise plan to always keep a bottle handy for some member of the family is apt to need it when least expected. It cures poor appetite, insomnia, headache, bloating, heartburn, vomiting, dyspepsia, indigestion, colds and malaria. Try a bottle, also ask for our 1908 Almanac. It is free and worth having.

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IS CONSIDERING NEW PROPOSITION

Industrial Commission Has Several
Matters Pending Which May End
to City's Advantage.

With the improvement of business conditions throughout the country, the Rock Island Industrial commission has had submitted to it several propositions, which are now under consideration. The negotiations now under way may result in developments of considerable interest and advantage to Rock Island. The commission is at work on a number of propositions, and while nothing definite has as yet been determined, gratifying conclusions are possible.

Anna Gould Coming Home?

Paris, Jan. 14.—It is reported that Mme. Anna Gould will marry neither her former husband, Count de Castellane, nor Prince Helie de Sagan, but will sell all her property in Paris and return to America to live.