LIBERTY PARK IS NOT AVAILABLE.

Salt Palace Promoters Must Hunt a New Site.

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Discussion Takes a Wide Range in Council Meeting—To Purify Parley's Canyon—Other Matters.

The proposition to lease a portion of Liberty Park for the erection of the much-talked-of Salt Palace was defeated at last night's City Council meeting, on a vote of 9 to 6.

In accordance with a resolution passed at last week's meeting, City Attorney Hall submitted an opinion on the question, holding that the Council has not the legal power to lease the park, inasmuch as it had already been dedicated to public purposes. A general discussion followed the reading of the city attorney's opinion, in which the Salt Palace and its promoters received a good deal of free advertising of one kind and another, arguments for and against the enterprise were made. It was stated that the Palace would attract business to the city and hence as well, bring in much money and take lots out; give work to idle men and be the cause of more idleness; improve the appearance of the park and destroy its beauty forever. Had the fate of the Salt Palace been entirely dependent upon the action of the Council in leasing the park the question could hardly have been allowed or given a wider latitude for argument than it was last night. Instead of confining themselves to the city attorney's opinion and the question as to whether or not it would be legal and proper to lease the park for the purpose named, the members wandered off from this subject and discussed matters that many thought concerned the promoters of the Salt Palace only.

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The communication from the city attorney was as follows:

"My opinion is that as the City Council has dedicated Liberty Park to public purposes as a park, the Council could not lease any portion of the same. However, in some instances, like the World's Fair at Chicago, the Legislature have given permission in the way of a lease for a limited time to certain parks that had been dedicated to public uses. These leases have been to such uses as were of such a public character as to need the public will, that no one of the public has seen fit to raise the legality of the lease.

DISCUSSION BEGINS.

Callister moved that the report be accepted and that the request of the petitioners be denied. Dickie moved as an amendment that the communication be referred to the committee on public grounds. Callister thought the Council thought the question should be settled one way or the other, without taking any more time.

Bonney said it was true the promoters of the salt palace had petitioned the Council to lease a portion of Liberty Park. It was also true the city attorney had said it could not be done legally as the members of the Board thought the park had been dedicated for public purposes. He then went on to state that a number of influential citizens had signed him and told him that they were opposed to leasing the Park for any purpose whatever. He believed that if the City Council deferred on granting the lease, in view of the city attorney's opinion and the opposition from citizens, the matter would be settled and the salt palace people would have to move off the grounds. What he had in view was that unless the salt used in the structure would come off, destroy the vegetation, shrubbery and trees of the Park.

Siddoway said he was opposed to both motions and favored leasing the Park for five years. Liberty Park contained 100 acres of land, only forty of which was under cultivation and he ventured to say it would be in that condition for years to come. It was an nonsense to say the people were opposed to the city leasing a few acres to such a worthy and laudable enterprise. If the question was left to a popular vote, the great majority of citizens would vote in favor of granting the lease. The people would not be deprived of the pleasure of the Park, as the point as of the Park wanted by the salt palace promoters was not to use because of its swampy condition. The Council should help the salt palace enterprise and lend a hand in the erection of the salt palace, because it was going to give lots of life over employment and be the means of bringing hundreds of people to the city, who would not otherwise come. As an amendment to the motion, he moved to strike out that "no lease" lease be given to salt palace promoters, under the usual restrictions.

Allen asked City Attorney Hall who would be liable for damages, in case the lease was granted, Mr. Hall said the lessees would. Allen said he would be favored Siddoway's amendment and was about to proceed to state his reasons, when he was interrupted by Bonney, who raised the point of order that a motion to refer could not be twice amended. The point was held by the chair, sustained the point, and Allen soilingly resumed his seat.

Pettentum believed in being up to the law. Bonney said the gentleman who wanted the Council to do an illegal act by leasing the park and within the past few days adjudged to be guilty of proceeding with the waterworks improvements, because, as they allege, the people adjudged to be the city were illegal. Hundreds of working people wanted the use of the park this summer for pleasure and it was nothing but justice to let all the people enjoy the liberties of the park. Since Morris, Walker, Nelden and Dwyer had left the Council into "legalities and technicalities," he would oppose the grant.

Dickie was not willing to be influencing all feelings or to retaliation. The Salt Palace people knew what they were about and in leasing the park neither they nor the City Council had the right. The consent of his second (Dickie) being obtained he withdrew his amendment which Siddoway moved to put the motion in the form of an amendment and urged the members to vote in favor of it.

Thomas said he believed the Salt Palace would be a good thing for the city, but in the face of the city attorney's opinion he did not see how he could vote for Siddoway's motion. He had been informed by quite a number of parties that if the Council leased the park injunction proceedings would be immediately commenced.

Calliner differed with the city attorney on the question of the city's liability in case suit was begun. Some of the members talked as though a lease to get Liberty Park would kill the Salt Palace. The promoters of the enterprise would build it anyhow, he believed in living within the law. Certain parties not after the city on one proposition and withdrawn the members to do an illegal act in another. The members would be foolish if they allowed themselves to be placed in a hole of that kind. It would be no disgrace to the Council to say Liberty Park cannot be leased. These virtuous citizens should not insist on the Council committing an unlawful act. Many prominent citizens had come to his expressing adverse views on the proposition to lease the Park. The World's Fair and Midwinter Fair were entirely different affairs. The Salt Palace was to be a State or city affair. It was a private enterprise. He was glad to see his friend Siddoway drop from ten years to two years and if he would drop two more he would be all right. Concluding, Calliner said it was quite probable that the work of building the Palace would be given to outside parties and when it was built he felt certain it would attract as many hobos as tourists to the city.

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HERO FUNSTON, WHO IS NOW A BRIGADIER GENERAL.

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JOTTINGS FROM BASEBALL FIELDS

Local Notes on the Progress of America's National Game.

FINED AND ORDERED OFF.

Newerman Escorted Off the Field at Pittsburg by the Police—Giants Win a Game.

In the Salt Lake-Ogden game, that has been postponed from this afternoon until tomorrow at the same time, owing to the funeral services of Police Captain Brown who was an old time Ogden pitcher, the line up will be as follows:

Salt Lake.		Ogden.
Hughes	p.	Hansford
McAleesed	c.	Henry
Haynes	1st b.	Gionin
Malonske	2nd b.	Dyer
Hoch	3rd b.	Greenwell
Clements	s. s.	Huth
Hopkins	r. f.	Perrin
Grant	l. f.	Raddatz
Smith	c. f.	Raymond

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According to the Ogden Standard the "Hustlers" would not have done a thing to Salt Lake in their game last week had the umpire been at all decent—or possibly fair at probably. At the same time the home nine is hardly expected to such scamps of weather as have been handed out during the last few days.

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Manager Axton of the Y. M. C. A. nine is still humming that rag-time refrain "I want my money back," and is seriously contemplating putting it in a bill for transportation for some of these imported players who have deserted to other parts. In the game time Jackson, the colored catcher, will wear the mask behind the bat for the Christians and it will be a sorry sheet of that he has no equal as a stonewall in this city.

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An Eastern baseball player named Walton is in the city to secure a position on one of the teams. He is very far from first class credentials, but seems anxious to scale up the treasure. The Y. M. C. A. and Short Lines intend to jog along with home talent.

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SCORE.

	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburg	4	13	4
St. Louis	3	8	1

Batteries—Gardner, Sparks and Ewerson—Sudhoff, Powers and Criger.
Umpires—Burns and Smith.

PHILLIES, 3; NEW YORK, 4.

New York, May 2.—The Giants won today's game by timely hitting in the sixth inning. Foreaker's bringing in the two winning runs. The Louis Bedell splendidly. As much cannot be said for the Phillies. Dolly's hitting and base running was a feature. The game was called after the sixteen eighth inning on account of darkness. Attendance, 1,200.

SCORE.

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	3	10	4
New York	4	11	2

Batteries—Fraser and Douglass; Crankley and Grady.
Umpires—Emslie and McDonald.

BROOKLYN, 3; WASHINGTON, 6.

Washington, May 2.—The Senators won that game today, thus ending a very week and the Superbas finding perfect. Attendance, 1,000.

SCORE.

	R.	H.	E.
Washington	6	4	3
Brooklyn	3	7	6

Batteries—Baker and Maguire; Hughes and Farrell.
Umpires—Gaffney and Andrews.

BOSTON, 9; BALTIMORE, 2.

Baltimore, May 2.—Today's game was an interesting contest until the ninth inning, when the Orioles made a bunch of hits, allowing the Champions to score four runs without a hit. Miller pitched a good game, only a Sic'ness overtook him in the ninth. After the first inning, in which two singles and a two-bagger gave Baltimore two runs, Nichols shut down on the hits of the home team and scattered. Attendance, 2,175.

SCORE.

	R.	H.	E.
Baltimore	2	7	4
Boston	9	10	1

Batteries—Miller and Robinson; Nichols and Clarke.
Umpires—Hunt and Connolly.

LAND OFFICE ITEMS.

At the land office today there were nine homestead entries and one desert application as follows:

HOMESTEAD.

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DESERT ENTRY.

John Burraston, resident of Goshen, Utah county, filed application under the Desert Lands act for the entire situated in lots 3 and 8 of section 31 in township 16 south of range 2 west.

POTATO CULTURE.

Press Bulletin of the Utah Experiment Station on This Important Crop.

Potatoes do well on a great variety of soils, but the population are that it must be rich, well drained and thoroughly aerated. Growers generally agree that a rich sandy loam is best, that heavy clay should be avoided, unless it is especially prepared by plowing under clover or some other green crop to make it loose and mellow, and that low, wet land will not produce a good crop of potatoes. It is generally believed that potatoes of the best quality and finest flavor are produced by a light sandy loam. It is said that the blood will for this crop should be one so light as to offer no great resistance to the enlargement of the tubers, so supposed with some other crops, or to be so rich as to furnish an unfailing supply of fertilizing ingredients.

It is best to plow in the fall if the soil is sandy, otherwise equally good results may be obtained from spring plowing. In either case the depth should not be less than 8 inches, and very thorough preparation should be given just previous to planting. The latter also should be done with the harrow about the time of coming on will save much hoed labor in keeping down the weeds and grass.

The depth of planting in general practice, depends, to some extent, on the soil and the time of planting. In the case of the earliest planting, before the soil has warmed down very far, shallow planting is best, because it allows the sprouts to get early cultivation