

DOWN AND OUT IS TOM D. PITT

"For the Good of the Service,"
Chief of Police Yields
His Star.

REDLIGHT IS BEHIND IT ALL.

Portly Executive of Billy Club Squad
Was Not in Harmony With
Mayor Bransford.

Next Monday evening, should the majority of the city council experience no change of heart in the meantime, and should Mayor Bransford and Chief of Police Tom Pitt not arrive at a more harmonious position "for the good of the service," the council will have before it the ratification of the appointment of a new chief of police, because the mayor last night communicated to the council the fact that he had removed Mr. Pitt from that position "for the good of the service."

The reading of the brief note, telling of his action, was not a matter of surprise to the council, because the members had all been acquainted with the matter, and shortly before the meeting, but the time had been too brief for the news to "leak" to any great extent, and it therefore caused something of a surprise to those who were not in the secret.

There was nothing in the written notification of the mayor's action to indicate the reason for it, it merely stated that he had removed Tom D. Pitt from the office of chief of police, and that the removal was for the good of the service, asking the council's concurrence.

MAYOR'S REASONS.

That the action of the mayor has its inception in the plan to remove fallen women from the business district of the city to the proposed new restricted district, there is no doubt, as the mayor admits that there has been much friction between his office and that of the fallen chief, over that and kindred subjects, and that the matter is not altogether of present date, was indicated with a certain foresight of unpleasant things to come, when the return of the last election became known, at which time Pitt remarked that he was undone.

Later, in speaking of the removal of the chief of police, and his reasons for the action, the mayor stated that some time ago, in trying to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion regarding the disposition of the district embodying the half-world, he had tried to get an amicable settlement of the difficulty, and at that time had tried to get Chief of Police Pitt and Sheriff Emery together on the matter, and that while the sheriff had responded to a request to call at his office for the purpose, the chief had not done so, and that he had, the following morning, expressed his views on the subject through the columns of a morning paper, which later he had admitted was a fair expression of what he had stated in an interview, the burden of which was to the effect that he would not allow the new restricted district to be opened as such, and that he would resign as chief before he would consent to it.

The mayor had decided that this solution of the problem was the only feasible way of disposing of what he considered a necessary evil, hence the friction.

DELAY OPPOSED.

When the mayor's note was read last night, the last word was heard of the clerk's mouth before Councilman J. J. Stewart was on his feet, offering a motion referring the communication to the committee on police and prisons, of which he is the chairman. In explanation of his wish to refer the matter to the committee, the councilman stated that he made the motion in the belief that it was the duty of the council to refer the matter to the committee on police and prisons, and that he was not to act without knowing why they were doing it.

Councilman F. S. Fernstrom, because he believed that the council should support the actions of the chief executive, opposed the motion to refer the mayor's note to the police and prisons committee, and nearly every member who was present, except one, offered an explanation for his action.

When the motion of Mr. Stewart had been duly seconded by Councilman Reedall, and amended by Councilman Fernstrom, and the vote taken, it was found that Hodgson, Raybould, Reedall, Wood and Stewart, had voted to refer the communication to the committee, and that the other members of the council had supported the first declaration of Councilman Fernstrom, namely that this was a matter which could as well be settled at the time as to hang fire for a week, and then be gone into again. The council might as well go on record as supporting the mayor or opposing him, one time or another.

At the conclusion of the announcement, Councilman Stewart gave notice of a motion to reconsider at the next meeting, and in accordance with parliamentary usage, the matter rests in abeyance to that extent, till next Monday night.

PITT'S LAST ACT.

Among the other communications reaching the notice of the council last night, and one of particular interest at the time, because of the action of the mayor, came one from the fallen chief, which acted as a guillotine for Police Desk Sergeant Smith, as it was an official communication to the council that Chief Pitt had removed him from office, also, for the "good of the service." The last official record of Chief of Police Pitt was, therefore, one of intense patriotism, as it was removal for the "good of the service."

There was nothing in the business before the council which might be taken even an indication that the success of the mayor's plan to remove fallen women from the business district had been thought of yet, and no name has been mentioned, at least above a very low whisper, but it is not supposed that it will be necessary to issue a petition to the selected man, when the time comes, to induce him to take it, or that he will have any occasion to say: "This is so sudden."

Those who are superstitiously inclined, will at once see in the matter of last night's action, that after the roll-call nothing could have saved Chief Pitt from the loss of his official head, because there were no councilmen at the board, and the spelling of bad luck to someone was inevitable.

The removal of the chief of police was of such an unlooked-for nature, that the other matters coming before the council, were rather discounted in the matter of public interest. For instance, the matters of the repair of the sewer of the city, which has so engrossed the time and attention of the public and Councilman Fernstrom, reached a climax last night, when the previous night, of the councilman from the third ward, mak-

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ing it necessary for the contractors to complete the sewer, was called up, and after a slight technical amendment, and some discussion, passed.

OUTLET SEWER ACTION.

This resolution provides that within two days the contractors shall place a sufficient force of men at work on the big wooden pipe to repair the present leaks in it, and complete it.

City Engineer Kelsey called upon to tell the council something of the condition of the sewer, and the probable length of time necessary for its completion, and said that the pipe could be repaired, but at the present rate of working at it, in his opinion it would probably require from a month to six weeks' time to do the work. He also stated that the pumping plant could be ready for operation within a week after the sewer was completed, and upon this showing the resolution compelling the contractors to complete their work or turn it over to the city, was passed.

Another matter of considerable interest was the passing of the ordinance providing for the increase of the salary of City Engineer L. P. Kelsey from \$2,400 to \$3,800, which passed by a heavy

THE ROUND OF THE THEATRES.

THEATRE—The crush and clamor seen and heard around the box office yesterday when the advance sale for "Ben Hur" opened, was little short of remarkable, considering that the famous play will be on its third visit to Salt Lake. It is a shrewd management that brings in here near the holiday time, as the whole spectacle is so fitting a Christmas theme that it appeals now more strongly than it would at any other time of the year. The opening occurs Thursday night.

THE HONEYMOONERS—George M. Cohan's lively musical show entitled "The Honeymooners" opens at the theatre tonight and will run tomorrow afternoon and evening.

ORPHEUM—The playgoer who is looking for a thrill, may get half a dozen. The Orpheum theatre, under the management of Charles Kenyon's clever playlet at Orpheum this week. In fact there is enough excitement in the headliner, for as much as the playlet is, to last one or two for some time.

Tom Burns, an operator at a station on the Nevada desert, living with his wife and baby in the station house, has been on the edge of a heart attack, because of the illness of the night man. He is half crazed for want of sleep, and makes a heroic fight to keep awake, fully sensing the horror of a wreck should the train crash. He falls asleep and a message comes over the wire. His wife rouses him and he dictates to her an order where two trains are to meet. Nearly dead with sleep, he misses a word and gives the wrong directions. When this is discovered he tries to commit suicide, but finally agrees to his wife's pleadings to kill her and the baby first and then himself. As he is about to shoot, the whistle of an engine is heard. The wreck was averted because one of the trains was five minutes late. The scene of the train pulling up to the station, the whirling of the great engine, the escaping steam, the clang of the gong and the glare of the head light through the window, could not be improved upon for realism.

Another fine feature of the bill is the violin playing of Mabelle Adams. She is a most attractive girl and her costume—well it's worth seeing and her playing is well worth hearing.

Miss Fernstrom's illustrated lecture of the great west may be old to some, but it is nevertheless interesting and instructive, and some of the scenes depicted as the lady explains where and what they are, are most beautiful. Her number is a popular one and was greeted with generous applause. The remainder of the bill is ordinary, but it is nothing new. There are funny acrobats who are not very funny, and some good dancing, but a little too much of it. The orchestra selection, as usual, was good.

COLONIAL—In presenting "On Parade," Willard Mack, ably supported by a strong company and a brilliant woman, Miss Maudie Leone, offers a drama of the Civil War in the days of the Civil War. In a dramatic manner the trying scenes of that memorable time are enacted in a way that tells to the people of the north that there were many days and months of suffering among those who thought the destiny of the south the paramount question of the time; it tells, too, how

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vote. Under the same general head of action came the ratification of the appointment of Ed Kneass, chief clerk of the water department, who, in order to make the raise in his salary from \$32 to \$40 per month legal, was compelled to resign and be reappointed, because the law provides that the salary of a clerk cannot be raised while he holds the position.

OTHER MATTERS.

There was a host of applications for refunds on various heads and under different departments of the city government, all of which were referred to the appropriate committees, with power to act.

A large number of retail milk dealers are of the belief that the present license is unjust to their interests, and have asked that it be reduced. After some little debate, not on the matter in hand, but on the advisability of temporarily disposing of it, it was referred to the license committee.

Because of the great bulk of business before the council at last night's meeting, at a late hour a recess was taken till Thursday night at 7:30, at which time the unfinished business impossible to attend to last night will be again taken up.

the homes of the southland were broken up, how brave was the woman, and stalwart the men. It is the mission of "On Parade," to narrate these things. Unlike the war drama that has become so familiar to the theatre goer, "On Parade," one of the successes of Henry Miller, offers a strongly drawn story embodying action that increases in interest from the beginning, when Miss Kelsey, as Constance Pickney enters, as a late hour a recess was taken till Thursday night at 7:30, at which time the unfinished business impossible to attend to last night will be again taken up.

Willard Mack as Major Dale is supported by a company that is remarkably able. In the minor parts there is special strength. The work of Miss Cleveland and Mr. Farquhar is particularly in point in the meeting of father and daughter in the Pickney home. But to say that any one of the supporting company possesses ability in marked degree is manifestly unfair, as the distinction should not be indulged in. It suffices to say that Mr. Mack is surrounded with a capable company of players, and that the offering is one of the good things of the season.

The house last night was large, the lower floor and balcony being almost filled to the capacity. In the gallery, though, there were very few spectators. The play runs through the week with matinees Wednesday and Saturday.

LYRIC—Miss Grace Cameron is the headliner on the Capertown stage. New Lyric this week and is making a hit with her Italian character song, "Good-bye, Antonio," which appealed to audiences in the east. She is also singing, fetchingly and with effect, "Dolly Dimples" song from "Pip, Puff, Puff."

STOCK COMPANY PROBABLE—Last night's audience at the Colonial greatly applauded the announcement made by Mr. Mack that there was a likelihood of his company filling in several weeks at the theatre on the public company. The next play would be Goodwin's "A Gold Mine," secured by telegraph yesterday. This place will run through next week. If the stock company takes the field on the public in its other productions that it did in last night's bill, a round of New York successes will be presented.

GRAND—By actual count, only 56 seats were filled in the lower floor of the Grand theatre last night to witness the best production in the melodramatic line that has been produced on the stage of the popular theatre in many months. The heavy counter attractions were no doubt the cause of the light attendance; certainly it is not lack of merit in the play "Roanoke," which is nothing new. There are many in the players who present a character in a poorly portrayed character in the touching military drama, and the leading parts, in the hands of Walter Arnold and Miss Grace Hale, were presented at a high priced playhouse, would be accounted first class. The play is one of stirring situations, and applause frequently interrupted the portrayal of the interesting war story.

The play runs until Wednesday night, and on Thursday evening the same company will present "The Avenger."

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JURY'S AWARDS.

Minor Building company.....\$50,000
M. H. Walker.....2,000
Svensen estate.....1,185
Total award.....\$53,185
Remaining in P. O. fund, \$121,512.

After deliberations that consumed over two and a half hours, the federal court jury yesterday afternoon reported the price at which the city government should take the property in the rear of the postoffice, which is needed for a post-office extension.

The price fixed is not that which business property in the very heart of the business district would command. It is approximately what the experts introduced by Dist. Atty. Booth said was a fair value, and is less by almost half than the testimony introduced by the owners of the Minor Building company, claimed it to be worth.

The award was a surprise to the Minor Building company, which had demanded \$75,000 for its property and had introduced evidence to show it worth \$80,000, with the damages considered to the adjoining land.

Not all of the money awarded was for real estate alone. The sum of \$6,750 for damages done to property from which the amount needed by the postoffice was trimmed. Of this \$6,000 goes to the Minor company, whose building lot of 100 feet in frontage was cut down to 60 feet, and a age was destroyed to make room for the postoffice improvements. For the Svensen strip very little of the total paid was for real estate, as this was valued at \$300. For damages to the property from which it is to be taken, the sum of \$702 was awarded.

The case closed yesterday afternoon after arguments by U. S. Dist. Atty. Booth for the government, and Benner X. Smith, Frank B. Stephens and Culbert Olson for the owners.

CHARGE TO JURY.

In charging the jury, Judge Marshall called attention to the fact that the jury must not take into consideration the value of the property in the future, but as it actually existed on Sept. 18, the date the suit was filed. This naturally affected the importance of the mass of testimony going to show that future shifting of the business center would increase the value of this property.

Dist. Atty. Booth had declared that the prices fixed by the owners were exorbitant, and were based entirely on what the future might develop for the land. His witnesses introduced at the morning session had substantiated this view, and it was the one that prevailed with the jury.

STILL A QUESTION.

The price fixed is \$13,185 more than the price made by Congress will allow for buying land alone. In this the appropriation was \$175,000, of which \$40,000 was specifically mentioned as the total to be spent for land alone.

Whether or not the government will go ahead will depend on the ruling of officials in Washington to whom the matter will now be submitted. There is the possibility that a narrow strip will be taken, and that this strip will be as can be procured, at the rate fixed by the jury, for the \$40,000 in the fund.

Another matter mentioned is to recommend the building of a new post-office, near the new Oregon Short Line depot, so that the mails may be quickly handled in connection with the train service. Mail carriers starting from the depot postoffice would save considerable time, it is pointed out, while mails could close later from the outgoing trains. In many cities the policy of putting the postoffice near the depot is being adopted for its saving in time and delivery expenses. In the event that such a recommendation is successfully made, the present postoffice would become an office building for federal officials, several of whom are now renting offices in various parts of the city.

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HOYT SHERMAN A VISITOR.

Hoyt Sherman is in town visiting with his daughter, Mrs. G. J. Gibson, and expresses his admiration of the growth the city has made since he went away two years ago, especially in the new business blocks on Main street. Mr. Sherman expects to conclude the business which took him east, and return another year, and then return to Salt Lake to reside.

UTAH PASSENGERS ARRIVE.

A telegram received at the office of the president of the Utah Steamship and Navigation Co. announces the arrival of the steamship Dominion at Queens-town yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. On the steamer were the following: Daniel H. Cannon, Carlton Jones, Fritz Boede, Fred C. Sanford, Lester Robinson, of Salt Lake City; Clarence E. Wright, of Lake View; William C. Driver and J. Neutzhorn, of Ogden; Charles E. Stee, Clearfield, Utah; Oscar D. Jensen, Preston, Idaho; Garret Wood, Franklin, Idaho; Melvin Nebeker, Willard, Utah; Blanche Peck, Jr., Lehi; Leonard Miles, Smiths Valley, and other Utah and Idaho passengers. The steamer was due to arrive at Liverpool this morning.

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"Count" Robert de Brissac Fails to Claim His Mail.

As time goes on, and the date set for the realization of some of the great things promised for this city by one "Count" Robert de Brissac, comes nigh, curiosity as to the present whereabouts of the debonair Frenchman and the purpose he had in view in domiciling himself for weeks in this city is becoming pronounced. That the Frenchman seemed earnest, there is no doubt; that he was lavish with money while he had it is freely conceded; that he borrowed several sums from friends in the city is also a fact, and that he repaid some of them and did not repay others, seems equally demonstrable. But so far as has at present developed, the sums he secured were insignificant, if his line had been purely for "gratuit," only one or two victims have come forward to date, claiming they were swindled by the sleek-tongued count, and it is now time that his promises, if good, should begin to materialize.

So interested did DeBrissac become in the work of the juvenile court in this city, that he expended between \$70 and \$80 upon the children of a needy family, spent many hours with the probation officers, and went to an expense of more than \$200 to get a young man in whom he took an interest out of trouble. The "count" also promised the officers of the court that on Dec. 19 he would give \$500 out of the money of the company which he

claimed to represent—a great French asphalt company, which he said had been driven out of Venezuela by the grasping and avaricious proclivities of President Castro, and which was seeking new fields of operation in the asphalt beds of Utah—to assist in establishing a detention home for girls in this city; and he was to assist otherwise, when his company should become established here, for it was the invariable custom of his company to expend large amounts in charitable donations wherever they instituted a branch of the concern. So that, although nothing has been heard of the count or his probable whereabouts, the 10th of December is a date which the juvenile court officers cannot but regard with some little interest.

HIS COMPANY LOANED MONEY.

The count has other interests in which he had promised financial assistance. Some friends of his had calculated on making some changes in regard to certain buildings possessed by them, and as a business proposition the count perceived that by enlarging the income from such buildings would be considerably increased; his company he said, loaned money on safe enterprises, and at low rate of interest, and when he should return to the city with authority from the company to commence business operations, this money to expand in the building line would be advanced to the said friends.

A great deal was to result to the material welfare of this city from the lo-

cation here of the big asphalt company. Thousands of dollars would be expended in advertising the city, and in putting in a modern and up-to-date asphalt manufacturing plant; and the company was so heavily capitalized and with such standing and precedence in the business world that it would require but a little while for Salt Lake to be pushed to the front as the headquarters for the production of asphalt, and all the attendant benefits of a large manufacturing plant, with its extensive dinner, bucket brigade, and heavy pay roll was represented as being one among thousands. And all this he was willing to give Salt Lake, contingent only upon one thing.

That was that the representatives of his company, who were to meet him, said, in New York on Dec. 5, to decide whether the plant should be established at Salt Lake City, and upon this decision hung the fate of his great aspirations for this city.

As recorded heretofore in this paper, the "count" left the city suddenly one Sunday morning about two weeks ago. He went to Ogden, but after leaving the junction city nothing further was heard of him. He left unsettled several amounts of indebtedness, and settled others. He left word with his former landlord to keep his mail, that he would return for it, and a letter is now awaiting him at his former rooms. No instructions as to forwarding have been received in relation to the letter, and speculation is now rife as to what will be the next development in regard to the professed French "count."

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