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ALIEN BILL PUT OVER

Time Too Short to Draw Up Ordinance

Opportunity to Be Given Miners to Discuss and Digest Proposed Provisions.

The decision of the Yukon council with reference to the disposition of the alien law has met with the approval of all right minded thinking people in this end of the territory. As a matter where there are so many interests to be considered, some diametrically the reverse of others and of great complexity, it was manifestly impossible that in such a short time a bill satisfactory to all could be drawn up. There were the usual phases of it to be looked after so it would look ridiculous to enact a measure that if tested in the courts would be unconstitutional and faulty in general. As the senior member from the north remarked, it would be much better to leave matters stand as they are rather than put an ordinance on the statute books that would amount to the first fight made against it. Besides, the elected members from the creeks and Whitehorse thought they should have an opportunity to present the provisions of the proposed bill to their constituents before enacting it into a law. The following is a resume of the proceedings of Friday, when the alien law was settled, which was undoubtedly crowded out of the issue of a Saturday.

Like the committee had taken one seat the commissioner arose and in the course of his remarks said it was impossible at this time to get a bill in shape so that all classes would be satisfied. The interests are so complicated, there is too great a variance in the nature of the interests that must be considered to rush into the formulation of the bill and its passage without giving it due consideration. There had been much discussion and many excellent suggestions had been offered, but they had not yet been sufficiently worked out so a bill hurriedly prepared would stand. He would move that the committee recommend the postponement of the further consideration of the bill until the next sittings of the council.

Thompson opposed the postponement but thought the council should recess in session until a proper bill had been prepared. Lowe favored the view held by the commissioner and would like to submit the proposed amendments to his constituents before they were enacted in the bill. Thompson favored the delay, but for reasons other than those suggested. He has not yet been convinced of any reason why the miner should not have a priority on the entire dump instead of only on a certain percentage of it, as is now proposed.

The secretary in response to a request by the commissioner read a report of the committee compiled from the court records by Charles Macdonald, clerk of the court. Since the present law has been in effect there, have

been 18 liens filed which have realized altogether \$571 in gold dust and \$956 in currency, the total amount not being sufficient to pay the wages of one of the liens alone. Some realized not enough to pay for the cost of the cleanup; others so small that but three cents on the dollar was realized; others were almost barren and on some the receiver would not begin the work of washing up unless his wages were paid in advance. In no instance had there been a complaint made of the dishonesty of either the laymen or the claim owner. Some of the dumps washed up so ridiculously low that those interested in them did not bother with them.

In speaking further of the difficulty in preparing a bill that would satisfy all interests concerned and work a hardship upon no one, the commissioner said there was not a member of the council who was able to frame a bill such as was desired in so short a time. Some people imagined that all that was necessary in arranging an ordinance of that character was merely a few hours time, but such was not the case as anyone with the slightest legal knowledge could testify to. As far as the original bill was concerned, that which had been introduced by the senior member for No. 1, there was not one jot or tittle that could be said in support of it.

Clarke was bitter in opposing the delay saying that he thought it peculiar after being in session two weeks when at the beginning it had been said that practically the only thing to come up was the alien law, that nothing should come of it. He favored the adoption of the thresher's lien law in effect in the Northwest territories to toto, changing only the word "farmer" to that of "miner."

Newlands remarked that the council had heard so much of the thresher ordinance that he might be able to inform the members of something about it that might not be generally known. In the first place, that ordinance does not give a lien of any kind whatsoever to the laborer, but, instead, gives a lien to the employer of labor, not to labor itself. The owner of the thresher is given a lien for the use of his machine in threshing out his grain, but the labor he employs has no lien at all. Concerning the wishes and desires of the miners in the southern end of the territory he considers they should be consulted as well as those in this district and did not the member from Whitehorse desire to put the proposed law before his constituents for their consideration before the bill was enacted he thought the gentleman would be derelict in his duty. The legal adviser expressed his willingness to draw an ordinance at the request of any committee of the council, but he must not be expected to do it in an hour or two. His talk was very sensible and contained a ring of sincerity that was refreshing to listen to. At the conclusion, the motion to postpone was put and carried, Clarke and Thompson alone voting in the negative.

PRESIDENT IN SEATTLE

Royally Entertained By Alaskans

He Favors Strong Navy as Means of Promoting Peace—Spent Sunday Quietly.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Seattle, May 25.—President Roosevelt spent Sunday quietly in Seattle. Saturday night he was taken in charge by the Alaska committee and a remarkable reception held at the Grand opera house. Again the president spoke for a big navy, saying the sure way to peace was to have a big fighting force.

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Negotiations With China Are Successful

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TENNIS SEASON

Courts of the Dawson Club Are Open Today.

Today the tennis season opens though it is doubtful if much play will be indulged in before tomorrow. The contractors who had in charge the construction of the additional court, the straightening up and general putting in condition of the old one finished their labors last week and on Thursday the painters were adding the last stripe of white marking off the courts. The paint is now dry and the courts are open today for the first time to the members of the club. The improvements made are very marked and will be much appreciated by the devotees of the fascinating game. Both courts are of the regulation size, separated by four feet of space, a seven foot wire netting surrounding the huge platform. There are two entrances to the courts, one each on the east and west side, and also an entrance to the pavilion located at the south end. The latter is 20x30 in size and will be used both as a tea room and dressing rooms for ladies and gentlemen. The rear ten feet will be divided by a partition and the ladies will occupy one side and the gentlemen the other. A tent covering the frame work already up has been ordered and will be in position within a day or two. The new improvements have cost the club over \$3000.

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Enjoying Celebration.

Today opened damp and dreary but the weather could not cool the ardor of the people for from early morning the streets have been crowded with men, women and children.

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE

At 10:30 the grand parade formed in front of the N. C. Co.'s store on King street. The order was: first band, police under command of Major Cuthbert, Dawson Rifles under command of Captain Hulme, Yukon Order of Pioneers, N. C. Co. float representing Yukon's offering to Canada, a most beautiful and appropriate creation, N. A. T. & T. Co.'s big boiler handsomely decorated, N. C. Co.'s hardware department, machinists at work and big letters reading, "Drill, you farmers, or we'll all go broke," dogmobile, fire department chemical wagon, ladder wagon, big fire engine, hook and ladder wagon.

WERE WITNESS TO TERRIBLE TRAGEDY

Special to the Daily Nugget. Chicago, May 25.—In broad daylight and in sight of hundreds of people who thronged Madison street, Catherine Ferry, a beautiful young woman, was stabbed to death, supposedly by STEINLEY Wesley, in revenge for being jailed.

Beautiful Young Woman Stabbed to Death—Jealousy Was the Motive.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Tacoma, May 25.—One of the most important features of the celebration at Tacoma in honor of President Roosevelt was the laying of the corner stone of the new Masonic temple. The Tacoma temple is the first building to be constructed in the state of Washington for exclusive Masonic purposes.

Masonic Temple.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, May 25.—William Waldorf Astor's purchase of Hever Castle, said to have been the residence of Anne Boleyn, is causing much indignation among the people who hold that such historic places ought to be secured for the nation.

Astors Purchase.

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