

# ALL WILL WAIT

For the Return of Judge White From the Seashore.

## IT WAS THE RESOLUTION

Of Judge Magee in the Matter of Liquor License Rehearings.

## TAX EXONERATIONS APPLIED FOR

By the Saloon Keepers and Wholesalers Who Did Not Succeed.

## MEETINGS OF BRANCHES YESTERDAY

Three different attempts were made by the liquor dealers yesterday to get beyond Judge White. Only one met with any degree of success, and the grain of comfort in that instance was so small as to cause scarcely a smile. Yet it may grow and eventually result in some reharing.

The first attempt was in the morning. A. H. Clarke, Esq., made it. He appeared before Judge Magee and asked a rehearing to be granted to Thomas Gamble, a wholesale dealer on Ferry street, but His Honor decisively declared that he would not sit on any such question until the return of Judge White, and the only alternative would be that the request be put in the form of a petition, which he would consent to its being filed. The attorney then read a paper, assuring the court that his client would make of his property during the interim of today and May 1, and pleaded that said client be granted license enough to sell his goods. Judge Magee would not entertain any motion of the kind, and took the paper only as an application pending the return of Judge White.

### THE SECOND ATTEMPT.

When the Criminal Court adjourned in the afternoon a swarm of attorneys, backed by several rows of saloon keepers, ranged in front of the clerk's desk before Judge Magee. He said that he wished to present a petition on behalf of J. K. Fleming & Co. for a reharing in the matter of granting a wholesale liquor license.

Judge Magee at once responded that he would give no reharing on the question of application for license. He then, however, pointed out what had been done by Cohen, J. S. Ferguson, and Joseph A. Cohen.

Judge Magee said: "You ask me to revoke an order that has already been made by the Quarter Sessions Court. I can't do it, and I will say that nothing will do it in this matter until Judge White returns."

Mr. Cohen, but you may suppose Judge Magee doesn't return for a month."

Judge Magee: "I can't decide cases that Judge White has already decided. I wouldn't try any cases at all if other judges undertook to come in here, and try my cases after I had disposed of them."

### THE THIRD ENDEAVOR.

Attorney Cohen here exhibited the petition drawn up for the committee of wholesale dealers, as printed in THE DISPATCH yesterday. He said:

"You, Honors, these are petitions from wholesale dealers, and the questions involved are legal points, not a dispute as to Judge White's veracity."

Mr. Cohen insisted further and maintained that the Quarter Sessions Court never dies. He held that it is always in session, and the absence of Judge White had nothing to do with the matter. Judge Magee was present.

J. S. Ferguson, Esq., took up the argument, and said that it was a question wherein the applicants had been illegally refused.

Under the act of 1887, with reference to wholesale dealers, he held but three conditions were implied. They are the application of a citizen of the United States of good moral character, and he has the amount of license for. No question was raised as to the necessity.

Judge Magee reiterated that he would not take any action in the direction of reversing Judge White.

Mr. Ferguson continued, saying: "If we can't get a legal decision, then these men have a right to be heard. It means an annihilation of their business."

Judge Magee replied that whatever would be done would not be until the return of Judge White.

### SEND FOR THE JUDGE.

The Western Pennsylvania Association Meet and Discuss Nature's Flora.

The Western Pennsylvania Botanical Society held its monthly meeting in the parlors of the Pittsburg Library Association last evening. The proceedings were very interesting, even to one not familiar with the different flora and its peculiarities.

Dr. Frank Hamilton presided, and among the attending members were many eminent botanists of both cities. The society now has a herbarium containing a large number of prepared plants, and it is making arrangements to obtain specimens of all indigenous plants of North America. Mr. McKeown, of Marshallton, and Frank C. & Co. presented the society with a large and valuable collection, among which was a specimen of the Geaster Hydromatous, commonly known as the Earth star. This strange plant, of a cork-like substance, grows underneath the ground, and is star-shaped. In dry weather the petals contract, so as to make them look like they expand when they are wet.

Another interesting wild production of nature was the Walking Fern, which creeps along and buries itself in the earth, then disjoins itself from the original root and continues spreading. Exhibits innumerable were shown, the description of which are those that are designated by. This study is mainly to the society looking toward a union of all scientific associations of Pittsburg, with the view of a beneficial organization, so far as common interests are concerned.

### LOW WATER.

The Big Packet Bonanza Forced to Retreat Wait for a Ride.

The water in the river has fallen to 3 feet. The recent rain is not expected to help matters. The ground was dry, and most of the water was absorbed at once. There is no more going out.

### HIS USUAL VISIT.

President Newell Inspects the Improvements at Beaver.

President John Newell, of the Lake Erie road, arrived in the city yesterday. He spent the morning examining the work done at Beaver in the way of straightening the line and double tracking. This is the first expedition of the bonded money borrowed during the past winter.

Judge Magee answered: "Now I wish you to understand that while I allow this to be done, yet I will not decide this matter unless it comes through the rest of the court."

The attorneys were profuse in their acquiescence.

Judge Magee took the petition of Mr. Fleming and indorsed it:

The within petition ordered to be filed and not to be heard in the absence of Judge White.

### THE LAWYERS INTERESTED.

A question of "judicial courtesy" having been raised in this matter, attorneys generally were much interested in the outcome of yesterday's proceedings. In reply to a reporter's inquiries, Major A. M. Brown said:

"I have thought the master over and would prefer waiting until Judge White returns, that the three judges may sit in banc and hear the petitions. That, I think, would be nothing more than proper. If the remaining two should consider and act upon the result of the new license, in Judge White's absence, it is in mind, we need not be judicial decorum. Judges Magee and Bailey consented and sanctioned Judge White's bearing of the applications, and it would be very unjust to undo anything he has done without first consulting him. At any rate my idea is that it is customary that the two should sit in banc, and before, to hear these petitions. Last year they did so, and admitted they had erred; therefore consenting to some rehearings. I think Judge White has grossly erred in his decisions, and I see no reason why when one person errs that rehearings should not be granted this year the same as when three judges committed errors last year."

### BREWERS' BONDS REJECTED.

Judge Ewing Finishes His Work of Legal Examination.

Judge Ewing went to the Clerk of Courts office after court adjourned yesterday and examined the bonds of the wholesale dealers, completing this part of the work. Lauer Bros., brewers, John L. Straub, brewer, and

The Reception Was a Big Success Newirth and the Absence of the Politicians—Beautiful Decorations on the Walls.

The fourth annual reception of the Lotus Club at Odd Fellows' Hall, Southside, last night, was an event which will linger in the memories of all who were present for many years to come. As far as jovial feeling, good fellowship and thoroughly wholesome amusement is concerned, the entertainment never had an equal in the history of the club. Everything ran smoothly like fine machinery. It was an evening in which each guest tried to contribute to the enjoyment of everybody else, and the entire crowd tried to please each individual.

The decorations of the hall were the most tasteful of anything which ever graced the walls. On the stage the rarest exotics of tropical plants and potted flowers were arranged in the manner of an amphitheater. Behind this almost solid wall of floral beauties the German and Guenther orchestra played a variety of music, the music blended with the fragrant perfume of exquisite flowers in the most delicious harmony. Electric lights had been called into requisition to throw an appropriate glare upon the scene.

A number of strangers had been invited, but very few of them responded. The members of the Lotus Club, the noted pillars, were present with the representatives of the wholesalers. This was adopted, and Thomas Delaney, Charles Vowinkel and F. Gotthart were chosen.

A number of letters from prominent people not in the liquor business suggested that the reception be held at some time in the future. When the idea of a dinner was proposed, it was voted to postpone the reception to a date when the members could meet and confer with the representatives of the wholesalers. This was adopted, and Thomas Delaney, Charles Vowinkel and F. Gotthart were chosen.

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