

POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

Portland, Oregon, March 3, 1906.

Hon. Thos. G. Greene,

Chairman Committee on Police,

Chamber of Commerce, City.

Dear Sir:

I hereby report to you that I have this day suspended from duty Officer C. E. Jedan. The charges against this officer being intoxication; neglect of duty and not properly patrolling his beat while on post duty.

These charges are based upon a report from Sergeant Baty, a copy of which is hereby annexed.

"Captain Bailey; Officer Johnson and I went on Officer Jedan's beat at 4:00 o'clock A. M., We saw Jedan and Jim Blanchard, a Watchman at the residence of the Wirsch family on 5th & Jefferson Streets come out of the place at 4:10 A. M., They went to the patrol box on Park & Jefferson; Jedan reported at 4:30 A. M., and walked up Jefferson Street to the Grocery Store on 13th & Jefferson; there he sat down on a box and remained there until 5:00 A. M., He then went to the box on Chapman & Jefferson and reported at 5:10 A. M., and remained in the box until 6:30 A. M., Then, I went to the box and brought him to the station; he was under the influence of liquor.

C. E. Baty,

Sergeant 2d Night Relief."

Officer Jedan has this 3d day of March 1906 been suspended from duty pending investigation by the Committee on Police of the Executive Board.

Acting Chief of Police

Police Headquarters

Portland, Oregon, Aug. 10, 1906.

Honorable Harry Lane,
Mayor of the City of Portland,
City Hall, City.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request for a statement from me regarding disorderly houses located in the lower end of town below Burnside Street and east of the Park blocks I have the following to report:- In the district bounded by Burnside, Flanders, 6th and 8th Street North there are located some half dozen houses which bear the reputation of being disorderly houses among the residents of that district principally from the fact of them having been published in the daily press as such. I made a personal investigation and interviewed people living in close proximity to some of these alleged disorderly houses and found that they were not disturbed in the least by the inmates or visitors of these houses, that they had no complaint to make and did not care who lived near them. Pretty much all of the within mentioned district (except 8th Street North facing the park blocks) is about evenly divided between small stores, dwellings and rooming houses. The district is neither a distinctly business or residence section. A goodly number of the dwellings are occupied by colored people, Japanese and some Chinese, and with the exception of one saloon on Burnside Street, North 8th Street is built up exclusively with small dwellings occupied by laboring classes. No house of bad repute should be permitted to locate on this street. Some of the Park blocks on this street are now being improved and made attractive and people (especially children) in great numbers will seek

these places for playing grounds and for recreation and all objectionable features and places of bad influence should be prohibited and eliminated from facing these Park blocks for that reason. Also houses of similar character on the streets close to, and leading to the Park blocks should, by stringent measures, be compelled to seek more secluded quarters further away from these recreation grounds. This would include the houses complained of in the petition, 28 -30 and 32 N. 7th Street. If such regulations are carried out, and inmates of disorderly houses be kept under strict surveillance and also be kept from making themselves unnecessarily conspicuous, it is my opinion that no more complaints would arise from that direction. This matter of regulating disorderly houses is a very difficult one in this city, more so than in most cities of similar import for the reason that most other cities have alleys or by-ways, etc. built for the reception of that class of people where they are to a certain extent unobserved by the general public, while in our city all streets are avenues alike and where ever a house of bad reputation exists the eyes of the whole public are upon it no matter where it is located. It is bound to be upon one of these avenues. The house sometimes referred to the Frankie Campbell place facing on Park block is still in course of construction or repair and not occupied yet, and should never, and will not, be permitted to operate as a disorderly house. This is the only house near and facing the Park blocks and, in my judgement, is the place that is causing all the complaint to be made against the other houses in that part of the city.

Very respectfully yours,

Acting Chief of Police.

POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

Portland, Oregon. July 1st. 1906.

Chief of Police;

Portland, Oregon.

Sir:-

I have the honor to report that I made a round of investigation and inspection Saturday night and Sunday morning and visited a place at 4th and Everett Street, known as Tony's Place and found that he keeps the door connecting his saloon with the upper rooms open and so that it can be used any time. He has made a systematic effort to evade the Ordinance and Rules of this Department and I have also to report that he kept his saloon open after hours on the above date.

There is considerable aggravation to this case and believe that a vigorous prosecution would cause this monstrous example of immorality to comply with the law in the future, or close his place.

He has erected a "blind Door" which has the appearance of being nailed, but which can readily be opened by sliding a nail placed there for the purpose. He had drinks on the bar when we entered.

Officer Mears was present at this investigation.

Respectfully,



Captain and Inspector of Police.

*Make Complaints
in this case*