

San Diego, Cal., May 9, '04.

Gentlemen Of The Common Council.

Dear Sirs:-

The Purity League, in monthly session assembled, sends Greetings, and thanks you for Sec.II of the new ordinance.

But while doing so we must express our sincere regret that you thought it necessary to allow all saloons to continue doing business without securing licenses under the new ordinance. Thereby you give the Stingaree dives the right to continue, when common decency and public opinion demands that they ~~be~~ closed.

However, we do not believe that you wish to stand as sponsors for said saloon dives and, therefore, that you will respond to our appeal, backed up as it is by a great petition, representing the best people of San Diego. With this we submit a protest against said places, signed by over 2000 residents, citizens and tax-payers. We wish to add our protest to theirs and respectfully urge you to revoke the licenses of every saloon in the Stingaree district. Openly, notoriously, and for years have they violated the State laws, the city ordinance and the rules of public decency. They should be closed at once.

In further proof let us add that several of our friends visited that section Saturday night, May 7th. They found women in nearly every saloon and your new ordinance being flagrantly violated. This evidence will be submitted to you by our friends in writing, or they will give it orally to the Council or to a committee appointed to receive it.

We also present a large petition signed by adults in the Eighth and Ninth wards, protesting against any saloons on K. St. east of 7th. We add our protest, just as the Mothers' Club, the San Diego Club and others have done. We have evidence against the K. St. saloons, also, showing that they have been frequent violators of the license ordinances.

Again, we present a petition signed by adults of Middletown, asking you to grant no licenses in that addition.

For the sake of humanity, for the good name of our city and the safty of our homes, we earnestly ask you to grant all these petitions, and promptly revoke the licenses of the saloons in question. We are,

Sincerely Yours,

THE PURITY LEAGUE.

Elizabeth B. Cox Pres.
Mamie DeBurr Secty.

Signed by order of the Purity League
and representing over 300 members.

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Geo. S. Goldman,

City Clerk,

By *H. W. Vincent,*

Deputy.

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*Purity League transmitting
petitions to revoke Stinger
saloon licenses; protesting against
any saloon on Kth St east of 7th St;
asking that no saloon license be
granted in Middletown.*

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