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For calling a judge a two-legged animal a Toledo, Ohio, editor has been found guilty of contempt of court. What would they have done to him had he called the judge a one-legged animal?

The executive board of the Nebraska Dry Federation has drafted a law which will be introduced at the next session of the legislature which provides that any peace officer in the state may arrest anyone whose breath has the odor of liquor. This will make some of those Nebraskaans "hold their breath."

This is likely to be remembered in after years as the junk dealers' golden age. Old, discarded machines and other metals that for years have been kicked into odd corners have taken on sudden values and been eagerly gathered up. Garrets full of old magazines have become veritable treasure houses. Rubbish has been found to be precious.

The country press of the state seems to be "asleep at the switch" when it does not raise its voice in protest against the proposed increase from \$1 to \$1.50 for hunting and fishing licenses, says an exchange. It is not that the extra 50c makes much difference, but if the license charge can be raised once, why not again and again, until the country boy and girl are practically denied these healthful recreations in favor of the city sport who does not care whether his license costs him 10c or \$10.

Tom Lawson, the Boston financier, who charged that certain interests in Wall street were enabled to make \$60,000,000 owing to a tip given to them in advance of the contents of President Wilson's note to the belligerents, has stirred up a hornet's nest in congressional circles, and an official probe is scheduled in relation to the matter. Secretary of State Lansing and Secretary to the President Tamm, are expected to deny any knowledge of the alleged "leak." Republican members of the investigating committee, however, are believed to have a desire to know who really was responsible for the tip that put one or two Wall street financiers in a position to rake in such a vast sum.

The open winter weather is enabling farmers throughout the country to keep busy at plowing, and the crop area promises to be large for 1917. When the farmer has a prosperous year business conditions are always good, and the fact that 1916 crops were good was followed by an unprecedented business in Roseburg this fall and winter. The stockmen also come in for a goodly share of prosperity. Wool prices are soaring and sheep men are refusing to contract their spring clip at present offerings, believing that the price will go still higher. While grass on the ranges has been a trifle shy, owing to the extreme dry fall, but notwithstanding that fact herds of cattle and sheep are doing fine with comparatively little feeding in this section.

The regular monthly meeting of the Roseburg Commercial club will be held at the city hall tomorrow evening, and it is understood that action will be taken at that meeting whether or not the work of the club will be continued. Interest among the members has been at a low ebb for many months which, to say the least, is not at all encouraging to the officers of the club who have done their utmost to keep the Commercial body alive. It is now up to the business men of Roseburg to "put themselves together" and bring the Commercial club back to its former standing—financially and otherwise. It's hardly possible that anyone wants the club to discontinue the good work being carried out, but this is what will be done unless more interest is manifest. No set of officers, no matter how industrious, can carry on the work of the club successfully unless they have the undivided support of the business interests of the city. So, go to the meeting tomorrow evening and "drive a wedge" for the good cause.

HALL PURCHASES INTEREST

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Tom Hall late this afternoon purchased a half interest in the broccoli plant of Tom Fletcher on Flint street. Mr. Fletcher has been engaged in the broccoli business for three years and at present enjoys a large business. Mr. Hall and Mr. Fletcher will also raise other plants for the market and are at present installing hotbeds for this purpose. They will, however, specialize in broccoli, tomatoes and cabbage and will contract for the raising of other plants for the farmers. They will wholesale and retail their goods to numerous markets and are at present in communication with a number of outside firms.

A want adv. in the Coos Bay Times says: "A boy wanted to wrap up fish fifteen years old." This would be some job for a "strong" boy.

Those new dimes the government is coining are very pretty, but it is a pity they didn't come along at a time when a dime would buy ten cents' worth of something.

The movement to reorganize the work of the Roseburg Commercial club, as stated in another column in this paper, is a commendable one, and should meet with ready response from every citizen of the city and county.

The joint resolution offered today by United States Senator Owen, providing that any federal judge who may issue a ruling declaring any congressional act unconstitutional, is bringing matters of government to the people. Congress should be, and is, the supreme law making body in this country, and when any judge assumes to nullify congressional action of any sort he takes, by such course, the prerogative of being the supreme power in this country. There has been too much of this sort of thing in the past, and the rumblings of dissatisfaction on the part of an outraged public have reached the ears of some senators and representatives, and the result has been the resolution just introduced.

SENATOR OWEN AFTER JUDGES

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—It is officially announced by the war department today that the German forces have captured Fossani, situated about 150 miles north of Zucharest. Thirty-nine hundred prisoners were taken by the Germans. The Germans also stormed the positions south of Milcoun.

Bartholomew is Convicted.

PORTLAND, Jan. 8.—Edward Bartholomew, who has been on trial in the circuit court here for the murder of John Lind, the case being known as the "green trunk mystery," was sentenced to life imprisonment for the crime. Prior to his sentence by the court Bartholomew made a speech earnestly protesting his innocence. He admitted, however, that he was an accomplice to the killing of Lind.

WILL DEVELOP LEVENS LEDGE

J. A. Becker, who has been in Portland for several days, arrived home Thursday. He states that everything has been arranged for going ahead with their mining operations on the Levens ledge property which they own with the Messrs. Sessions. The plans include the rebuilding of the stamp mill on the property, the installation of an electric power plant on Canyon creek a short distance south of Canyonville, from which current will be transmitted to the mines to operate the reduction machinery, and later of course, the mining and working of the ores from the mine. That work is to be begun at once is the understanding.—Riddle Tribune.

HOTEL SUTHERLIN CLOSED.

The Hotel Sutherlin was closed yesterday until a new manager is found and until business conditions become more prosperous. Mr. Waite who has been conducting the establishment, desired to move to his own residence which has better accommodations, and in doing so was forced to give up the management of the hotel. As soon as a qualified manager can be found and as soon as business conditions become a little better it will again be opened up as it is one of the best fitted and most popular hotels in southern Oregon.

STATE LEGISLATURE CONVENES

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with many important questions. One in which there is universal interest is a measure making effective and otherwise fortifying the bone dry prohibition amendment to the constitution adopted by the people at the November general election.

There is no question that the legislature will pass such a measure, but there is a question as to how stringent it will make the law.

Some of the radical prohibitionists are expected to insist that this measure go further than prohibiting importation of liquor for beverage purposes, as provided in the bone dry amendment carried by the people, and forbid its possession as well. Such a restriction would carry with it the right of search of premises where it was suspected that liquor was concealed.

There will be a fight on this provision, if it is inserted in the measure. There will also be opposition by some legislators to passing any prohibition measure with an emergency clause for the purpose of preventing a referendum against it.

Other important measures pretty sure to come before the legislature include the following:

Proposed amendment to the teachers' tenure in office law, now effective only in Multnomah county but applicable to other counties when their population reaches 20,000. The Portland school board has prepared a bill increasing the probationary period for teachers from two to four years, authorizing the board to dismiss women teachers if they marry, empowering the board to transfer teachers and principals at its discretion, and making it easier to dismiss teachers than at present. The Portland teachers have organized to defeat this bill and will fight any amendment to the tenure in office law. Though it applies only to Multnomah county at present, legislators from other counties are evidencing deep interest in the situation. Their view of it probably will be the deciding factor.

A new road code—a proposed code prepared as a model by the federal government—will be submitted to the legislature. A fight is brewing on that section of the proposed code that makes the state engineer a member of the state highway commission, because of opposition to John H. Lewis, present state engineer. It is not unlikely that a measure will be introduced abolishing the office of state engineer.

Proposed increase in the license fees for automobiles, all sums received from licenses to go into the state fund. This proposal has met with general favor, the only difference of opinion being as to the amount of the increase. A flat rate of 30 cents per horsepower on all automobiles, with an additional tax on auto trucks, because they are especially severe on roads, seems to be considered a good basis to work from.

A measure to tax church property. Such a bill is understood to be in course of preparation. Obviously, it will provoke warm discussion if introduced.

A measure providing for establishment of state normal schools at Ashland and at Pendleton and providing for their support by a millage tax. The legislature will be asked to submit such a measure to the people at the next general election.

Closing of Rogue River to commercial fishermen. This aged fight will be revived in the coming legislature, and with it will be other fishing measures. Sportsmen of Jackson county are behind the Rogue river bill and it will be bitterly fought, as usual, from all present indications.

Game Law Change Urged.

A change in the state game laws, lopping off two weeks from the deer hunting season. This is on the recommendation of the state fish and game commission, which also will ask an increase of 50 cents in fishing and hunting licenses and an increase of \$1 in combination licenses. Fishing or hunting licenses now cost \$1 each and combination licenses \$2. The commission will also ask that women no longer be exempted from having to pay for fishing and hunting licenses.

A measure to put irrigation bonds on the same basis as municipal bonds. The bill will provide that irrigation bonds shall be accepted as security at banks on a parity with municipal bonds.

A measure requiring trust companies to put up \$50,000 with the state as a security fund.

A measure granting community property rights to women. Under a community property law, women would lose their dower right, but

BEAN AND MOSER ELECTED.

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SALEM, Jan. 8.—L. E. Bean nominated Robert N. Stanfield, of Stanfield, for speaker of the house. The nomination was seconded by Mrs. Thompson, of Hood River, and by Geo. C. Brownell. It was moved by Forbes that the nominations be closed, and the house voted unanimously in favor of Stanfield for speaker. The new officer was then escorted to the speaker's chair by Representatives Bean and Kubi.

Gus Moser, of Portland, was elected president of the senate. The speaker was immediately sworn in by Justice Moore. In a brief speech President Moser expressed his deep appreciation for the honor bestowed upon him.

would have a half interest in all money or property acquired by the husband after their marriage. Property held by the husband or prior to marriage, or acquired by him through inheritance, would not come under this provision.

A jury law for women. Some form of woman jury law will be introduced. It remains to be settled whether it will make jury duty compulsory or optional with women.

Revision of the election laws. A measure will be introduced with a view to eliminating some of the many elections in Oregon, with their attendant heavy expense.

Measure appropriating \$25,000 a year for advertising to bring tourist travel to the state. This appropriation will be asked to enable Oregon to co-operate with Washington and British Columbia in a campaign to give the Northwest a larger share of tourist traffic and its benefits.

And there will be many others. But these are the principal proposed measures now under discussion.

Legislature Down to Work.

SALEM, Jan. 8.—The house convened at 10:20 today and the senate at 10:30. Senator Hawley was named temporary president of the senate, and John Cochran, of Portland, was elected chief clerk of the senate. The credential committee reported that there were no contests. Dr. J. E. Anderson was elected temporary speaker of the house. W. F. Drager was elected temporary chief clerk of the house. Associate Justice Moore swore in the new members of the house, of whom all were present except Gore, of Douglas and Jackson counties, who was detained at home on account of personal business.

CONFERRING WITH SUPT. BROWN

H. M. Cross Wants to Establish Uniform Spelling Contests in Schools

H. M. Cross, school supervisor of district number three, is in the city today conferring with Superintendent O. C. Brown on the advisability of establishing uniform spelling contests for all the schools in Douglas county. Mr. Cross has tried this proposition out in the north end of the county and the encouraging results led him to take up the matter with the other schools of the county.

The spelling lists will consist of 25 well selected words and will be arranged to suit the grades from the third to the eighth, inclusive. The two supervisors of the county and the superintendent will select the words and the lists will then be distributed to the different teachers who will hold the contest. The papers will then be sent to the offices here and the rating of the school will be judged. There is no doubt that this will stimulate an increased interest in the school, both of the parent and the pupil, and will also develop the rapidly and accuracy in spelling.

This same system was tried in the schools at Elkton and the accuracy in spelling was increased from 66 to 98 per cent. Other contests are being arranged in mathematics and will also be installed in the grades in the near future.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Geo. A. Burchard and Geo. A. Downey, known as the Square Store, by mutual consent has been dissolved. Mr. Downey retiring from the business. All outstanding accounts are payable to Mr. Burchard who assumes the payment of all bills.

Geo. A. BURCHARD.
Geo. A. DOWNEY.
Roseburg, Ore., Jan. 8, 1917.

SPORTSMEN HOLD MEETING.

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Committee is Appointed to Draft Bill to Present to Legislature.

The Umpqua Sportsmen's Club held an enthusiastic meeting in the office of G. W. Young & Son Saturday night. This meeting was not only attended by sportsmen but by a large number of business men of the city who are becoming interested in the development of our various angling streams in this county.

It was unanimously decided at this meeting to make a vigorous campaign for an increased salmon hatchery and the establishment of a trout hatchery on the North Umpqua river. A committee was appointed to draft a suitable bill for introduction in the legislature which will have for its purpose the protection and development of the angling and recreation features in this county.

There will be another meeting tonight at Mr. Young's office, at which time the various committees appointed will report.

It is becoming realized that the fish and game assets of this county are valuable and will tend to bring in many thousands of dollars of outside money when fully developed. Douglas county undoubtedly has the best hunting, and best trout streams in the state. The sportsmen and business men of this section are determined that they shall be restocked and brought to their original condition.

AUTOS HAVE NEAR COLLISION.

What came near being a serious auto accident occurred yesterday on the corner of Lane and Main streets. Dr. Stewart was proceeding west down Lane street hill on the right hand side of the street, Miss Mabel Schindler was going south on Main street and C. A. Patzloff was going east on Lane. The three cars met at the intersection, two of them being on the blind turn. The woman had seen Dr. Stewart, who stopped, but did not see Mr. Patzloff, who in order to save a side collision, turned abruptly into Main street. The woman then saw him and whirled her own car, but in doing so caused it to skid so that she lost control of it and plunged over the curb and stopped within a couple of inches of a telephone pole in front of the M. E. parsonage. The car was uninjured and no one was hurt.

PARTNERSHIP DISSOLVED.

A deal was consummated today by which George A. Burchard takes complete control of the Square Store having purchased the interest of George A. Downey, the other proprietor. Both gentlemen have made a great many friends in the city since embarking into business here. Mr. Downey will probably remain in Roseburg although his plans have not been definitely announced. The old line of goods will be disposed of as quickly as possible and a complete line of ladies ready-to-wear furnishings will be installed.

NOTICE TO PATRONS OF ROSEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

All parents having children six years of age or over which wish to have enter a beginners' class—first grade B—at the opening of the second term of the present school year, Monday, January 29th, will please report the same by phone or otherwise to the principal of the grade school nearest their place of residence, or to the city superintendent. This information will enable us to decide whether or not it is necessary or advisable to start such a class, and to determine its location.

In my office in the Court House, 9 to 10 a. m., and 1 to 2 p. m. Phone 346. F. B. HAMLIN, City Supt.

PHILETARIANS INSTALL

The following officers were installed by Philetarian Lodge No. 8, I. O. O. F. at a meeting held in their hall Saturday night: Noble Grand, V. T. Jackson; Vice Grand, F. I. Perry; Rec. Sec., A. J. Geddes; Fin. Sec., J. B. Bailey; Treas., W. T. Wright; Warden, George Hinsdale; Conductor, C. A. Wilbur; R. S. N. G., J. G. Stephenson; L. S. N. G., L. L. Spencer; R. S. V. G., L. F. Starmer; L. S. V. G., R. R. Elmore; R. S. S., Lawrence Gilliam; L. S. S., W. H. Brimhall; O. G., Horace Berg; I. G., L. G. Parker; Chap., N. Bevier. Following the business session a social time was enjoyed followed by a delicious luncheon.

PREPARING JURY LIST.

The county court spent the day preparing the jury list for the coming year. This task is very tedious and takes a good deal of time. The court is having no difficulty in finding competent men to serve but it is a rather difficult matter to obtaining representatives from each district who have not served recently. The list will probably be completed some time tomorrow.

MORE EVIDENCE SECURED.

Marshal Williams stated this morning that more evidence had been secured again Blackall, and that he had been taking copper troughs from the brewery and selling them to a local junk dealer. Blackall was yesterday arrested on a charge of selling spoiled meat to a local butcher. His trial is set for tomorrow morning at nine o'clock and Attorney John Long will appear for the defendant. The jury selected for the trial is George Chandler, J. H. Clark, J. H. Smith, W. L. Moore, F. A. Stewart and C. W. Parks.

KEEPS WATCH FOR PRISONER.

Sheriff George Quine was yesterday keeping a sharp watch for a man named Botts who escaped Saturday from the jail at Jacksonville. Word of the break was received yesterday morning and the sheriff immediately went on guard to prevent the man from passing through Roseburg. The prisoner is implicated in the shooting of S. P. Brake-man Carroll some time ago.

WEATHER FORECAST FOR WEEK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Pacific states: Frequent rains in Washington, Oregon and extreme northern California, generally fair in central and southern California; temperature average near seasonal normal. Rocky mountain and plateau region: Generally fair, except frequent local snows probable in northern Rocky mountain region; temperature average near seasonal normal.

E. H. BOWIE, Forecaster.

CITY NEWS.

Arthur Marsh, of Looking Glass, left this afternoon for Corvallis, where he will take the winter short course at the Oregon Agriculture College.

The basket ball game on tomorrow evening of the R. H. S. vs. Oklahoma Normal team promises to be the feature game of the season. Reserved seats are on sale at the Rose Confectionery for 35c.

Word has been received that the firm of Clark & McIntosh, of Eugene, has filed petitions in bankruptcy. They were engaged in the millinery and ladies togethery business and both are well known in this city.

A number of photos from the Clark photo gallery in Eugene were received here today and fully demonstrated the type of work that Mr. Clark is doing. The work was of the highest order and is attracting a number of favorable comments. Mr. Clark was formerly engaged in business in this city with his brother, James Clark.

NEW TODAY.

WANTED—2nd hand lumber. Let us know what you have at once. Address 412 South Jackson St. Roseburg. J12

FOR SALE—Gas range, refrigerator, couch, heating stove, coal stove and other furniture. Mrs. S. S. Josephson, 118 S. Kane St. J9

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, executor of the last will and testament of Mary Johnson, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Douglas County, State of Oregon, his final account as such executor of said estate, and that Friday, the 2nd day of February, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, has been fixed by said Court as the time for hearing of objections to said report, and the settlement thereof.

Dated this 2nd day of January, 1917.

JOHN C. JOHNSON, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Mary Johnson, deceased. 1349-11