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ASHLAND VOTES DRY.

At Ashland Tuesday of last week a proposal to license saloons was voted down by a majority of 403. The vote was 164 for licened saloons and 567 against. On question of adopting the "Pasadena plan" of regulating the liquor traffic the vote was even more decisive, the majority against being increased to 448.

Ashland had a "dry" spell before 1906. But the wets got busy and won out that year by 49 votes. In 1906, however, the majority against the saloon was 81 votes. In 1908 the majority time. against was increased to 206 and this year the majority against the licensed saloon is 403. And without saloons Ashland has made greater progress in every way than it ever did before. Not all of this, or any great portion of the growth, can be attributed to the absence of saloons, but the growth disproves the statement that the loss of saloons "kills" towns and prevents progress.

It is worth while to observe

GAZETTE - TIMES give the Ashland vote one of its morning from the United States four front-page heads.

Corvallis, Dec. 24. Editor GAZETTE-TIMES:

In your issue of December 22 an editorial on Dr. Cook says: "If he is not a genuine coward, we shall expect to hear, sooner or later, of his death at his own hands." Is not that a mis-print? Was not it intended to read; "If might. he is a genuine coward," etc.

I submit that none but absolute cowards, or those bereft of mental responsibility, ever intentionally, take their own lives.

J. H. WILSON

There was no mis-print. We will discuss it later.

sign that J. W. Lenger has sold for life is a tragedy more desohis No. 9/ But after 27 years in late and inexplicable than death. rain or shine, it is about time for a short rest for No. 9. He bas a young man, obliging and kind on the No. 9, who will attend to your baggage, if he is called on

So please call on No. 9, or phone 251, or leave orders at storms or cold, W. J. Atkins worked Allen & Woodward's Drug store. JOHN W. LENGER.

Albany Democrat:- "A letter that the Oregonian did not give received in the office mail this Wells.

Brewers' Association shows that Oregon purchased 196,059 barrels of fermented liquors in 1908, and only 194,251 barrels during 1909. showing a decrease of 2,674 bar- today. rels or 1.35 per cent. In the United States there was a dethe present year, due to both state and local prohibtion."

It is certain that the Brewers' Association has not made the situation appear any worse than it

Wells' Tribute to H. Flickinger

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cannot pass. Within its narrow confines he is potential, beyond it he perishes; and if immortality be a splendid but a delusive every career, even the longest and most fortunate be not supplemented and perfected after its termination here, then he who The passing of 1909 is not a dreads to die should fear to live, W. A. WELLS.

Alone in Sawmi at Midnight

Unmindful of dampness, drafts, as night watchman, at Banner Springs, Tenn. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his lungs. At last he had to give up work. He tried many remedies but all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discovery. "After using one bottle" he writes, "I went back to work as well as ever." Severe colds, stubborn coughs, inflamed throats and sore lungs, hemorrhages, croup and whooping cough get quick relief and prompt cure from this glorious medicine. 50 and \$1.00. Trial bottle free, guaranteed by Graham &

City and Vicinity

Mrs. C. A. Lewis, who has been at Mary's River hospital for the past few weeks, was able to return to her home

Sheriff Ross, of Lincoln county, lodged a prisoner in jail here this morning. crease of 2,444,185 barrels during The man is charged with having attempted to rape two small children. It is said the evidence is conclusvie.

> Gustav Harding is having the old Danneman residence, at the corner of Third and Madison, removed preparatory to the erection of a business building there. Timbers are now being placed beneath the residence.

The County Court meets Wednesday January 5. This will be a big session. The judges of election will be appointed 200 jurors selected, road supervisors named, road district boundaries fixed, county printing awarded, and much minor detail is on hand for considera-

A mountain lion measuring ten feet from tip to tip was slain by Fred Price, of Kings Valley, a few days ago. The pelt was brought to Clerk Moses Friday. that the \$10 bounty might be secured. "Don," the office dog, had a fit at dream; if the incompleteness of sight of the big skin. Mountain lions are very scarce in this section.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a district road meeting of the legal voters of Road District No. 13 of Benton County, Road District No. 13 of Benton County, State of Oregon, will be held at Alsea Grange Hall, in said district, on Wednesday, the 29th day of December, A. D. 1909, at the hour of One o'clock P. M., for the purpose of voting a special road tax on the taxable property of said road district to permanently improve the public roads there. nently improve the public roads there-in; and to determine the character and manner of improving such roads and the portion or portions thereof to be so improved.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1909 R. H. Daly, J. J. Rowland, W. H. Malone, M. E. Malone, W. A. Whitney, G. T. Vernon, J. J. Houser, S. L. Carr, T. R. Chandler, J. C. Rycraft, Anna E. Barclay, W. T. Hockema, Walter Kisor, Agnes Hayden, E. A. Reed, J. H. Dorsey. First publication Dec. 10, '09. Last publication Dec. 24, '09.

W. T. ROWLEY, M. D., PHYSICIAN and Surgeon. Special attention given to the Eye, Nose and Throat. Office in Johnson Blug. Ind. 'phone at office and residence.

CIVIC SOCIETY TO STOP BEGGING

National Organization Begins a War on impostors.

TO BE WAGED IN ALL BIG CITIES

Work With the Mendicants to Be Chiefly Preventive Rather Than Repressive-How Unfortunates Will Be Helped-Odd Stunts of Some Celebrated Beggars.

A comprehensive effort to deal on a national scale with the problem of mendicancy in all the large cities of the United States and in time, if possible, to stamp out the professional phases of it, as represented in the professional impostor and "charity fraud," is the work that has lately been launched by a newly formed organization. having its beadquarters at New York city with James Forbes as its director and secretary.

The society is practically an outgrowth of Mr. Forbes' own work in the mendicancy bureau of the New York Charity Organization society, which was aimed at the same problem, but not upon so ambitious a scale.

The society, which is called the National Association For the Prevention of Mendicancy and Charitable Imposture, will co-operate with police departments, charitable organizations and individuals in every one of the large cities of the United States. It possesses 800 photographs of the most notorious professional mendicants in the United States, showing them plying their "trade," and also 9,000 records of the history and the practices of mendicants, rogues, frauds and knaves of every description. These will be used as a bureau of information to enable police departments and charity organizations to deal intelligently with any mendicants and rogues who may be found imposing upon citizens.

Unfortunates to Be Helped. The chief work of the society, however, will be directed to the "social police" work of assisting unfortunates and defectives who have been forced either by physical or mental incapacity or real need to beg in the streets. The method to be used, it is announced, is to find work or permanent aid in some form for the crippled and disabled.

Decoyed boys found begging for tramps will be sent home to their parents. For the most part, it is announced, the work with the mendicants will be preventive rather than repressive, and it is hoped by a combined method of warning, advice and assistance to discourage many of those just entering the field and help them to earn an honest living.

One of the first efforts of the society will be to clear the streets of every large city of the United States of the professional beggar. Work to this end has already been started in New York, and in the last few weeks Mr. Forbes and A. P. Curtis, special officer of the society, have been rounding up professional beggars in the Sixth avenue shopping district, where they had be-gun to concentrate from all parts of the United States to reap the harvest of the Christmas season. Some of the most notorious beggars and impostors in the United States were rounded up as a result of this search.

Celebrated Impostors.

Among these celebrities were the notorious "Shivers," an old man whose specialty is to lie on the ground and give a horribly realistic simulation of an epileptic fit; Charles Berkowitz of Philadelphia, one of the unscrupulous blind beggars of the country, who in two days' work had obtained \$54.41 by the time he was arrested; Nina Salva tore, an old Italian "black, bood," whose specialty is simply to look starving and hideous; Leon Lemaire, the French "crust thrower," whose special device is to throw a piece of bread in the gutter when he sees a charitably looking woman approaching and then to pounce upon it and begin to gnaw it ravenously; old man Dublin, the "flopper;" "Broken Backed Smiddy," whose appeal to sympathy is a dislocated hip; "Shenandoah Slim," who was working a deaf and dumb

racket, and several others.
In all there were about sixty-five professionals who had been in the trade for years and earned a comfortable competence at it. Some of these were sent to the workhouse; a few of them were shipped out of New York; all of them have been cleared out of the shopping district, so that women will be practically free from imposi-tion and fraud during their Christmas shopping.

To Be Supported by Contributions. In explaining the object of the socity Mr. Forbes said that Police Comnissioner Baker has been in full sympathy with the work, and, while no endicancy squads have been established, such as were formed by ex-Commissioner Bingham, Commissioner Baker has been assisting the new organization in every possible way. The ociety is still practically in a formative stage of organization. It will be supported by voluntary contributions, and efforts are now being made to obtain sufficient support to make its establishment secure. Several busin houses have already made contribu-

An attempt is being made to raise not less than \$10,000 to establish a corps of special agents and insure a year's continuance of the work.

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