

JOSEPH MAY BE WET TOWN

ATTORNEY GENERAL RULES THAT THE CITY CAN SO VOTE

Notwithstanding that County is Dry, Joseph May be Wet.

Considerable interest is attached to the ruling of Attorney General Crawford on the Joseph incident where the town voted wet but the county as a whole went dry.

Yours of the 25th instant, relating to the local option vote in your county, received, and in reply, as I gather the facts from your letter, Wallowa county voted dry, while the precinct in which is located the city of Joseph voted wet.

You ask, also, will it be necessary for this city to appear before the County Court and ask that the precinct be excepted, provided said court undertakes to proclaim the county dry.

voted dry. However, Section 3 of Article XI of the constitution was amended at the last election. See voters' pamphlet, page 74. And the vote I expect will be canvassed and declared in a few days, when they will be in full force and effect.

Thus, under the authority of that amendment to the constitution, the city of Joseph can prepare an ordinance regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors within its boundaries, and provide for holding an election upon the question and taking a vote as to whether local option shall prevail in the city.

NO DOUBLE TRACKS NOW.

O'Brien Denies any Foundation to Latest Tracking Reports.

That rumors of double tracking the O. R. & N. from Pendleton to Arlington were "grapevine" is assured by General Manager J. P. O'Brien in response to an inquiry sent from the Pendleton East Oregonian to the O. R. & N. head:

Portland, Ore., Nov. 29. E. B. Aldrich, Editor East Oregonian, Pendleton, Ore.

Your wire 28th. Nothing in story of double tracking between Umatilla and Arlington, Coyote-Stanfield cutoff has not been abandoned but no work will be done on it for the present.

J. P. O'BRIEN.

TO OUTLINE NEW LAWS

THRESHERMEN WANT LEGISLATION ON SEVERAL TOPICS.

Meeting of Threshermen Here to Outline Proposed Laws for Next Legislature.

Laws which will be placed before the next session of the legislature in regard to the threshermen's industry, will be outlined at the meeting to be held in this city, December 9th and 10th.

Among the laws to be discussed are the bridge plank measures, the inspection of boilers, licensing engineers and a half dozen other important pieces of needed legislation.

- The program as arranged by Phillip A. Bates, secretary and Arthur B. Flint, president, calls the following addresses during the convention: Threshermen Convention Program. Bookkeeping for Threshermen. Wm. H. Fletcher, McMinnville. John Minnick, Union. Arthur B. Flint, Beaverton. How to Get Good Help and Keep It. W. T. Campbell, Lexington. George Lee, Baker City. Wm. Gelantley, Corvallis. How I Make My Collections. G. A. Harth, Wrentham. D. Kauffman, Hubbard. Lee Stuart, Baker City. How I Arrange My Seasons Run. C. S. Herman, Molalla. Martin Tellefson, Madras. John Harrison, Condon. How I Care for My Machinery. E. E. Schmeltzer, Hillsboro. G. H. Stonebrink, Wallowa. Wm. Pyree, Macleay. Is Threshing Insurance a Good Investment? Ira Hill, Rufus. Isaac Christopher, Adams. John Hix, Kinkley. How to Utilize a Thresherman to Best Advantage. Mrs. Arthur B. Flint, Beaverton. Mrs. John T. True, Monument. Mrs. E. B. Echomp, Mayville. The Thresherwoman, God Bless Her. E. L. Berry, Heppner. And Old Timers Experience in the Willamette Valley. Uncle Ike Stephens, Gervais. Does the Cook House Pay in the Willamette Valley? S. L. Smith, Gervais. J. D. Cromer, Springwater. Chris Giebler, Stayton. Cost of Threshing to Threshermen in the Valley. F. B. Simpson, Jefferson. C. Lorence, Independence. Eastern Oregon. Ed. L. Ledbetter, North Powder. Raymond Covert, Boyd. What are Good Labor Saving Devices for the Threshermen? H. A. Kayler, Molalla. J. P. Rudolph, Mayville. Hon. Lionel Webster, chairman State Good Roads Association will address the convention on Saturday, December 10th. He will outline desired good road legislation.

Millionaire Thief in Prison.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 30.—August Ropke, known as the million dollar thief today began serving his prison sentence for the theft of \$1,490,000 from the Fidelity Trust company of which he was secretary.

BROOM CORN GROWS WELL.

Walla Walla Farmer Having Much Success With His Experiment. Spokane, Wash., Dec. 1 (Special)—W. D. Chapman, a farmer in the Walla Walla valley, southwest of Spokane, had a small tract of broom corn, raised without a drop of water from the time of planting until he harvested it, which he sold for \$140 a ton.

Milk Wagon Driver Accused of Assaulting Mr. Lindsey.

L. E. Lindsey, late this afternoon swore to a complaint in Justice's court against J. E. Brown, charging assault. Mr. Lindsey claims he was assaulted by Mr. Brown, who is a driver for the Grout Dairy farm.

A Moon Record.

There was no full moon in the whole of February, 1896. According to astronomers this will not occur again until the year 2409962.

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In Bulgaria a newly married woman is expected to keep her mouth closed for speaking purposes for a whole month after her marriage unless specially addressed by her husband. When the month has elapsed the husband presents her with a gift, after which she is at liberty to chatter as much as she likes.

Soap.

Investigators say that soap has more or less value as a disinfectant.

Onion Juice.

The best way to extract the juice from an onion, when needed for flavoring, is to cut a slice from the root end of the onion, remove the outer skin and press onion on a coarse grate, using a rotary motion.

Strawberry Lemonade.

The juice left in a jar of strawberries after the fruit has been sent to the table will make a delicious drink if a little lemon juice and ice water are added to it.

Old Olive Trees.

There are eight olive trees on the Mount of Olives, near Jerusalem, which were known to have been flourishing in 1000.

not be grown as well here as anywhere, and with irrigation, would be the best produced anywhere. That grown here this summer was a trifle too brittle, but with more moisture it would be as good as any."

ESTIRE FAMILY POISONED.

Canned Goods at Thanksgiving Dinner Proves Disastrous. North Yakima, Dec. 1.—As the result of eating canned asparagus on Thanksgiving, Mrs. Frank Kuhn, and Mrs. Carrie Fulkerson are dead and several others are seriously ill. It was a family gathering. Mrs. Kuhn had canned the asparagus herself.

MIDGET GIRL DEAD.

Smallest Girl of Her Age in the World Passes Away This Morning. Merritt, B. C., Dec. 1.—It was learned today that Minnie Pickett, aged 15, weighing fourteen pounds, died here last night. She lived with her parents, both of normal size. She was delicate and believed to be the smallest person of her age in the world.

INQUISITORS IN SESSION

GRAND JURY FORERUNS SESSION OF CIRCUIT COURT. Minutes Call on the Docket This Afternoon—Court Next Week.

Forewarning of the longest and most sensational court session in the year, the grand jury met this morning to grind out bills before circuit court meets next week.

HELEN TAFT "COMES OUT."

Father Lays Aside Presidential Duties to Attend Society Function. Washington, Dec. 1.—Taft forsook his official duties this afternoon to attend the official coming out of the party of his daughter, Helen. The president with others took tea in the reception room of the White House.

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DAVIS BUILDING STRUCTURE

WILL BE USED TO HOUSE HIS MARBLE WORKS PLANT.

Growing Industry Requires More Room and Owners Move. E. C. Davis, the proprietor of the La Grande Marble Works company, is having a building constructed in North La Grande to house his establishment hereafter.

Wines, the harness maker, is to occupy the present location of the works on Fir street. Logical Remedy for Eczema. Many different remedies have been tried for Eczema and other skin diseases. But it is now known that the only possible cure is a mild, soothing liquid made up of Oil of Wintergreen, Thymol, Glycerine and other ingredients.

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