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COURT RULES SALEM IS DRY DESPITE LAW

DEFECTIVE REGISTRATION IS
HELD INSUFFICIENT TO
NULLIFY ELECTIONS.

HALF DOZEN TOWNS OF STATE INVOLVED IN IT

Salem, Hillsboro, Stayton, Oregon City and Other Towns Which Voted Dry In November, But Lost In Circuit Courts Are Held to Be Dry As Per Election Returns.

Salem, Feb. 3.—Oregon's supreme court decided today that the recent local option cases in favor of the "drys" and settled the fact that elections cannot be set aside because of technical objections raised. It decided that the faults arising out of the 1913 registration act, and other alleged reasons, should not avail in having "the will of the people set aside."

The opinion was written in the case appealed from Hillsboro in deciding the cases of Salem, Stayton, Oregon City, Springfield and Gresham. The cases were before the court but that august body merely referred to the Hillsboro opinion. Justice Burnett only dissented.

The decision means that the towns enumerated above will be dry in accordance with the vote taken November last, but held up by circuit court opinions that the invalidity of the election law invalidated the local option fights.

PLUMMER CASE SUSPENDED

Until August 28 Much-Mooted Question Is Held By Commission.

Washington, Feb. 3.—(Special).—The interstate commerce commission has suspended until August 28 rates on lumber over the O.W. R. & N. through Plummer for distribution via the Milwaukee through its territory. This disposes for the time being of the famous Plummer gateway case which the railroads sought to close. The complainants heard at Portland were lumber shippers of La Grande and Eastern Oregon.

Miners and Operators Meet.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 3.—A new wage agreement to prevent any suspension of work on April 1, upon which date the present contract between operators and miners in Ohio, Indiana and Western Pennsylvania expires, was the important matter discussed here today at a conference of miners and operators. The operators reiterated statements made previously that if other states would follow the example of Ohio in the passing of laws similar to the Ohio anti-screen law, it will put them out of business. By the Ohio law miners are paid on a run-of-the-mine basis. The present contract between the miners and the operators expressly states that unless there has been a month of disagreement over the wage question, the agreement cannot be terminated by a strike or walkout. Operators today declared that the conference of today was called in bad faith in order that the disagreement will have continued for a month by April 1. The miners hotly denied the charge.

MRS. THOMAS F. WALSH



Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, the widow of the late Thomas F. Walsh and intimate friend of Mrs. Marshall, wife of the vice-president, is reported engaged to John Barrett, director of the Pan-American union.

FIFTEEN NEW STALLS LIKELY

APPROPRIATION IS MADE FOR IMPROVEMENT

Building of New Stalls to House New Equipment Planned.

Appropriation has been made, it is reported authoritatively, for enough money to build 15 additional stalls to the La Grande O.W. roundhouse. New equipment ordered last fall requires more room, and the present facilities are inadequate anyway it is shown, the result being an appropriation of \$25,000 for new stalls. It is supposed the work will be commenced as soon as climatic conditions are right. Several new locomotives are due to arrive this year and more room will be needed. The building of the added room is also a move toward efficiency and safety by the company, and less machinery will then have to be subjected to the elements for want of roundhouse room.

WILSON PREPARES TO LIFT EMBARGO ON AMERICAN ARMS

Mexico City, Feb. 3.—Charge d'affaires O'Shaughnessy has received instructions from Secretary Bryan to notify all Americans and other foreigners in the Mexican capital that President Wilson is determined to lift the embargo against importation by rebels of arms and ammunition from the United States. Hundreds of Americans are preparing to leave.

Washington Hears Rumors.

Washington, Feb. 3.—That the president is preparing to issue an executive order raising the embargo on the

CALIFORNIA'S SLAP AT JAPS GIVEN SETBACK

PARTY LINES FORGOTTEN IN
OPPOSITION TO CALIFORNIA SOLONS.

HAYES AND BAKER ARE DEFEATED DECISIVELY

Hayes Amendment Introduced Yesterday Which Would Exclude Japanese, Is Voted Down By Tremendous Vote—President and Bryan Friends in Both Branches of House.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Placing patriotism above partisanship, the house of representatives by a vote of 203 to 54, refused today to make any declaration on the Asiatic exclusion policy aimed principally at the Japs.

This stand was taken on the Hayes amendment put up yesterday but the vote didn't come until today, and it provided for exclusion of Chinese, Hindu and African laborers. Representative Baker of California, introduced an anti-Japanese amendment to the Hayes bill. It added Japanese to the list of excluded peoples that Hayes, also of California, was seeking to exclude. The Baker amendment was, however, snowed under 182 to 6.

The house leaders of both parties participated in the debate, pleading that no embarrassment be placed on the shoulders of President Wilson and Secretary Bryan, they having requested that no exclusion bill be passed.

MRS. J. W. REDHEAD BETTER

Famous Surgeons Operate On Local Citizen With Success.

Mrs. C. H. Upton of this city, is in receipt of a communication from the Mayo institute of Rochester, Minnesota, to the effect that Mrs. J. W. Redhead who had gone to that city for an operation for goitre is able to be out and that recovery is assured. Mrs. Redhead is a citizen of this valley and well known in this community. Her presence at perhaps the leading institution of this country is a well nigh guarantee that she is receiving the best services known to mankind.

Villa Has No Compunction Over Brutal Assassination



Felix Diaz, over whom Villa cruelly murdered Francisco Guzman yesterday afternoon.

Jurez, Feb. 3.—General Villa today showed no compunction for the death of Francisco Guzman, whom he either shot himself or ordered shot yesterday afternoon after granting Guzman an audience in the house in which Villa is making his headquarters. Guzman, Villa declared today, was a spy and deserved to be shot. Guzman arrived recently from Havana. The story is that he came to

Villa with a proposition to renounce Carranza as the rebel leader and throw his strength to Felix Diaz.

Villa allowed him to make his report in full and then Guzman was shot.

Accounts differ as to the method. Villa either shot him on the spot or ordered him executed instantly. In the official report to Carranza, Villa stated Guzman had been court-martialed and condemned to die.

TRAMP KING WED

PUBLIC WEDDING HOWEVER IS AVOIDED.

Friends Come to See "A-No. 1" Married to Learn of Coup.

Erie, Pa., Feb. 3.—"A-No. 1," the King of Tramps, whose real name is George Livingston, was to have been married here today to Miss Mary Trohoski.

Instead, after having the ceremony performed in view of his tramp friends, the eccentric tramp announced this morning that he had been married a week ago to "avoid a fuss." His many friends are deeply chagrined at the "stunt" celebrated by A-No. 1.

Livingston, who is well known all over the world by his designation "A-No. 1," has beat the railroads and steamship companies out of thousands of dollars in fares. He claims he has traveled more extensively than any other two people in the world, and shows credentials in the form of autographs and letters which he says he has personally secured, that could have been secured only by travel of hundreds of thousands of miles. Livingston's marriage was a great event. A score or more of delegates to the recent "hobo" convention at Cleveland, officially termed the United Welfare Brotherhood, were invited to attend the ceremony, but saw no ceremony.

"A-No. 1" today refused to state whether he has given up his life of travel for all time.

Movies Tell Clear Tales

CROWDED HOUSE SEES FREE MOVING PICTURES.

Lessons Are Clearly Told

Remarkable Method of Teaching Safety and Efficiency Adopted.

An audience that took up every available foot of floor space in the Commercial club reception rooms last evening and overflowed to the main office, listened to A. W. Perley, of the "safety first" department of the O.W., tell in the layman's terms what the company is doing to increase

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LAST NIGHT COLDEST OF THE YEAR; MERCURY AT NINE ABOVE

Mercury toboggans occurred last night in La Grande and the Grande Ronde valley. Nine above zero was registered here by the government instruments, show reports of Weather Observer Benham today. This is two degrees colder than any previous night this winter. Many homes were caught unawares by the sudden drop and numerous water pipes were frozen up.

PIUS X CASTS OFF A 40-YEAR OLD PRACTICE

PONTIFF NO LONGER A PRISONER IN VATICAN; OWN WORD RELEASES.

NEW EDICT CREATES WORLD WIDE PROBLEM

Quirinal and Vatican to be at Peace—Vatican Now Able to Show Organization Able to Insure Spiritual Independence of the Pope—Foreign Powers do Not Like Plan.

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Rome, Feb. 3.—Pope Pius has just surprised the entire Catholic world, and not a little bit of the international political as well, by what is conceded to be the most important step of his pontificate. This is nothing less than the admission that the Vatican is now willing to accept the condition imposed upon it for forty years when Italy deprived it of its temporal power by the confiscation of Rome and the Papal States. The Vatican does not renounce its claim to temporal power; it admits only the futility of the hope to regain it, but this admission is sufficient to establish peace between the Quirinal and Vatican. That such a peace will be brought about is now a practical certainty.

One of the most conspicuous things that will be gained by a settlement of "The Roman Question" will be the ending of the self-imprisonment of the pontiffs. For forty years no Pope has ever been known to leave the walls of the Vatican. With the final fall of Rome into the hands of the new kingdom of Italy, Pope Pius IX, the then reigning pontiff, shut himself up in the Vatican. He declared himself a prisoner there at the hands of the Italians whom he said robbed him of his temporal power and of his means for protecting his person should he ever issue forth. Pope Leo XIII, his immediate successor, continued this tradition. He went even farther in devoting practically his entire pontificate to the furthering of diplomatic relations and plans with all of the leading powers in the hope that they might assist him in regaining his temporal kingdom. He died with his dream unfulfilled and the tradition of imprisonment was handed down to Pope Pius X. No one, however, has ever believed that the latter was in full sympathy with it, and now this belief has been justified.

Pope Pius, it now appears, has for

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on up. Weather predictions are for more snow and continued cold this week.

The drop of the mercury was so sudden that few were forewarned and freezeups were not prevented by draining off water. This was the first night this winter that it has really been expedient to turn off water pipes as a precaution.