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CITY ELECTION COMES NEXT

MONDAY DEC. 7 DATE

Quite a Number of Victims Suggested Some of Whom No Doubt Will Be Trapped

With the state and county election over, the city of Independence can now turn its attention to its domestic troubles and the usual city election will be held Dec. 7. A mayor, recorder and three councilmen will be elected. Councilman Irvine, Walker and Drexler go out this year and whether they will submit to two more years of official life is not known. As a rule after a man has served two years on the job he prays that some other fellow will be r.p.ed in.

Among the prominent citizens mentioned for mayor besides the present occupant of the position, are, George W. Conkey, O. A. Macy, L. G. Reeves, M. Merwin, W. T. Hoffman and P. R. Alexander. For recorder, G. A. Hurley is being urged to become a victim. For councilmen, W. T. Hoffman, P. R. Alexander, R. H. Knox, S. Muhleman, C. W. Butler and E. T. Henkle have been suggested.

Independence has had some red hot elections in the past and this year will probably be one of that kind.

TO TAKE OFF THE LIMIT

At the city council meeting Wednesday night, the recorder was instructed to bring in an ordinance repealing that section of the city liquor law which limits the number of saloons to two. There has been some difference of opinion regarding the number of saloons that this city should have and if this part of the ordinance is repealed, as many could be licensed as apply.

B. V. SCHOOL STANDARD

The Buena Vista High School was the first one to come up to the standard school requirements for high schools throughout the state. October 30, Superintendent Seymour gave the coveted stars to the high school room and commended the students for their good work and success. Eighteen students are enrolled in that room at present.

CIRCUIT COURT NEXT MONDAY

Mrs. Waltman's Damage Case Against Independence Comes Up For Trial

Circuit court convenes in Dallas Monday with Judge Holmes presiding. Among the important cases to come up for trial will be the one of Mrs. Waltman against the city of Independence for \$5000 damages. Independence saloon men will also have their trial. Among the jurymen will be E. E. Hewitt and C. Lorence of Monmouth, William Heren, Samuel Muhleman, J. W. Rogers of Independence and F. M. Waters of Airhe.

MRS. E. DAVIDSON

Mrs. Elizabeth Davidson, one of Oregon's most highly respected pioneers, passed away at her home at Parker station last Thursday night at 12:30. Thus closed the life of one who met the many perils with a cautious but tranquil spirit, and when the end came passed away as a Christian victor at his post of duty.

She was a consecrated member of the Christian church, becoming identified with that faith early in life.

The impressive funeral rites were conducted by Mr. Crow, Sunday at 1 o'clock, interment following at Buena Vista cemetery.

Mrs. Elizabeth Davidson was the eldest child of Harrison and Nancy Linnville. She was born in Holt county, Mo., Sept. 4, 1836, and came across the plains to Oregon in 1846. She was married to James O. Davidson in 1852 and they settled on a claim near Monmouth in 1854, where she lived until her death. She was the mother of eight children. Those who survive are: Mrs. Lida Wilson of this city, Ellis Davidson of Gresham, Ore., James Davidson of Portland and Ralph Davidson of Parker, Ore.

AFTER HOFER

Petitions are already being circulated asking for the removal of Colonel E. Hofer of Salem from the board of regents of the State Normal. The colonel's position on the prohibition question is the chief reason why the petitioners seek his removal.

QUIET HALLOWE'EN

Youngsters and others bent on playing the usual Halloween tricks last Saturday night were very tame in their actions. But few complaints were received and hardly any property damage is reported.

The Monitor always leads.

REPUBS NEAR CLEAN SWEEP

COUNTY CANDIDATES IN

Asa B. Robinson Is Only Democrat To Win Victory; County Vote Given

It was nearly a republican landslide in Polk county as far as county candidates were concerned, all of them being elected with large majorities with the exceptions of E. M. Smith for clerk.

Asa B. Robinson received a sweeping endorsement and was



Asa B. Robinson, Lone Democrat

elected to a second term by over 700. He carried Independence by 550.

The county vote complete: U. S. Senator—Chamberlain 2612, Booth 2409.

Congressman—Hawley 2684, Hollister 1641.



Sheriff-Elect John W. Orr

Governor—Withycombe 2893, Smith 2451.

Circuit Judge—Belt 3745, Holmes 1467. Belt was elected by a large majority.

Joint Representative—Irvin 2636, Henry 2498.

Representative—Brunk 2714, Grier 2783.



Fred S. Holman, Next Treasurer

Sheriff—Orr 3344, Morrison 2325.

Clerk—Robinson 3248, Smith 2439.

Treasurer—Holman 3114, Richter 2118.

Surveyor—Canfield 2844, Taylor 2535.

Commissioner—2662, Canfield 1945.

BIG BUSINESS

A big business in wet goods is expected in Independence after the first of the year.

HOP GROWERS ORGANIZING

In Order To Defeat the Speculator They Must Combine and Stand Together

The work of organizing the hop growers of the Pacific coast states into one compact body for the protection of themselves against speculation is meeting with success. Firmly organized, the hop growers will be able to put the speculative middle man in a position where he will have to pay a substantial price for hops or he won't be able to buy any.

Some of the methods used by the speculators is told in the following article from a California paper:

"According to those who are in a position to know, the following scheme has been worked in Mendocino county. The grower was offered 13 1/2 cents, but there was a private contract to the effect that he should be given whatever advance in price should occur when the market opened up. Should this report go out that his hops had sold for 13 1/2 cents, the information would act as a depressing influence on the market to the advantage of the buyers. It is against such schemes as this that the present organization is aimed. It is entirely legal, an opinion having been rendered to that effect in the case of the raisin growers.

That the buyers are opposed to Mr. Hewlett's activity in attempting to get an equitable price for the growers is evidenced by the fact that one big firm has called in its account with him."

The jump of Oregon and Washington into "dry" territory has caused much chagrin among hop raisers. Evidently a majority of the voters of this state do not believe that making the state "dry" will injure the hop industry. Hop growers certainly hope that the "drys" are right. Time alone will tell.

P. M. FOR 12 YEARS

Twelve years ago last Sunday, Nov. 1, M. Merwin became postmaster in Independence succeeding J. A. Wheeler. In this period of time Mr. Merwin has seen not only a great change in the system of handling the mails, but a gradual increase in the amount of mail coming and going.

At one time the Independence postoffice was located in a building where the Monitor office now stands, then was moved to a building where Wetherbee & Jones' store now is and from there to its present quarters. While located on the west side of Main street, burglars blew the safe and made a small haul in money and stamps.

HENKLE DEFEATED

Although E. T. Henkle carried the city of Independence by over a hundred votes, he did not do as well in Monmouth and Suver where he is not so well known and has been defeated by a narrow margin.

J. H. Moran won over R. J. Taylor for constable.

CITY "STATEWIDE" VOTE

First—Dry 89, Wet 179.
Second—Dry 105, Wet 143.
Third—Dry 90, Wet 153.
Fourth—Dry 87, Wet 92.
Total—Dry 371, Wet 567. Wet majority 196.

ARRESTED

An Independence man and woman were arrested a few days ago and face serious charges. The Monitor does not believe in giving much publicity to affairs of this character.

BUSINESS WOMAN

Miss Iris W. Markley has purchased the photograph shop of T. H. Dix and is now in charge. She is an experienced hand at the business having had several years experience in Hood River.

Goodby, Mr. Lafferty, goodby;

OREGON "DRY" BY BIG VOTE

OTHERS DO LIKEWISE

It Seems To Be Getting Very Popular To Cut Out the Strong Stuff O'er Bar

Oregon has gone "dry" by a large majority which grows larger as the returns come in. So after January 1, 1916, intoxicating liquors of all kinds cannot be sold within the state except for medicinal and religious purposes. There will be no bar, however, to buying it outside the state and shipping it in for private use if you can get by the national law which forbids the shipping into "dry" territory.

According to the chairman of the Committee of One Hundred the legislature will be asked to pass stringent laws for the punishment of violators. Louis Eppstein, prominent "wet" worker, charges the defeat to their poor showing in "wet" territory. He says the result in "dry" territory was better than he expected.

Along with Oregon, Washington, Arizona and Colorado went into the "dry" which makes fourteen "dry" states. The fourteen are Maine, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Kansas, North Dakota, Colorado, Arizona, Oregon and Washington. Prohibition was rejected this week in California and Ohio.

UNOFFICIAL CITY VOTE

First Independence—Coe 51, Hawley 111, Hollister 83, Booth 76, Chamberlain 162, Hanley 17, Gill 6, Smith 142, Withycombe 97, Belt 117, Holmes 103, Brunk 121, Grier 112, Henry 155, Irvin 120, Morrison 77, Orr 177, Robinson 224, Smith 56, Holman 122, Richter 83, Canfield 112, Taylor 96, Beckett 111, Canfield 83, Henkle 159, Winn 107, Taylor 103, Moran 145.

Second Independence—Coe 35, Hawley 107, Hollister 105, Booth 95, Chamberlain 137, Hanley 23, Smith 135, Withycombe 117, Belt 158, Holmes 89, Brunk 135, Grier 102, Henry 103, Irvin 125, Morrison 58, Orr 188, Robinson 214, Smith 46, Holman 141, Richter 89, Canfield 131, Taylor 192, Beckett 121, Canfield 84, Henkle 136, Winn 97, Taylor 117, Moran 122.

Third Independence—Coe 34, Hawley 110, Hollister 86, Booth 107, Chamberlain 124, Hanley 8, Smith 111, Withycombe 128, Belt 155, Holmes 64, Brunk 117, Grier 104, Henry 92, Irvin 122, Morrison 61, Canfield 148, Taylor 81, Beckett 133, Canfield 71, Henkle 129, Winn 113, Taylor 110, Moran 120.

Fourth Independence—Coe 22, Hawley 89, Hollister 64, Booth 55, Chamberlain 105, Hanley 12, Smith 90, Withycombe 91, Belt 108, Holmes 60, Brunk 108, Grier 67, Henry 86, Irvin 81, Morrison 63, Orr 126, Robinson 144, Smith 52, Holman 111, Richter 64, Canfield 92, Taylor 90, Beckett 87, Canfield 77, Henkle 106, Winn 66, Taylor 86, Moran 95.

CROWDED

It is evident that there are not enough voting precincts in the city of Independence and before another election day rolls around, there should be at least two more polling places.

DALLAS "DRY"

Dallas went into the prohibition column by a majority of 24 and after January 1 the town will have no saloons.



WEEKS TO CHRISTMAS

EARLY Gift Buying Means BETTER CHOICES

VINDICATED

Asa B. Robinson's triumphant re-election by a large majority will certainly be a warning to all parties that a mud slinging campaign will not be tolerated. A large number of republicans were very much surprised that the members of the republican county central committee permitted its chairman and secretary to go as far as they did.

INDEPENDENCE "WET"

	Wet	Dry
First	112	72
Second	164	88
Third	130	81
Fourth	56	65
Total	462	306

DOES WELL HERE

Fred Hollister made a very creditable showing in the Independence districts. Had he done as well elsewhere over the district compared with the registration, he would have been elected.

BRUNK NEAR

Thomas Brunk threatened to win in spite of the republican landslide and only loses by less than a hundred votes.

AMENDMENTS WASTED

Prohibition, requiring that voters must be citizens, abolishment of capital punishment, consolidation of city and county and city merger.

MONITOR SHIRKS

The Monitor has been very much upset for the past few weeks caring for the politicians, which has caused us to shirk some on maintaining the usual standard of the paper; but after this week we expect to be able to make the Monitor its usual self.

SO UNUSUAL

Oregonians will feel queer after the first of the year to have a republican governor.

RUMORED

Rumor has it that Catholic citizens are going to buy a farm five miles south of Independence and establish an orphan's home.

BUENA VISTA

Booth 74, Chamberlain 92, Hanley 18, Smith 73, Withycombe 105, Hawley 75, Hollister 58, Belt 112, Holmes 64, Brunk 96, Grier 79, Henry 93, Irvin 80, Morrison 82, Orr 104, Robinson 121, Smith 67, Holman 100, Richter 66, Canfield 87, Taylor 93, Beckett 81, Canfield 60.

SUVER

Booth 19, Chamberlain 45, Hanley 3, Smith 33, Withycombe 41, Hawley 30, Hollister 32, Coe 9, Belt 44, Holmes 25, Brunk 33, Grier 41, Henry 31, Irvin 40, Morrison 32, Orr 49, Robinson 49, Smith 26, Holman 37, Richter 30, Canfield 32, Taylor 33, Beckett 33, Canfield 23, Rempel 10.

HALLOWE'EN JOKE

Monmouth was in darkness last Saturday night, but not through any fault of the soulless corporation that supplies juice for its illumination. It was Halloween, and in order to perpetrate a good one on the populace of that staid and unpretentious community, some unknown joker entered the transformer station of the Oregon Power company and cut out the fuse, thus preventing the flow of electricity into the city distributing system. Not content with this prank, about a dozen street lamps were broken.

—Dallas Observer.

REPUBLICANS TAKE STATE

BOOTH ONLY LOSER

Entire State Ticket Headed By Withycombe Elected; Hawley Wins Again

The entire republican ticket with the exception of Booth for U. S. Senator has been elected by large majorities. The successful ones are:

Congressmen—W. C. Hawley, N. C. Sinnott, C. N. McArthur. Governor—James S. Withycombe.

Treasurer—Thomas B. Kay.

Justice of the Supreme Court—Henry J. Bean, Henry L. Benson, Lawrence T. Harris, Thomas A. McBride.

Attorney General—George M. Brown.

Superintendent—J. A. Churchill.

State Engineer—John H. Lewis.

Labor Commissioner—O. P. Hoff.

Railroad Commissioner—Frank J. Miller.

All proposed amendments to the constitution appear to be defeated except the one providing for prohibition and the one requiring voters of the state to be citizens of the United States.

Republicans were generally successful throughout the country. A number of the "stand-patters" famous in the history of the government before 1912 "came back." Roosevelt's progressive party was nearly wiped off the map.

The democrats retain control of Congress. They increased their membership in the Senate but only retain their majority in the House by a narrow margin. This is the second time in the history of the country that any party in power held control of both branches of congress after passing a tariff bill of any description.

THE "A" IS SILENT.



—Farr in New York Telegram