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DALLAS SALOON MEN "LAW"

DON'T LIKE TO QUIT

So They Proceed Into Court And Try For an Injunction But Are Defeated

Service was made Wednesday by Coroner R. L. Chapman on the members of the county court, County Clerk Robinson and Sheriff Grant in a suit that had been filed by Attorney B. A. Kliks, of McMinnville, representing the saloonkeepers of Dallas. The action, brought in the names of John C. Shultz, Robert Colfelt, Frank Colfelt and James V. Chitty, seeks to enjoin the county court and the other county officials named from issuing and enforcing an order declaring that the sale of intoxicating liquor shall be prohibited in Dallas as a result of the local option election on November 3rd.

In the complaint it is alleged that the election was irregular and illegal, in that the election was held by precincts that do not coincide with the boundaries of the city and that, in consequence some of the officials who conducted the election were not residents of the city; that non-residents of the city were permitted to vote on the question, and that others who were qualified voters of the city were not given an opportunity to vote upon the question. Objection is also made to the wording of the proposition on the ballot, it being claimed that the omission of the words "the sale of" in the ballot title changed the meaning of the proposition submitted to the voters.

The matter of issuing the order declaring the result of the election was to have come up in county court Friday. By stipulation of Mr. Kliks and District Attorney Sibley it will be deferred until after the hearing of the injunction suit on its merits Monday.—Dallas Itemizer.

Monday Judge Holmes denied the injunction. It is possible that the saloon men will appeal.

DISMISSED

The circuit court case against Whitney & Walker, charged with selling liquor to minors, was dismissed. A Corvallis paper reports the district attorney as saying that "there was not enough evidence to convict a yellow dog."

HUNNICUTT CASES ARE OVER

Harry's Acquittal Last Week Is Final Chapter; Only One Convicted

The acquittal of Harry Hunnicutt last week ends the story of the Hunnicutt troubles. In the first place, Ensie, Harry, Clint and Guy were bound over to the circuit court by local authorities, it being alleged that they were responsible for a number of robberies committed in this locality. Clint was not indicted by the grand jury, and Guy, because of his age, was placed on probation and given in charge of the county court. Ensie was tried, convicted and is now in the penitentiary for an indeterminate period. The jury recommended clemency and he probably will not have to stay there long. Harry was tried twice. The first trial resulted in a hung jury and the second came out as above mentioned.

INJUNCTION SUIT FILED

An action has been filed in the circuit court by the Valley & Siletz Railway Company to enjoin the Simpson Logging Company from carrying out its usual practice of flooding the Luckiamute river for the purpose of floating a log drive, claiming that to do so would endanger the bridges and right-of-way of the plaintiffs across the stream.—Dallas Itemizer.

THANKSGIVING RACES

Four good running races are billed for Thanksgiving afternoon on the Independence race track. Fair sized purses are offered.

OFFICIAL MAJORITIES

Official majorities in Polk county: Chamberlain 229, Hawley 1122, Withycombe 436, Belt 2391, Robinson 717, Orr 1004, Holman 1011, Canfield 341, Beckett 735, Chapman 4719, Irvin 53, Grier 71, state wide prohibition 853.

NO WONDER

75000 of the 125000 bales of hops in the state have been sold at prices of 5 to 11 cents. No wonder the hop growers need to organize.

GRAHAMONA RUNS

The Willamette being sufficiently high at the present time, the Grahamona commenced to run between Portland and Corvallis Sunday.

"NOT I," SAYS GEO. W.

"I'm not a candidate for mayor, councilman, or any other office," declares George W. Conkey. "No public life for me—pinocchio is more enjoyable."

"MENTIONED" NUMEROUS MUST BE PUSHED IN

Hoffman and Davis Likely For Mayor; Councilmen, There Are Many Talked Of

Candidates for city officers are rather scarce. Friends must bring them out or they won't run. But depend on the friends. There will be at least two candidates on the ballot for each job.

There is a great deal of sentiment favorable to W. T. Hoffman for mayor and he will very likely be nominated. G. A. Hurley will make the race for recorder and run like a race horse. For councilmen, L. G. Reeves, William Dungan, M. W. Mix and R. J. Taylor are being boomed. North Independence wants representation and will likely present S. F. Cook.

The so-called city hall slate is supposed to be Davis for mayor, Swope for recorder and Fenton, Good and Carbray for councilmen. Councilmen Walker, Drexler and Irvine, whose terms expire, probably will be glad to pass it on to others.

WANT MONEY BACK

Becoming disheartened at the prospects of "the mill" being built within the next one hundred years, sundry citizens want to pull down the \$2000 cash bonus and the deed to the land proposed for the site that is laying idle in a bank waiting for the lumber company to take it when the erection of "the mill" was started. The two thousand pot was raised by popular subscription and almost every business man has a share in it. Others among the contributors want it to hang over the head of the lumber company for some time yet to come.

SCHOOL FOR FARMERS

Monmouth, Nov. 17—Please announce that the Oregon Agricultural College will give a school at Monmouth under the auspices of the Monmouth Grange during all of next week. Domestic science work will be a prominent feature as well as lectures on soils, crops and dairying.—P. O. Powell.

"GO-TO-SCHOOL DAY"

To the Patrons of the Independence Public Schools: I have set apart Wednesday, December 2, as a "Go to School Day" and the teachers and pupils of the Independence public schools most cordially invite your attendance upon that day.

Last year the pastors of the various churches in Independence planned a "Go-to-Church Sunday" and as a result the churches were filled on the designated Sunday. Will you not respond just as heartily on our "Go-to-School Day?"

The purpose of this day is to furnish every person who is interested in the public school system an opportunity to observe the work in the different departments. There will be no special exercises or programs of any kind to entertain visitors. The schools will be open to the public for a comprehensive inspection and the regular every day school program will be carried out without change.

Ushers will meet all visitors in the main halls in each building and conduct them to any desired room or department.

Please remember the date and arrange your work so that you can spend at least a portion of the day with us.

C. F. Waitman, Supt.

BUY OLD SHIP INDEPENDENCE

Messrs. Macy, Goetz and Merwin May Go Get It and Bring It Home

Editor Monitor—I hear that some of our citizens wish to withdraw the money they have deposited which was to be given to the lumber company if a sawmill was built in Independence. If the money is "pulled down" I suggest that some more be raised and the people of this town buy the old frigate, Independence, famous in the history of our country, which the government wants to sell and bring it here where it can ever hereafter stand or float to the glory of our country and the advertisement of our patriotic citizens.—Observer.

As a rule the Monitor does not publish communications without knowing the author, but in this instance we make an exception because the suggestion is such a good one. The famous ship, Independence, which was named after this city in 1798, has single handedly whipped many a foreign fleet, is an honor and glory to the country and by all means should be brought here. Then by planting a number of mines in the Willamette and with the Independence on guard, our citizens could slumber peacefully at night fully realizing that Salem or no other foe could capture the city before we had time to get the fire department out. The Monitor hereby appoints President Macy of the Commercial Club, Councilman Goetz and Postmaster Merwin as a committee to go to Washington, buy the Independence, and bring it back with them.

MISSALL & KNAPP MOVE

Missall & Knapp and Smith Bros. have swapped stores. Missall & Knapp have moved their stock of clothing across the street and Smith Bros. will occupy the building that Missall & Knapp did. The change must have been satisfactory to all concerned or else they would not have traded.

TEACHERS MEET

The Polk county teachers' institute is in session at Dallas with nearly every teacher in the county present. All schools are closed for the remainder of the week.

FARMERS' WEEK DATE

Farmers and other citizens of Oregon who are planning to attend Farmers' Week at the Agricultural College are hereby notified that the date has been postponed to February 1 to 6, 1915. The changed and enlarged character of the exercises have made this change necessary. Many conventions of leaders of the various agricultural interests of the state will be held at that time in addition to the special technical instruction and demonstration commonly given. Leaders of National reputation from various parts of the country and from the U. S. Department of Agriculture will be present to address these conventions.—R. D. Hetzel, Director of Extension.

25 YEARS AGO

Word reached this city yesterday that the enterprising capitalists of Monmouth and Independence had decided to construct and equip a street railway between their respective towns. Property along the right of way is being actively sought in the interest of the promoters of this nineteenth century means of transportation. A company to build this line was organized and incorporated several months ago but the matter has been kept pretty quiet until yesterday.—Salem Statesman.

KIBBE FINISHES

Glen E. Kibbe finished his work in Independence Monday and all paving and street work is now completed.

WEST HOP MEN MAKING GOOD ORGANIZATION CERTAIN

Meetings In Salem Bearing Fruit; On Saturday Oregon Growers Will Organize

Delegates from California, Oregon and Washington are in session at Salem this week determining the ways and means of organizing the hop growers of the three states into a compact body that they may maintain a living price for their hops. H. B. Fletcher, of Independence, representing C. A. McLaughlin, Fred N. Stump of Saver and C. G. Coad of Dallas are the Polk county growers in attendance.

Concerning the meeting, Wednesday's Salem Capital Journal says:

"No definite plan of business organization has been fixed upon, but there are two fundamental propositions which the delegates will consider and adopt at an early stage of the proceedings, after which the details of organization and business arrangement can be built up according to the plan outlined in the basic principles. The initial purpose is for the growers to form a corporation to handle the crops of the members for a period of years, but whether it will be formed with three separate organizations, one in each state to work separately, or with one central organization with branches in each state, is the question to be decided upon at this meeting.

Great care must be exercised by the growers in the formation of this association to keep within the provisions of the anti-trust laws of the country and not lay themselves liable to attack and prosecution, and ultimate demoralization, under the Sherman anti-trust law. The anti-trust law recognizes the right of farmers and laborers to organize to promote their respective interests and protect themselves against monopolistic and capitalistic interests, but there is a very delicate line of distinction as between a "good trust" and a trust organized in restraint of trade, and this is the point which the hop growers will have to bear in mind and keep within the limits of the law.

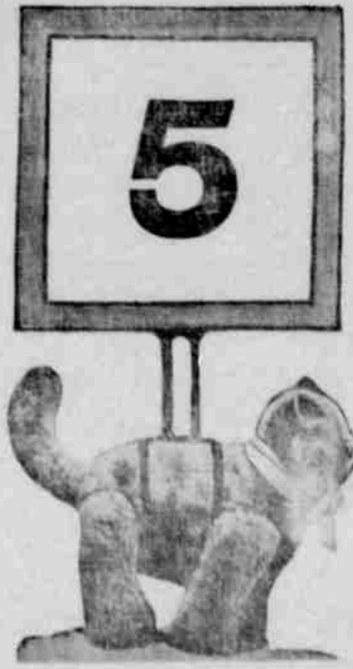
If the three states were to form separate organizations and then consolidate under one corporation for the government and control of the business of all of the state associations, the element of monopoly and "restraint of trade" might be construed to exist by the federal courts, if the organization should be attacked by hostile interests and the grower delegates have been warned that this is just the opening that the hop dealers are laying for in the hopes of catching them napping and breaking up the organization. On this account every detail of the proposed plan of organization will have to be gone over very thoroughly and the convention be absolutely sure of its ground in every respect, and that they are safely within the authority of the anti-trust laws, before final action is taken.

Whatever is done at this meeting, however, will be binding upon all of the three state organizations, already formed and ready for business."

The Oregon growers will meet in Salem Saturday to perfect their organization. Every grower of hops in this vicinity should be present. "United We Stand, Divided We Fall" is no joke.

CATHOLICS BUY

The purchase of a farm south of Independence, by the Catholic diocese of Oregon, has been confirmed. It is said to be the plan to establish an orphan's home thereon and place the same in charge of the Sisters of Charity.



WEEKS TO CHRISTMAS

A Holiday HELP—The Thought That Your Shopping Is Done

\$1000 FOR EXHIBIT

The Polk county court on Monday at the request of H. G. Campbell of this city, a member of the Willamette Valley association, which is promoting an exhibit for the Panama-Pacific exposition in 1915, placed the sum of \$1000 in the 1915 budget to aid that county at the big show. It is the purpose of the association to keep one person from each of the eight counties at the fair during the ten months that it is open. The Polk county exhibit will undoubtedly be one of the most attractive features of the Willamette valley display. Mohair and wool will be the leading features.—Salem Statesman.

NEW BRIDGE

At a meeting of the county courts of Polk and Marion counties held in Salem Wednesday, plans were matured for the building of a new bridge over the Willamette at Salem to replace the present one which has been condemned as unsafe.

MOOSE MAY EXPAND

The local Moose lodge has long been too big for its hall and an addition to the building has been agitated for several months. It is proposed to extend the building to the alley which would give the Moose one of the most comfortable lodge rooms in the state, and it would not be surprising if work upon this proposed extension started at any time.

BILLY'S PICTURE

"Billy" McAdams called yesterday and accused the Monitor of having his "picture." "The Monitor has a 'picture' of 'Billy' we are sure going to put it in the Monitor and say under it, 'This fellow needs a wife.'"

CITY COUNCIL BUSY BO!

TAX LEVY OF 7 MILLS

City May Do Some Side-Walk Building Itself, "Lid" Is Still On; Other Doings

The city tax levy for 1915 will be seven mills, the same as last year. So decided the council at its regular session Wednesday night. The taxable property is given a value of \$511,000 and the seven mills levy will bring in about \$3800.

The half block of paving on C street was accepted and it was ordered that notice of assessment for paving be given to all abutting property owners not yet so notified.

The ordinance taking off "the lid" as to the number of saloons to be licensed next year got as far as third reading where it hung and finally went over until Dec. 2. Councilmen Paddock, Walker and Goetz declared they were ready to vote, but the other councilmen wanted more time for consideration.

Property owners who have not built sidewalks when ordered to do so may soon have the city do it for them at their expense. The council is getting weary of repeated disregard of its mandates and apparently proposes to show what some of them term "back bone."

C. E. Long having become delinquent in the payment of paving assessment, a resolution was passed instructing the city marshal to levy on his property to satisfy the amount of assessment due.

L. Damon was given \$50 a year that the city might use a small patch of his land near the river for a dumping ground.

The petition for the removal of the city marshal was left in the hands of the committee for further "investigation." This is a "Jonah" that will probably be passed on to the next council.

A number of bills were ordered paid, among them being \$2.10 for having the mayor's "peace day" proclamation published.

Tuesday night was the coldest of the year, 24 above.

PLANNING A HOME INVASION.



—Hodge in Spokane Spokesman-Review.

THE OLD HOMESTEAD.



—Greene in New York Telegram.