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HOW PROHIBITION EFFECTS KANSAS

Wm. Allen White Tells How the Liquor Law in Kansas Effects Social and Economic Conditions.

Kansas has sworn off and has made the swear-off stick; and the swearing off is effective and permanent for exactly the same reason that it becomes effective in a man. The old tissue of the state degenerated by alcohol has disappeared; a new citizenship dominates the state. No vestige of property right remains in the Kansas liquor traffic. The brewery has been a crumbling ruin for 20 years. The wholesale liquor house has vanished. The store owner who rented to the saloon long since found another tenant. The crave for the business stimulation of the saloon and the wide-open town is unknown to this new generation. The financial disease of the saloon, with its waste and folly and crime, has been cured in Kansas, and the body of the state knows its pangs and tortures no more. The rising generation of the '90s and of the first decade of the new century has risen. I am in my middle forties. I was born and grew up in Kansas.

From the time I was 12 until today I have never lived in a Kansas town where there was an open saloon. In Emporia there are grandparents who have no recollection of the saloon except as they have seen it casually, as they have seen a giraffe or an elephant. The saloon has been no part of the life of that town, even sporadically, for 35 years. Young people in their middle twenties know nothing of the whisky drugstore except what they are told, as they know of the Civil War and the grasshopper year of 1873 and the great drought of 1860. If my boy, aged 14, has ever seen a drunken man it was outside of Kansas. He is as familiar with epilepsy or pelagra or elephantiasis as he is with the actual effects of the saloon on the social system; yet, because the ill effects of alcohol on the human body are taught in the schools, he can rattle off a rignmarole about what whisky would do for a man that would turn to stone through terror the old Horrible Example of the '70s. This boy is afraid of whisky. So are all the children of Kansas.

If the state government should pass into a despotism that would introduce the open saloon by imperial decree, the Kansas people of the generation now on earth would not patronize it. Not only have they been educated out of liking the taste of whisky and the habit of drinking it, but they have been taught to fear it. This does not mean that every man, woman and child in Kansas is a teetotaler; thousands of people drink and there are drunkards in the state, though precious few of them. Liquor is shipped into the state by those who desire to use it, and some old-fashioned women put brandy in their mince pies and sherry in their sauces.

Recently the governor of the state, who is not a third-party prohibitionist, and who received the vote of the liberal element in the five moist counties of the state, sent an official query to the county clerks of Kansas, who under the Federal law are required to keep a record of the shipments of liquor into Kansas. The query demanded to know how much liquor was being shipped into Kansas for all purposes. The answers received indicate that Kansas consumes per capita, per annum, \$1.25 worth of liquor for all purposes, as against the average American consumption of liquor of \$21 a head. And among the counties included in the governor's questionnaire were the five humid counties mentioned above. If they had been excluded probably the Kansas average would have gone under \$1. This is reducing the consumption of liquor to a negligible minimum. Kansas has quit and has quit good and hard!

It will pay us, therefore, to look at the physical effects of this abstinence. And naturally one must go at it backward to get the perspective on it. The effects of alcohol on a person produce a loosening of the restraints which hold him to conventions. A few drinks make a man talk more, sing more, dance more, swagger more, laugh more, swear more, spend more, flirt more and generally deport himself on a moral plane rather lower than the average. He is a little crazy, a little lazy, a little weak willed, a little vicious, a little prodigal, a little thriftless, a little devilish under the influence of liquor. And if he is adequately stewed as to his nerve cells and brain areas most of the time, there are wide areas of his mind that act abnormally more or less of the time. So he loses his judgment, his money, his good name, his talents, his general poise and balance.

And here, also, a state is like a man. Given the excessive use of liquor in a state, and the state insane asylums fill up. That state is losing something of its fundamental sanity; the poorhouses fill up, indicating a lack of thrift; the jails become crowded, indicating a moral decay; and the citizens of the state, who are as cells of a human body, die rather earlier and oftener than they should. A brief survey of the Kansas situation, since she has won her long, hard fight for state sobriety, seems to show that the effects of swearing off for a state

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LENTS ODDFELLOWS AND REBEKAHAS ENTERTAIN

Members of Mt. Scott Lodge I. O. O. F. and Eureka Rebekah lodges entertained a large number of friends last Tuesday evening at the installation of officers. The men put on their installation first and following that the ladies gave their installation. The entire work was handled by local members and it reflected great credit on the officers and members and the general growth of the lodges. The work of the ladies especially won a lot of praise both from visitors and members of the subordinate. A large number were greatly surprised to learn that such good work was being done.

The officers installed in the subordinate were: Jas. Schweitzer, N. G.; Wm. Bush Jr., V. G.; Ralph Stanz, Secretary; J. W. McNeil, Financial Secretary; R. S. N. G., H. W. Braugher; L. S. N. G., John Gartner; R. S. V. G., W. S. Sanders; L. S. V. G., D. O. Lane; Warden, W. K. Douglas; Conductor, M. K. Hedge; Chaplain, C. F. McGill; R. S. S., Wm. Greibe; L. S. S. Ellis Hughes; I. G., J. C. Kennedy; O. G., Ray Scheumerhorn.

The Rebekah officers include Mrs. Dilley, N. G.; Mrs. Sager, V. G.; Mrs. Cox, Secretary; Mrs. Spring, Treasurer; Mrs. McNeal, Chaplain; R. S. N. G., Mrs. Darnall; L. S. N. G., Mrs. Blaufus; R. S. V. G., Mrs. Dozier; L. S. V. G., Mrs. Nygaard; Conductor, Mrs. Simons; Warden, Mrs. McCulloch; I. G., Mrs. Anderson; O. G., R. Thomas.

ARLETA ODDFELLOWS AND REBEKAHS INSTALL

Arleta Oddfellows and Rebekahs held a joint installation Saturday evening. The installation was public and the hall was crowded to full capacity. The work was done in particularly good form, especially by the men, as they did the whole work themselves. The Portland Degree team put on the work for the Rebekahs. It was exceedingly well done but of course lacked some of the interest brought out by the home team of the men. After the initiation there was an excellent program and then cream and cake was served.

The officers installed were: W. A. Young, N. G.; F. E. Crum, V. G.; Peter Larson, Secretary and L. J. Everman, Treasurer.

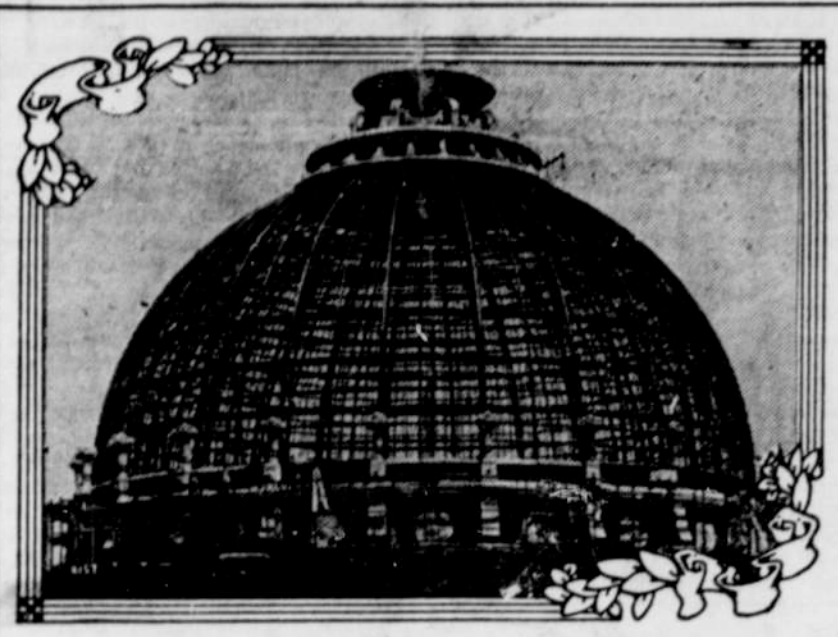
BULLDOG ATTACKS WOODMERE WOMAN

Miss Nellie Horner was the victim of an attack one day this week by a vicious bulldog. The dog belonged to a neighbor whom Miss Horner had been visiting for a few minutes. It saw her leave the house, broke loose and chased her home where it threw her down and proceeded to chew her up. Her father interfered with a shovel and saved her life. It was necessary to call a physician to attend to her wounds.

The funeral service of Mrs. Georgie J. Holly, who died suddenly at the home of her friend, Mrs. Peabody, July 14, was held at the Dunning Undertaking parlors Thursday 3 P. M. Mrs. Holly had been afflicted some years from occasional attacks of Enametic fits, caused by Affection of the Spine. And while her death was sudden it was not unexpected by her relations that knew her.

L. E. Wiley is agent for the Grocers Picnic which will be held at Bull Run on the 22d. He has the promise of a couple cars if enough reservations are taken. The trip, including games and dancing only requires one dollar, round trip. The cars will leave the Junction at nine o'clock.

The music, the gospel sermons by Milton H. St. John and the temperance talk of E. A. Rowell have made the meetings in the big tent at Myrtle Park so successful that they will be continued for another week. Next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock there will be a special lecture on "The Highwayman's Partner," by Earle Albert Rowell, who entertained a large crowd in the same place with his lecture on "Portland After Dark," a few days ago. Everyone is cordially invited every evening and Sunday afternoon.



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THE LARGEST GLASS BUBBLE IN THE WORLD.

STEEL framework of the great dome of the Palace of Horticulture at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, 1915. The dome is the largest ever constructed, being 152 feet in diameter and 186 feet high and surmounted by a basket thirty feet in diameter, which will be filled with growing flowers. The dome, lighted from within by whirling colored lights, will resemble a huge fire opal.

EAST SIDE MARKET HOLDS INTEREST

The anxiety that was felt about the East Side Market is subsiding. It seemed doubtful for sometime whether producers could keep up so many market centers, and it caused considerable worry in the minds of the promoters of the East Sixth Street Market. But the experiences of this week have dispelled these doubts to a considerable extent.

Tuesday saw every booth occupied and a large quantity of stuff is being handled. Dressed poultry goes like hot cakes. All sorts of vegetables are being taken readily. Eggs fresh from the nest are in steady demand. Fruit is always a good sale, although prices have not been high during the flush season. Many farmers are selling small lots this year on these markets that here-to-fore were complete losses.

Yeager Crowds Growing

Since the difficulties have been settled with the labor council the Yeager management has seen a daily growth in the audiences and a corresponding increase in the size of the office receipts. The shows have been good and the audiences have been more than satisfied. Every evening brings out new material and big shows for the money but the specials that come now and then are more than could be expected.

Show people generally concede the Yeager a great future. The advantages of such a show house is bound to create a patronage that will not be satisfied with the products shown in smaller, less convenient, and inferior houses. The Yeager has the room, the apparatus, and the management to make it worth the public's while to give it their patronage and the public is showing its appreciation by the increase in attendance. The next week will see some especially good features. Considerate patrons are looking toward them in high expectation.

Barker-Acheson

The wedding of Wesley I. Barker and Anna E. Acheson was solemnized at noon of Tuesday the fourteenth at the home of the bridegroom's father, W. M. Barker, on Seventh Avenue. Mrs. J. M. Nelson sang "Because" by Guy D. Hardlot. Miss Fay Hickox played the Lohengrin Wedding March, to the strains of which the bridal party took their places under a large white bridal bell. The bride was becomingly dressed in a gown of blue silk with a white lace over-dress. The officiating clergyman was J. M. Nelson, Pastor of the Lents Baptist Church. About twenty guests partook of a sumptuous dinner after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Barker will make their home in Lents. The many friends of the young couple wish them a happy life.

What is regarded as the record return for one acre of cherries has been reported from Hood River where the grower received \$1300 for the crop on one acre of Royal Annes. This was the net amount received after all expenses of picking and marketing had been paid.

NEW LIBRARY BUILDING FOR LENTS

At last Lents is to have a new library building. The new building will be on First avenue, north of Foster road. It will be a one story bungalow 29x50, with a 10x16 work room in the rear. It will provide for all the service this suburb needs now and several years to come. The location is good, being in the center of the town, near a principal street and it will have ample ground around it to give it a good setting. It will not be far from the car line, yet it will not be annoyed by noise of the trams. The complete plans for the new building are not out yet but it will be of a neat, plain type that should meet with general approval.

Sandy Mayor's Wife is Dead

Mrs. Marie Aschoff Meinig, wife of Paul R. Meinig, Mayor of Sandy, died at her home here Monday afternoon. She had been sick and confined to her bed the greater part of the time for over two years. The funeral was held from the home today with interment in the Cliff Side cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. A. J. Montgomery, of Portland, assisted by the Rebekah Lodge of Sandy, of which the deceased was a member. All of the business houses of Sandy are closed this afternoon. Deceased was born in Kansas, September 25, 1873, and came to Oregon in March, 1882. On October 21, 1896, she was married to Paul R. Meinig at Marmot. Mrs. Meinig was a member of the Rebekahs and the United Artisans. She is survived by the husband and three children, Gertrude, Frances and Alfred, also by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Aschoff of Marmot.

To arouse greater interest in their plans, the officials of the land show to be held in Portland next fall will offer a first prize of \$200 and a second prize of \$75 for the best special exhibit by counties. By arrangements with the state fair officials, exhibits from Douglas, Lane, Polk, Marion, Washington, Multnomah, Tillamook, Clackamas, Umatilla, Wasco, Willowa, Wheeler and Morrow counties have already been arranged for.

At La Grande it has been decided to build a new exhibit hall near the depot. The building will be modern design and will be so located that its contents can readily be seen from all trains. It will include an office for the county agriculturist, who will have charge of the exhibit.

The monthly business and social meeting of the Y. P. A. was held at the home of Miss Eva Bischoff Monday evening. About fifty young folks were present and after the business session all joined in spending a most enjoyable evening. Strangers are most heartily welcomed at the socials as well as the Sunday evening meetings.

Mrs. W. A. Hall is preparing to make her mother, Mrs. Blakelie, and sister, Mrs. Oliver, of LaGrande a visit, as both are in poor health.

Mrs. R. J. Brock, a former school days acquaintance of Mrs. Maude Darnall made her a short visit Thursday afternoon.

LIQUOR RETAILERS LOSE DECISION

In a case that came up before Judge Jones of the District Court the Kline Liquor Dealers were held to be doing unlawful business by taking orders in dry territory and filling them at future deliveries.

That being the case it ought to be an easy matter to convict some of the liquor peddlers that make the Lents and other Mt. Scott points several times a week. If it were only old soaks and adults that were customers of the liquor wagons it would be bad enough but there are a considerable number of young people who are led to develop the liquor habit by using stuff that is delivered from these wagons. It looks like it would be an easy matter to get a judgment any time against a company that insists on breaking the law of a district that has decided that it does not want to support such a traffic.

EVENING STAR CELEBRATED AT HOME

The July meeting of Evening Star Grange occurred on the 4th and a celebration was held. A brief business meeting was held in the morning. Resolutions to the memory of Mrs. Emma Epton and William Larson were read and adopted. A basket picnic dinner was served in the dining room at one o'clock, with plenty of ice cream for all. At two o'clock the following program was rendered:

Vocal solos by Miss Hazel Hardie and Miss Eva Johnson, accompanied by Miss Dolly Woodham. Two splendid readings were given by Miss Signe Lack, one of them being entitled "The Liberty Bell." Mrs. E. A. Kelly gave a reading entitled "1492." A piano solo by Miss Kathryn Ball, also a duet by Miss Ball and Lois Brady. Rev. R. Tibbs Maxey of the Kern Park Christian Church gave a fine address on "Practical Patriotism." The exercises closed by the audience singing "America."

DAUGHTER OF FRED LOVE WINS HONORS

Miss Linnie Lucile Love, daughter of Fred Love of Lents has won renown in eastern theatrical circles. She went East four years ago. Altho handicapped by eye trouble she has pursued studies with several of the best musical instructors, and has assisted in numerous parts in some of New York's leading theatres. She claims Seattle as her home but she is visiting her relatives in Lents this week.

At Rest

Friends of Geo. W. Dawson of 7344, 53d. Street S. E. were shocked Wednesday morning to learn of his death. Mr. Dawson had started to work as usual when he was stricken by apoplexy. He returned to his house and in fifteen minutes died. His remains were taken to Kenworthy's. The funeral will be held later in the week.

Anderson Walker Buried

Anderson Walker of 6307 Foster road died at 9 a. m. Sunday, July 12 at his home, of heart trouble, aged 70 years. He was formerly a resident of Illinois. He has been living near Kern Park for the past seven months. He leaves a wife, brother in Salem, and son in Seattle. The funeral was held Wednesday the 15th at Kenworthy's and the burial was at Mt. Scott Park cemetery.

Gresham Fruitgrowers Elect

The Gresham Fruitgrowers' Association's directors, at a meeting there, elected officers to serve until January 1, next. James Sterling was appointed field manager until the annual meeting, and the officers elected are: President, H. E. Davis; Vice-president, James H. Sterling; Secretary, Karl H. Miller; Treasurer, Bank of Gresham.

In order to raise the money with which to install a municipal lighting system, the city of Drain, Ore., has voted to sell \$6000 worth of city bonds. As soon as the bonds are disposed of, the contract for the construction will be let.

E. L. Thorpe has been nominated by the Progressives for Justice of the Peace at Gresham. He ought to run pretty well as his Republican friends ought to make him safe.

LENTS FIRM GETS BIG CONTRACT

First Contract in Months Taken by W. A. Hall & Son. Business Revival Apparently Near. Work to Begin at Once.

What is the biggest contract secured by any Mt. Scott firm in many months has been secured by a Lents firm. W. A. Hall & Son, and a Portland man named Swank are the contractors and a firm of Portland capitalists are back of the work, which lies in Wasco County at the head of "Juniper Flats."

The work will be the opening of an irrigation ditch about twelve miles long from the lower end of Clear Lake, which is about seven miles long. In fact several lakes will be tapped by the ditch. A big dam is in the contract, approximately a quarter mile long and in some places over 30 feet high. Some of the finest lying farm land in the state will be supplied by this ditch. Much of this land is already under cultivation and is handled as dry farm land. The area which will be under irrigation ultimately will be over 40 miles long and from three to ten miles wide. The company owns a considerable part of this area. It has already paid out large sums for improvements. It has a fine sawmill along one of the streams and the entire district is connected by private phone by way of Government Camp, and Sandy, with Portland.

The Hall and Swank contract will call for over \$20,000 of improvement which it is hoped to have done before the rainy season opens up. They intend to begin work at once. Roy Hall will be in charge. They will take about thirty men with them, many of which will be people from Lents, and about eight or ten teams.

DIRECT LEGISLATION MEASURES WITH BALLOT NUMBERS

- The ballot numbers of the bills and amendments are as follows:
- 300, 301—Qualifications of electors.
- 302, 303—Creating offices of Lieutenant-Governor.
- 304, 305—Establishment of new counties and consolidation of county and city governments in cities exceeding 100,000 inhabitants.
- 306, 307—Loosing of state's credit for building and maintaining permanent roads, constructing irrigation and power projects and developing untitled lands.
- 308, 309—Providing for levy and collection of taxes under general law for public purposes only.
- 310, 311—Authorizing 1-40 of a mill levy for maintenance of Southern Oregon State Normal School at Ashland.
- 314, 315—Authorizing consolidation of adjoining municipalities.
- 316, 317—Authorizing 1-40 of a mill levy for maintenance of Eastern Oregon State Normal School at Weston.
- 318, 319—Providing compensation for members of the Legislature.
- 320, 321—Universal constitutional eight-hour day amendment.
- 322, 323—Eight hour day and room ventilation law for female workers.
- 324, 325—Non-partisan judiciary bill, prohibiting party nominations for judicial officers.
- 326, 327—\$1500 tax exemption amendment.
- 328, 329—Public docks and waterfrontage amendment.
- 330, 331—Municipal wharves and docks bill.
- 332, 333—Oregon dry constitutional amendment.
- 354, 355—Abolishment of death penalty.
- 336, 337—Graduate surtax amendment.
- 338, 339—Consolidation of office of Corporation Commissioner with that of Insurance Commissioner.
- 340, 341—Dentistry law.
- 342, 343—Equalizing terms of county officers amendment.
- 344, 345—Commission to draft tax code.
- 346, 347—Abolish Desert Land Board, etc.
- 348, 349—Constitutional amendment for proportional representation.
- 350, 351—Constitutional amendment to abolish the Senate.
- 352, 353—Amendment to establish department of industry and public works.
- 354, 355—For supplementary primary law.
- 356, 357—Constitutional amendment to require two-thirds vote to enact unequal taxation amendment.
- Fix salaries of county officers of Hood River County; local.
- Providing for a bounty on jack-rabbits in Harner County; local.
- Fixing salaries of county officers of Columbia County; local.