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POVERTY IS PUT FIRST AS CAUSE OF VICE IN U. S.

MINIMUM WAGE IS FAVORED BY ILLINOIS COMMISSION AFTER INVESTIGATION.

"HIGH CLASS CUFFS" ARE HARD HIT IN REPORT; NOW PUBLIC

Highest Standard of Morals Found to Exist Among Girls in High Schools Colleges and Universities of State.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 19.—Poverty is the principal cause of immorality, the minimum wage for girls and women is fixed at \$5 a week and unregulated conditions of domestic employment render the home, in many cases, a breeding place of commercialized vice, according to the Illinois senate white slave investigation committee report, made public tonight when formally presented to the state senate.

That poverty is the principal cause, direct or indirect, of immorality is the most strongly emphasized finding of the commission. Thousands of girls, it says, are driven into prostitution because of the sheer inability to keep body and soul together on the low wages paid them.

The system of domestic employment in America is condemned in positive terms.

Investigations conducted by the committee, the reports says, disclosed the fact that more women of the underworld fall into dishonor from domestic employment than from any other work. A condition which the report declares strikes directly at the home is found in what is termed the "call girl" system. On this subject the report says in part:

"A detective told of a 'call' list which he had seized in a raid. More than 20 names were on the list; first names only being given, then opposite the telephone numbers. He checked up the names and numbers.

"Some of the women were 'respectable' married women. Two were young daughters. Others were working girls. The case of a young mother serving as 'call girl' and using the money she made in buying necessities for her baby, is merely illustrative of the character of some of the women in this system."

"The free and easy manner of introductions adds to the danger. Most girls who frequent the popular restaurants given over to dancing are very young," it continues.

The commission found that the highest standard of morals exists among the girls in the high schools, colleges and universities of the state.

Improvements in conditions were recommended by the commission. They follow:

1. Enactment of a minimum wage law.
2. Repeal of social laws fallen into disuse, and strict enforcement of all others.
3. Encouragement of uniform state social legislation.
4. Improvement of conditions for girls in domestic service.
5. Establishment of homes for moral and industrial schooling of reformed women.
6. Extension of vocational education.
7. Abolition of the "fining system" in the treatment of immoral women.
8. Registration of minor boys and girls in employment.
9. Prohibition of printing in newspapers of details of court cases involving moral lapses.
10. Creation of a state athletic commission for the encouragement of healthful pastimes.

Curtis F. Pike has been confirmed assayer at Boise.

MAN WITH DEED WINS FIGHT FOR PROPERTY

DUO CLAIMING TITLE BY ADVERSE POSSESSION ARE DEFEATED IN COURT.

John Pickett and Theron Hickey lost Friday in their fight to gain a title to a tract of land near the Clackamas-Multnomah boundary, claiming ownership by adverse possession.

Pickett and Hickey owned property adjoining the tract in dispute and were suing H. Bruce Keith, claimed owner, and held a deed to the land. Keith was unable to force Pickett and Hickey off the property and filed a suit in the circuit court.

Pickett and Hickey claimed that they had undisputed use of the land for several years. The point was brought to issue when they attempted to lease it to a third party. Circuit Judge Campbell instructed the jury to return a verdict for the plaintiff, Bruce Keith. He was given a clear title to the land and \$1 damages. Judge Grant H. Dimick represented Keith.

PENDLETON DENTIST IS ARRESTED HERE ON FORGERY CHARGE

DR. H. BARBOUR BLAMES LIQUOR FOR HIS ACT—ST. HELENS FRIEND COMES TO AID.

Following a New Year's eve celebration in Portland when he is alleged to have forged a number of checks on a Pendleton bank, totaling \$188, Dr. H. T. Barbour, a Pendleton dentist, was put under arrest Saturday at Oswego, where he, his wife and baby, were visiting friends.

Dr. Barbour was later released under \$500 cash bail furnished by Dr. J. L. Zipperer, a St. Helens dentist. Upon his arrival at the office of Sheriff Wilson Saturday afternoon, Dr. Barbour called Dr. Zipperer by telephone, and the St. Helens man rushed to Oregon City.

Sheriff Wilson notified the district attorney of Umatilla county of the arrest and the bail was fixed at \$500. Dr. Zipperer then telephoned his wife to send the money by wire to Pendleton, and upon its arrival there Sheriff Wilson was notified again by wire and Dr. Barbour was released.

Sheriff Wilson carried on all the negotiations with the aid of a telephone, and spent a large part of the afternoon placing and receiving calls over the long distance wire. The total of long distance tolls was \$3.03, which was paid by Dr. Zipperer.

Dr. Barbour confessed signing the checks in Portland the last night of the old year to Sheriff Wilson. He told the local official that he was drunk New Year's eve, and hardly knew what he was doing.

He denounced booze as the cause of his acts, and said he was "mighty glad" the state was dry.

TWO LOCAL BANKS REELECT DIRECTORS

The annual stockholders' meeting of the Bank of Oregon City and the First National bank were held Thursday night and the directors of both institutions were re-elected.

Their boards are composed of: Bank of Oregon City, George A. Harding, C. H. Canfield and E. G. Canfield; First National bank, D. C. Latourette, C. D. Latourette, M. D. Latourette, E. S. Latourette, S. D. Latourette.

The directors of the latter bank elected the following officers: President, D. C. Latourette; vice-president, M. D. Latourette, and cashier, F. J. Meyer.

DRY LAW IS SET ASIDE TO SAVE ONE MAN'S LIFE

DISTRICT ATTORNEY ALLOWS DRUGGIST TO SELL MORE THAN LIMIT TO PNEUMONIA VICTIM.

PROHIBITION STATUTE MAKES NO EXCEPTION FOR SUCH NECESSITY

Hedges and Deputy Burke Study Case From Every Angle, and Conclude Sale in Such Circumstances is Warranted, if Illegal.

The Oregon prohibition law, for the first time since it went into effect, was set aside Tuesday afternoon by District Attorney Hedges, when a quantity of ethyl alcohol was found absolutely necessary to save the life of Floyd Barlow, aged 23 years, of Tione, who is ill with pneumonia.

Barlow came to Oregon City from eastern Oregon to visit E. Parker. Three weeks ago he became ill with pneumonia, and a few days later his father, W. L. Barlow, a prosperous wheat grower of the lone district, came to help in nursing his son.

Dr. M. C. Strickland prescribed rubdowns in ethyl alcohol every two hours, and under such treatment the case progressed as well as could be expected. Alcohol was bought from the Jones drug store and Tuesday the father found that his son's supply of alcohol had run low and that he would be out of the precious fluid by midnight.

Legal Limit Used.

The limit of two quarts had been used up. The father went to the office of Dr. Strickland, and the physician was out of town for the day. Then he went to Linn E. Jones, of the drug company, and the father and the druggist consulted the prohibition law.

There was no provision for such a case. They could find no clause which said that in a matter of life or death more than the legal amount could be sold.

Deputy District Attorney Consulted.

The two then went to Deputy District Attorney Thomas A. Burke, whose special duty it is to enforce the dry statute, and Burke consulted with District Attorney Hedges concerning the case.

The two officials looked into the matter from every angle. They found the druggist could not sell the liquid to Mr. Barlow without breaking the law, they learned that the case was urgent, that alcohol was absolutely necessary to save the life of the young man, and then they declared that in this case the prohibition law was set aside, that Mr. Jones could sell the alcohol and would not be prosecuted.

Mr. Hedges declared that it was of far more importance to save a life than to insist on the rigid enforcement of the statute. The druggist was told to sell all the alcohol that was necessary to Mr. Barlow.

Patient is Improving.

Floyd Barlow, after being in a critical condition for several days, Tuesday night was reported as slightly better.

Dr. Strickland returned to Oregon City late Tuesday and confirmed the statements of the district attorney's office.

In case Dr. Strickland had been in town Tuesday afternoon, Deputy District Attorney Burke says he could have furnished alcohol to his patient under a clause which provides that the prohibition law shall not prevent a physician from ministering to the needs of those under his care.

MOLALLA MAN ARRESTED.

Arthur Steininger, of Molalla, left for Tillamook Saturday morning to face a statutory charge. A complaint was issued in the coast county early in the week, and Sheriff Wilson was notified Friday. That night the sheriff located Steininger, and Saturday morning he left, accompanied by his father.

COURT SEEKS QUIET SETTLEMENT OF SUIT

TROUBLES OF ELDERLY COUPLE OVER LEASE TAKEN INTO CIRCUIT COURT.

Circuit Judge Campbell will use his influence to secure a peaceful settlement of the suit of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Rand against C. O. Hornung to cancel a lease held by Hornung on a farm belonging to the Rands, and to that end Wednesday ordered the defendant to prepare an accounting of the affairs of the farm while under his control.

The case will be brought up again before the local circuit court at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Rand, who are over 70 years old, represent that they are entirely dependent upon the money secured from renting their farm for a living, and that Hornung, by fraud, has ousted them. They were unable, however, to prove fraud Wednesday to the satisfaction of Judge Campbell.

C. I. STAFFORD IS IN RACE FOR ASSESSOR

OREGON CITY MERCHANT ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR COUNTY POSITION.

C. I. Stafford, proprietor of a dry goods store at 608 Main street, Friday announced his candidacy for county assessor on the Republican ticket.

Mr. Stafford is a native of New York state and he left a position at Union City, Pa., as cashier to visit relatives in Oregon in 1906. He liked the country and stayed in the west. He engaged in the mill and lumber business with the late F. J. Burley about three years in the Hood D. L. C. near Oregon City, afterward going to the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company's general offices in Portland.

He has conducted a dry goods business here for the past four years. His experience in corporation accounting and reporting was gained in the employ of the Erie and Lake Shore Railway systems, where he spent about 11 years in railway service.

EAST CLACKAMAS IS IN GRIP OF WORSE STORM OF THE YEAR

COTTRELL BRANCH IS CLOSED ON ACCOUNT OF HIGH DRIFTS—ROADS IMPASSABLE.

East Clackamas is in the grip of one of the worst storms of recent years—one that exceeds in snow fall and in the force of wind the present storm in the district among the Willamette.

The Cottrell branch of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company Saturday gave up the struggle against the storm. Drifts had piled up in the cuts that made it almost impossible to keep the cars running. The wind in the eastern part of the county has been so strong that many of the fields have been blown clean of snow, but the drifts have piled high in the gullies and against many of the buildings.

Deputy Sheriff Trembath left Oregon City Saturday in an attempt to reach Garfield, but was forced to turn back. He found a cut filled with snow, which made the road impassable. He said on return to Oregon City that the drift was 12 to 14 feet deep and 200 feet long.

The Sandy stage, with six passengers—five men and one woman—left Sandy as usual Saturday afternoon but a short distance this side of the town broke down. The men walked on into Boring, arriving in time to take a Portland-bound train that passed through Boring a few minutes after 5 o'clock.

The annual stockholders' meeting of the Sandy Creamery company was scheduled for Saturday afternoon, but only the secretary of the company, two stockholders and a Portland newspaperman showed up. The date for a second meeting has not been set.

Philip Hammond, a member of the law firm of Hammond & Hammond, of this city, was one of the stage passengers who walked into Boring. He said the snowfall was about 10 inches in the Sandy district. Wagons and burlies have disappeared entirely, he said, and sleds and sleighs had taken their places. All mail in the eastern part of the county is carried on sleds now.

1000 LETTERS WILL GO EAST DESCRIBING OREGON ATTRACTIONS

MANY FIRMS ORDER COMMERCIAL CLUB LETTER PRINTED FOR THEIR USE.

At least a thousand letters, aside from the hundreds sent by individuals, will be mailed to the east and south by Oregon City firms this week, describing the attractions of this city and state to the tourist.

At the meeting of the Commercial club board of governors Monday afternoon a form letter was adopted and the club offered to print it free of charge with typewriter type on the letterheads of any Oregon City firm or individual, providing they would be mailed out of the state. The letter is designed to draw tourists to Oregon.

Two hundred letters will be printed on plain paper for those who have no letterheads. Those who have responded to the campaign for letter writing week here are J. E. Hodges, Humbley Brothers company, Hawley Pulp & Paper company, C. H. Dye, B. T. McEldin, Dimick & Dimick, Price Brothers, Frank Busch, Bank of Commerce, Dillman & Howard, George A. Harding, John W. Loder, Cross & Burke, First National Bank, O. D. Eby, C. Schuler, Burmeister & Anderson, Bank of Oregon City, L. Adams, Miller-Parker company, Jones Drug company and Oregon City Enterprise.

ABUSE OF OREGON SYSTEM DEPLORED BY F. T. GRIFFITH

STATE NEEDS TO BE GUARDED FROM MISUSE OF INITIATIVE, HE SAYS.

OREGON CITY DECLARED BEST TOWN, COMMERCIAL, IN STATE

President of Portland Railway, Light & Power Company and Former Local Attorney Praises Advancement of Paper Plant.

Franklin T. Griffith, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, and a former Oregon City attorney, denounced the misuse and abuse of the initiative and referendum at the weekly luncheon of the Commercial club Live Wires here Tuesday.

He said the Live Wires could undertake no greater constructive work than the placing of the initiative and referendum constitutional amendment in a position where the people of Oregon would be safeguarded against the man with a personal hobby or idea that was without merit, but could be submitted to the people by simply obtaining the necessary number of signatures to petitions.

New Plan Suggested.

Mr. Griffith said that it might be that "Bill U-Ten" would object to his line of reasoning. He commended what he termed the honesty of U-Ten who, he said, believed that Franklin Griffith, as an Oregon City lawyer, was a pretty good fellow, but that Franklin Griffith, as president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, was a "devil with horns."

He suggested that the initiative and referendum were instruments to reform that that had been grossly abused in Oregon and argued that a remedy would be adopted to compel the filing of petitions at courthouses, where people would have to go to affix their signatures. Mr. Griffith insisted that a measure of sufficient merit could easily obtain the required signatures in this manner.

Few Read Pamphlet, He Says.

The voting upon measures on the ballot without a full knowledge of the meaning of such measures was scored by the speaker, who said that not a man at the luncheon table had read the last pamphlet issued from the office of the secretary of state, and that the knowledge of the average voter of the measures was limited to reading the ballot title at the polling place.

He confessed that this statement was not true concerning the prohibition amendment, with which nearly every voter in the state had become familiar through the wide publicity given to it, but he stated that some of the ballot titles had been very misleading, though in making such a statement he might, he said, be stepping on the toes of a former attorney-general.

Oregon City Praised.

Mr. Griffith told the Live Wires that Oregon City is the best town, commercially and industrially, in Oregon today, and he praised the conservative advancement of the Hawley Pulp & Paper company, which is to expend \$750,000 in development this year.

THREE SUITS FILED.

Walter B. Lemon has filed a suit in the circuit court against Stephen Pez-nacker to collect on three \$70 notes.

Lillie Ellison, in a divorce action instituted Thursday, against Horace Ellison, charges desertion. They were married January 25, 1903, at Ames, Iowa.

William Lepincky Thursday filed a suit against Carrie Walker for \$150, alleged to be due for labor.

FRAUD IS CHARGED IN SALE OF FARM

FINE BARN AND SPRING FOUND ON NEIGHBORING PROPERTY, SAY PURCHASERS.

Charging fraud and misrepresentation in the sale of a farm, John Basset and Harry Shay Thursday filed a suit in the circuit court against Oliver Mathews.

The plaintiffs claim that when they were shown the property they were given to understand that a fine barn, two large chicken houses and a spring were on the property, but when the sale was completed and they found the exact boundaries of the property, they learned the barn, the chicken houses and the spring belonged to a neighbor.

Basset and Shay paid \$1500 for the land, which they now say is not worth over \$500. They ask for \$1000 on account of the fraud, \$250 attorneys' fees, \$5 for the fee paid to get the land abstracted and \$200 expenses in trips made before the sale was made.

Brownell & Stevers are the plaintiffs' attorneys.

DISOLUTION OF FAIR COMPANY ADVERTISED

MANAGEMENT OF ANNUAL SHOW IS NOW UP ENTIRELY TO THE COUNTY COURT.

A proclamation of Governor With-combe, declaring the charters of a long list of corporations, including the Clackamas County Fair association, forfeited because of failure to submit an annual report for the last two years to Commissioner of Corporations Schulerman, has been issued and was published in a Portland paper Thursday.

The annual county fair, which in the past has been conducted by the fair association, is now in the hands of the county court, following the decision of the taxpayers at the annual county budget meeting last month, and will probably be managed by the court with the aid of a fair board.

Another Clackamas corporation to lose its charter through the governor's proclamation is the Oregon City Produce company, which was organized here several years ago.

THEODORE OSMUND IS NOW VICE-PRESIDENT OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

ORGANIZATION COMPLETED AND COMMITTEES NAMED AT MEETING OF GOVERNORS.

The first meeting of the new board of governors of the Commercial club, elected at the annual meeting of that organization Saturday night, was held Monday afternoon and the following officers elected: Vice-president, Theodore Osmund; secretary, M. D. Latourette, and treasurer, E. E. Brodie. O. D. Eby was elected president and Mr. Eby, T. W. Sullivan and Mr. Latourette were named directors at the Saturday night meeting of the club members.

The organization of the club for the year's work was completed Monday afternoon, and the standing committees named. The committees follow:

Executive committee—O. D. Eby, T. W. Sullivan, E. K. Stanton, J. E. Hedges, M. D. Latourette.

Transportation committee—T. W. Sullivan, B. T. McBain, W. A. Huntley, J. W. Moffatt, F. Busch.

Membership committee—E. E. Brodie, M. D. Latourette, A. C. Howland, W. J. Wilson, R. L. Holman.

Auditing committee—W. A. Swafford, I. T. Rau, Percy Caulfield, Charles Bollinger, George Hankins.

House committee—G. F. Johnson, C. C. Babcock, Tom J. Meyers.

Reception and entertainment—T. Osmund, L. A. Morris, H. E. Draper, George V. Ely, Clarence Farr.

Publicity committee—Percy P. Caulfield, H. S. Anderson, O. D. Eby, E. E. Brodie, E. R. Brown.

GREENPOINT SAWMILL MAY OPEN IN SPRING

SEVERAL INTERESTED IN PLANT HERE SAYS MAN WHO CONTROLS SITUATION.

With the rapidly improving lumber market, D. C. Latourette, of the First National bank, which controls the Greenpoint sawmill here, said Thursday he considered it only a matter of a short time until the mill would be operating.

A number of propositions to the bank from persons desiring to get control of the plant have been made in the last few days, he said, but no deal has been closed. The mill is situated on the Willamette river in the southern part of town and is well equipped. It has been idle for several years.

The terminal yards of the Willamette Valley Southern joins the plant. The new electric road, which runs within a short distance of the heavily timbered Cascades in both Clackamas and Marion counties, offers access to plenty of high grade logs. The mill was shut down previous to the opening of the road because of the lack of sawlogs at a reasonable price.

PARKPLACE MAN HELD FOR STEALING WATCH

Charged with stealing a gold watch from Mrs. Leona Case, the widow of Ernest Case, Jack Varlett was put under arrest Wednesday by Constable D. E. Frost. He was taken before Justice of the Peace Stevers and released upon his own recognizance to appear at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

He told Justice Stevers Mrs. Case loaned him the watch while he was working for her. Varlett lives in Parkplace.

MEMBERS SELECT EBY COMMERCIAL CLUB PRESIDENT

SULLIVAN, EBY AND LATOURETTE ARE DIRECTORS TO ELECT OTHER OFFICIALS.

DIAMOND PIN IS PRESENTED TO T. W. SULLIVAN, RETIRING HEAD

District Attorney Hedges Called Upon to Explain How He Can Allow Fighting—Annual Address of President is Read

Oscar D. Eby, for several years chairman of the publicity committee of the Commercial club and always prominent in the affairs of the organization, was elected president of the club at the annual meeting Saturday night.

Mr. Eby, T. W. Sullivan, the retiring president, and M. D. Latourette, were



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elected directors. They will probably meet Monday night when other officials will be selected, and the standing committees will be appointed.

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Several talks were made. Three boxing contests were staged, the feature one being a bout between Dundee and Abe Gordon, of Portland. Flechtner's orchestra furnished music for the evening, and a banquet was served just before the meeting adjourned.

District Attorney Hedges was called upon to explain why he, as the prosecuting officer of the county, could allow fighting, even at the annual meeting of the Commercial club, and responded with a humorous talk. T. A. Byrke, deputy district attorney, outlined the full limit of a beer key's activity under Oregon's present prohibition statute. Judge Grant B. Dimick urged the necessity of cooperation in successful commercial club work, and told of the possibilities of such an organization properly conducted.

Pin Given T. W. Sullivan.

J. E. Hedges, on behalf of the club, presented a diamond scarf pin to T. W. Sullivan, who ended two years' service as president of the club. Mr. Sullivan responded in a short talk.

The accomplishments of the year just ended, and the prospects for the year that has just begun were outlined in Mr. Sullivan's annual address, which was read Saturday night. The address follows in full:

The Oregon City Commercial club has, during the past year, surpassed its very creditable record of the previous year for achievement accruing to the benefit of Oregon City and Clackamas county, also to our state as well.

The club as heretofore through its organization as a whole and its active auxiliary bodies and committees has continued in the lead in all movements for the promotion of the best interests for the public welfare and general good.

Past Year One of Progress.

In spite of the quiet times of the preceding year, due to causes of national import and the continuance of the great war in Europe, extending into and through this year for most part affecting the business and trade of this country generally to its detriment except in certain districts which are engaged in manufacturing war supplies, we in this community have been blessed with a considerable improvement of conditions over the preceding year and the outlook for the ensuing year for this community is very bright and that for the entire state and Pacific coast is very encouraging.

The particular matters, now assured, that will bring immediate increase of prosperity to this community and our city especially is, (a) the starting of the construction work for the improvement of the Oregon City locks and canal by the U. S. government, the preparatory work for which improvement is now well under way and the larger working forces on the permanent cen-

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JOE SUISAP, KNOWN BY HUNDREDS HERE, DEAD FROM OVER EXERTION

Joseph Andrews, who is better known as Joe Suisap, a member of the Klickitat tribe of Indians, was found dead in the wood room of the Barclay building at 6 o'clock Tuesday night by Dr. C. H. Melsinger.

Suisap had been carrying wood for Dr. Melsinger and Corner W. E. Hempstead, who have offices in the building, and death is believed to be due to over exertion. The physicians believe that the Indian, who had been a steady drinker all his life, would not have died if he could have secured a drink of whiskey early in the day to stimulate him during the work.

Dr. Hempstead was the last man to see Suisap alive. The physician went to the wood room about 5:30 o'clock and saw Suisap lying down. He complained that he had a pain in his back and was sick. Half an hour later he was found dead.

Suisap was known to practically every man, woman and child in Oregon City and to hundreds through the county. He was born here 61 years ago, and is survived by one sister on the Warm Springs Indian reservation. His wife died 10 years ago.

During his younger days, Suisap was a baseball player of considerable ability, and played in the field for the Oregon City town team in 1874 and '75, when it held the championship of the entire state. Among those who played with him were H. E. Cross, William Pratt, Ed. Carter and Ed. Welsh.

Suisap made his living by doing odd jobs and when the town was wet worked in saloons.

Corner Hempstead did not consider an inquest necessary. The body was taken to Myers & Brady undertaking establishment, where it will be held until an effort is made to communicate with relatives.