



NORTH YAKIMA IS 'WET' BY BIG VOTE

Prohibition Is Beaten in Every Precinct.

DRYS DEFEATED BY 270 VOTES

Ballots Cast Represent Nearly Total Registration.

WOMEN PARADE AT POLLS

Long and Bitter Fight, in Which Local Politics Are Mixed, Ends With Perfect Order at Election—Saloons Closed.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—In an election characterized by a heavy vote and an intense interest, North Yakima voted 13 to 1 in the "wet" column today by a majority of 270. The prohibition forces failed to carry a single precinct in the city, and it was evidenced that the result represented the true sentiment of the city by the fact that out of the 2900 electors registered, 2540 cast their votes. Though the police were on hand to see that there was no disorder, their presence was not needed, as there was not the slightest attempt at roughness or rowdiness. The election terminated a long and bitter campaign, started before the city primary fight was on, and later curiously intertwined with local politics. In the wind-up of the struggle today the "wets" pressed into service every automobile in the city, while the "drys" made free use of hacks, and further increased their efforts at the polls by having women march among the crowds, bearing banners urging the men to vote against license.

All Saloons Keep Closed. One feature of the election that did much to favor the result was the general closing of all saloons when the polls were open, a voluntary move on the part of the liquor dealers. Even the sale of bottled liquor was stopped after midnight on Wednesday.

The local option fight, the first in the city's history, was connected from the very start with the political campaign which resulted in the reelection of Mayor Phillip M. Armbruster by a majority of 210 votes. During that campaign it was openly charged that Armbruster was backed by the liquor interests, and while he denied this at the time, he made a statement last week declaring himself to be in favor of "national prohibition" or none at all.

Many Charges Made. This statement moved Councilman J. J. Miller, who goes out of office with the close of the year, and who was defeated by Armbruster in the primary race for Mayor, to indirectly espouse the cause of the "drys," and to accuse the Mayor of not only being a saloon man, but also of being tainted with the taint of graft. Matters finally came to the posting of a \$1000 forfeit by the Mayor if he failed to prove his charges, and arrangements for a joint debate between the two were made. Capital was made out of all this by Manager Zuppan, of the "dry" forces, and half and quarter-page broadsides were used by both sides in the local papers.

Before the local option election predictions were freely made by the "wets" that the result of the Mayoralty election would be repeated in the present fight, and the close similarity of the final scores seems to show that their judgment was good. During the local option campaign the Royal Arch, the association of saloon men, was dissolved with considerable grandstand play, and shortly afterwards there was formed a "Businessmen's Association," in which no saloon men held office, but which took up the "wet" fight as a "business proposition."

Papers Entered Fight. The two daily papers also entered into the fight, the afternoon paper openly espousing the cause of the "wets," and its editor making a tour of Oregon and Washington towns where prohibition was in force, and writing stinging letters thereon. The evening paper was the "dry" organ, but was only lukewarm in its support of the forces under Manager Zuppan.

The result of the election leaves North Yakima the only community in the county, with one or two unimportant exceptions, that is still in the "wet" column. The prohibitionists are already planning a county prohibition campaign, which will probably be successful; but this will not affect North Yakima, as under the state laws a county cannot vote a city dry. The matter of license cannot be brought up here again for the next two years, pending upon the result.

One of the most peculiar features of the local option campaign was that it was largely engineered and carried on by men who were not taxpayers in the city. The leading members of the Civic Brotherhood, which led in the movement, lived just beyond the corporate limits of North Yakima, and Manager Zuppan, who had direct charge of the campaign, was an importation from Prosser.

DAUGHTER'S PLOT ENRICHES UNCLE

BANKER'S RELATIVES AGAINST HIM, IS TESTIMONY.

Witnesses Confirm Story That Girl Stole \$97,820 in Hope of Gaining Husband.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—An- gellina Schiavone's dramatic story, in which she told how she robbed her father's bank of \$97,820 and gave it to her uncle, Francesco Schiavone, to gain a husband, received strong confirmation from other witnesses today in the trial of Francesco Schiavone and his family before Judge Tutthill.

The original packages of money taken from Pasquale Schiavone's bank were traced to one of the defendants, Mollie Schiavone, daughter of Francesco, and said to have inspired her cousin with the idea that she could buy a husband. D. Costello, formerly receiving teller from the West Side Trust & Savings Bank, testified that Mollie Schiavone had made frequent deposits of \$500 for her father, Francesco Schiavone. Mollie always made a deposit for her father, Francesco, the witness said, and he did not recall an instance when Francesco had deposited such money himself.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Death and acute suffering among the poor classes are involved in the excessive cold that prevails in the Northwest, in the Mississippi Valley and down in Dixie. The coldest spot in the North today was St. Paul, at 14 degrees below. These are the records from Government instruments. Street thermometers told a still more violent tale of cold weather. Five deaths in two days are attributed to the rigorous weather. Pittsburg reports six fatalities and other cities are coming to the front with stories of death from exposure to the elements. Two negroes were frozen to death at Birmingham, Ala., in the first 24 hours of the severe chill.

Gotham Feels Coldest Day. Today was the coldest day of the Winter in New York, the thermometer registering 6 degrees above zero early this morning. Many were overcome by the cold, the municipal lodging-houses and police stations being thronged with persons seeking shelter.

The Ohio River is frozen solid from Pittsburg to Cincinnati. For the first time in seven years the Ohio River is frozen at Cincinnati, but one small place in the harbor escaping. Great suffering is reported among the poor. Ice Gorges Forming. Ice gorges have formed in the Mississippi River from Chester, Ill., to St. Louis, a distance of 70 miles. No immediate danger is expected from floods. Considered from the community standpoint, the greatest suffering now is south of the Mason and Dixon line, where the people in many localities are not prepared for such temperatures as have fallen upon them. There were a few places in the South which were comparatively comfortable, but all felt a Keener Northern breath than usual. In Jacksonville, Fla., the mercury at one time got as low as 29, and at Tampa it was only a few degrees warmer than that. Nashville reports that the Cumberland River is covered with ice for the first time in 17 years, with an early morning official registration of 6 degrees above zero. That is almost as cold as it was at any time last Winter in Chicago.

All South Freezing. A severe cold wave gripped the entire South tonight, not even the orange belt of Florida being exempted from the freezing temperature. This morning the mercury ranged from 3 degrees (Concluded on Page 5.)

\$2,500,000 LEFT THREE

Hospital, Chicago Y. M. C. A., Sunday School Union Recipients.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Thomas Murdoch, of the wholesale grocery firm of Reid, Murdoch & Co., whose will was probated today, left \$2,500,000 to three institutions. These are the American Sunday School Union, with headquarters in Philadelphia; the Chicago Y. M. C. A., and the Presbyterian Hospital, also of Chicago. These institutions will receive something over \$800,000 each. There is a proviso attached to the gift to the American Sunday School Union, to the effect that the money must be spent in the territory presided over by F. G. Ensign, who formerly worked here and for whom Mr. Murdoch had high regard. These three bequests represent the residue of the estate left by Mr. Murdoch, who made liberal provision for relatives and many special institutions. One of the bequests range from \$300,000 to \$200,000, and nearly all are for educational or charitable institutions.

WIFE WON BY GALLANTRY

Vancouver Physician Weds Co-ed He Defended as Classmate.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—A woman of the medical school of the University of Oregon continued last night in the marriage of Dr. Mills U. Lieser, of Vancouver, Wash., and Dr. Blanche Darrow, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Darrow, formerly of Portland. The ceremony was performed at the temporary home of the bride's parents, 4508 Washington boulevard, by Rev. James Dillard, pastor of the Delmar-avenue Baptist Church. The couple were classmates in the medical college. Dr. Lieser took upon himself the protection of the girl from opposition by men students not in sympathy with the training of women for the medical profession. His gallantry won her heart. They received their degree together four years ago.

WOMAN GETS BIG VERDICT

Tacoma Jury Awards \$10,000 For Breach of Promise.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—After being out only ten minutes this afternoon, a Superior Court jury awarded to Dorothea Olive Lee a verdict for \$10,000 damages in her suit against John T. Davis, retired mining engineer, for breach of promise. Mrs. Lee sued for \$15,000. She obtained a divorce from her ex-husband with the aid of Davis and alleged a contract marriage with Davis, with whom she traveled through California until she became ill at San Diego. Mrs. Lee's niece, Miss C. Halverson, of Geneva, Idaho, was summoned to San Diego to help care for her and while Mrs. Lee was in a hospital, Davis and Miss Halverson were married. Then Mrs. Lee sued.

NEW THOUGHT GOES SOUTH

Seattle Exponent to Lecture and Organize in New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Professor M. F. Knox, Ph. D., LL. D., founder of a mental science college at Seattle, Wash., and publisher and editor, is coming to New Orleans about January 1 for the dual purpose of delivering a series of free lectures on mental science and completing the organization of a branch of the mental science cult here. Knox is not a stranger in New Orleans. The principle for which he stands is called "New Thought."

GRAND VIZIER IS CHOSEN

Haaka Bey Called Back From Italy to Serve Turkey.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 30.—Haaka Bey, Ambassador to Italy, has accepted the office of Grand Vizier. He will leave Rome for Constantinople immediately.

DEATH IN WAKE OF BITING STORM

Poor From Northwest to Dixie Suffer.

13 FATALITIES ARE REPORTED

Cumberland Frozen First Time in 17 Years.

GOETHAM HAS COLDEST DAY

Ice Gorges Form for 70 Miles in Mississippi River—Ohio Iced for Long Distance—South Unprepared, in Throes.

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DOG CAUSES BITTER FEUD

Charge of Assault With Intent to Kill Dismissed After Hearing.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Ascertaining that the quarrel between James Crockett and C. H. Lindeman, of Crabtree, in which guns and knives are said to have figured, was caused merely by Lindeman's dog following Crockett, Justice Swan today dismissed the charge of assault with intent to kill, which Lindeman preferred against Crockett. Crockett pleaded not guilty and Justice Swan heard the evidence this afternoon, deciding that both men were at fault in the quarrel.

FLAX SHORT, PRICE SOARS

Cash Article, \$2.09 1-2 in Minneapolis, Highest Figure Yet.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 30.—Cash flax today touched the highest point ever known on the floor of the Chamber of Commerce when it went up to \$2.09 1/2. This is 3 1/2 cents higher than May flax in Duluth, which is quoted there at \$2.06. The high price is due to the shortage of flax all over the world and particularly in the Northwest. Very little was offered at the price bid. (Concluded on Page 4.)

VANDERBILT LETS VULGAR TRADE IN

THROWS DOWN BARS TO STORES ON FIFTH AVENUE.

Lots Opposite Residences of Vanderbilt and Sloan Sold Unrestricted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—The Vanderbilts have given up the struggle to keep commercial traffic away from the neighborhood of their Fifth-avenue mansion.

The acknowledgment that they have submitted to the encroachments of trade was made today when a real estate brokerage firm was authorized by William K. Vanderbilt and his son, William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., without any restrictions as to its use. Heretofore it could be had only on agreement that it should be used exclusively for residential purposes. Mrs. Edward H. Harriman, who owns the corner of Fifth avenue and Fifty-second street, adjoining this lot, has joined in this unrestricted authorization, so that both pieces of property can be sold together. Vanderbilt and Sloan purchased the entire plot about six years ago for \$1,350,000, to prevent the erection of an apartment-house on it. E. H. Harriman took the corner part of this plot about two years ago, intending to build a mansion there, but before his death his design was abandoned because of the advance of trade. The owners will doubtless receive a larger price than the property brought six years ago.

MATCH FRIGHTENS COUGAR

Prairie City Man Saved by Lighting Cigarette.

PRairie CITY, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—When he paused to light a cigarette, John Buchanan, walking here alone, frightened away a cougar that had been following him stealthily for a mile. The cougar, it is said by some, was frightened by the flame of the match. Mr. Buchanan heard a growl and turned in time to see the animal scrambling up the side of the canyon. Trackers went out the next day and found confirmation of the story Buchanan told.

Expect to Kill Markets.

Then, when prices soar, league members, by stopping the use of such articles or commodities as have gone above a certain level, will try to put them back by refusing to furnish a market. The plan was tried in Germany a few years ago, and, according to a report, broke up a combine that had raised the price of coffee to an almost prohibitive point. Politics Are Barred. The meeting was informal, and no final organization was effected. It was understood, however, that the crusade just begun should go on in the name of the Anti-Trust League, and that the organization should be non-political. As soon as Congress reconvenes a permanent organization will be effected. Among the speakers tonight were minority leader Clark and Congressman McKinlay, of California. Women to Have Part, Too. The women of the United States will be taken into membership on equal terms with men, and will have equal voice in the campaign. A nominal fee will be charged members to cover the cost of mailing proclamations against articles of food that have been pushed too high in the market.

DIVORCE EVIDENCE SEALED

Danford J. Abrams, Realty Magnate, Gets Decree at Reno.

RENO, Nev., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—A decree of divorce was granted today to Danford J. Abrams, a wealthy real estate operator and capitalist of New York and Chicago, from Fanny L. Abrams, the ground for action being desertion. The plaintiff was formerly an active business man of Utica, and since his coming to Nevada has interested himself in certain mining properties in this state. His wife is residing with her brother in San Francisco, where there from Los Angeles. The couple had not lived together since 1900. No children nor community property were involved in the action. The testimony has been ordered sealed by the court. Abrams incorporated a real estate company in Chicago, where he has large interests. The couple were married in Gouvernville, N. Y., in March, 1882.

DAMAGE SUITS THREATENED

Independent Oil Men to Sue Standard Oil by Thousands.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 30.—Several thousand damage suits against the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey will be instituted by the independent oil refiners if the United States Supreme Court upholds the decision of the Circuit Court for the Missouri district ordering the corporation dissolved. Thomas L. Hagen, Presidential candidate of the Independence party in 1908, who is now president of the Independent Petroleum Marketers' Association, today announced that the independents would (Concluded on Page 4.)

LEAGUE IS FORMED TO CHECK TRUSTS

German Plan Is to Be Tried in America.

CONGRESSMEN APPROVE IDEA

Boycott of Staples Handled by Combines Is Keynote.

SCHEME IS NOT POLITICAL

National Anti-Trust League Will Wage War on Combinations That Increase Cost of Living—Movement Aided by Women.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Plans for a National boycott of those combinations that increase the cost of living were laid here tonight, when the National Anti-Trust League was launched. Members of Congress are interested in the new movement and immediate steps will be taken toward perfecting state organizations. Expect to Kill Markets. Then, when prices soar, league members, by stopping the use of such articles or commodities as have gone above a certain level, will try to put them back by refusing to furnish a market. The plan was tried in Germany a few years ago, and, according to a report, broke up a combine that had raised the price of coffee to an almost prohibitive point. Politics Are Barred. The meeting was informal, and no final organization was effected. It was understood, however, that the crusade just begun should go on in the name of the Anti-Trust League, and that the organization should be non-political. As soon as Congress reconvenes a permanent organization will be effected. Among the speakers tonight were minority leader Clark and Congressman McKinlay, of California. Women to Have Part, Too. The women of the United States will be taken into membership on equal terms with men, and will have equal voice in the campaign. A nominal fee will be charged members to cover the cost of mailing proclamations against articles of food that have been pushed too high in the market.

CIGARS SOLE XMAS GIFTS FOR CANNON

SPEAKER GETS THEM WHOLESALE FROM FRIENDS.

Back at Washington Again, "Uncle Joe" Smiles Sarcastically at Rumors of His Retreat.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Speaker Cannon, laden with a few barrels of Christmas cigars, returned to Washington tonight and will put in tomorrow at his office, outlining the work for the coming Congress. The Speaker spent Christmas at his home in Danville, Ill., where he acted the role of Santa Claus for his grandchildren. Everyone who remembered him on the great holiday appeared to have been inspired with the one idea, for his gifts were practically all cigars, of various brands and of equally varying excellence. "Uncle Joe" declared he was in the best of health, and he looked it. He declined to talk politics to friends, and when asked about his preparations to meet the advertised onslaught of the House "insurgents" he merely smiled. He smiled even more broadly when inquiry was made about his reported decision to relinquish the Speakership. The sarcastic manner in which his lip curled, however, convinced his friends that the rumor should not be taken seriously.

DAVENPORT TRIFLE WORSE

Complication Develops in Condition of Noted Cartoonist.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Homer Davenport the noted cartoonist, who is seriously ill at the home of A. G. Spalding, Point Loma, fighting to recover from a nervous breakdown, was not as well as reported. Mr. Davenport slept well last night, but today a new complication threatened. A sharp pain has developed in the back of his head, and while there is no fever, the attending physician has not yet decided the nature of this latest development. It will be several days before Davenport's condition can be brought back to where it was yesterday. The doctors refuse to say whether he will ultimately recover. SILVERTON, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Homer Davenport's parents received a letter from him today which confirms the report published in The Oregonian yesterday regarding his illness, but in which he states that he is on the road to recovery. He attributes his physical condition to the fact that he had scarcely any sleep on the train between New York and California, and his physicians report him convalescent.

MOVE TO BOLSTER BANK LAW IS MADE

Haskell Would Divorce Board From Politics.

GIVEN VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.

Governor Dominates Bankers Attending Conference.

NEW BOARD IS ADVOCATED

Proposed Amendment Would Have Executive Appoint Three Other Ex-Officio Members to Replace Heads of Departments.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—With the object in view of bolstering up the state guarantee banking law of Oklahoma, which has received many knocks lately from failures, Governor Haskell called a meeting for today of many of the state bankers. An attempt was made to enlist aid of Kansas and Nebraska by inviting them also to send delegates to this meeting, but no one was present. It was quite clear from the start that the bankers were at the mercy of the Governor and his banking board, and had nothing to do but pass the amendments proposed. As a result of the meeting, however, the entire separation of the administration of the state banking law from politics was advocated. To carry out this idea the bankers advocated an entire reorganization of the state banking board as now constituted, and the substitution of a board composed of the governor as ex-officio member and three other members appointed by the Governor. At present (Concluded on Page 4.)

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