

LIQUOR ISSUE MAKES MAJORITY SQUIRM

House Democrats Ignore Subject in Caucus and Special Rule Is Uncertain.

"DRYS" INSIST ON RECORD

Chairman Henry First Promises to Report Rule Calling for Vote, but, Under Pressure, Has Change of Opinion.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 19.—At their recent caucus on the legislative programme the Democrats of the House of Representatives artfully dodged the prohibition question and refused to consider the Hobson resolution on the ground that prohibition is not a party question; nor was any serious effort made to get an expression of opinion on this question from the caucus.

Friends of the Hobson resolution, however, intend, if they can bring it about, to force the committee on rules to bring in a special rule a little later in the session, providing for the consideration of this resolution, and when that demand is made, opponents of National prohibition will undertake to prevent action by the rules committee.

Chairman Henry Changes Mind.

It has been demonstrated beyond doubt that the Hobson resolution cannot come before the House this session unless it is brought up under a special rule. For a time Chairman Henry, of the rules committee, held out the promise that he would report such a rule and allow the House to go on record. If such a rule were reported, there is little question but it would be agreed to, and that would open the way to a record vote on a question that all previous Congresses have been able to avoid. Chairman Henry, however, has undergone a change of heart, if his passive action indicates his innermost impulses, but that is only natural, because of the fact that tremendous pressure has been brought to bear upon him to stifle the prohibition resolution by the rules committee. Democratic tactics on the prohibition question have shifted often and rapidly during the past two weeks, and it is impossible to predict what the outcome will be.

Committee Dodges Issue.

After standing the prod for a long time, the House committee on the prohibition resolution reported the Hobson resolution without recommendation, thus relieving itself of the responsibility for stifling consideration of the measure. When the resolution was reported to the House it was pointed out by the opponents of prohibition that it would not be considered, as it would have to be called up on some Wednesday, under the new rules, and the legislative manipulators of the House have so maneuvered that the resolution cannot come up in that way this session.

Only a few days after the anti had announced that they had the issue shelved, Chairman Henry, of the rules committee, finding himself and his colleagues being held responsible for the sidetracking of the prohibition resolution, announced that a special rule would be brought in, and that the House would have to make its own record.

Caucus Ignores Subject.

Then came the caucus, where the subject was ignored, and following the caucus Mr. Henry let it be known that his committee could not take the responsibility for a rule, and the defense was made that the rules committee could not fairly be held responsible for the tabling of the prohibition measure.

The advocates of prohibition, seeing how the land lies, now propose, if possible, to make it apparent that only through the rules committee can a vote be had in the House, and they believe that if this fact is sufficiently advertised, Mr. Henry and other Democrats on the rules committee will have to change front again and bring in a special rule. That, at least, is their hope.

DRYS BLAMED FOR DEFEAT

Roseburg Congressional Aspirant Sees Statewide Prohibition.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—That his defeat was due to the prohibition forces who rallied to the support of W. C. Hawley, was the explanation of E. F. Jones, defeated aspirant for Representative in Congress from this district.

"I attribute my defeat to prohibition," said Mr. Jones. "The air is full of it. The primary election was a prohibition landslide, especially in this Congressional district. In my opinion the people outside the county of Multnomah will vote dry two to one at the coming November election, and the vote may be so strong that it will overcome that county and Oregon will have statewide prohibition."

CARNIVAL OPENS THURSDAY

Varied Programme Arranged for Annual Strawberry Festival.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—With decorators at work throughout the business district of the city, Roseburg is prepared for the annual Strawberry Festival, which opens here Thursday morning.

The three days of carnival will be crowded with a variety of stunts. No labor or expense has been spared in an effort to make the carnival the banner gala event in Douglas County.

The programme as arranged by the executive committee has set aside Thursday as fraternal day and Saturday as farmers' day.

ROSEBURG WOMAN HEIRESS

Message Says \$55,000 Estate Awaits Mrs. Francis Long in Ohio.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—According to a message received here yesterday, Mrs. Francis Long, of Roseburg, has fallen heir to an estate valued at approximately \$55,000.

The estate was left by David M. Edwards, an uncle of Mrs. Long, and is located in Ohio.

Man Cuts Throat; Wife Blamed.

CENTRALIA, Wash., May 19.—(Special.)—Tom Knopka, a resident of Pe Ell, slashed his throat from ear to ear with a razor and is said to have told the physician who attended him that his wife had tried to murder him. Sheriff Foster was notified, but after an investigation said he was confident that Knopka had done the act.

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SEATTLE FIRM TO DO WORK ON FOUNDATION AT ASTORIA.

Price of \$135,715 Is Accepted by Port Commission—Dredging and Ripraping May Be Awarded Today.

ASTORIA, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—The Port of Astoria Commission at its meeting today awarded a contract to J. A. McEachern Company, of Seattle, for the piling and timber work for the construction of the foundation for the first unit of the proposed public docks. The contract price is \$135,715. The work is to be completed in 120 days. Six other bids were received as follows:

C. L. Houston, \$165,520; Wilson Bros. & Lebeck, \$137,871.15; Guthrie-McDougal Company, \$156,325; Robert Wakefield, \$143,654; Twohy Bros., \$200,197.50; Sound Construction & Engineering Company, \$158,225.

Bids on dredging were received as follows: Standard American Dredging Company, \$24,500; Puget Sound Dredging Company, \$296,250; Guthrie-McDougal Company, \$212,500; Tacoma Dredging Company, \$186,250. On the ripraping work the bids were as follows: Guthrie-McDougal Company, \$16,250; Robert Wakefield, \$16,200; Tacoma Dredging Company, \$21,600.

The contracts for dredging and ripraping will probably be awarded tomorrow.

Judge to Make School Address.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 19.—(Special.)—Judge Chadwick, of the Supreme Court of Washington, who lives at Olympia, has accepted an invitation to deliver the commencement address of the Vancouver High School, June 12.

Forestry Students Get Jobs.

MOSCOW, Idaho, May 19.—(Special.)

—Every man in the senior, junior and sophomore classes and two in the freshman class in the department of forestry at the University of Idaho already have secured good positions in practical forest work for the Summer months. The positions are in technical work and carry salaries ranging from \$50 to \$100 per month.

NEW RAILROAD FAVORED

Coos County Towns Promise to Work for Line From Roseburg to Coast.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—That the people of Coos County are enthusiastic over the prospects of a railroad from Roseburg to the coast and will do their share toward bringing about a speedy realization of the project, was the statement of J. W. Perkins, on his return from Marshfield.

Mr. Perkins was sent to Coos County by the Roseburg Commercial Club in hope that the people of that section could be induced to interest themselves in building the railroad. Public meetings were held at Marshfield, North Bend, Myrtle Point and Coquille. Roseburg started the agitation for a road several weeks ago when it decided to hold an election and bond the town for \$30,000, with which to help construct the road.

GOOD ROADS CHIEF TOPIC

Booster Organizations Work in Union for Idaho Improvements.

LEWISTON, Idaho, May 19.—(Special.)—The chief subject under consideration in this community is good roads. The commercial organizations and good roads clubs are exerting every endeavor to assist in the movement.

D. Ward King opened his split-log drag campaign for Lewiston and vicinity at Tammany Valley yesterday. He was escorted by an automobile delegation, consisting of officers of the Commercial Club and leading business men. He will speak in Lewiston tomorrow.

CAMPUS DAY PLANS MADE

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of University to Be Observed Monday.

MOSCOW, Idaho, May 19.—(Special.)—The fourth anniversary of Campus day will be observed at the University of Idaho Monday. As the law creating

the university was passed just 25 years ago, more elaborate plans are being made for the celebration this year. The various departments will be represented in a pageant.

Miss Josephine Wayman, a member of the senior class, who was elected Queen last week by the student body, will represent the spirit of Idaho. She will have 85 attendants.

Oregon Initiative Is Studied.

SALEM, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—L. M. Howell, Secretary of State of Washington, is in Salem familiarizing himself with the initiative and referendum procedure and the work of the state sealer of weights and measures. Mr.

Howell thinks the initiative law passed at the last session of the Washington Legislature is more complicated than the Oregon law.

M'INNIVILLE WOMAN DIES

Mrs. G. A. Booth Lived in Oregon for 43 Years; Husband Very Ill.

M'INNIVILLE, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—Mrs. Guelmtra Adran Booth, aged 64, for 43 years a resident of McMinnville and a member of the Bethel Lodge, died today. Mrs. Booth is survived by her husband, W. T.

Booth, a Civil War veteran, who is very ill; a son, U. S. Booth, of Portland, and two daughters, Mrs. John Wilkins, of this city, and Mrs. Charles V. Galloway, of Salem.

Mrs. Booth was a member of the Degree of Honor and of the Women's Relief Corps. The funeral will be held Thursday. Interment will be in the Masonic Cemetery.

Judge Phelps Coming.

PENDLETON, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—Judge G. W. Phelps will leave shortly for Portland in answer to a call to preside over one of the departments of the Circuit Court of Multnomah County to aid in clearing the congested docket.



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