

REPUBLICANS SURE TO WIN, IS REPORT

Ralph E. Williams Confident on Return From Meeting of National Committee.

PROGRESSIVES COUNTED ON

Nomination of Man Acceptable to All Branches of Party and to Recent Successionists Expected to Insure Victory.

With the rejuvenation of the Republican party, which now is unmistakably under way, and with the adoption of principles acceptable in various con-

Such is the message brought back to Oregon by Ralph E. Williams, National committee man from Oregon, who attended the recent meeting of the National Republican committee in Washington, D. C.

That the reorganization will be brought about at the Republican National convention, to be held in Chicago June 7, through the adoption of a strong platform for preparation and tariff programme, and the nomination of a candidate of progressive tendencies, is the firm conviction of Mr. Williams.

It cannot be denied that Roosevelt is still a strong political figure. Because of the progressive principles which he represents, he will be considered at all times. It is common talk that he will not be a Presidential candidate, but that he does want a nomination on a progressive platform.

AMITY POSTOFFICE ROBBED

Front Door of Building is Broken Down by Burglars.

RIDGEFIELD Oddfellow Buried.

CONSUL-GENERAL OF CHINA GUEST OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.



HON. THOMAS SAMMONS, OF SHANGHAI.

CHINESE TRADE OPEN

Regular Steamer Service From Portland Advised by Consul.

AGENTS IN FIELD URGED

Thomas Sammons Tells Manufacturers and Exporters How to Get Share of Rapidly Growing Far Eastern Business.

The tremendous and growing markets of China can be opened to Portland only through the establishment of a regular steamship service from this port to the Far East, in the opinion of Thomas Sammons, United States Consul-General at Shanghai, who was in Portland yesterday in conference with officials of the Chamber of Commerce, manufacturers and exporters.

Mr. Sammons predicted that the foreign trade of China soon will equal that of Japan, which is now about \$1,000,000,000 annually.

Germany had been shipping these barrel staves to her own country, stamping them with a German mark and trans-shipment them.

Missionary Society Entertains.

295 SALOONS CLOSE

Forty-Three Other Licenses Also Expire in City.

LOSS OF REVENUE MARKED

In 1905 Portland Had 455 "Booze" Emporiums, Which Gradually Were Reduced by Law and Impending Prohibition.

Prohibition last night wiped the slate clean of 295 saloons, four wholesalers and rectifiers, 15 wholesalers, 15 grocery liquor licenses, 10 grill liquor licenses and three brewery licenses.

The year 1915 started out with 327 saloons, which was nearly 100 fewer saloons than existed before the prohibition movement took on a serious character there were saloons in 1912.

Up to the time the tables began to turn, the city always figured on a total of \$150,000 to \$160,000 from liquor licenses.

The greatest number of saloons Portland ever had was 455, in 1905, according to Municipal License Collector Hutchinson.

These transfers ceased in 1912, and the number of saloons began to drop off. At the beginning of 1915, after prohibition had been adopted, 31 saloons failed to renew their licenses.

Since July 19 more places have dropped out, five of which were saloons. The city collected licenses of \$1000 a year for saloons, \$1000 for family liquor stores, \$1000 for wholesalers and rectifiers, \$300 for grocers, \$200 for drug stores selling liquor and \$500 from breweries.

YEAR'S SALES LIGHTER

GRAY'S HARBOR LUMBER SHIPMENT 210,000,000 FEET.

Camps and Mills Idle Year Ago Are in Operation and Predictions Are Bright for 1916.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Cargo lumber shipments from Gray's Harbor for 1915 will be about 217,000,000 feet less than they were in 1914.

Both shippers and millmen are pleased with the outlook for 1916 and expect to handle a larger volume of business.

PENDLETON MUZZLES DOGS

State Health Officer Finds Rabies in Suspected Animal.

HIGHWAY CONTRACT IS LET

Paved Road to Be Extended From Astoria to Seaside.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The County Court awarded a contract today to the Western Paving Company for improving the remaining 4 1/2 miles of the Clatsop Plains highway.

grading to a width of 30 feet, putting in the necessary culverts and drains, and paving nine feet wide with a three-foot rock shoulder on either side.

BREWERY FIGHTS FOR LIFE

Spokane Concerns Attacks. Prohibition Law in Federal Court.

SPOKANE, Dec. 30.—William Stoehr, of Boise, Idaho, a stockholder in the Inland Empire Brewing & Malting Company of Spokane, filed suit in the United States District Court here today, asking that Attorney-General Tamm, of Washington, be restrained from interfering with the business of the company under the prohibition law.

RUSH COAL ORDERS PLACED

Chehalis Mine Gets Six-Car Call From Portland.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The cold snap just now prevailing over the Northwest has proved a benefit to the coal-mining operators at Chehalis.

PENDLETON WOMAN DIES

Mother of Prominent Farmer Passes Away at Son's Home.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Mrs. Katherine Cline, mother of Robert P. Kirkpatrick, one of the prominent farmers of Umatilla County, passed away at the Kirkpatrick home in Pendleton today at the age of 84 years.

TAXI BILL RUNS HIGH

Royce Company Sues Moses Blumauer for \$265, Alleged Unpaid.

Why use streetcars or jitneys when taxicabs are at one's beck and call?

WAR CUTS MAIL RECEIPTS

Portland Office Takes in \$6053 Less Than in December, 1914.

Receipts of the Portland Postoffice during December just closed aggregated \$128,570.06, against \$132,623.30 for December, 1914.

Centralia to Call in Warrants.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The City Commission announced yesterday that in a few days it will authorize the City Treasurer to call in about \$8000 worth of outstanding current expense warrants.

Proposed Kelso Road Inspected.

W. P. Ely and J. L. Harris, of Kelso, made a trip of inspection over the proposed road from Shanghai to the Gobar Creek country on the upper

FAMOUS CALIFORNIA HOTELS HEALTH & WINTER RESORTS

Spend the Winter in California

AVERAGE WEEKLY TEMPERATURES OF LEADING CALIFORNIA RESORTS FOR WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1915

TEMPERATURES CHANGED WEEKLY

HOTEL DEL MONTE THE GOLFERS' PARADISE OVERLOOKING MONTEREY BAY

Hotel Clark LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA

Hotel Virginia LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA

Hotel Lankershim LOS ANGELES

Arrowhead Hot Springs

Health is One's Greatest Asset

VENICE THE CONEY ISLAND OF WESTERN AMERICA

LONG BEACH SANTARIUM

HOTEL TURPIN IN THE HEART OF THE CITY

ARLINGTON HOTEL

PASCO COUNCIL SAVES MONEY

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS

Newaukum Trains on New Schedule

W. H. Paulhamus to Talk at Elma

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The Newaukum Valley Railroad Company has begun running trains on a regular tri-weekly schedule between Napavine and Onalaska.

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Barrett, Dr. H. Lester, 415 Morgan Bldg.

Keller, Dr. William G., 508 Taylor St.

Northrup, Dr. H. H., 803 Morgan Bldg.

POLLY AND HER PALS HAPPY NEW YEAR 1916