

VANCOUVER ISSUES  
BASE DEBATE DEF

Mayor Kiggins' Predecessor,  
Now His Opponent, Chal-  
lenges.

## FIGHT WAXES OVER WATER

Reduction of Saloons in Town Voted  
"Wet" Also Sallent Point—Im-  
provement of Streets Up.  
Discussion Date Tardy.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Challenged by ex-Mayor Green, Democratic candidate for the mayoralty to debate on campaign issues with him, Mayor Kiggins, Republican, who is seeking re-election, has declined, saying the time set for the debate, Monday, is inopportune. Municipal ownership of the water system, regulation of the honor traffic and street improvements are the campaign issues over which Vancouverites' fight for office wages hot.

The local option question was recently fought out here, the "Wet" winning by a small margin, but indirectly this question is still before the people. An ordinance strictly regulating the saloons recently went into effect, but the question of reducing the number of saloons is still up. The question of further street improvements is a live issue.

## Improvements Held Up.

One contract for \$40,000 worth of street improvements was held up by the Mayor. Some want these improvements made and others are opposed to them. The question of the city owning its own water plant is being discussed and has been a topic all this year. Mayor Kiggins favors the Lewis River project. The contract for the construction of several thousand dollars' worth of sewers was delayed by the city council, and it is asserted that the price is too high. A discussion of this subject is entering into the campaign.

"I am of the opinion that Attorney Green is running a big bluff," said Mayor Kiggins tonight, when his attention was called to a challenge that Mr. Green had issued to the Mayor to meet him (Green) on the platform in the auditorium Monday evening, December 5, and discuss the municipal questions in the present campaign. "Mr. Green was well aware," said the Mayor, "when he issued that challenge that the City Council meets Monday night, and that any opponent who is to come up at that council meeting it is necessary for me to be there."

## Invitation Is Declined.

"I cannot, therefore, accept his invitation to discuss municipal issues with him Monday night. Had he proposed this joint discussion sooner in the campaign and set a date for the day on which my official duties call upon me to be at the City Hall, I should have been glad to accommodate him."

The challenge issued by ex-Mayor Green, the only Democrat ever elected Mayor of this city, was:

I hereby invite and challenge the Hon. John P. Kiggins, Mayor of the City of Vancouver, to meet me on the public platform, Monday, December 5, 1909, at 8 o'clock, in the Auditorium, to discuss municipal questions and the issues now pending before the people of this city.

I think it is eminently fitting that we, the two candidates for Mayor, meet in this way and discuss important public matters, so that the people may know where we stand. The hall has been engaged and the city band will furnish music. I will be there and sincerely hope that Mayor Kiggins will be there, too, and meet me in a friendly discussion of the issues now uppermost in the present municipal campaign.

## Big Meeting Called.

A mass meeting has been called to be held at the Auditorium Monday evening. It is at this meeting that Mr. Green would discuss public questions of a municipal nature with Mayor Kiggins.

Whether the joint discussion takes place or not, Mr. Green will give an address, and other candidates for municipal office have also been asked to speak. This will be the only public gathering held during the present city campaign, at which city issues will be discussed.

## MAYOR AND PREDECESSOR UP

Vancouver's Fight at Polls Tuesday to Be Triple.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The annual municipal election in Vancouver will take place Tuesday, December 7. There are contests over only three offices, that of Mayor, City Attorney and Councilman-at-Large. The chief interest centers in the race for the mayoralty between John P. Kiggins, Republican nominee, and E. M. Green, Democratic. Mr. Kiggins is the present mayor and Mr. Green was mayor in 1908, the only Democrat who was ever elected to that office.

The other candidates are: P. J. Kirwin, Republican, and George B. Simpson, Democrat, for City Attorney. Mr. Kirwin is seeking re-election. John Rousch, Republican, and J. W. Wentworth, Democrat, for councilman-at-large; James P. Geoghegan, for city clerk; A. R. Munker, city treasurer; J. O. Hardin, for councilman in Fourth Ward; Floyd Simpson, councilman in Fifth Ward; G. W. Stoner, councilman in Sixth Ward.

Municipal elections will also be held Tuesday in Ridgefield, La Center, Yacolt, Washougal and Camas.

## 'PROHIS' BUSY AT ASHLAND

Hotels Want to Try "Pasadena" Plan of Liquor With Meals.

ASHLAND, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—At the approaching city election, December 21, besides the annual vote provided by charter to determine the question of license on the city for the coming year, one of the two charter amendments proposed has drawn the fire of the anti-liquor people for some time past. This authorizes the city council to issue liquor licenses to hotels or restaurants, so that liquor may be served with all meals costing as much as 25 cents, upon payment of a license fee of \$200. This is called the "Pasadena plan," and the hotels here have been urging it with an eye to the tourist traffic.

Another amendment relates to the addition of more territory to the limits of the city.

Three members of the Council, one for each ward, and one member of the Park Commission are to be elected; all the other city officials hold over, according to a recently passed charter amendment.

Vancouver Elks to Mourn.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The annual memorial services of

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cial.)—The annual memorial services of Vancouver Lodge No. 22, B. P. O. E., in memory of departed Elks will be held Sunday afternoon in Hager's Theater. The memorial address will be delivered by W. R. Albertson, of Seattle Lodge No. 30, and the eulogy will be given by George L. Hutchin, of Portland Lodge No. 142. Solos will be sung by Miss Petronella Connolly, of Portland, and Mrs. Laura Crawford, of this city. A violin solo will be given by Frank G. Eichenlaub and the orchestra will give musical selections. Departed Elks in memory of whom the services will be held are: Charles A. S. Vivian, founder of the order, March 30, 1880; William H. McCall, Jonas D. Mayer and James Crawford.

## BOOKS FOUND; CURTS FREE

Agent Lands in Jail Through Mistake of Publishers.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—M. E. Curtis, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses by taking orders for books and not delivering them, was released last evening by Sheriff Sappington when it was learned that the books which he was to have delivered were in the station at Camas, where they had been since August 3. The publishing house, it seems, had shipped the order to Camas, while Curtis was looking for the books to go to Washougal.

Curtis was arrested in Wenatchee and brought here by the Sheriff. The books in question had been ordered sometime ago by different school districts in Clark County, and part payment made on some of them. County Superintendent Oscar McBride was the one who filed the complaint against Curtis.

## PASS IGNORED, MAN SUES

T. J. Williams Asks \$5000 for Being Forced From S. P. Train.

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—T. J. Williams, a former Wilbur merchant, has filed suit against the Southern Pacific Railroad for \$5000 damages. The complaint alleges that Williams was ejected from a passenger train at Oregon City December 14 last, while he was en route to Wilbur, traveling on a pass.

He complains that the pass was refused by the conductor, who also declined to take cash fare. Williams, when forced from the train, was obliged to remain over night at Oregon City.

## CHINESE BOYCOTT RAISED

Oriental Arriving on Japanese Ships Confirm Reports.

SEATTLE, Dec. 4.—Newspapers just received from China state that the boycott against Japanese steamers by Chinese merchants has been removed. It continued for 18 months, and during that time Japanese vessels had almost no Chinese patronage. The Kaga Maru, which will arrive here December 10, is bringing Chinese passengers, this fact confirming the report of removal of the boycott.

## Oddfellows Go to Washougal.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Some 40 members of the local lodge of Oddfellows took the North Bank train for Washougal tonight, where the Vancouver degree team will put on the first degree work and initiate several candidates. The Washougal Oddfellows have arranged to serve a banquet in honor of the visitors after the business session. The steamship J. J. Hark for had been chartered by the Vancouver Oddfellows to make the trip up the river, but the storm prevented them from carrying out these plans.

## Vancouver Postoffice Busier.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The postoffice receipts for November, 1909, were within \$4 of being \$300 greater than the record of the same month in 1908. The receipts for November last year were \$1569.57, and for November this year were \$1865.41. This is an increase of 20 per cent.

## NEW DINING-CAR SERVICE.

Commencing Sunday, December 5, the Southern Pacific will introduce dining-car service on its local trains No. 18 and No. 19, between Portland and Cottage Grove, leaving Portland at 8:20 A. M. daily, and returning leave Cottage Grove, 4:02 P. M. This will serve patrons lunch en route southbound and dinner northbound.

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Winter Scene on the Lake in  
Central Park, New York.

## BEAN TO TRY CASES

Trials of Moon and Barber Set  
for December 27.

## 250 WITNESSES CALLED

Fraud in Obtaining Boise Basin Timber Lands Through Dummy Entrymen Charged—Demurrers to Be Argued.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Sumner G. Moon and James T. Barber, officers of the Barber Lumber Company and wealthy Wisconsin lumbermen, over whose heads indictments have been hanging for the past two years in this state for alleged fraud in the use of dummy entrymen to secure 25,000 acres of timber land in the Boise Basin, will stand trial in this city before Judge Robert S. Bean, of Portland, on December 27. By agreement of counsel, Special Gordon, for the Government, Payton assistant to Attorney-General Wickensham, and C. T. Bundy, of Eau Claire, Wis., today, an order was entered by Judge Bean for the date of the trial, after Judge Bean had been consulted.

The government has intimated to the court that the trial of the case will take five or six weeks. It has issued 250 subpoenas, summoning witnesses from all parts of the country.

Barber and Moon are at present under \$20,000 bonds. They will arrive in Boise about December 14. It was also agreed by counsel to argue the demurrers submitted by the defense on December 15. If this is sustained, the present cases against the defendants will not go to trial.

A special grand jury has been summoned for December 14, but no intimations as to what cases will be given out by the District Attorney.

## PECULATIONS MADE GOOD

Thefts of Gold From Assay Office to Be Repaid.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 4.—The United States District Court today ordered Adams fund paid upon proof made to the clerk of the court. Adams was for more than eight years cashier of the United States Assay Office here and used to levy toll on all bags of gold dust turned into the office by miners.

At first he was moderate in his collections and took only a small quantity of dust from each deposit without exciting suspicion. Growing bolder, he stole hundreds of dollars at a time and was found out. He was convicted of embezzlement, sentenced to ten years in the Federal prison and all his property was taken by the Government after a civil suit.

Adams is estimated to have stolen \$135,000 from the miners, but claims for only \$60,000 were filed. These claims will be paid and also the cost of prosecution from the \$5000 obtained by sale of Adams' property. Two lots in this city are left to Adams after the settlement.

## HER VICTIM CHANGES TUNE

Eugene Man Says He Is Sleuth, Not Flance of Alice.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—J. Frank Ross, superintendent of sewer construction here, who, upon hearing of the arrest of Miss Alice in Pittsburg, said she had lured him into a road race to Eugene, now declares he was not victimized by the woman, but had acted as a sleuth for the postal authorities.

Press dispatches announced that Miss Crum, as Alice Peterson, by means of a clever matrimonial bureau, lured 50 men and was caught by evidence supplied by Ross, who, the dispatches said, was one of her most ardent correspondents.

Ross has been in the employ of the city the last year as superintendent of sewer construction. At first Ross admitted he had sent the woman money to make her comfortable, but he said he had not lost a penny by reason of his correspondence with the alleged swindler, but had been working under instructions

## SEASIDE HAS 3 TICKETS

Conn Heads Two For Mayor, With Henninger as Rival.

SEASIDE, Or., Dec. 4.—The city election, December 8, is of unusual interest. Three tickets are before the public. The first two were nominated by faction meetings, the last by petition.

The first ticket is: Mayor, J. W. Conn; Councilman-at-Large, A. Gilbert, Jr.; Councilman First Ward, M. J. Hannon, T. A. Davis; councilman Second Ward, John Garretts; B. Menzel; Recorder and Police Judge, L. H. Yoder; Treasurer, E. J. Dresser.

Second ticket—Mayor, J. W. Conn; Councilman-at-Large, E. T. Stafford; Councilman First Ward, George Sawyer, M. M. Moore; Councilman Second Ward, Frank Mathison, N. J. Falconer; Treasurer, Ed Henninger; Recorder and Police Judge, Robert O. Baker.

Third ticket—Mayor, W. S. Henninger; Councilman-at-Large, Fred H. Moore; Councilman First Ward, A. W. Duncan; Councilman Second Ward, H. C. Anderson, F. H. Leighton; Treasurer, E. N. Henninger. Most of the last ticket are present city officers.

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## LAND HOLDERS TO MEET

MALHEUR RESIDENTS WANT  
OLD PROJECT SPLIT.

Petition Will Be Presented to County  
Commissioners—Plans for  
Irrigation Made.

ONTARIO, Or., Dec. 4.—A special train from Nyssa and Ontario will carry to Vale Monday landholders from all the territory south of the Malheur River to the Owyhee River. They go to meet with the County Commissioners to discuss a petition for the creation of two irrigation districts, to include much of the land under the former Government Malheur project.

Landholders have been working toward the creation of these districts for the past month, practically every landholder in two districts having signed petitions. The Trowbridge & Niver Irrigation Company, of Chicago, has completed and got ready for filing all plans and estimates for watering these lands. Its proposition will undoubtedly be accepted by the district, it is thought, and men and materials are now ready and waiting to begin work immediately upon the construction of a big reservoir on the Owyhee River.

Colonel C. E. S. Wood, of Portland, and William Martin, of San Francisco, agents of two road land grants comprising a large territory under the proposed districts, arrived this afternoon to attend the meeting Monday. They were accompanied by William MacKenzie, of Balfour, Guthrie & Co., Portland, agents of the Eastern Oregon Land Company, one of the road land corporations.

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and Pacific Grove, Cal., relative to the talent to be secured next year. The annual session of the Gladstone Park Assembly will open July 12, 1910, and continue 13 days. The conference of Chautauqua secretaries will meet at the Holland House, in San Francisco, December 8.

## TRIBUNE'S LOSS IS \$20,000

Fire Forces Lewiston Paper to Suspend Publication.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Loss sustained by the Morning Tribune by the fire late last night is estimated at \$20,000, and is partially covered by insurance. Examination of the basement of the building where the fire was first discovered has failed to disclose the origin of the conflagration. The newspaper has suspended publication temporarily, but expects to be able to resume within the next few days, the plant of the Evening Teller having been tendered for this purpose.

Willie Anderson—Quits Club.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 4.—Willie Anderson, Western open golf champion and former National title holder, has resigned from the St. Louis Country Club.

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