

MEN IN LIQUOR BUSINESS WILL FOLLOW OTHER LINES

"What are you going to do after the first of the year" is a question which saloon proprietors and bartenders have had asked them hundreds of times.

The new prohibition law going into effect January 1 makes illegal the liquor business and therefore quite a number of persons must find some other business. Those who are thrown out of their present work include owners and employees of beer bottling works, employees of the breweries, and owners and employees of the wholesale liquor houses.

Some Not Decided
Some of these men have decided on other lines of work but others have not yet determined just what they will do. They say that it will depend largely upon conditions as to whether they will enter other lines of business.

There is also a large amount of fixtures which will be to a great extent useless. These fixtures in some cases will be used where soft drink parlors and card rooms are opened. Other fixtures will probably be sold all over Oregon and Washington perhaps to California saloon men at small prices but as there are saloons all over Oregon and Washington going dry there will be no end of fixtures and there will not be market enough for them. Many will probably be cast aside or stored.

At The Chandler
At the Chandler hotel it is possible that the present barroom will be converted into a smoking room or sort of rest place for the men guests, though Manager McKeown has not yet decided just what he will do with the place. Three bartenders are employed there. Sam Pine, who has been in charge of the place at night, says that he will be here for a little while but expects to leave soon and now has in mind going to Mexico as soon as conditions in that country will permit.

Frank Frame, another of the bartenders, will likely stay at the hotel and assist in the work there. Carl Soalenbach, the third man at the Chandler, says that he has not decided what he will do but expects to remain on Coos Bay.

Retain Building
Coll Ireland and Frank Denning who conduct the Pullman saloon, will retain the building for a time. They will lock the doors and leave

everything just as it stands in the place until they decide where they want to move the fixtures or what they are going to do. Mr. Ireland says that he is first going away for a vacation. He says he and Mr. Denning have considered several matters but will not finally decide until later.

Lose Big Business
Mirrasoul Brothers, Peter and John, lose a large business by the new law going into effect. They have been agents here for the National Brewing Company for a long time, and conducted a bottling works where they bottled beer. Peter Mirrasoul also conducted the National and Bohemian bars.

It is likely that the National will be opened as a soft drink parlor and that John Snyder, the present night bartender, will remain there. Snyder, though a young man is one of the old time bartenders of Coos Bay. He has been in the business for many years and had charge of the bar in the old Central hotel when the office was on the lower floor.

May Log Again
William Montgomery who is a bartender at the Bohemian has been in the Eagle saloon. Montgomery was in the logging business for many years and had charge of a camp before he entered the saloon business and he says he has opportunities to go back to logging again. Charley Wilson who also works in the Bohemian has not yet decided just what he will follow.

Burke a Veteran
John Burke, who conducts the Coos Bay saloon far down on Front street, is probably the veteran saloon man of this city. He has been in the business 29 years. He came here and opened his place nine years ago and formerly conducted a saloon at South Omaha, Neb., where he was a member of the city council. Mr. Burke says that he takes some pride in the fact that he has conducted a saloon for twenty-nine years and never had a fight in his place and never sold a drink to a man who was under the influence of liquor if he knew it. Mr. Burke will probably rent his residence in Ferndale, or else it will be occupied by his son, and he will take his wife and younger children to southern California where he will make a long visit. He has property interests on Coos Bay so will still regard this place as his

home. He may enter some line of business later but says that before he thinks about that he is going to have a good rest.

For some years Mr. Burke conducted his place entirely alone doing all the work both night and day. He probably put in more hours at his business than any other liquor man in the city.

Will Conduct Hotel
Charles Baxter who conducts the Eagle saloon recently bought the Baxter hotel at Coquille and now conducts it. When the saloon business is closed Mr. Baxter will devote his entire time to the county seat hotel.

Will Fill Mail Orders.
Jay Wilcox is one of the old timers in the business in North Bend. He has been in business there for a long time and is now working for Fred Johnson in the latter's saloon in North Bend. Mr. Wilcox expects to leave soon after the first of the year for Eureka, California, where he will have a saloon of his own and in connection with it will conduct a wholesale house and will cater to the mail order business of Oregon and of Coos Bay in particular.

Fred Johnson has been ill for some time past and is still sick so he has not made any plans after the closing of his saloon.

Will Keep Place.

William Shrock who conducts the El Dorado Saloon in North Bend, has also been in the business for a long time. Eight or nine years ago he tended bar in Marshfield and later went to North Bend and worked for Fred Johnson, when the latter had the place on the corner where the Fixup is now located. Later Mr. Shrock bought the place and still later moved across the street and opened the El Dorado. He will keep the place open as a soft-drink parlor and smoking room and restaurant and will keep the same name, calling it the El Dorado and dropping the word saloon. The place is quite elaborately fitted and it will now be arranged as a men's gathering place. Soft drinks and cigars will be handled and there will be a short order restaurant added.

Plans at Empire.

Gus Peterson who conducts the corner saloon at Empire, will keep the place open. He says he will sell soft drinks and cigars and maintain a card room. Mr. Peterson says that there is no place else in Empire for anyone to stop so he will have to keep open some kind of a resort and sell peanuts.

Tom Edgars, who conducts the

other saloon at Empire, it is understood, will take charge of the Pioneer Hotel and conduct it.

Another Soft Drink Parlor
William Cox, who conducts the Brewery Saloon, may keep the place open as a soft-drink parlor. This will depend upon the rent charged for the building. The place will be closed just as it is and in a few days it will be either opened as a soft drink place or else the fixtures removed. Mr. Cox expects to still make Marshfield his home. George Spence, who tended bar since July in the Brewery, will go to Yreka, California, where he will work for a friend who is engaged in the saloon business there.

Otto Edlund, of the Svea Bar is figuring on going either to Mexico or China.

The bartenders' union will meet next Sunday and most of the members will take out withdrawal cards which indicates that they are not going to follow the business.

The P. K. Force

William Sneddon of the P. K. saloon will go to Washington in the mines where one of his brothers is located.

Dave Reese considered some in turning the P. K. saloon into a soft drink place but as there are some repairs to be made on the place he has about decided not to attempt it and will probably let the fixtures be turned out. He has not made any plans for the future regarding what business he may engage in. Mr. Reese formerly was one of the owners of the Eagles saloon under the name of Reese and Sneddon and later took the P. K. corner.

Roy Moore who conducts the Claymore saloon it is understood may go to San Francisco.

Will File Saws Again

Andrew Heckla, known to nearly everyone in the city as "Heck", is another of the old timers in the business. Many years ago he conducted a saloon of his own. Later he was bartender in the Brewery and the other places and lately has been in the Claymore. Heckla says that he was at one time a saw filer in the lumber camps and that is just as expert now in that work as ever and that he will likely follow it again as it is well paid work.

Jack Fuller says he and William Ferrey are going to have a house boat on the water where they will be out of the state but they have not yet fully looked into the legal status of the matter.

CHINA HAMPERED BY HER TREATIES

Foreign Concessions Cause Never Ending Trouble for the Country During War Times

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 29.—Foreign concessions in China have been centers of never-ending trouble since the beginning of the European war. As the result of activities of various belligerents in these settlements charges and counter charges have been made concerning the violation of China's neutrality. China is so enmeshed in European treaties that it is always extremely difficult to determine her actual status with reference to the European powers. Practically every foreign concession was created under different conditions, and the commercial treaties between China and the various powers are so varied that few diplomatists can harmonize them.

Newspapers under German control at the treaty ports are constantly charging that China is violating her neutrality by permitting shoes and other supplies to be shipped from Shanghai for the use of the Russian army. They are also voicing protests against the shipment of supplies for the French and English armies.

On the other hand, the English and French press are loud in their denunciation of German activities which are permitted to continue on Chinese soil under lease to foreign powers.

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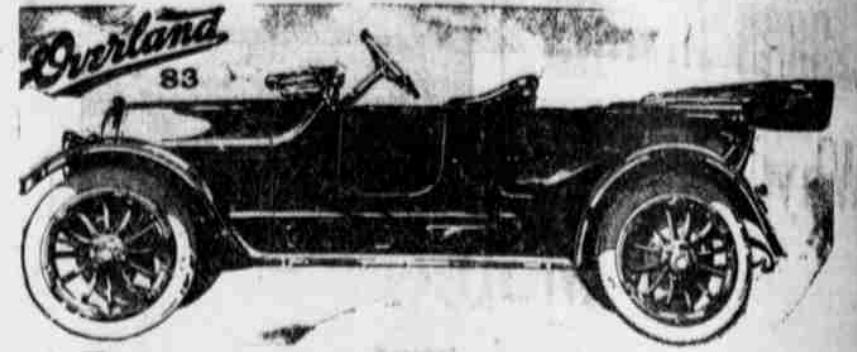
Suggested that Instruction Be Given Along the Line of Preparing Diplomats

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—A plan for the immediate introduction into the high schools and colleges throughout the country of special courses of study for foreign trade and the consular and diplomatic services will be discussed at a special education conference called by the United States Commissioner of Education P. P. Claxton, on Friday, December 31, in connection with one of the sessions of the Second Pan American Scientific Congress. Addresses will be made by college presidents and professors from many parts of the country, by business men, trade experts and representatives of the Departments of State and Commerce. Following a round-table discussion of the plan, a committee will be appointed to make a report to Commissioner Claxton.

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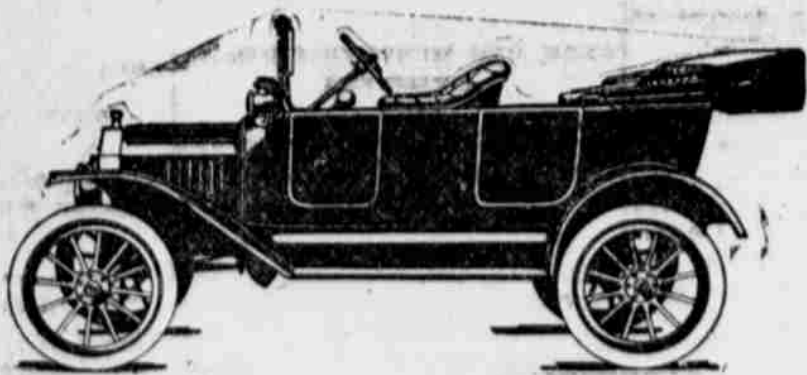
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