

WESTON GOES WET AFTER COSTENSIBLE DRYNESS 3 YEARS

Pendulum in Northwest Booths Swings Now to Saloons, Now From; Contests for the Most Part Are Lively.

(Special to The Journal.) Weston, Or., Dec. 6.—Weston went wet by a vote of 75 to 35, after being ostensibly on the dry basis since June, 1908, when the prohibition wave swept over Oregon and 42 saloons were put out of business in Umatilla county.

The attorney general ruled that an election here under the home rule law would be irregular because the precinct boundaries had not been established by the county court, but local authorities decided to hold it anyway and ascertain community sentiment.

A large traffic in near beer has been carried on for several years without revenue to the city. Ordinance No. 187, fixing the license for the sale of this beverage at \$1000 per annum was carried by a vote of 69 to 32.

Three local tax measures were carried. An ordinance holding property owners, lessees, agents or tenants responsible for damages due to defective sidewalks, was defeated.

The following officers were elected without opposition: H. A. Brantley, mayor; J. M. Aschworth, G. DeGraaf, L. R. Davis, F. H. Beathe, councilmen; L. R. Van Winkle, recorder; S. A. Barnes, treasurer.

It is considered likely that the new council will now pass a saloon license ordinance, imposing strict regulations.

ATTEMPT TO DEFEAT SCHOOL TAX CAUSES SCURRYING AT BAKER

(Special to The Journal.) Baker, Or., Dec. 6.—The unexpected opposition developed at the annual school election in this city that resulted in an exciting scene as Baker has witnessed on a similar occasion since 17 years ago, when a great fight was on over the erection of a new high school.

The taxpayers of the district were called on to vote on a special school tax for the year of \$41,000 and as the election is usually a matter of form, a dozen or so voters voting in the affirmative for the tax, the result was entirely unexpected. Opposed to the introduction of domestic science, manual training and commercial courses in the local high school, a band of taxpayers quietly planned to vote the special tax down.

When the polls opened they were there in force and marching in voted "No" solidly. Friends of the measure at once took the alarm and began two hours' excitement. Automobiles were called in to play and voters were rushed to the polls. The women of the city played a prominent part in the final victory.

Leaders of women's clubs were among the first notified of the situation and forsook club meetings and other engagements they began to rustle for votes and succeeded in arousing women taxpayers who had not voted for years, and hurried them to the voting place.

The result of the effort was a majority of 161 votes in favor of the measure, a total of 470 votes being cast, whereas usually 15 is the limit. When the opposing side saw its efforts were likely to be unavailing it became active again, but too late.

ALBANY & INTERURBAN FRANCHISE IS BEATEN; LEBANON DISTRUSTFUL

(Special to The Journal.) Lebanon, Or., Dec. 6.—The city election was very quiet in Lebanon. There were 294 votes cast, but there was no issue and a great many did not vote. There were two contests, but one was got out only a few hours before the polls were opened. The nearest to a contest is the granting of a franchise on Second street. Last spring the city council granted the Albany and Interurban Railroad company a franchise through the center of Second street, and the citizens along that street held up the franchise by the referendum. At the election there was an opinion that these persons were trying to secure this franchise to dispose of it to some company, and that the city should hold up the franchise until the parties are ready to build a road, which was the cause of the defeat by a vote of 205 to 159.

WOMEN OF ELLENSBURG DESERT PASTORS; GOOD GOVERNMENT MEN LOSE

(Special to The Journal.) Ellensburg, Wash., Dec. 6.—In an extremely hard fought election a combination of the citizens' and people's tickets won an overwhelming victory, all the candidates being elected over the opposition.

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TWO LINN TOWNS MAKE NEW MEN MAYORS



R. M. Cain of Scio (at the left) and P. D. Gilbert of Albany.

good government ticket yesterday. The citizens' and people's tickets were incomplete so that together they formed a complete ticket. Dr. J. A. Mahan, a resident of the city for the past 20 years and president of the board of trustees of the Normal school, headed the citizens' ticket, and was opposed by A. M. Wright, a former councilman and a county commissioner. The good government ticket had the support of the pastors of the Christian and Methodist churches, who, balked in an attempt to hold a local option election by the supreme court decision, nominated councilmen and a mayor pledged to rid the city of the saloons. The ministers made a desperate fight for victory and counted on the women's vote to win them success. They and their supporters hauled women to the polls by the score, but a check up of the situation showed the women to be as closely lined up with the Mahan ticket as the men.

The vote was as follows: Mayor—Mahan, 943; Wright, 344; a majority of 579. Councilmen-at-large—Clarence Palmer, 918; A. J. Mehner, 376, a majority of 539. J. A. Crump was elected clerk and M. A. Hall was elected treasurer by correspondingly large majorities. The following councilmen, all on the citizens' ticket, were elected: J. N. Faust, George Michels, P. G. Fitterer, Jay Whitfield had no opposition for attorney. The Socialists cast 44 votes.

TILLAMOOK RAISES ITS BOND LIMIT AND WILL PUT IN SEWER SYSTEM

(Special to The Journal.) Tillamook, Or., Dec. 6.—An amendment to the city charter raising the city's bond limit from \$50,000 to \$150,000, was carried at the election. Amendments making the offices of recorder and marshal appointive instead of elective were also carried. The ticket nominated at the city caucus held November 25 was elected without opposition. Following are the new officials: John R. Harter, mayor; T. B. Handley, recorder; F. A. Rhodes, treasurer; J. G. Ramey, marshal; F. L. Sappington, first ward; M. F. Leach, second ward; Carl P. Knudson, third ward; Ben Vantress, fourth ward; J. W. Maddux, fifth ward, councilmen.

The problem of sewers will be one of the first matters undertaken by the new administration. Paving will probably be considered during the coming year.

MARSHFIELD RETAINS NAME, TURNING DOWN COOS BAY, MILLICOMA

(Special to The Journal.) Marshfield, Or., Dec. 6.—Dr. E. E. Straw was yesterday elected to his fourth term as mayor of Marshfield. He defeated R. T. Copple by a plurality of eight votes. E. D. McCrary, the Socialist candidate, was last in the race. J. W. Butler was elected recorder and John Mahon and E. E. Allen were elected councilmen. The propositions to change the name of Marshfield to Coos Bay and to Millicomma were both lost.

New Mayor to Enforce Dry Law

(Special to The Journal.) Albany, Or., Dec. 6.—Peter D. Gilbert, who will be mayor of "The Hub" during the ensuing two years, is a "live wire" pledged to give Albany a progressive administration. He will have the backing of a friendly council and a strong support from the business interests, as well as from the taxpayers in general. Mr. Gilbert is a prominent advocate of municipal ownership of public utilities, and the platform upon which he was elected calls for a strict enforcement of the laws, which inferentially means that the local option liquor law is to be rigidly enforced hereafter. The latter has been badly fractured in the past, which is largely responsible for Mr. Gilbert's election. Mr. Gilbert is 43 years of age, and has been a resident of Albany and Linn county 15 years, and for the last seven years the senior member of the firm of Gilbert Bros., dealers in groceries and house furnishings. Prior to that time he represented Williams & Co., and Lang & Co., of Portland, on the road.

Aurora Fowl May Run at Large

(Special to The Journal.) Aurora, Or., Dec. 6.—The city election passed off like a convention of women's clubs, with many smiles and lots of politeness. The only contest was for the mayor's office, which was won by J. W. Snyder by a majority of 13 over E. J. Snyder. Sam A. Miller and Al H. Will were chosen councilmen and Andrew Fry treasurer. The question of fowls running at large, a referendum was ordered by petition of the people, was submitted at this election and that section of the ordinance relating to fowls was killed by a majority of three. The progressives were in favor of the ordinance and the reactionaries opposed to it. The chief interest of the election centered in this matter.

Kalama Goes Wet by 148

(Special to The Journal.) Kalama, Wash., Dec. 6.—In the city election yesterday the progressive wet ticket won by a majority of 143. Those elected were Councilmen Conz and Drowley and one. Three women judges presided at the polls, the first time women have done that work here. Last year the city voted wet by only eight when no women were voting.

13 Candidates for Five Places

(Special to The Journal.) Centralia, Wash., Dec. 6.—There will be 13 candidates to be voted upon for mayor and commissioner in Centralia on December 18, at which time two will be nominated for mayor and four for commissioners for the final election on De-

ember 28. Rev. H. W. Thompson, John Galvin, Charles E. Reynolds and M. D. Wood have filed for mayor, and J. H. Somerville, H. C. Ward, E. H. S. Mulder, J. W. Downing, A. E. Shearer, Albert Sears, Mace Kent, George Berlin and William Kler for commissioners. The total registration to date is 1934, this being unusually large.

Physician Wins by Six Votes

(Special to The Journal.) Colfax, Wash., Dec. 6.—In a bitter contest for several city offices at Colfax yesterday, W. B. Weinberg was defeated for mayor by Dr. J. Floyd Tift by six votes. Others elected were: Councilman at large, E. R. Barrall; treasurer, W. B. Anderson; attorney, J. M. McCracken; clerk, Howard Bramwell; health officer, Dr. W. A. Mitchell; councilmen, First ward, C. E. Erwin; Second ward, W. A. Nelson; Third ward, H. L. Plummer. Mayor Tift is now councilman from the Second ward, and will appoint a councilman for one year.

Progressives Lose Only One

(Special to The Journal.) Umatilla, Or., Dec. 6.—The Umatilla progressive ticket won yesterday's election by a large majority over the regular ticket, only the recorder being defeated on the progressive slate and that by a narrow margin. A. B. Stephens, John Hatter, Joseph Hindman and D. R. Brownell defeated H. N. Dryer, J. W. Duncan, F. E. Rohan and H. Hull, the regulars.

Commission Falls at Olympia

(Special to The Journal.) Olympia, Wash., Dec. 6.—Commission form of government was rejected in the election yesterday, a large vote being polled. Dr. W. L. Bridgford was elected mayor. Miss Frances Sylvester, Socialist candidate for mayor, carried three of six wards. Women voted freely for her.

Toledo Polls 122 Votes

(Special to The Journal.) Toledo, Or., Dec. 6.—At the city election the turnout was good, 132 votes being polled. The following were

elected to office: Treasurer, Samuel Center; marshal, A. M. Gilderaleve; aldermen, two year term, C. W. Davies, H. P. Nulton and A. T. Esterson. The amendment to the city charter lost.

Hermiston Election Results. (Special to The Journal.) Hermiston, Or., Dec. 6.—In the city election yesterday those elected were as follows: W. S. Phillips, A. W. Prann and E. O. Comery for councilmen, J. H. McKenzia for recorder, and J. M. Scarborough for treasurer by one vote.

Almost Unanimous for Water. (Special to The Journal.) Sutherlin, Or., Dec. 6.—The outgoing councilmen, F. McKeaynolds, A. E. Shrin and A. E. Bamber, were reelected. Water bonds to the amount of \$30,000 were voted for a gravity system for Sutherlin, which bond election was carried almost unanimously.

200 for Free Ferry, 10 Against. (Special to The Journal.) St. Johns, Or., Dec. 6.—The election to ratify the bond issue for a free ferry yesterday resulted favorably for the bond issue by 200 to 10. A free ferry is now assured and the county court will proceed to advertise for bids.

Wets Take Yakima Valley Towns. (Special to The Journal.) North Yakima, Wash., Dec. 6.—The wets won in the municipal elections in Ellensburg, Toppish, Yakima City, Grandview and Sunnyside. Mrs. Ida C. McCracken was defeated as mayor of Zillah by two votes.

Philomath in Line. (Special to The Journal.) Philomath, Or., Dec. 6.—Mr. R. Drury was elected mayor of Philomath at the election Monday. W. W. Willoughby was elected to the council, C. A. Arpke as recorder and G. A. Bennett, treasurer.

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