

LIQUOR INTERESTS IN CALIFORNIA PREPARE 'CLEAN-UP' MEASURE

Grape Growers Offer Measure Making Radical Changes in State Laws.

(United Press Special Wire.)
Capitol, Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 28.—The California Grape Growers' Protective association's bill proposing to take control of the liquor traffic from the counties and place it in the hands of the state government was introduced in the assembly today by Assemblyman Bruck, a grapegrower of Napa. The bill makes radical changes in the liquor laws of the state and proposes to carry out the promise made by the "wet" in the recent prohibition campaign that there would be a "clean-up" if the state defeated prohibition. The bill calls for a state excise commission of three members to be named by the governor, each receiving \$4,000 a year, with eight district commissioners of three \$2,000 commissioners to handle the liquor regulations. Saloons will be limited one to each 500 population and classifies the licenses into hotels, restaurant, vintners' wholesale and bar permits. Bar licenses will be \$1,000 a year, with 10 per cent for the state and 90 per cent for the city or county where the saloon is located. Before taking out a license a saloonkeeper must pay \$1,000 into a fund maintained for the purpose of reimbursing one another if the license is revoked. Licenses cannot be revoked until saloonkeepers have twice been convicted of a violation in the superior court. Bartenders are to be made to take out a license costing \$3 a year. The law, which would go into effect January 1, 1916, would not stop local communities from eradicating saloons or imposing stricter regulations.

Fries Sticks to His Original Figures

Salem, Or., Jan. 28.—H. W. Fries, of Portland, continued his testimony today before the state railroad commission relative to the value of the real estate holdings of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company. He was called yesterday as an expert of realty values by the company. Fries was confronted today by the commission with the sworn statements of the company's officials, filed with the state tax commission, giving low valuations for the several tracts, but insisted that he would not alter his views. One striking instance of the difference between the valuations he fixed, and those claimed by the company's officials in statements to the tax commission, concerned the East Side terminal property, on Hawthorne avenue, in Portland, which Fries valued at \$250,000, while the officers had fixed the value at \$55,000 in tax statements. On another parcel Fries placed the value of a 200-foot stretch at \$200,000 while the returns of the officers of the company to the tax commission placed the valuation at \$75,000.



Compare the Leading Player-Piano of Today at Eilers Music House—Most Attractive Sale of Slightly Used Ones

Did you see announcement in the recent issues of The Journal, Oregonian and Telegram. This sale offers the most extraordinary bargains, for many good reasons; first, the high-grade instruments represented, many of them having been used so little that even an expert could hardly tell them from brand new; other good makes having been used from three to five years, and were taken in exchange as part payment for the very latest new improved player pianos. These particular player pianos have all been thoroughly reconstructed by our mechanical experts and now contain the rebuilt features of the modern player pianos, which will insure their good service for many years to come.

We also call attention to our bargain counter of the much-advertised Pianola Piano. All the Pianola Pianos included in this sale are in first-class condition, though used. A few years ago, before the advent of the modern improved 88-note Autopiano, with the human touch fingers, its automatic guiding device, five-point motor and many other unequal advantages, Pianola Pianos ranked as the best to be had, and even now the Pianola Pianos in this sale contain all the much-advertised Thomastil and Metrolite Player, a feature of the Pianola Piano which was of real value before the invention of the modern Solostyle and Rhythmic Music Rolls, and have been rebuilt with adequate music-roll tracking devices. In tone quality these Weber and Steck, and Wheelock, and Stuyvesant Pianola Pianos will be found the equal of, if not the positive superior of, any instruments to be found in each respective class, and now that they contain the rebuilt features, including metal tubing instead of the precarious rubber tubing usually employed, they will be found the greatest money's worth of worth-while player pianos ever obtained.

All nearly new and latest types will be discounted 40 per cent from the New York price, later and somewhat more used Pianola Pianos, but also in perfect order, hardly to be found in new, even by an expert, will be sold at a discount of 50 per cent, and still others at an actual 65 per cent off. Think of it—\$850 Pianola Pianos, playing the latest 88-note rolls, at actually 50c on the dollar, or only \$325.00, actually less than what the piano part of it alone cost to make and with free music rolls included.

It cannot be a question of price and terms, nor quality, with this special sale of player pianos, so why not

HOW EXPENSES OF THE STATE INCREASE; CREATION OF OFFICE OF STATE ENGINEER

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about \$40,000 additional had been provided for maps and about \$17,000 made available for special surveys. The department's revenues were now as follows:

Salaries and expenses	\$20,000
Special surveys	17,000
Maps	50,000
Total	\$87,000

When the legislature of 1913 had met, legislated and departed, it was found that the state engineer's office had been allowed the following sums to spend:

Salaries and expenses	\$20,000
Special surveys	18,000
Maps	50,000
Deschutes survey	50,000
Celilo investigation	15,000
Total	\$153,000

The Celilo expenditures were to be made through the medium of a legislative committee and the state engineer, and it will be well to say in passing that no report as to this expenditure has yet been made to the governor or the legislature.

How Wants of Department Multiply

In order that the public may see just how rapidly the wants of a department can multiply and where and how the funds of the state engineer's office is being spent, a detailed statement, taken from official estimates for the next biennium, is herewith set forth:

Salary of state engineer	\$6,000	Salaries, field surveys	\$1,600
Salary of assistant engineer	3,840	Lodging and food, field surveys	1,400
Salary of assistant engineer	2,940	Team hire	1,200
Salary of stenographers, bookkeepers, etc.	5,040	Gauge readers	600
Traveling expenses state engineer and assistant	850	Motorcycle expenses	125
Printing and stationery	450	Miscellaneous expenses	1,490
Postage stamps, cards, etc.	650	Salaries and expenses, stream measurements	6,000
Telephone and express	650	Salaries and expenses, investigation gaging possibilities	1,500
General maintenance of office	780	General maintenance and printing reports	600
Maps	50,000		

An examination of the work and expenditures of this department will show, therefore, that in addition to the many engineering problems it has solved on paper, it has succeeded in diverting and applying to its own exclusive use a splendid stream of the taxpayers' money.

"This rushing now adown the spout,

And gushing out below,

Half frantic in its joyousness,

And wild in eager flow."

Then Came the Desert Land Board

No sooner had the office of state engineer been created than the legislature was asked to provide a new board to handle Carey act matters. The desert land board was, therefore, brought into existence with a membership consisting of the three members of the state land board, the attorney general, and the state engineer. This new board, of course, called for additional appropriations. The legislature is now appropriating \$10,000 biennially for the support of this fifth wheel of the state land board.

The said desert land board should, therefore, be abolished and the work restored to the hands of the state land board, where it can be handled with but little added expense.

OSWALD WEST.

Advisory Banking Committee Named

Members to Act in Relation to Business Between Portland Member and Federal Reserve Bank.

A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank; John C. Almsworth, president of the United States National bank; and George W. Bates, president of the Lumbermens National bank, have been appointed by President R. Lea Barnes of the Portland Clearing House association, as a committee to serve in an advisory capacity in matters pertaining to the relations between Portland member banks and the federal reserve bank at San Francisco.

There were 400 fires last year on the national forests of Utah, Idaho, Wyoming and Nevada.

WAR SUMMARY BY J. W. T. MASON

Former European Manager for the United Press.

New York, Jan. 28.—Reports that 120,000 Turks are advancing in Egypt are probably exaggerated. The Turks have not this number of troops to spare, unless they have radically altered their strategy or untrained men are being used for the Egyptian expedition.

There are 500,000 trained troops in the Turkish army. In Constantinople and assigned to the Dardanelles and the Bosphorus defenses are some 200,000, while approximately 100,000 more are in European Turkey. These troops really are being held for operation if the Balkan states enter the war on the side of the allies. There are 125,000 troops assigned to the Caucasian and Persian campaigns and about 25,000 are concentrated about Smyrna, garrisoning Palestine and the district south of Bagdad.

This leaves at most 50,000 trained

men for the Egyptian campaign. It is probable that the number is considerably less. There may be additions of untrained levies to the disciplined fighting force but their value is not of serious account.

To oppose the Turks England is understood to have 70,000 Indian troops in Egypt, besides the Egyptian home army of 17,000 natives and many whites. The number of whites in this army is a closely guarded secret, but there probably are between 15,000 and 20,000, composed of Australians, New Zealanders and English territorials.

A minimum force of 100,000 trained men is therefore available to protect Egypt. There is a probability that this number would be sufficient to safeguard the territory of Egypt proper. No effort, however, has been made to defend the Sinai peninsula, which connects Egypt with Asia Minor. The peninsula is a wild mountainous region on the south and a desert on the north. The northern part contains the only road of approach to the Egyptian border, which is represented by the 100 mile stretch of the Suez.

The Turks must make their way across 125 miles of sand before they reach the main Egyptian defenses. For a large force, equipped with heavy modern weapons, this must be an ex-

hausting campaign. Afterward will come the real battle, which will resolve itself into an attempt to cross the Suez, defended by warships and 100,000 troops with efficient railway service at their disposal. The effect of the British warship fire on the Belgian coast is sufficient to suggest the immense difficulties which confront the Turkish operations before the Suez canal.

City May Erect Big Grain Elevator

Public Dock Commission Receives Tentative Draft of Proposed Bond Sale Amendment to the Charter.

The dock commission this morning received from the city attorney tentative draft of a proposed charter amendment authorizing the sale of \$900,000 in bonds which the commission will use, if voted by the people, in building a grain elevator to be leased by local shippers so that rents will meet expenses and retire the

bonds without putting the public to any actual expense.

The question will probably be voted on at the next regular election.

It was agreed that proper protection of the dock and warehouse and other dock No. 1 improvements necessitated increase of insurance from 70 to 90 per cent of the insurable value—\$305,000—the representation being made that the reduction in the rate would almost entirely absorb the extra cost. Investigation of details was referred to Commissioner John H. Burgard.

The engineer was instructed to advertise for the purchase of 42 two-wheel trucks and 12 four-wheel trucks for use on the dock.

As required by the common terminal amendment to the city charter, the commission passed upon and approved the United Railway's west side franchise which has been before the city council for some time.

Burglar Kills Scrub-Woman.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Olive Cooper, a scrubwoman, was struck on the head by a burglar and killed while she was alone at work in the Franklin cafe.

Five Reel Thriller a la San Francisco

Say City Police Search "Lair" of "Organized Ring" of Burglars, Etc., After "Thrilling Search."

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 28.—The lair of the organized ring of burglars, crackmen and bandits systematically engaged in crimes which has been located on a houseboat moored in a lonely marsh between San Bruno and Millbrae, is being searched today by San Francisco police for clues to the whereabouts of the members of the gang.

Frank Williams, alias Weber, alias Miller, alleged to have been one of the leaders of the gang, is in jail at Burlingame, charged with burglary. Officers assert they have the names of most of the gangsters.

The houseboat was located after a thrilling search of the marsh by detectives who followed the penciled lines on a rough map they had found in a rooming house.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

Only 2 More Days of January White Sale

Special List of Important Sales For Friday's Selling

MAIL ORDERS FILLED BY EXPERT SHOPPERS

Lipman Wolfe & Co.
Merchandise of Merit Only
Phone Marshall 5000 A-6691

The Fashion Book of the Pictorial Review

and Spring Patterns are now on sale. What is coming next? What is the very newest mode? They are all answered in the Spring Fashion Book.—Second Floor

Women's Coats at \$18.50 to \$35.00
—Of cheviot, broadcloth, boucle, zibeline and plaid worsteds.
Now \$8.45

\$5 to \$8 Tailored Walking Skirts
—Of serge and plaids—in white, black, tan and navy.
Now \$2.48

Blouses Selling Regularly to \$3.00
—Of voile, linen, crepe and lingerie. Plain and novelty styles.
Now \$1.50

\$5.00 Jersey Silk Petticoats
—In black, emerald, hunters' green, navy, plum and white.
Now \$3.95 —Third Floor

All Goods Purchased Friday and Saturday Charged on March 1 Bills

Continuation of the Great Sale of SHIRTS For Men At \$1.19 or 3 for \$3.00
—All new Spring Shirts which sell regularly at \$2.00 and \$1.50.
—Soft bosom, soft French cuff style. Of finest woven madras, light weight flannels, fine-percales, granite cloths and soisette.
—First Floor

Extra Special Offering of Fine Undermuslins

\$1.00 and \$1.25 Envelope Chemises
Special 73c and 79c
—Of soft longcloth and crepe, attractively trimmed.

75c Separate Drawers 44c
—Of longcloth and crepe in knickerbocker and straight-leg styles.

Combination Suits Selling to \$3.50 Special \$1.59
—In waisted style, with straight legs. Trimmed with lace and embroidery in various styles. Some with cap sleeves.

Longcloth Gowns Selling to \$1.50 Very Special 98c
—In slipover style, with round and square necks.

Skirts Selling to \$1.50, Now 98c
—Of longcloth, with deep ruffles of embroidery or lace.
—Fourth Floor

Last Opportunity for Buying Whittall Rugs AT SPECIAL PRICES
—This season's discontinued patterns—the best American-made rugs that can be had. Every rug is new and absolutely perfect—every pattern most attractive.

\$91.50 Anglo-Persian Rugs \$69.50
—Size 10 feet 6 inches by 13 feet 6 inches.

\$101.50 Anglo-Persian Rugs \$81.50
—Size 11 feet 3 inches by 15 feet.

\$69.50 Royal Worcester Rugs \$55.00
—Size 10 feet 6 inches by 13 feet 6 inches.

\$78.00 Royal Worcester Rugs \$65.00
—Size 11 feet 3 inches by 15 feet.
—Fifth Floor

A Manufacturer's Delay in Delivery Makes Possible This Greatest Sale of Women's High-Grade Shoes
Thousands of New Shoes as Well as Shoes Taken From Our Regular Stock—All at Most Extraordinary Reductions—Best Styles

\$6.00 Shoes \$4.95
—Button boots with fawn, gray and black, topings, with patent leather vamps.

\$5.00 Shoes \$3.95
—Patent colt and dull calf shoes, full foxed button style with mat kid topings.

\$3.50 Shoes \$2.95
—Bronze vamp button boots with cloth quarters and covered wooden heels.

—Patent colt shoes with plain toe, Cuban-Louis heels and cloth quarters, in black.
—Gunmetal vamps, Cuban heels, toes with tips.
—Vici kid button shoes with cloth or kid tops, with inch-and-a-half heels.

—Including plain toe shoes with cloth tops, button style and patent leather vamps.
—Also walking boots in button style with mat kid tops and patent leather or gunmetal vamps.
—Basement

Economy Basement Store

75c-85c Children's Flannelette Gowns
Sizes 2 to 14 Years
49c
—White and fancy striped extra quality flannelette.

Regular \$1.00 Boys' Felt Hats
Special 35c

Fleeced Cotton Blankets
\$1.00 Blankets 77c
\$1.25 Blankets 83c
—Heavily fleeced, best finish.

\$1 Welsbach Gas Lights 65c
—Inverted style, full brass burner, full or half-frosted globes.

Revol Dress Snaps
Regularly 5c
1c Doz.
Black and White
All Sizes

New Black Sateen Petticoats
Just Received by Express
Go on Sale Friday for the First Time

At 89c
Jersey top petticoats with 18-inch accordion pleated flounces.

At 59c
Sateen moire petticoats with deep pleated flounces.

At 69c
Petticoats with pin tucked flounce, accordion pleated ruffle, dust ruffle.

Women's Cotton Hosiery (Seconds)
Regular Price 25c
Sale 17c
Three Pairs for 50c
—Fast color, mercerized black cotton, seamless, double soles

25c CHILDREN'S SCHOOL HOSE 17c
—Fine ribbed, cotton stockings for boys and girls. All sizes.

New Coverall Aprons
Extra Quality Gingham
25c
Reg. Price Would Be 50c
—In small and medium plain and navy blue and white checks, made with belted back and pocket.

Women's Waists
Voile, Crepe, Lingerie
\$1.35 to \$1.50 Waists
98c
\$1.00 to \$1.25 Waists
69c
—All styles, including tailored and dress models.