

DRY STATUTES HELD OF MUCH BENEFIT IN U. S.

Arguments Advanced by Liquor Advocates Refuted By Prohi Backers

Great Middle Classes Held Chief Beneficiaries Under Amendment

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WASHINGTON, March 6.—(AP)—Upholding prohibition as a boon to society women, beneficial to the farmer, and as saving 5,000,000 lives in a decade, prohibitionists today demanded that the 18th amendment be retained in the constitution.

Rounding out two days of testimony before the house judiciary committee at hearings on measures to repeal the dry laws, the prohibition forces were assured by Chairman Graham of the committee, they would be granted all the time needed for a full presentation of their contentions. The dry devotees today to assailing arguments advanced by wet advocates, and at the end the hearing was continued until next Wednesday.

Railroad Magnate's Testimony Attacked

Both Mrs. Ruth G. K. Strawbridge, Philadelphia society leader, and Louis J. Taber, master of the national grange, attacked W. W. Atterbury, president of the Pennsylvania railroad, and Pierre S. Du Pont, Wilmington, Delaware industrialist, for their advocacy of repeal.

Besides these two witnesses, the committee heard Patrick H. Callahan, a Louisville, Ky., manufacturer, who is general secretary for the association of Catholics favoring prohibition, and C. F. Conolly, of East Orange, N. J., former prosecuting attorney of Butte, Mont., and magazine writer. In addition, Representative Burtner, republican, North Dakota, presented a statement from prominent North Dakotians, contradicting the charge of Pierce Blewett, a farmer of that state, who testified that prohibition had ruined many grain growers.

Evangelist Booth Asked to Testify

During the hearing, Representative Celler, democrat, New York, issued an invitation to Commander Evangelist Booth, of the Salvation Army, to appear to discuss her organization's problems with young drinkers.

Throughout the hearing the wet members of the committee questioned witnesses about their claims of prohibition's benefits to the social classes and the farmers. Mr. Callahan said he thought the middle classes had benefited from prohibition, while the "dregs and the smart set" had suffered. In the hearing yesterday, dry witnesses contended the "underprivileged" class was a great beneficiary of prohibition.

American high society was represented by Mrs. Strawbridge as considering serving of liquor at

OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR NEW COMPANY

The organization meeting of the newly incorporated Allied Agricultural Association on Wednesday afternoon and directors and officers were elected to serve until the next annual meeting. The officers of the new company are: Charles R. Archerd, president, A. C. Bracken, vice president, H. G. King, secretary-treasurer.

These officers with L. C. Matthews and Mabel M. Mover constitute the board of directors.

This was the only business transacted at the meeting. The Allied Agricultural Association is a holding company which plans to control companies engaged in selling farm implements and supplies to farmers and buying from farmers their grain and other staple produce. The nucleus of the new organization will be the Archerd Implement company of Salem and the Archerd-Brewer-Gordon company of Portland.

2 Candidates Say They're Not Frat Men; 3rd Mum

In accord with requests from the principal two high school students who are seeking to fill the unexpired term of yell leader, declared before their fellow students yesterday morning that they were not members of secret societies. They were Carl Collins and Homer Goulet. A third candidate, Loring Grier, failed to make an assertion on affiliation or non-affiliation, and simply led his schoolmates in a yell.

Collins, the most popular man for the job of cheering during the assembly hour yesterday is any indication, declared he did not belong to any secret club in the high school, and Goulet made a similar statement.

Just what status Grier will take in the election Principal Fred Wolf would not indicate yesterday afternoon, his main answer to a reporter's question being that "I don't know whether

King of Spain Facing Crisis



King Alfonso of Spain, whose position is regarded as precarious at the present time. The new Spanish government is reported to have reverted to a dictatorship similar to that instituted by Primo de Rivera in a desperate attempt to quell the rising agitation for a republic.

SALEM LOSES OUT IN FINAL DEBATES

Corvallis Team Beats Locals Here to Take Championship of District

Clear-cut arguments, backed by a flood stream of sarcasm, won for Corvallis high school the middle Willamette district debate championship, with the Salem high affirmative debaters losing three straight counts to Corvallis here last night. Vern D. Bain of Woodburn, district chairman, presided at the contest here, and Williamette faculty men were judges.

At Corvallis, the Salem negative, Norman and Gertrude Winslow, won a 2 to 1 victory, but this win could not offset the Corvallis score in the local contest.

Result of the debate here, in which Fred Blatchford and Eleanor Henderson participated for Salem, was a distinct surprise to Salem supporters, inasmuch as this team had traveled through the entire season with but one point scored against it. Only one point had been made against the local negative previous to last night.

SPRING OPENING TO OCCUR THIS MONTH

The Salem Ad club will sponsor the fifth annual spring opening which will be held in Salem on Thursday, March 27. Plans were discussed at the Ad club luncheon yesterday night.

Ralph Kietzing, advertising manager of The Statesman, will act as chairman of the event. Additional members of the committee will be selected from members of the club.

The annual spring and fall openings have come to be recognized as established institutions in Salem, giving the merchants an opportunity to display their goods and the public chance to get acquainted with new styles. It is hoped to work out some novel features for the opening this year.

Direct advertising was discussed by Gardner Knapp, vice president of the club.

GALE HURTS FIVE

AUSTA, Ark., March 6.—(AP)—Five persons were injured, two seriously, when the town of Gregory, near here, tonight was struck by a small tornado.

SIX PRECINCTS ADDED TO LIST IN CITY, WORD

Present Total of 18 Will Be Increased to 24 Says County Court

Previous Congestion Cited As Reason for Reorganization Here

Coming as a distinct relief for a congested situation that has affected polling places in at least eight of the 18 precincts within the city limits of Salem, is the announcement by the county court of the decision to create six new precincts. The addition of the newly added precincts will bring Salem's total to 24. Details were announced by the court Thursday.

Changes adopted by the county court provide for division of the following precincts: No. 1, 3, 9, 11 and 18 to be split into new sections No. 7, 8, and 14 will be so divided proportionately as to create another new unit.

Based upon the plan of division as carried out by the court, the larger precincts will be cut to about 600 voters whereas as many as 1200 or more voted in one precinct during the general election of 1928. It is estimated that some 3500 voters will be affected by the new changes.

Boundary Lines to Be Determined Soon
County Clerk U. G. Boyer declared Thursday that the boundary lines for the new precincts have not yet been fully determined. A more complete announcement will be ready in a few days, it was said.

The addition of the six new polling precincts has been a natural result which comes on the heels of over-population in certain sections of the city. Counting boards during the general election were forced to extend benches for several shifts in order to compile the requisite votes which came from precincts with lists of voters numbering from 800 to 1300.

CORBETT MANAGER ORGANIZES IN CITY

Floyd Cook, campaign manager for Harry L. Corbett, spent yesterday in Salem following up the work of his principal who visited Salem the day before.

Cook, who is a veteran in Oregon state politics, is optimistic for victory for Corbett. Counting on the big vote which he feels assured of in Multnomah county, Cook believes that margin will be sufficient to guarantee victory for his candidate. Cook was formerly secretary of the republican state committee, resigning some weeks ago that he might be free to take over the campaign management for Mr. Corbett.

"We have done a lot of quiet work in organizing the state. We expect to have a complete organization in Multnomah county and in the state. I am here to line up a Marion county organization which will carry on the Corbett campaign here," said Mr. Cook.

"While Mr. Corbett has not made a big noise in his campaign, he has been active, spending long hours and on the public and planning his campaign. His drive will continue until the eve of the primaries."

Cook spent yesterday afternoon on a hurried trip to towns in the south part of the county as far as Stayton. He returned to Portland last night. He will confer with Mr. Corbett before announcing the Marion county organization.

EUROPEAN REDS ARE ORDERLY ON MARCH

LONDON, March 6.—(AP)—"It is a national unemployment day" was observed in most of the capitals of Europe today with parades of communists and jobless, many arrests of leaders in clashes with the police but with very little disorder of importance except in Berlin.

"Red Thursday" proved only a plain pink in the British Isles. In Dublin there were some lively incidents as large number of unemployed attempted to march on Leinster House where the daily sits. They were charged by police who used their batons and arrested eight demonstrators.

In London a demonstration of Tower Hill attended by 3,000 persons led to some skirmishing with the police in which five demonstrators were injured. Four men were arrested in Glasgow and five in Manchester. No reports of disturbances were received from elsewhere in the country.

Communists and police clashed at municipal employment offices in Berlin, the most serious being at the central office where a mob of 3,000 jobless blocked the streets. At one place the demonstrators attacked the police with bricks and other missiles, but were dispersed shortly. Riotous clashes were reported from Hamburg, Breslau and Kiel.

Floods in France Still Threatening Inhabitants' Lives

BORDEAUX, France, Mar. 6.—(AP)—The center of the flood, and the most serious, shifted from Montauban to Moulens, where the river Tarn has re-entered its bed, to Langon, a town of 4,000 inhabitants, about 25 miles southeast of Bordeaux.

At Barsac, the railroad station on a hillock also emerged above the top of the flooded houses. All the wine cellars, containing thousands of barrels of the celebrated white wine of Barsac, were under water.

The dropping of the water from flood level at Montauban, left a layer of mud nearly a foot deep in the streets. Eleven bodies have been identified. The ruins of the houses are being searched for more.

The official count of casualties in the floods in southwestern France stood tonight at 201 dead.

COUNTY TAX ROLLS FOR YEAR DECREASE

Collection of Levies Scheduled to Start Today is Announcement

The tax rolls for Marion county total \$2,118,003.92 with a decrease of \$8,645.34 shown from the preceding year. It was learned by the rolls for 1929 were turned over to Sheriff Bower by County Assessor Steelhammer Thursday. Collection of taxes is scheduled to start today under the new roll.

The largest item on the rolls was the school tax which is a usual tendency. County and city taxes were about the same as usual.

The following segregations are listed on the tax rolls for this year:

State, \$319,450.80; county, \$454,975.40; county school and library, \$164,565.74; high school tuition fund \$114,231.80; county road, \$138,645.29; union high school No. 1, \$8,524.10; union high school No. 2, \$6,665.74; special schools, \$2,258.81; special roads, \$21,941.75; special cities, \$454,601.34; Miller drainage district, \$196.20; forest patrol, \$1,855.12.

The city levy for Salem jumped from 64.2 to 55.6, or an increase of 1.4 mills over the preceding year. The city levy proper for 22.5 or an increase of 2.4 mills. The valuation of Salem in the new roll is listed at \$17,591,573 with a total tax of \$396,810.38.

The following are the cities and towns in the county which were listed with their levies on the tax roll:
Aumsville .0628; Aurora .0424; Donald .0612; Corvallis .0464; Hubbard .0436; Jefferson .0542; Mt. Angel .0428; Salem .0566; Scotts Mills .0620; Silverton .0649; Stayton .0497; St. Paul .0355; Sublimity .0459; Turner .0438; West Woodburn .0296; Woodburn .0683.

REFERENDUM GAINS ADHERENTS, CLAIM

Sponsors of the move to refer the national prohibition amendment to a popular referendum are well pleased with the results which they have obtained in Salem and locally during the past few days, according to a report of A. W. King, county representative of the National Prohibition Referendum association.

King said that his staff of solicitors had obtained 688 names on their petitions thus far this week. He has a corps of six adults at work getting petitioners and collecting dimes from each signer for the promotion of the work.

The local headquarters have been established in the L. O. P. building here and this office will be the center of a campaign to get signers in both Marion and Linn counties. It is expected that about 20,000 names will be obtained during the next three months in these two counties.

Hughes Files His Petition in Full

S. A. Hughes, candidate for the city council from the second ward, is the second aspirant for a city office to file a completed petition. He was preceded by David O'Hara who seeks reelection in the fifth ward.

Mr. O'Hara apparently started something when he filed a petition with 45 names, setting a record for aldermanic nominating petitions; for Mr. Hughes, after reading about it, sought on the city recorder and obtained another petition blank, then reported in with 60 names. He is seeking to succeed Alderman W. W. Rosebraugh.

WORKERS ACQUITTED

CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 6.—(AP)—The five Gastonia textile workers accused of the death of Ellis Wiggins, Bessemer City union member, were acquitted by a jury in Mecklenburg county superior court tonight. The jury was out less than one hour.

UNITED STATES RED OUTBREAK IS NOT SERIOUS

Parades Held in Nearly All Larger Cities of Nation On Thursday

Police Use Force to Prevent Serious Demonstrations in Some Places

By The Associated Press
On historic old Boston common, in the new Campus Martius of Detroit, on Pennsylvania avenue outside the high iron fence that surrounds the White House grounds in New York's Union square facing the Tammany wigwag in the hills of Seattle and in the roaring canyons of Chicago, tens of thousands of Americans gathered on "Red Thursday."

Some of them were in jail today and some in hospitals. Hundreds nursed lacerated scalps, black eyes and bruised noses. And the rest—thousands on thousands—will be glad peacefully back to their bungalows enjoying the exhilaration of having seen "a real show."

Many Varieties of Parades on Hand
There were communists among them, communists trying to make more communists by an international unemployment day, with the jobless marching simultaneously on city halls over all America and all over the world. There were men without work, too, shabby, ill-fed, despondent, but more than all the rest there were just every day Americans—those curious ones who will stop traffic any day to watch a man demonstrate a safety razor in a drug store window.

And so far into the night New York police detectives worked to sort out communists from innocents.

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SALEM'S TEACHERS VOTE ON PAY ISSUE

Consensus of Opinion on New Salary Schedule Will be Requested

Salem school teachers will be asked to vote within the next week on whether or not the salary schedule upon which a committee of teachers has been working shall be submitted to the city superintendent and school board for their consideration.

The schedule prepared by the committee is based on the same total fund that is now paid teachers and adjusts the present funds on a 12-month basis, and also calls for division on a basis considering preparation and experience. Under this schedule salaries of 49 teachers would be cut, and salaries of 77 teachers increased.

The schedule under consideration divides teachers into three classifications: those who are normal school graduates, those who have attended college three or four years but not graduated, and those who have a bachelor's degree would be paid an additional \$50.

Under this arrangement, a normal graduate would receive \$960 for the first year; \$1020 for the second; \$1080 for the third; \$1140 for the fourth; and \$1200 for the fifth year here.

Teachers who have attended college three or four years but have no degree would be paid; \$1020 for the first year; and \$60 additional each year through the fifth. Instructors with a bachelor's degree would receive \$1080 the first year, and \$60 additional each year until the fifth year when the pay check would total \$1,320.

Foot Passenger Takes Stockton Folk Down Line

STOCKTON, Cal., March 6.—(AP)—W. H. Harbison, who said he was from North Carolina, but more recently from Sacramento, dropped in at the court house here today to do several things.

First of all he was complaining witness in a hold-up case. While in court Harbison visited Superior Judge D. M. Young in his chambers and got the jurist to cash a \$15 check. A little later District Attorney Raymond M. Dunn cashed one for him for \$30. On his way out he got Detective B. H. McClothen to cash another for \$10.

Judge, prosecutor and detective all alleged later that the checks were worthless and that Harbison could not be found.

Candidacy Filed By Justice Belt

Justice Harry Belt of the state supreme court Tuesday filed with the secretary of state here his declaration of candidacy for reelection. He seeks what is known as position No. 6. "Will continue to administer justice without fear or favor," is the slogan adopted by Justice Belt. He is a republican.

Royal Romance Officially Ended Between Princess and Betrothed



Princess Ileana and Count Alexander BUCHAREST, Rumania, March 6.—(AP)—The Rumanian court tonight officially announced the rupture of the engagement between Princess Ileana and Count Alexander von Hochberg. The Court Chamberlain published the following communiqué:

"Princess Ileana, with the consent of Queen Marie and the regency council has decided no longer to countenance the project of her marriage with Count Alexander von Hochberg."

News of the rift between the couple whose engagement had been announced by the princess herself about two months ago, became public last month when they separated coldly at the station as the court left for a visit to his mother in France.

Hollywood Group Eyes Water Issue

Progressive Community Club Votes to Await Development of Present Plans Looking Toward Purchase of O-W Plant

ASSURED that the city council will do everything possible to put the issue of municipal ownership of the water system on the ballot for a test vote at least in the May primary election, and for an official vote at the November election is not sooner, the Hollywood Progressive Community club at its meeting Thursday night decided to proceed no further for the time being in its

HEART BALM ASKED OF RICH CHICAGOAN

LOS ANGELES, March 6.—(AP)—Martha Marie Gulickson, 34, filed suit in superior court today for \$500,000 damages against Albert Fuchs, 65, multimillionaire of Chicago and Santa Monica, Calif., charging breach of promise to marry.

Miss Gulickson, described by her attorney as an accomplished business woman and former secretary to Fuchs, alleged that the man proposed to her several times and on February 14 last she received a letter in which he requested her to come from Chicago and marry him in Santa Monica.

The woman said she arrived in Los Angeles and was met at the train by Fuchs and they went directly to the marriage license bureau, where they filed intentions to wed on March 2. The complaint stated, the marriage license was issued to them.

After procuring the license, Miss Gulickson declared, Fuchs persuaded her to go to his Santa Monica home by assuring her they would be chaperoned properly. There, she said, he told her he did not wish to marry her but desired that she live with him as his common law wife. The next day, Miss Gulickson's complaint declared, Fuchs flatly declined to marry her.

HULSEY NEW CHIEF OF ELKS IN SALEM

Howard Hulseby was elected to the position of exalted ruler of Salem lodge 336, Order of Elks, at the election held during the regular session of the organization at the Elks temple Thursday night. The only other competitive office filled at last night's election was that of esteemed lecturing knight. A. Warren Jones being elected to that chair.

Candidates for other offices were unopposed. The following is a complete list of the new officers: Howard Hulseby, exalted ruler; Harold Eakin, esteemed loyal knight; A. Warren Jones, esteemed lecturing knight; H. J. Wiedmer, secretary; Carl Armstrong, treasurer; H. H. Olinger, trustee; W. H. Paulus, representative to the grand lodge; and Charles R. Archerd, alternate representative. E. O. Ammann was elected tyler.

PARIS ENVOYS BACK AT ARMS MEETING NOW

Five Delegations Will Meet At St. James Palace to Resume Talk

Session Gets Under Way After Three Weeks Halt; Hope Runs High

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LONDON, March 6.—(AP)—A French delegation returned to the London naval conference tonight, ready to join in the strenuous new drive toward disarmament that is expected to begin tomorrow with the reassembling of the five delegations in St. James' palace for the first time in three weeks.

Arthur Henderson, foreign secretary, and Malcolm MacDonald, son of the prime minister, extended the British government's welcome. After a general greeting, like a home-coming party, the veteran Aristide Briand led his party off to re-establish itself at the Carlton hotel. Briand came as acting head of the delegation, since Premier Tardieu is studying the flood situation in France.

Yanks and British Near Agreement
An entirely new conference situation faces the French as they return from putting their domestic political problems in order.

Considerable technical work has been accomplished but real progress concerns the larger issues, such as the Anglo-American accord—which, it was authoritatively learned today, is in sight regarding not only cruisers but all categories of warships.

The American-Japanese naval problem also has changed materially since the French left London. The conversations between Senator Reed and Ambassador Matsuda will be enlarged next week to include Secretary Stimson and Reijiro Wakatsuki. Opinion in conference circles is that a general satisfactory solution will be produced.

The third new element in the conference situation is that the French delegation has returned in a—so reliable sources say—conciliatory frame of mind, eager to make concessions if that will make the conference a real success.

The only one of the larger problems which seems as far from an answer tonight as it was when the conference opened is the Franco-Italian controversy over parity. The indications are this will be left alone for a few days in the hope that time may prove as helpful in the dispute.

REDS FIGHT COPS

DETROIT, March 6.—(AP)—Downtown Detroit was turned into a battle ground between police and unemployed this afternoon.

Oregon Briefs

MEIR PASSEON ON PORTLAND, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—Abraham Meier, 61, died at his home today on the 19th anniversary of his election to the presidency of the Meier & Frank company store here. He was one of the pioneer merchants of this city and the oldest son of Aaron Meier, one of the founders of the store which bears his name.

MAD DOGS FOUND PORTLAND, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—A sudden outbreak of rabies, declared by cattlemen to be the worst since 1915 when about 1,000,000 worth of cattle were lost in Oregon, was reported in Harney county by Elmer Williams, assistant predatory animal control leader of the United States biological survey, who returned here today from a survey of general conditions in that country.

The biological survey immediately ordered two hunters to Harney county to start killing infected coyotes and dogs.

FEW REDS MARCH PORTLAND, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—A band of 30 self-styled communists, surrounded by double the number of police and at least 1500 spectators, met in the Plaza blocks here today, marched to the city hall in orderly manner and announced through banners and speeches their demands for work, shorter hours, higher pay and soviet form of government.

TOURNEY SLATED CORVALLIS, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—A high school basketball elimination contest to pick the winners of class B teams of Benton, Lincoln, Linn and Lane counties will be held in Oregon State college's gymnasium Friday and Saturday nights. Newport, Pleasant Hill, Sebo and Bellfountain, class B, champions of their respective counties, will compete to select a champion to meet the Eugene high school, Class A team, the winner of which will qualify for the state finals at Salem.

ATTACK SOLVED MARSHFIELD, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—Mystery of the attack on F. E. Emmet, aged school teacher in the isolated Eden Ridge valley, was believed solved here late today upon the return of Sheriff Henry Hess, who brought out the injured man to a Myrtle Point hospital, and also brought with him Mrs. Emmett, 60, whom he charged with assault with attempt to kill.

SUPERVISORS MEET PORTLAND, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—Nearly every one of Oregon's 14 federal forest supervisors will assemble at Corvallis tomorrow for the annual forest supervisor's day session sponsored by George W. Peavy, dean of the Oregon State college school of forestry.

NORBLAD STILL AT IT PORTLAND, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—Oregon hasn't begun to "sell itself" in the west, but when it does it will scrape all other Pacific coast states in new settlers and new commercial enterprises, Governor A. M. Norblad declared today before the Progressive Business Men's club here.

"The reason is quite obvious," he said. "We have more to sell. All that has to be done is to tell the world about it and I'm of the opinion that we've been waiting long enough. It's time now for action."

BRAKEMAN KILLED PORTLAND, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—William A. O'Connell, 38, brakeman for the Spokane, Portland and Seattle railroad was killed today when he fell beneath the wheels of a freight train here. O'Connell was sitting on a flat car of the train. Apparently deciding to jump he pushed himself from the car but his coat caught on a nail and he was swung under the wheels.

GAS PRICE DROPS PORTLAND, Ore., March 6.—(AP)—A gradual leveling in the retail price of gasoline from 17 1/2 to 16 1/2 cents a gallon at local service stations has been noticed in many sections of the city Monday.

Particularly was this true at stations handling a brand of gasoline being sold to retailers at a cent less than the standard wholesale price, 15 1/2 cents. Two other distributors were said to have met this price, but the drop was not general.