

Democrats have nothing to complain of from the November elections, they having kept their hold in congress and made several substantial gains otherwise.

The result of the election of some of the referendum measures throughout the state is still in doubt at the time of going to press, although there is every probability that all of them have carried, except, maybe, the sterilization act. In Polk county the result will probably be as above, yet the university measures may meet with defeat.

On the market page of the Sunday Journal Commissioner Pette very aptly describes the hop situation as it exists, and gives the main reasons why our hop growers are not today receiving the 35 cents a pound for their hops that they are justly entitled to by the demand for that article of produce. Supply and demand should be the only thing to regulate the markets of the world, but instead of that the price is entirely ruled by the middlemen speculators, who control the situation.

The Itemizer extends a hearty and fraternal greeting to the new newspaper men who have come among us, and hopes that they will make good with our community in every particular. They are old hands at the business, and know how to get out a paper that will be sought after and read to the last column. Our personal acquaintanceship has been short, but Mr. Volk has long been known to us by reputation as an honorable gentleman, a clean and forceful writer, and a man who will help boost the place that he is a resident of.

Notwithstanding the opinion of our worthy city attorney to the effect that dog license may be collected by the city whether canines are allowed to run at large or not, we rather imagine that the city will have a little difficulty in so doing. The tax on dogs in Dallas is already exorbitantly high, and to ask a dog owner to keep his pet tied up at home and then pay \$3.00 a year to have the privilege of so doing is not fair or just. The recent ordinance is a most nonsensical one, and it is strongly hinted that the matter will be tried out in the courts.

A suggestion that might be profitably adopted throughout Oregon is that contained in an exchange to the effect that the United States department of agriculture is to encourage and assist in the organization of "pig clubs" among the young people in every agricultural community throughout the country. It is pointed out that pigs are everywhere a profitable crop, that even the smallest growers can make a little money out of hogs and that every family can at least lower the cost of living by raising its own pork. The "pig club" plan is a good one and worthy of general adoption.

That President Woodrow Wilson is some politician, as well as a school teacher, has been demonstrated conclusively by him. Last week the third anniversary of his entrance into politics occurred. October 30, 1910, he left academic life he had led for 25 years, accepted the democratic nomination for governor of New Jersey, and within the brief period of three years landed in the chair of the president of the United States. As he made good as president of Princeton University, so he is making good as president of the people.

COWARDLY MORAL DEGENERATES.
 We have just finished reading a letter written by one Webb, now an inmate of the penitentiary, convicted of a murder, which is fresh in all our minds for its heinousness. This letter has been widely published by different papers throughout the state where a wet and dry campaign was in progress, and is supposed to influence votes for the dry side. We do not desire to enter into the wet and dry phase of the matter, as it is not at this time a local issue, neither is a question for discussion, having been settled by the vote of the people on last Tuesday, but we do wish to say a few words about the kind of a so-called man that Webb does in that letter, lay his downfall to liquor. We say "kind of a man," which seems a fitting appellation, as no man proper to be designated by the full title would so disgrace himself as to attempt to cloak his sins behind an influence, be that influence wine, women or the lure of gold, the three main influences said to debase mankind. The so-called man who does so, must primarily be a moral degenerate, not possessed of a will of his own, or in any way capable of combating with the insidious perils thrown around the genius homo when Eve ate of the apple and our noted forefather was thrown from the Garden of Eden to go forth in the world and battle with the ills that might befall. Webb asserts that he started life with a good job, a loving and helpful wife, and soon possessed a couple of bright and interesting children, but that the lure of being a good fellow was too much for his small calibred brain or moral sense of duty and respect for them. In other words he means that he lacked the stamina to say no when an invitation to take a drink was offered him. Because some whim friend was willing to pay the price of a drink, he was willing to take the chance of losing his good name, his job, his family and all that he should by every moral obligation hold to as the most important things in this world, and now comes forth with the cry baby act, and lays it all, not to his own degeneracy as a man, but to the insidious lure of liquor. Out on such false reasoning—the laying of the blame upon anything rather than a person's own lack of manliness for his own shortcomings. Every man is the architect

of his own fortune, be that fortune the acquiring of this world's goods, or his own physical or moral health and status. He is the doctor who must learn by experience the things that are best for his physical well-being, as well as his moral one. If he finds out that certain articles of food or drink interfere with his physical well-being, it is his duty as a man to abstain from them. Should he find that one, two or three glasses of beer incapacitate his mind or body from performing their proper functions in the right manner, it is his duty to stop at the point where they do so, and no request or desire for further indulgence should be allowed to sway him from what he knows to be right. That is the dividing line between temperance and foolishness—the line on which so many men split because they are not the masters of their own destiny. It is not the fault of the drink or of their own companions, but simply their own lack of personal control. Creatures of impulse, lacking the best makings of manhood, they go on their way through life succumbing to every temptation that confronts them, making of themselves drunkards and then probably something worse, and when the penalty for their sin confronts them, endeavor to gain sympathy by laying the blame on an influence which they assert they could not combat. A shame upon them for such cowardice.

THE NEW FIRM.
 Craven Hardware Company now an incorporated concern, with Tracy Staats as New Member.

Space last week did not permit of an extended mention of the change of personnel in the Craven Bros. hardware firm, in which Tracy Staats takes the place of Jasper Craven, who goes to Southern California to engage in other lines of work. With the introduction of Mr. Staats the company becomes an incorporated one, the stockholders being Mr. and Mrs. Riley Craven and Tracy Staats, and the purpose of the new company is to considerably enlarge their ready-made business by the introduction of new and complete lines, which will necessitate considerable remodeling of their floor space. The lady member of the firm will not take over any active work in the new organization, as president of the Woman's Club she has her time fully occupied with that commendable work, together with her social and household duties, and will leave business matters to the men.

The senior member of the firm is well known to nearly every resident of Polk county, having spent nearly his lifetime among us, with the exception of a few years at Pendleton, where he was engaged in the same business as here. He also had a hardware store in Independence for a number of years, and his fame for square dealing has permeated every corner of the county. Since he and his brother purchased the hardware store here of Wm. Faulk several years ago, they have enlarged the business until it is second to none in the Willamette valley, and may have worked up a most enviable reputation for the excellence of their goods, the superior stock kept, and made it their aim to seldom be out of what the farmer needs. Mr. Craven has served one term as mayor of Dallas, and had he been disposed could have been re-elected without opposition, his work for the city being particularly faithful, and of value to all concerned. He is a business man from the word go, and all his customers know that they can thoroughly rely on what he sells them. Mr. Craven is the resident of the state hardware association.

Falls City Goes Wet.
 Falls City was an exception to the rest of the county, the entire population, male and female, turning out in an endeavor to send the town either wet or dry, as their inclinations desired. The total vote cast was 357, and the wets won by 45. In South Falls City 94 voted wet and 104 dry, but a reverse vote was given on the north side, 107 voting wet and 52 dry.

Salem Went Dry.
 The capital city for the first time in her history will be a dry town after December 1st, the drys winning by nearly 500. As all licenses expire December 1st, and a dry council will be in charge, they will probably not be renewed for the month still allowable until the law goes into effect the first of the year.

Giant Radish Crown.
 C. Welker, who has gained quite a reputation for the raising of giant vegetable in his garden on a city lot at Independence, is showing a radish that is six inches in diameter, 18 inches long and weighs 6¾ pounds. The total length from top to the root to the top of the leaves was 46 inches.—Oregonian.

Obituary Notice.
 Lew Humphrey, whose death is noted elsewhere in this issue, was born in Boulder, Colorado, and came to Dallas when 18 years old. He married here and leaves a wife and three sons to mourn his loss. He was a recent convert to religion and died happy in the faith.

4000 Boxes of Apples.
 C. W. Dosselt, whose fruit ranch is south of Independence, has produced 4000 boxes of fine apples of 30 acres. These apples, carefully graded, will be shipped to the Seattle markets, and they bring as high prices as shipments from other points.—Portland Telegram.

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COMMERCIAL CLUB.
 Good Reports About the Installation of a Cannery Here.
 The Commercial Club met in regular session last night with a goodly crowd out, despite the rainy evening.
 In the absence of Secretary Tooze, August Risser acted in that capacity.
 August Risser appeared before the club to find out why the sum agreed to for the weekly band concerts, \$35, had been cut down to \$30. On motion of H. A. Woods the difference of \$5 a week, of \$55, was allowed and ordered paid.
 Claims allowed:
 Itemizer, janitor, \$ 8.00
 Finley Whitney, janitor, 4.00
 Tracy Staats, fees, 15.50
 Telephone Co., 1.85
 Secretary Tooze, 35.30
 Financial Secretary Staats reported a balance on hand of \$441.50.
 N. L. Guy made a report on the cannery proposition, the same as outlined heretofore in the press, and further that H. G. Campbell was making a thorough canvass of our vicinity and was meeting with much better success than anticipated.
 Mr. Peters county court he had recently received a letter in the matter and telling of several features that should enter into the agreement. He said his people were in earnest, and if assured of sufficient stuff to be grown, that the labor problem could be provided for and if not too high a price was expected, he believed the cannery would be a sure thing.
 President Fuller reported on the trip to Albany regarding the financing of and the sending of an exhibit to the Panama-Pacific exposition. He said Rev. Dunsmore of Independence, had been named by him as one of the three Polkites to look after the matter, but he thought to appoint another member and then two to select the third member of the suggested commission. H. A. Wood suggested that Henry Campbell be suggested to the court as a good man to be named from Dallas.

Circuit Court.
 The grand jury met last Thursday and found the following true bills:
 R. M. Smith, non-support.
 Thomas Stewart and Charles Katschman, horse stealing.
 August Gross, selling liquor outside the borders of an incorporated town.
 H. A. Winslow, obtaining goods under false pretenses.
 Tom Berg, obtaining money under false pretenses.
 No true bill was found against Justin Hunter of Falls City, who had been bound over on a charge of larceny.
 Those against whom indictments were returned were arraigned before Judge Holmes Monday and three plead guilty and were sentenced. Smith received 30 days in the county jail and Stewart and Katschman were each given indeterminate sentences of from one to ten years in the penitentiary.
 Judge Holmes came over Saturday and ran over the docket that day and Monday, hearing arguments and motions. The petty jury was not called until Wednesday, on account of election and yesterday they began their labors. J. M. Sears is bailiff of the grand jury, J. B. Nunn of the court, and W. J. White of the petty jury.
 The new grand jury are Anthony Dent, W. B. Barnett, Thos. Guthrie, G. A. Spurling, J. H. James, R. A. Hastings and G. F. McBe.

So far the following cases have been tried to:
 David Bradley vs. John Ebbe, action for money; L. D. Brown for plaintiff, Sibley & Eklin for defendant.—Continued.
 John R. Robbins et al vs. Carrie E. Skipton et al, partition; O. Hayter for plaintiff.—Referee discharged and bondsmen exonerated.
 John H. McNary, guardian, plaintiff, vs. Thos. Holman, defendant, injunction; McNary and Sibley for plaintiff, O. Hayter for defendant.—McNary made guardian in place of Clel Hayden.
 Chas. W. Minnich vs. Claud L. Brower, action for money; Burnett and Tooze for plaintiff; H. H. Belt for defendant.—Motion for directed verdict allowed.
 Ella Shunway vs. L. A. Tripp et al, foreclosure; W. O. Sims for plaintiff, Simpson & Lewis for defendant.—Settled and dismissed.
 Antone Zielskowsky vs. G. M. Seriever, action for money; Wm. Trindle for plaintiff; Frank Holmes for defendant.—Judgment for defendant.
 Edgar M. Brown vs. Jas. M. Brown et al, foreclosure; Brown & Sibley for plaintiff.—Default and decree.
 Linnie Gear and Catherine Van Voorhes vs. Pete Beneto, action for money; Brown & Sibley for plaintiff.—Settled and dismissed.
 Robt. J. and Clara Taylor vs.

Frank Bond vs. Sallie E. Jones, partition; Buttler & Buttler for plaintiff.—Continued.
Lola Goodwin vs. Bert Edwards, damages; Buttler & Buttler for plaintiff.—Default and judgment.
Lois Snyder vs. Wm. S. Snyder, divorce; Buttler & Buttler for plaintiff.—Dismissed.
Pearl Hayes vs. T. J. Hayes, divorce; Brown & Sibley for plaintiff.—Decree for plaintiff and custody of child.
Dallas Iron Works vs. Polk County Oil, Gas, Coal & Land Co., action for money; Brown & Sibley for plaintiff.—Settled and dismissed.
State vs. Tom Berg, indictment.—Dismissed on motion of district attorney.
State vs. R. M. Smith, indictment.—Plea of guilty; sentenced to 30 days in jail.
State vs. Chas. Katschman, indictment.—Plea of guilty; sentenced to penitentiary for indeterminate term.
State vs. Thos. Stewart, indictment.—Plea of guilty; same sentence.

Probate.
 In re estate of Martin M. Baker, deceased; Maud M. Baker made guardian of minors.
 In re estate of Susan L. Richardson, deceased; order to sell personal property.
 In re estate of Henry Tarter, deceased; final account set for hearing December 13th.

Commissioners.
 The commissioners' court met yesterday and have been busy since allowing bills, of which there is an unusually large amount on account of the elections. H. G. Campbell was named as Panama exposition commissioner.

Marriage Licenses.
 John B. Teal, Jr., and Ethel Lee.

Baptist Church.
 Sunday, Nov. 5th—Sabbath school, 9:45 a. m.; morning service, 11:30 a. m., preaching by Mr. Owen Day. Special music by McMinnville College Quartet. B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.; evening service, 7:30.

Methodist Church.
 Rev. Geo. H. Bennett, the pastor, will speak at 11 o'clock Sunday on the subject, "The World's Estimate of Christ." In the evening the subject of the discourse will be, "Is the Church Worth While?" Sunday school meets at 9:45; class meeting after the morning sermon. Epworth League at 6:30. Everybody always welcome.

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Minnich Wins Suit.
 The case of C. H. Minnich against Claude L. Brower, involving a stock contract in the Adjustable Electric Socket Company, occupied the attention of the circuit court yesterday and the plaintiff secured a direct verdict. It appears that Minnich sold Brower some of his own personal stock, and that Brower had paid but a part of the purchase price. He sued Brower for the balance due, and Brower answered setting up alleged false and fraudulent representations, alleged to have been made by Minnich. The court held that the defendant had failed utterly to establish fraud and upon motion of the plaintiff directed the jury to return a verdict in favor of the plaintiff. Walter L. Tooze, Jr., represented the plaintiff as attorney and H. H. Belt appeared for the defendant.
 This case has attracted considerable interest over the county, owing to the large number of stockholders in the Adjustable Electric Socket Company residing in the county. Mr. Minnich states that the last of the material necessary for the manufacture of the flat irons will arrive in a few days and that actual manufacture of the flat irons will commence without any unnecessary delay.

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