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INJUNCTION DISSOLVED

Circuit Judge Galloway Decides That Independence Shall Be "Dry" as the Rest.

The Independence liquor injunction, which had been in force since July 1, was dissolved by Circuit Judge Galloway Friday, and for the time being, Polk county may be regarded as totally "dry" in the eyes of the law.

The case consumed the greater part of Friday's session, and was watched with great interest, a large number of people coming over from Independence to attend the hearing.

The argument of the plaintiff was similar to that used in the recent Medford injunction case, the claim being that the city charter of Independence, itself a state law, was granted after the passage of the local option law of Oregon under which the vote for prohibition in Polk county was taken, and that, being a special law, it superseded and nullified the general prohibition law passed in Polk county in the June election.

After the close of the arguments, when Judge Galloway rendered his decision the attorneys for the plaintiff gave notice in open court of their intention of appealing the case to the supreme court of Oregon.

The attorneys for the plaintiff were Carson & Brown and Hon. B. F. Jones of Independence, and for the county, District Attorney J. H. McNary, of Salem, and P. B. Rutherford, of Portland.

Collections.

I have been conducting a collecting agency in Dallas for more than a year, and have thus far met with almost uniform success. All accounts placed in my hands for collection will receive prompt and careful attention, and I feel that I can assure complete satisfaction to all my clients. 8-18-if

L. D. BUTLER

Henry Savery returned Sunday from an extended stay in Ballston, where he has been employed during the greater part of the present summer.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Items of Interest From the Records in the County Offices Briefly Told.

PROBATE.

Guardianship of D. F. Boyer heirs—bond filed and approved.

Estate of Nancy E. Moore, deceased—sale of real property confirmed.

Guardianship of Henry D. Moore, a minor—sale of real estate confirmed.

Estate of H. T. Boughman, deceased—petition for letters granted; bond in sum of \$500.

Estate of T. M. Bailey, deceased—petition for final hearing filed; set for hearing Friday, September 18 at 10 o'clock a. m.

REAL ESTATE.

B F Mulkey et ux to F D Snyder, lots in Buena Vista, \$50.

United States to heirs of Samuel Hall et ux, 240 acres, t 7 s, r 4 w, patent.

United States to Channoy C Cram, et ux, 160 acres, t 7 s, r 4 w, patent.

Jacob Bentler to Sophia J and Gus W Plummer, 30 acres, t 7 s, r 3 w, \$1900.

J M Sears et ux to J E Richter, lots in Dallas, \$1600.

Southern Pacific Company to G W Cone et al, 80 acres, t 8 s, r 7 w, \$3,370.

Vocal Instructor for College.

Mrs. Mae Wright, of Portland, was a Dallas visitor Saturday. Mrs. Wright has been selected as instructor in the voice department in Dallas College during the coming year, and will have charge of the classes in vocal music and dramatic art. Dallas College was without such an instructor last year, and the lack was keenly felt, but it is the purpose this year to fully atone for the unavoidable omission of the past, and Mrs. Wright anticipates a large attendance in both classes of her department. The new department will be of especial value to those training for the annual oratorical contest, in which Dallas College has gained and held for several years a truly enviable reputation.

WAS ADJUDGED INSANE

Demented Old Man Arrested Near West Salem, Sent to Asylum Saturday.

Frank Watson, who was arrested near Salem, Thursday night and brought to Dallas by Constable Marion Putnam, was examined before County Judge Ed F. Coad, Saturday morning and adjudged insane. He was taken to Salem by the sheriff Saturday afternoon and placed in the state insane asylum.

As nearly as could be learned during the examination, he is a man about 60 years of age and was born in Lucas county, Ohio. He has been in Oregon about 10 years. He was at one time an inmate of the asylum, but whether he had escaped or been let out on parole could not be ascertained.

For several days previous to his arrest he wandered about the high-ways in the vicinity of Salem and Eola. His behavior aroused suspicion at once, which was increased daily by the curious whims he exhibited. He depended entirely upon the charity of the residents of that neighborhood for his sustenance, but seemed very particular about the character of the gifts bestowed upon him. Whenever he received anything that suited his fastidious tastes, he would immediately carry it into the woods near the river, where he had built himself a rough camp.

His strange behavior at last began to cause serious misgivings among the people whom he visited and Constable Putnam was notified of his presence and requested to take him in charge. Upon finding him the constable had no trouble in making the arrest, and brought him to Dallas at once where he was confined in the jail until his hearing Saturday.

Although manifestly unbalanced mentally, the man showed considerable shrewdness and cunning in answering the questions that were put to him by the examining physician, Dr. L. A. Bollman. He claimed that he had been trying to make his way from Independence to Portland on foot, and that at the branching of the roads near Salem he became confused, took the wrong course, and wandered about for several days unable to get his bearings and continue his journey.

Study Course Revised.

Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman has just completed the revision of the courses of study for the elementary and high schools of Oregon, which will be ready for distribution to the county superintendents in a few days. Several important changes have been made this year, among which may be mentioned the two year commercial course designed for the eleventh and twelfth year pupils, and the teachers' training course, designed to be of assistance to high school students, who intend to follow teaching, but who feel that they cannot afford to leave home to fit themselves for that work. A change has also been made in the classification of high schools. Hereafter the high schools will be classed according to the courses adopted and the number of teachers devoting their entire time to the teaching of high school subjects.

Band Concert Missed by All.

Director U. S. Grant announced last week that the Sunday afternoon band concert in the city park would be discontinued during the remainder of this month owing to the absence of several of the bandmen who are away on their vacation. In spite of this however, scores of people drifted down to the park Sunday afternoon from sheer force of habit, only to meet with a bitter disappointment when they awoke to the realization that "there wasn't goin' to be no concert." Dallas' fine band with its weekly concerts has become an almost indispensable part of each week's entertainment and will be sadly missed during the next three weeks.

Monmouth Meat Market Robbed. Chamberlain & Long, butchers, of Independence, who operate a branch meat market at Monmouth, report that entrance was made Friday night in their Monmouth market and a quantity of meat stolen, besides all the change left in the drawer, amounting to three or four dollars. Greek railroad laborers stationed at Monmouth are suspected.

Great interest is being shown at the the gospel meetings in the tent on Mill and Shelton streets and large crowds are in attendance each evening. Tonight at 8 o'clock, Elder W. F. Martin will speak on "The United States in Prophecy," showing how the future of our nation is foretold in the Bible. This sermon will no doubt prove highly interesting to all who attend.

Mrs. W. D. Collins and Mrs. J. A. McCann returned from a visit with friends and relatives in Suver and Independence, Sunday.

Mrs. Cal Thompson and children, of San Francisco, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Thompson.

DAIRYING TO THE FRONT

Will Be Brought into Special Prominence at Oregon State Fair This Year.

Dairying is going to become one of the principal agricultural industries in Oregon, and with this idea in view the Oregon State Fair management is giving more encouragement to the dairy department of the coming fair, at Salem, September 14-19.

This department will be superintended by Mrs. S. A. Yoakum, of Marshfield, who owns and conducts a large dairy farm in Coos county and is dairy inspector of that county; she is also one of the vice presidents of the Oregon Dairymen's Association. Mrs. Yoakum says there is going to be a grand display of dairy and creamery products at the fair next month, and has asked for additional space for the exhibits.

In answer to her demand the fair board has concluded to move the "rest tent" over and annex it onto the dairy building, and under this the different firms dealing in dairy and creamery outfits will be allowed space for their working exhibits, thus leaving the whole of the dairy pavilion proper for the creamery and cheese factory entries. A large platform will be erected adjoining on which will be displayed one of the modern milking machines in operation twice daily during the fair.

Mrs. Yoakum will also have charge of the milk cow test, which is one of the interesting features of the fair and in which there is considerable strife by the owners and exhibitors of the various dairy breeds of cattle.

Supply of Water is Good.

In spite of the lack of rainfall during the past six weeks the water in the pond of the Willamette Valley sawmill has maintained its depth remarkably well, the heavy rainfall in May and June giving a larger reserve of water than usual. Always before the present season it has been necessary for the company to begin pumping water from the reserve pond on the west side of the railroad track in July, so as to keep the water in the main pond at a depth sufficient to float its logs. This year, however, there is still plenty in the main pond with the reserve still untouched, and little trouble from lack of water is anticipated.

Hop Pickers' Pay Reduced.

About 40 hopgrowers of this vicinity met at the City Hall in Salem, Saturday, and adopted a resolution fixing 80 cents a hundred pounds as the price to be paid for hop-picking this season. This is 10 cents less than last year. The opinion was unanimous that growers cannot pay over 80 cents a hundred and can scarcely afford to pay that much in view of the present price of hops. Eighty cents a hundred is practically the same as 40 cents a box.

Will Work For Dallas College.

Dr. C. A. Mock and Professor Floyd E. Fisher left yesterday morning for Florence in the Alsea county. They will spend several weeks in that locality, working in the interest of Dallas College, and hope to secure many new students during their trip. That neighborhood has always furnished a goodly number of students for the college and this year the faculty is hoping for a larger representation than ever before.

N. Dorrisfe was painfully injured Friday by a stone falling on his left hand. He was helping G. L. Hawkins lift a heavy marble slab when his hold slipped and the stone crashed down upon his fingers, crushing and lacerating them terribly. Prompt medical attention was secured and no serious results are anticipated.

A barn belonging to Geo. Newbill was burned near Ballston, Sunday, caused from sparks spread by a passing traction engine. The barn was empty at the time and aside from badly scorched an unused threshing outfit stored nearby the building was the only loss.—Sheridan Sun.

L. G. Soehren, of Sacramento, California, and Miss Catharine Jackson, of Forest Grove, visited yesterday at the home of his brother, W. L. Soehren.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wasson and little daughter returned to Dallas, Saturday after a few days' visit among relatives and friends in Portland.

Mrs. M. C. Wilson and daughter, Nan, were in from their Eola fruit farm Saturday, for a short visit with friends and relatives in Dallas.

T. J. Cherrington returned Thursday from an extended trip to various summer resorts at the coast and in the mountains.

W. B. Chance, of Albany, deputy labor commissioner and factory inspector, was an official visitor in Dallas yesterday.

Hon. T. J. Hayter returned Friday from a pleasant trip to Marshfield and other cities in the Coos Bay region.

John Heigerson, of Black Rock, was a business visitor in Dallas, Friday.

DEIBLER AGAIN ESCAPES

Daring Auto Thief Eludes Authorities by Jumping Through Car Window While Enroute to Chicago.

That Earnest Deibler, the daring young man who stole an automobile in Chicago and had a number of adventures with it around Portland, ending with his arrest at Chehalis, Wash., had escaped from the officers by leaping through a car window while in Montana, was the news received at the police station Saturday.

Deibler was being brought back to Portland from Seattle by C. A. Dunn, a Portland man, when the constable of Tenino, Wash., who had wired the Chicago manufacturer from whom the motor was taken, overtook them and demanded the incarceration of Deibler. The reward of \$100 offered by the owners, the Haynes Automobile company, was the cause of prompt arrest.

Dunn was bringing Deibler to Portland to face charges of obtaining money under false pretenses.

Deibler's brother came from Chicago to try to square the case against the young man, who was kept in Chehalis for two weeks.

Ernest Deibler was considered partially insane, but his actions throughout the long hunt for him showed he stopped at nothing, even sleeping in a hotel room next to the Chicago detective who was hunting him and whom he the next day eluded.

Following Deibler's escape from custody, the Chicago police telegraphed Chief Gritzmacher to arrest Deibler should he return to Portland. This, however, is not thought probable.—Portland Journal.

Teachers to Be Taught.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Ackerman addressed the students of the summer school at Monmouth yesterday, the occasion being the opening of a two weeks' course in school supervision. This course has never been given in any normal school in Oregon and provides a thorough instruction for superintendents and principals. It is intended not only for teachers but for county and city superintendents. The course will be under two chief instructors, Frank B. Cooper, superintendent of the Seattle public schools, and J. A. Churchill, superintendent of the Baker City schools.

Put Equipments in Order.

Saturday and Sunday morning the young men of Company H spent in the armory cleaning their guns and equipments and turning their uniforms back into the commissary department. The latter will be sent to the laundry before they are issued out to the men once more, as the heavy black soil of the country about American Lake has given them an exceedingly shabby and disreputable appearance, and the next time the company appears in public it will be in uniforms fully as neat and spotless as they were before they left Dallas two weeks ago.

Ed Deckwa, one of the twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Deckwa, died early Sunday morning, aged only a little more than one month. His death is supposed to have been primarily due to the heat. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon and the body was interred in the old cemetery.

One of Ed Plaster's fine horses dropped dead in the harness Saturday morning as he was starting to work. The animal was apparently in perfect condition and the cause of its sudden death is a mystery. It was considered one of the finest draught horses in this neighborhood.

Miss Cordia Gooch returned to Portland yesterday after a few days' visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gooch. Miss Gooch has recently completed her course in the Portland Business College and is now employed as a stenographer in that city.

Dr. Hendershott, who has been taking Dr. Starbuck's place during the absence of the latter on his summer vacation, returned yesterday to Portland, where he is working in the St. Vincent's hospital.

W. P. Miller brought into town yesterday a bundle of as fine specimens of wheat as could be found anywhere in Oregon. The wheat was a sample bundle cut from this year's crop on his farm east of Dallas.

Miss Freda Launer returned Friday from a successful campaign in Amity and vicinity in the interest of the scholarship contest of the Portland Journal.

The Rev. M. J. Ballantyne returned yesterday from Troutdale, where he preached Sunday in place of Professor D. M. Metzger who is ill in Portland.

Mrs. Margaret James returned to the home of her daughter near Bridgeport, Friday, after a visit with friends and relatives in Dallas.

Mrs. R. L. Boery, of Portland, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Eakin were Salem visitors Friday.

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