

## Local and Personal.

Zook, the paper hanger will do your painting.

Don't forget to attend the entertainment tonight.

E. G. Ward of Halsey was in town Friday last doing business for a Portland firm.

E. P. Callaway of Forest Grove was in town the latter part of last week looking after property on which to locate.

Thomas Forsyth, R. M. Fowle, Lewis Edward and Loren Cooper were down from Airlie the latter part of last week.

### Boreas on the Rampage

The following from the Weston Leader gives some idea of how winter conditions are in North-eastern Oregon. It says:

"Weston was visited yesterday by the fiercest wind storm of the winter, which swept the hills bare of snow and piled drifts into the canyons. Travel by team is difficult, and the deep cut on the O. R. & N. near Downing station, two miles north of town, is filled with snow, entailing a blockade. Three locomotives were engaged yesterday in "bucking" the drift.

Mountain roads are said to be almost impassable on account of drifting snow. At the Blue Mountain sawmill, 12 miles east of town, the snow had attained a depth of three feet in the timber. From the clearings it has been swept into the roads by the wind.

Neither mail carrier was able yesterday to make his route. Both started again this morning.

Snow is five feet deep at the toll gate near the summit. While this is regarded as unusual, old settlers recall much deeper snow in early times, when the winters were more severe than now. J. B. Morgan of Walla Walla, who is here today, says that in the winter of 1875-76, when stages crossed the Blue mountains from Weston to Summerville, snow attained a depth of 20 feet at the toll gate station, completely covering the stage barn."

### Teachers' Examination

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Polk County will hold the regular examination for applicants for State and County papers at the County Court House in Dallas, as follows:

#### FOR STATE PAPERS

Commencing Wednesday, February 9th, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, February 12th, at 4 p. m.

Wednesday—Penmanship, History, Spelling, Physical Geography, Reading Psychology.

Thursday—Written Arithmetic, Theory of Teaching, Grammar, Book-keeping, Physics, Civil Government.

Friday—Physiology, Geography, Composition, Algebra, English Literature, School Law.

Saturday—Botany, Plane Geometry, General History.

#### FOR COUNTY PAPERS

Commencing Wednesday, February 9th, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Friday, February 11th, at 4 p. m.

Wednesday—Penmanship, History, Orthography, Reading, Physical Geography.

Thursday—Written Arithmetic, Theory of Teaching, Grammar, Physical Geography.

Friday—Geography, School Law, Civil Government, English Literature.

Dated this 17th day of January, 1910.

H. C. SEYMOUR,  
School Superintendent of Polk County, Oregon.

### The Prohibition Question

The News Reporter has been inclined to believe that 1910 would be too early a date to attempt state wide prohibition; but if the saloons continue their aggravated violations of law so currently reported, the time is none too early. The great advance in local option and prohibition sentiment has been largely the result of the flagrant lawlessness of the liquor dealers themselves.

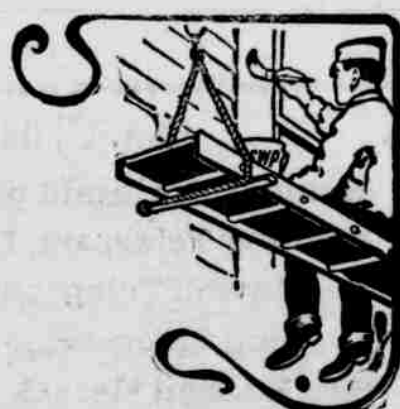
On the Sunday following New Year's day one section of the Oregonian contained several instances of the kind mentioned. Twenty-eight barrels of vinegar manufactured from the waste beer and slops of the Log Cabin saloon, Spokane, were condemned and poured into the sewer under the instructions of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner. Fortunately this stuff made from the overflow and dregs from customers' glasses fell under the condemnation of the pure food laws. A bar tender in the Monte Carlo, Portland, saloon killed Caesar Bourgeois over a trifling matter and was held for murder. In Wasco county officers are reported to have called a halt on the operations of notorious violations by galloping houses which the government permitted to run in the borders of this wet county and which were drawing much custom from near by districts. This same issue also contained a decided editorial against the New Year orgies carried on in the city of Portland by its own citizens—women in particular—orgies which, by the way, are the result of the traffic. Those in position to know also declare unreservedly, that there is more boot legging in wet localities than in dry.

In Iowa, there is no doubt that the prohibitory law was enacted when at least one-third of the state was unprepared for it. The law was absolutely a dead letter so far as these counties were concerned and open contempt for the legal enactment notorious, for in them the sentiment was overwhelming against prohibition.

It may be there is greater respect for law in Oregon at the present time than there was in Iowa twenty-five years ago and that one on prohibition could be better enforced in such places as Portland, Baker City and Salem than was the case in Dubuque, Davenport and Clinton. If this is true and conditions as prevalent in wet localities as indicated by the above items from a part of one issue of the Oregonian nothing would be lost by state wide prohibition; much would be gained in dry localities which come in contact with wet now as in the instance given of Wasco county.—News Reporter.

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