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NEAR BEER IN COURT

Whether or Not It is An Intoxicating Beverage, Will Be Tested in Washington Court.

A question of much interest to Umatilla county and most of Oregon is about to be threshed out in the courts of Washington. It is whether or not 'near beer' is intoxicating and as to whether or not its sale shall be prohibited in 'dry' counties.

Fred C. Pugh, prosecuting attorney for Spokane county, has declared that the so-called 'temperance' beverage is intoxicating and that hereafter all persons found selling it in 'dry' territory included in his jurisdiction will be prosecuted. The result of this announcement will be followed with great interest by prosecuting attorneys in Oregon, who have been contemplating taking similar action.

In speaking of the matter the Spokane prosecutor said:

"I have had several inquiries lately as to whether Inland Brau and 'near beer' can lawfully be sold in 'dry' townships or whether they come within the denomination of 'intoxicating' liquors. This depends upon whether they are intoxicating when used as beverages.

Chemical analysis shows that Inland Brau contains over 3 per cent alcohol and near beer about the same, or in other words, they carry more alcohol than some kinds of ordinary beer. The phraseology of the licensing statute in spirituous, fermented, malt or other intoxicating liquor."

"The definition of the phrase 'intoxicating liquor,' found in the local option law passed at the last session of the legislature is much more comprehensive and includes 'intoxicating properties,' if it is capable of being used as a beverage.

"The collector of internal revenue, I am informed, requires a license for the sale of these liquors, and in my opinion the state authorities should exact the same requirements.

"It is asserted that much drunkenness is seen about places where these liquors are sold. They have the appearance of beer, carry almost if not quite as much alcohol and if permitted to be sold as a 'soft drink,' would render it practically impossible for the officers to determine whether the liquor sold in any given case was ordinary beer or one of these convenient substitutes.

"Hereafter, therefore, all persons selling near beer and Inland Brau without a county or city license, will be prosecuted."

WORD LIST FATAL TO TEACHERS

Spelling Proves Too Hard For Those Who Did Not Make Grade.

Spelling proved the nemesis for most of the eight who failed of the 32 applicants for county papers who recently took the teachers' examination here or had their papers sent for grading, says the East Oregonian. The 14 applicants for state papers will not know their fates until the papers can be passed upon by the state board. This will be sometime in September.

Below is the list which proved too difficult to the majority of the eight who failed to make an average sufficient to entitle them to the papers which would permit them to teach in the county. The fifty words counted for half the examination and they are as follows:

Inflexible, insensible, intersperse, interstice, intolerant, invincible, invisible, italicize, laboratory, labyrinth, maritime, menagerie, mercenary, miscreant, miseducation, mnemonics, mollify, monetary, monosyllabic, motuony, necessary, nihilism, nullify, observance, ominous, optimist, pessimist, ostracize, pageantry, panacea,

paroxysm, Pentateuch, percussion, phosphorus, piquancy, plagiarize, Pleiades, pneumatic, polygamy, preparation, pretensions, priority, promontory, proprietor, rapacity, recurrence, redolent, relegate, reparation, repartee.

The other half of the examination questions consisted of the following:

1. Distinguish between suffix and prefix.
2. Define synonym.
3. Name two English prefixes and three Latin.
4. Give synonyms for the following: Discoverer, talent, heroism, cheerfulness, talkative.
5. The following prefixes equal what? A - ap - extra - inter - sup -

HEBEART FINED FOR CONTEMPT

His Talkfest Cost Him \$17.50 in Police Court.

Joe Rainville and Louis Hebeart were up before the police court Tuesday afternoon, charged with fighting and disturbing the peace. The evidence pointed to Rainville as being the aggressor and Hebeart would have got off without a fine, but his tongue, lubricated with near beer, would run away with itself.

(He was admonished by the court to keep quiet, but he would steam up, and \$7.50 imposed for contempt, did not stop his talkfest. His near beer oration reached its climax when he told Judge Richards that he considered the fine to be a present to the court. Such generosity stunned the judge, but not sufficiently to cause him to overlook such a glowing opportunity, so he promptly taxed the gentleman \$10 more, and Mr. Hebeart paid \$17.50 into the city treasury and still had his jag left to go home on. Rainville was fined \$7.50.

JAP WEDS PRETTY WHITE GIRL

License Refused in Malheur County, Couple Goes to Weiser.

A Japanese restaurant owner by the name of Zoe and pretty Miss Marcia Harold, both of Vale, were married in Weiser, Idaho, Tuesday. This union is the culmination of a courtship of several months. Public sentiment has been aroused at the affair and the county clerk refused to issue them a license, so they were compelled to go to Weiser. This is the first oriental that has ever married an American girl in Malheur county.

The bride is from La Crosse, Wis., and is a graduate from the college of that place. She is 21 years old and a good musician. For three years she has been a teacher in Dakota, Montana and Idaho.

The groom is intelligent, having been graduated from the college at Takahara, Japan, and from the Hill Business college, San Francisco.

While in San Francisco he owned a large Japanese curio store. He sold out there and went to Spokane where he engaged in the same business, then came to Vale and engaged in the restaurant business. He is worth \$25,000.

Big Harvest Festival.

The business men of Palouse City have completed initiatory arrangements for a harvest festival, carnival and stock show to be held there Sept. 14-17 inclusive. They have employed the services of a man who conducted a like event with success in that town two years ago. Prizes will be given for farm products of all kinds and for the best stock. A feature of the week will be a stock show and it is expected the farmers, many of whom in that vicinity have taken up raising better stock, will come forward with a good display. The evening attractions will be furnished by a first-class carnival company. A business man puts forward the question as to why Athena cannot have a harvest festival this fall.

Backed Over Embankment.

Mrs. O'Brien, employed as a domestic in the home of A. L. Swaggart met with a serious accident Monday evening. She was driving a horse to a buggy and stopping on the approach to the bridge at the Waits place on Pine Creek, the horse backed suddenly sending the vehicle over the embankment. Mrs. O'Brien was severely bruised, and Ettabel Swaggart, who was also in the buggy narrowly escaped injury. The buggy was demolished at easy and convenient stages, the horse leaving the last part of it and a portion of the harness, near home.

He Hotfooted It.

J. E. Rankin, a waiter who had been employed at the St. Nicholas hotel undertook the hotfoot act to beat his laundry till, Monday afternoon. He was overtaken on the O. R. & N. track by Marshal Ghoslon. His laundry bill amounted to \$4.25, and for security he put up a few articles in his possession which included a revolver, a pair of boxing gloves and a suit case. After Rankin had left town it developed that the suit case was the property of Landlord Froome.

WORK TWO SHIFTS

Artesian Well Drill Pounds Away Continuously—Splendid Progress Made This Week.

The big drill that is seeking artesian water for the Athena Land & Trust company in this city is now pounding away continually twenty-four hours each day.

A night crew was put on and began work Monday night, after parts had been received to replace those that had been broken in the gasoline engine, and which necessitated a lay off the latter part of last week.

The work at night appears to progress as well as the day work. Tuesday night's work netted 15 feet. For the most part, the drill has been dropping through a porous lava rock this week, and splendid progress has been made. The well is now down to a depth of 322 feet. The machinery is in excellent working order, and a record run for continuous operation, is looked for by the drill workmen.

BARGING WHEAT ON COLUMBIA

Four Hundred Tons May Be Taken On One Trip.

Barging wheat from the Inland Empire down the Columbia river to Celilo and then sending it to Portland by steamer will be tried as an experiment by the Open River Transportation company.

The stockholders of the company have arranged for the building of a wheat barge. It will be constructed at Celilo, the work on it starting immediately. The craft will be ready for service within the next few weeks. The barge will be 90 feet long and 30 feet beam, having a capacity for handling 400 tons of wheat. It will be towed between Pasco or Kennebec to Celilo and return by either the steamer Twin Cities or Inland Empire. At the same time the steamer will also carry a cargo of cereals. Consequently they will bring down the river at one trip 400 tons of wheat.

"If the experiment proves successful we will have several other barges transporting wheat down the river from Pasco next season," said J. N. Teal of the Open River Transportation company. "It will mean lower rates for the producers and every one will benefit by it."

EXPLOSION WRECKED MACHINE

Smut Causes Fire Which Burned But Little Grain.

Sam Bannister's new separator was destroyed by fire Saturday, which resulted from smut explosion.

The explosion occurred shortly after noon Saturday, when the crew was finishing the George Bannister field south of town. Saturday evening Bannister went to Walla Walla and purchased a machine of the Gilbert Hunt company and Monday afternoon finished the field.

By prompt work on the part of the crew, only about an acre of grain was destroyed, the county road on the east side of the field materially assisting the fire fighters. The sacked grain was left untouched by the fire. The machine was entirely consumed.

Taggart Will Move.

T. M. Taggart has leased the big brick store building on the corner of Main and Third and will move his stock of goods thereto. This is one of the best business stands on the street, and the owners, T. J. Kirk of this city, and the Todd estate in Portland, are putting the building in spick span shape for Mr. Taggart. The exterior has been painted and improvements on the inside will be made. The move is a matter of more room, for Mr. Taggart intends to branch out in the Merchandise business and meet the demands of his growing trade.

HILL IN GRAND TRUNK ROAD

John F. Stevens ex-Panama Engineer Says So.

The Oregon Trunk line which is contending the route up the Deschutes canyon into central Oregon with the Harriman system, is controlled by John F. Stevens, former chief engineer of the Panama canal. James J. Hill as an individual is financially interested in the Oregon Trunk line, to an extent necessary to carry the road through to a successful completion.

This was the voluntary statement of Mr. Stevens made at Portland and finally settles the disputed question as to who has been behind Porter Bros., contractors and owners of record of the Oregon Trunk, who have been making a spectacular fight recently for advantage in the Deschutes canyon.

That Mr. Hill has been behind the

proposition has been surmised from the moment the Oregon Trunk began active construction work. It is the presumption in railroad circles in Portland that the road is the initiating of a line which will eventually terminate at San Francisco.

The district which will be tapped by the Deschutes road as the Harriman project is known and the Oregon Trunk line, is a virgin country, but is said capable of being made one of the most productive sections on the Pacific coast.

Sells Mountain Farm.

B. F. Barklow of Weston has completed the sale of his mountain farm consisting of 80 acres, about 10 tillable, the balance pasture land, to Wesley Allyn, lately from Ione, Morrow county. The consideration was \$3700 cash. This piece of land could have been bought for \$1200 only a few years ago. There were no improvements at that time, and the same conditions exist now. Mr. Allyn will immediately commence the erection of a residence and make other improvements.

New Fly Exterminator.

J. R. MacMaster, president of the Pomeroy, Wash., Hardware and Implement company has discovered a new fly-killer that seems to do the work better than anything ever tried there. The way that gentleman has been demonstrating his new discovery at his place of business has caused a rush to the drugstores for the ingredient that does the work. The formula for the insecticide is very simple and is given as follows: Two teaspoonfuls of formaldehyde and one teaspoonful of sugar in a pint of water. It is said the flies do not get over two feet from the receptacle containing the liquid before dying.

GIRLS WIN IN COYOTE MELEE

Plucky Kennebec Girls Dispatch Wolf With Cudgels.

Miss Marian Griffith and Miss Florine Bonn two 14-year-old girls of Kennebec, Wash., proved themselves true daughters of the west Sunday afternoon when they clubbed to death a big coyote and carried their trophy home as testimony of their bravery.

The girls were strolling along the river near the Bonn ranch when the Griffith dog started from the sagebrush an unusually large coyote. With a ferocity rarely exhibited by its species the wolf attacked the dog and the two were soon rolling on the prairie in a deadly encounter. Seeing the plight of the faithful old family dog and calling her companion to her assistance, Miss Griffith armed herself with a stout club and rushed into the melee. Following the example of the other girl Miss Bonn scoured a cudgel and performed valiant service. The two brave lasses wielded their weapons with telling effect and soon dispatched the coyote.

With the careers of their prey swinging between them, their nut brown cheeks flushed with the excitement of battle and the old dog limping along behind the plucky hunters arrived at the Bonn home, where they told the story of their novel experience.

Campers Privileges.

The campground at the Oregon State Fair, Salem, is in readiness for the great number of campers that will occupy spaces thereon during the forty-eighth annual fair which will be held on September 13 to 18, 1909. Albert Tozier is superintendent of the camping quarters and he expects that the tented city will be greater than ever this time. Massive oak trees form a nice grove on the camping quarters, which makes it an attractive place to enjoy a week's outing away from one's home, whether it be in the city or country. An evening scene on the camp ground is a most pleasant one generally, especially when the campfires are burning around which are assembled groups of people engaging in social converse and games interspersed with music.

Grain Quotations Direct.

Beginning Monday morning the farmers of Walla Walla found what the world on the outside was selling and purchasing wheat. A telegraph instrument was installed in the offices of the farmers union and the wire was connected with the Tacoma Board of Trade, which is operated in conjunction with the Liverpool, England, Board of Trade. The quotations will come daily from now on from Liverpool.

Heavy Railroad Traffic.

The freight and passenger traffic through Pendleton over the O. R. & N. is the heaviest it has ever been, according to local railroad men, and it seems to be getting heavier every day. Some relief is expected in a few days, however, as five locomotives are on their way from the southern Pacific shops at Sparks, Nev., and two are coming from the Oregon Short line.

Postmaster Gittens has purchased a late model L. C. Smith shot gun, a fowling piece, of which he is justly proud.