

No Prohibition for Washington, Says Court

PROHIBITION IN WASHINGTON IS KNOCKED OUT

SUPREME COURT FAILS TO UPHOLD NEW LAW

Court's Decision Was Made Last Saturday, But Announcement Was Delayed at the Request of Governor Lister—Story of Decision Overthrowing Prohibition Law Published Today in Portland Journal.

United Press Service
PORTLAND, Dec. 2.—The Portland Journal this afternoon prints a story that the Washington state supreme court last Saturday reached a decision overthrowing the prohibition law in that state.

STRATTON ENDS LIFE WITH GUN

ANNUAL VISITOR TO KLAMATH AND FORMER COLLECTOR OF PORT OF SAN FRANCISCO, COMMITS SUICIDE

Frederick S. Stratton, former collector of the port of San Francisco, and well known in Klamath Falls, was found dead near Pleasanton, Alameda county, Tuesday evening with a bullet in his head. A loaded revolver was beside his body.

Stratton has been an annual visitor to Klamath county, and is interested in business property in this city.

Last April Stratton suffered a nervous breakdown, and was taken to a sanitarium at Livermore, Cal., where he has been undergoing treatment ever since. For the last few months he has been dividing his time between the sanitarium and his ranch at Alamo, in Contra Costa county.

He left the sanitarium for his ranch. At Pleasanton he visited a hardware store and tried to purchase a revolver, but was refused, the dealer told the coroner, on account of the rambling explanation he gave. He was more successful at another store. A shot is said to have been heard from the vicinity of the railroad bridge shortly after Stratton left the town, but there was no investigation, and his body was not found until some hours later.

\$417,000 for Oregon's Projects Is Program

DENVER, Dec. 2.—If the proposed program of the United States reclamation service is carried out for 1917 Oregon will receive \$417,000 out of the \$9,800,000 proposed for the projects of the country. The Umatilla project will be allowed \$235,000 during the fiscal year, and the Klamath project will be allowed \$182,000.

PEACE SHIP TO SAIL SATURDAY

FORD WILLING TO FINANCE INTERNATIONAL COURT AT THE HAGUE FOR BELLIGERENTS WHEN READY FOR PEACE

United Press Service
NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The employes of Henry Ford are feverishly preparing for the sailing of the peace ships on Saturday. Secretary Locher admitted that probably they would be unable to "bring the boys out of the trenches by Christmas."

Ford arrived, but refused to take Parker's attack on his plans seriously. He said that he expected to start at The Hague an international court, where the belligerents can turn if they want peace. Ford stated he was willing to finance the court himself.

ONE HORSE DIES AFTER LONG TRIP

FARMER JUST COMPLETES TRIP FROM BELOW MERRILL WITH LOAD OF WHEAT WHEN HORSE DROPS DEAD

Late Tuesday evening a rancher by name of Toney Caca, who lives about seven miles below Merrill, pulled up at the O. K. barn with a team of four horses; unhooking the animals, he led them to a watering trough. Scarcely had they begun to drink when one of their number sank to the floor. Dr. Prentice was hastily summoned, but before he could arrive the animal died.

It is stated that Caca left his ranch about 7 o'clock in the morning with a load of wheat. As the roads are in bad shape between here and Merrill, it is the opinion that the death of the animal was caused from overwork.

Property Moves.
E. G. Argyves recently transferred to Jesse L. Beckley the ownership of the following property: West half of the southeast quarter of section 5, in township 37 south, range 15 east, Willamette Meridian.

Purchases Lot.
Emil Zumbrum enters into deal whereby he becomes the owner of lot 4 in block 4 in the Hessig Addition to Port Klamath.

Joe Howard Here.
J. W. Howard, well known stockman, is in the city for a few days. He has been spending the summer in Portland.

Late War News

United Press Service
LONDON, Dec. 2.—The British steamers Colenso, Orange and Prince have been submarine. The fate of the crew of the latter is unknown.

United Press Service
LONDON, Dec. 2.—The Italian reports of the recapture of Csernowitz by the Russians are unconfirmed.

United Press Service
BERLIN, Dec. 2.—It is admitted that public demonstrations in favor of a settlement of the problems connected with the prices and distribution of food have occurred about the

reichstag. An official statement says: "Germany's enemies will again spread ridiculous reports about her troubles, street riots and other false insinuations."

United Press Service
LONDON, Dec. 2.—It is learned that the Greek steamer Zaris has been submarine. The crew landed safely at Malta.

United Press Service
SALONIKA, Dec. 2.—That Monastir was still holding out yesterday morning is the news that has been received by telegraph from Genuvassich.

ENGLAND GAMBLES ON RULER'S LIFE

LOYD'S QUOTATION IS THREE TO ONE THAT FERDINAND WILL BE OFF THE BULGARIAN THRONE BY JUNE

(United Press Correspondent)
LONDON, Nov. 2.—(By mail)—Lloyd's today is offering the risk of three to one that Ferdinand, king of Bulgaria, will not be on his throne June 1, 1916. The risk started at twenty to 1, but the turn of affairs in the Balkans drove it down.

Most persons who have taken out policies on the Bulgarian's head are Englishmen with business interests in the Balkans and Bulgaria. Their losses will be great if Ferdinand retires his throne, and they are preparing for the minimum loss.

On the duration of the war Lloyd's offer ten to one that it will not last beyond December, 1916. A new risk, something like their Easter insurance against rain on new bonnets, is one wherein the soldier bets with Lloyd's that he will not be killed. The risk, eight to one against death, is said to be heavily patronized.

Round Lake Visitor.
Martin Reel recently came in for a load of lumber, with which to complete improvements under way.

Makes Proof.
George F. Beldin has just made final proof on his homestead.

Well Driller Here.
Wm. Powers, the well driller, is in town on business from Merrill.

Hauling Freight.
Carl Robley is quite busy transporting freight from this city to Bonanza.

RICH LEDGE OF ORE FOUND IN GRAVEYARD

RENO, Nev., Dec. 3.—Tombstones are being used for location monuments in the new mining district near Sodaville, where a fabulously rich ledge of tungsten ore was discovered about ten days ago, according to reports brought to Reno by men who answered the call of the desert and rushed to get some of the claims. One miner located the village cemetery, and as there were no rocks near, he used some of the best looking tombstones to mark the boundaries of his claim.

Wheat Market Affected

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—In face of a strong demand and light receipts from the Northwest, wheat showed the first real effects of the Canadian seizure. December wheat closed at 109 1/2 and May at 113 1/2.

Kitchener Still War Minister

LONDON, Dec. 2.—Premier Asquith, in replying to a query of the house of commons, said that Lord Kitchener would resume his duties as minister of war.

Roosevelt Won't Return.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Chairman Perkins of the progressive party announced this afternoon that Roosevelt absolutely has no intention of returning to the republican party. He confers with the ex-president this afternoon.

Broke Ankles, Instead of Head

SEATTLE, Dec. 3.—Tom Ingase, 33, tried to commit suicide by leaping off the Jackson street viaduct, between Fourth and Fifth avenues. He dropped sixty feet. Later he declared he attempted to strike head first, but his feet were too heavy, and he alighted right side up, breaking both ankles. He is in the city hospital.

Says Farmers Cheated by Big Milk Purchasers

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—Farmers of the East are not getting what is coming to them for milk, Milfred Wheeler of Boston, secretary of the Massachusetts board of agriculture, told the national conference of marketing and farm credits in its third day's session today. Farmers are at the mercy of the big dealers, who pay farmers what they see fit, he said. Cost of distribution of milk is too

high, he said. By co-operation and tained, this cost would be materially reduced. People of the United States, Wheeler said, should be taught to drink more milk, as it is wholesome food that is cheap, even at the present price.

National and state legislation to provide the credit facilities which would make it possible for tenant farmers and farm laborers to acquire farm land was urged by John Lee Colter, dean of the college of agriculture at West Virginia University.

MORE THREATS IN PLOT TO DESTROY DOCKS AND SHIPS

DESTRUCTION OF SEATTLE'S WATER FRONT PLANNED

More Anonymous Letters received at Tacoma Threatening the Destruction of Japanese Liners Loading Munitions for Vladivostok—Steps Being Taken for the Protection of Docks and Warehouses.

United Press Service

TACOMA, Dec. 2.—The receipt of more anonymous letters threatening the destruction of the Japanese liners loading munitions for Vladivostok, and the installation of chemical fire fighting apparatus in the warehouses were features of today's developments in the alleged plot to destroy the Milwaukee railroad docks and steamships.

It is understood that one letter threatened the destruction of a part of Seattle's water front.

THREE LINKERS GIVE A SMOKER

ODD FELLOWS ENTERTAIN LAST NIGHT WITH CARDS, SMOKES, AND A WEE BITE TO EAT BETWEEN TIMES

Klamath Lodge No. 137, I. O. O. F. entertained members and friends at a smoker and free-and-easy last night, and every one attending reports an enjoyable time.

Upwards of a hundred Odd Fellows and their friends gathered at the card tables and passed the time with sol, whist, 500, and most any old game they wanted to play, and it was necessary to warn the fire department that the smoke coming from the windows was not caused by fire, but the gang was just warming up.

Any time after 10 o'clock any one so minded could retire to the banquet room and help themselves to coffee, sandwiches and fruit, and until "all hours" the crowd kept the big hall lively.

One incident caused considerable amusement. An enthusiastic Odd Fellow whose business keeps him from attending the regular sessions of the lodge, got in conversation with what he considered an available candidate for membership, and securing an application blank, proceeded to make out an application for membership. All went well; every question was answered satisfactorily, and the requisite number of brothers signed the instrument, and the aforesaid Odd Fellow was feeling quite elated until one brother informed him that the application was no good, as the proposed member had not answered the questions in the same manner that he had when he joined the lodge nearly a year before.

In From Rimrock.
Frank P. Grohs is in the city from Rimrock Ranch in Upper Langell Valley.

From Keno.
Joe Oscar, a rancher living near Keno, is a business visitor to this city.

HEART STROKE IS CAUSE OF DEATH

LEROY J. MORSE, NIGHT CLERK AT THE HOTEL HALL, SUCCEUMBS TO AN ATTACK LAST NIGHT

Last night, shortly before twelve o'clock, Leroy J. Morser, who has been employed as night clerk at the Hotel Hall for the past two and a half years, failed to rally from a heart stroke which he received in the postoffice building while in the act of procuring his mail.

Mr. Morser with his wife in the early part of the evening had attended the play given in the Houston opera house, and having gone home with her, he returned to the hotel, where later, in company with M. J. McDonough, he walked down to the postoffice, and it was while there that Morser was stricken.

During Mr. Morser's employ at the hotel he gained a wide acquaintance, and there was hardly a commercial man making this part of the state to whom he was not well and favorably known.

The deceased leaves a wife and four children to mourn his death, among whom is a daughter living in Alabama, and arrangements for the funeral will not be made until communication from her is received.

Leroy J. Morser was nearing his 63rd birthday, and was a native of the state of New York.

LOOT JEWELRY STORE IN BROAD DAYLIGHT

SEATTLE, Dec. 2.—Two robbers at 8:30 this morning held up Clerk West in a jewelry store here, and while scores of people were passing outside, bound and gagged him and escaped with diamonds and gold and silver ware worth \$2,000.

Methodist Bazaar Friday

The Methodist ladies will hold a bazaar in the White building on Friday, December 3, and will have on sale plum pudding, cake, pie, homemade candy and fancy articles suitable for Christmas gifts. The ladies will serve lunch at noon and throughout the afternoon. The menu will consist of bouillon with salted wafers sandwiches, salads, pie, cake, coffee and tea and hot tamales.

Will Meet Friday

There will be a meeting of the Philanthropic Department of the Woman's Library Club Friday afternoon at 2:30 at the library.

Judge Baldwin Better

Judge George T. Baldwin, who has been quite ill with erysipelas, is reported as greatly improved today, and is able to be up and around the house.

Brings in Hogs

Ross Sutton is in from his ranch near Dairy. He brought in three dressed hogs for the local market.

DEFENSE CLAIMS NO CONSPIRACY SHOWN IN CASE

DISAGREEMENT OF JURY CONSIDERED POSSIBLE

Final Argument Made in Trial of the Hamburg-American Steamship Officials—Judge Howe Instructs Jury That Fact That Cargo Was Intended for Ships at Sea Should Have Been Stated in Manifest.

United Press Service

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The jury in the trial of the officials of the Hamburg-American Steamship company retired at 3:50 this afternoon. No early decision is expected, as it is believed that there is a strong possibility of a disagreement.

United Press Service

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Attorney Rand for the defense in his final argument in the Hamburg-American case denied that there was any evidence of conspiracy, and said that the government attorneys were suffering from a case of "detectomania."

He said: "I hold no brief for Boy-Ed or the German government, but Boy-Ed was not shown to be a conspirator in this case." Judge Howe announced that he would instruct the jury that the fact that the cargoes were intended for ships at sea should have been so stated in the manifest.

A disagreement of the jury is considered possible.

NEW PASTOR FOR LOCAL CHURCH

REV. JENKINS OF EUGENE WILL BE HERE SUNDAY TO FILL PULPIT AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. Jenkins of Eugene has been called to the pulpit of the Christian church at this place, and will be in the field to begin work next Sunday.

Rev. Jenkins comes well recommended, having done successful work for the churches at Hood River, The Dalles and other places in the state.

Professor Taylor, director of music in the high school, has been engaged to direct the choir. Mr. Taylor has worked with the famous Billy Sunday in revival meetings, and good music is assured.

The church is to be congratulated on securing the services of two such able men.

How to Purify Legal Profession Is Problem

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Dec. 2.—"The question of the hour is what can be done to purify the legal profession, and get it back to its old place," says Dr. Hayward W. Hope, dean of the law department of the University of Oregon.

Overcrowding the profession, what he calls the "boom" period, "takes a heavy toll of the public," he says. "It is a heavy toll, and it is a heavy toll that the public is paying."

Dr. Hope, thinks competition is the only way to purify the profession.