

PLANNING ATTACK ON LOCAL OPTION LAW.

Liquor Interests Want Amendment Granting Cities Right to Decide Question Independently.

Anti-local option legislation is destined to poke its nose into the business that will come before the next legislature. The liquor dealers of the state want three cardinal changes made in the local option law as it now stands. The anti-saloon league will oppose their requests, however, so that there is every indication of a big fight over the question during the session.

The liquor interests of the state in general, and of Portland, in particular, want three things. They ask that the local option law be so amended that cities and towns of 3000 or more inhabitants will be exempt from the operation of county local option elections. They want the proportion of signatures necessary to call a local option question up before the people to be raised from 10 per cent, under the present law, to 20 per cent. They want the law amended so that once an election is held in any precinct or district no other similar local option election can be held in that district for two years.

As the law now stands it is possible, as has been demonstrated in the cases of Klamath Falls, Pendleton, Medford and various other towns for the rural districts of a county to be joined with a town on the local option question with the result that the rural anti-saloon vote overwhelms the liquor vote of the towns and closes the towns against the wishes of a majority of the town's residents. The saloon interests contend that this is not fair and that the law should be amended so that the municipal governments can control their own liquor fights.

The law now requires that the signatures of 10 per cent of the voters of any district can compel the submission of the local option question to the people. The saloon interests contend that this proportion should be raised to 20 per cent of the legal voters of any district.

It is now possible for the anti-saloon league to call an election in any district at any election. If the district refuses to vote dry the anti-saloon people can call the question up at the next election, no matter when that date may fall. Should the district vote dry, however, the saloon people cannot call the question up again for two years. The saloon men contend that this is not fair and ask that both the saloon interests and the anti-saloon league be put on the same footing.

HEAVY DAMAGE BY SNOW.

Two hundred wires were down and practically every telephone in the city out of commission as the result of a heavy snow Monday night. Eight inches of snow fell during the night and as it was heavily saturated with water it packed as it fell. If the snow had been light it is estimated that it would have reached a depth of two feet.

At ten o'clock that night ten poles on Klamath street carrying the big cable with 50 pairs of wires went down. This practically put all the phones out of business. At twelve o'clock a large number of electric wires on Main street and in other parts of the city were broken, leaving the city in darkness. A crew of ten men worked all night trying to keep the wires free from snow.

It was a strenuous night for the linemen and it was due to their hard work that the whole system was not put out of business for a longer time.

EAGLES GIVE BANQUET.

Crater Aerie No. 1616, F. O. E., installed officers Monday night. After the work was completed an elaborate banquet was served to members and invited guests, numbering 43 in all. Toasts were responded to by several of the members and a number of the visitors. Many vocal and instrumental selections were given which added greatly to the pleasure of the evening. The banquet was served under the direction of Raymond Matten and wife and they were highly complimented by all those partaking of the good things.

The new officers installed are as follows: Worthy President, Mont E. Hutchison; Worthy Vice-President, Carl Reed; Worthy Chaplain, E. L. Niles; Secretary, Otto Heidrich; Treasurer, Wm. Dulaney; Inside Guard, Geor. Pine; Outside Guard, Wm. Bowland; Worthy Trustees, Geo. Espy, A. Santaman and Brow Jamison.

AMERICAN CONSUL AND WIFE KILLED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—A dispatch received at the State Department today from Consul Gale affirms the reported death of Consul Cheney and his wife at Messina. The bodies, the dispatch says, have not been recovered. It is reported also that Stuart Lipton, Vice Consul, is missing.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR SENATOR FULTON.

His Success as Leader in Rate Law Amendment in Fight Against Elkins Predicted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Senator Fulton will have once again the opportunity which has presented itself at numerous times in the past year, when congress reassembles. He has assumed leadership in the rate law amendment fight and has ready to aid him powerful influences which have been impatient because the fight was not begun long ago. The feeling here is that, now that the question of his re-election to the Senate is settled, Fulton will probably enter the combat with vigor and utilize forces which all along have been anxious to assist in unhorseing Chairman Elkins of the Interstate Commerce committee. It is recognized in Washington that Senator Fulton has one of the greatest opportunities ever offered any National law maker.

The opinion is general that every fighting will force Fulton to an issue with the chairman of the Interstate Commerce committee. Liberal members of both houses and almost incalculably powerful shipping interests have already declared unequivocally for the principle on which the Fulton measure is based.

FIGHT CATTLE RUSTLERS.

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 4.—Advices received by telephone from Mesa Grande, forty miles from here, tell of a pitched battle thirty miles from there between a gang of cattle rustlers and members of a Vigilante Committee, organized last week to put a stop to depredations of cattle thieves in that locality.

According to the information received, the Vigilantes Saturday picked up the trail of a band of cattle thieves who made away with several hundred head of stock near Mesa Grande last week, and followed them to a point just this side of the International line where the rustlers were rounded up.

In the fight that followed the refusal to surrender, two Mexicans, an Indian and a white man, all members of the band, were shot and killed, and one Vigilante was seriously wounded. The rustlers fled across the border after the fight.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

J. P. Lee et ux to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., e 1/2 of nw 1/4, sw 1/4 of nw 1/4, ne 1/4 of sw 1/4, sec 10, tp 35 s, r 14 e, \$10.00.

J.C. Craven to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., n 1/2 of n 1/4, sec 25, tp 35 s, r 14 e, \$10.00.

Louise Lee to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., s 1/2 of ne 1/4, sec 10, sw 1/4 of nw 1/4, sec 11, tp 35 s, r 14 e, \$10.00.

Henry A. Cross to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., w 1/4 of ne 1/4, se 1/4 of nw 1/4 and nw 1/4 of se 1/4, sec 23, tp 35 s, r 14 e, \$10.00.

Myra V. Slough et vir to Marie L. Gifford et al, sw 1/4, sec 12, tp 41 s, r 8 e, \$4000.00.

Marie L. Gifford et vir to A. J. Hocking, lots 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, blk 31, Second add to Klamath Falls, \$10.00.

Robert Casey et ux to Albert E. Elder, parcel of land described by metes and bounds, sec 26, tp 39 s, r 10 e, \$975.00.

Robert Casey et ux to W. A. Arnold, parcel of ground described by metes and bounds, sec 20, tp 39 s, r 10 e, \$175.00.

A. Kershner to Geo. Ebehalt, nw 1/4 of sw 1/4, sec 7, tp 40 s, r 10 e, \$1200.00.

Frank A. Hilger et ux to F. P. Hixon, lots 12, 13, 14, and 15, sec 19, tp 23 s, r 11 e, \$2500.00.

Jos. Koessel to E. Compher, sw 1/4 of ne 1/4 and ne 1/4 of se 1/4, sec 23, tp 38 s, r 9 e, \$1000.00.

Francis J. Bowne to R. I. Kilgore, part block 101, Bowne add to Bonanza, \$1.00.

A. L. Leavitt and F. H. Mills to Schalllock & Daggett Co., lots 4 and 7, blk 90, Klamath add to Klamath Falls, \$250.00.

E. B. Henry et ux to C. E. Worden, sw 1/4, sec 23, tp 37 s, r 14 e, \$1800.

G. W. White et ux to J. W. Haskins, se 1/4 of se 1/4 and s 1/2 of ne 1/4 of se 1/4, sec 11, tp 41 s, r 10 e, \$3000.

Louis Hessig et ux to W. H. Clark, lot 9, blk 10, Hessig add to Fort Klamath, \$400.

W. H. Clark to Alex. Martin, Jr., lot 9, blk 10, Hessig add to Fort Klamath, \$400.

F. J. Bowne to Richard Melhase, 240 feet by 25 feet in blk 15, Klamath Falls, \$2000.

C. E. Worden to Frank and Louise Sargent, s 1/4 of lots 1 and 2, Ewauna Hts. add to Klamath Falls, \$550.

To make gingersnaps as good as those you buy: Take one cupful of sugar, one cupful of sirup, one cupful of butter, two teaspoonfuls of soda dissolved in two tablespoonfuls of hot water, one teaspoonful of ginger, and flour enough to make a stiff dough. Roll thin and delicious crisp snaps will be the result.

PINE GROVE NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott and family spent Wednesday with Mr. Mack.

Messrs. Bishop, Ankeny, Miller and Robinson enjoyed the fine duck shooting on Lost River Wednesday.

Isaac Shepard is hauling straw for Jay Arant.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack and children, Earl, Ethel and Charles, spent Thursday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mills.

John Shepard drove to the Falls Saturday.

Mr. Elliott, Chas. Mack, Thomas Elliott and Mr. Upp went duck hunting Friday.

Elmo Newton was a Falls' visitor Wednesday.

C. N. Snow, of Langell Valley, was an overnight guest this week at the home of S. E. Icenbee.

Thos. Short and family moved into their new home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirkendall went to Mrs. Kirkendall's timber claim last Thursday.

A surprise dance was given at the home of Lum Short Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Andrews were in this vicinity Saturday.

James Hull attended the dance at Lum Short's Friday evening.

S. E. Icenbee and daughter, Bessie, and Mrs. Tommy Short were in the Falls Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mills visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Short Sunday.

CALHOUN'S TRIAL DAY SET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—Patrick Calhoun's first trial upon a charge growing out of the bribery graft exposures of 1906 will begin on Tuesday, January 12th. It was agreed by counsel and the Court that no ordinary contingency would be regarded as basis for further continuance.

Francis J. Heney, whose return from the East is expected within a day or two, will have charge of the case for the prosecution and will be assisted by Assistant District Attorney John O'Gara. The President of the United Railroads will be defended by A. A. Moore, Stanley Moore and Lewis F. Byington, with William M. Abbott, of counsel, though not of record.

COUNT BONI LOSES SUIT.

Paris Court Rules Custody of His Three Sons Be Given to the Princess De Sagan.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The petition of Count Boni De Castellane that the custody of his three sons be given to his mother, the Marquis De Castellane, was denied today. The Court ruled that the children remain in the custody of their mother, Princesse De Sagan, formerly Miss Anna Gould, of New York.

The Court ruled further that the children should not leave the continent without its permission. Beginning October 19, 1909, they are to be placed at a college situated within 100 miles of Paris.

FIVE MURDERERS TO HANG.

Friday, February 5, is the day fixed for the hanging of James A. Finch, convicted of the murder of Ralph B. Fisher. Judge Bronaugh appointed R. L. Phillips death watch over the condemned murderer. Phillips will guard Finch in the solitary cell in which the latter is confined until taken to Salem for execution. When Finch arrives there will then be five murderers in the state prison, an unusual number.

Four men are now in solitary confinement at the Oregon state penitentiary awaiting the execution of the death sentence, having been convicted of murder in the first degree. Three of them are sentenced to hang during this month. Three Fridays in January, the first month in the new year, will be hangman's day at Salem.

Math Jancjag, who killed his sweetheart in Oregon City, is the first. He is sentenced to be hung next Friday, January 8. Walter Johnson, who killed Walter Perdue in a lonely cabin in the timber belt of Washington county near Forest Grove, will hang January 22, unless some unforeseen circumstances delays the execution.

The third murderer is Harry Daley, who arrived at the penitentiary last Thursday. Daley killed his partner in a Portland saloon. He will be hung January 29. The fourth and last man is Joe Anderson. He shot and killed a railroad engineer while attempting to hold him up in South Portland a year ago. Anderson was sentenced to be hanged June 26 last, but he has appealed his case.

A fly falling into a five-gallon can of milk and instantly dying in Los Angeles this week was the cause of an investigation which resulted in the discovery of poison in the milk. The milk was intended for a large boarding house at 620 East First street.

CONFESSION READ TO JURY

Statement Alleged to Have Been Signed by Mrs. Hains in Evidence.

FLUSHING, N. Y., Jan. 1.—General Peter C. Hains, U. S. A., father of Thornton J. Hains, on trial as a principal in the slaying of William Annis, as a witness in his son's behalf, yesterday declared that in the presence and before his two sons, Peter and Thornton Hains, the Captain's wife, Claudia Haine, made a full confession of her misconduct and that subsequently Captain Hains manifested such poignant grief from the disclosures that his mental condition became affected. The confession which General Hains declared his son's wife had signed on the day following Captain Hains' return to the West, was read to the jury.

It was signed by Mrs. Hains on May 31, 1908, according to General Hains. It related that within a month after Captain Hains left Fort Hamilton for the Philippines, October 2nd, Mrs. Hains began improper intimacy with Annis. There were many clandestine meetings during the winter—ten, or perhaps twelve—says the signed statement, always at an apartment in East Ninth street, and always in the daytime except once.

Continuing, the statement says that in April Mrs. Hains found it necessary to call upon a physician in New York. After describing in detail the treatment she received from the doctor, the statement concludes that Mrs. Hains after this treatment stayed at a hotel with a woman for a week.

Mrs. William E. Annis sat to the far side of the court room during the reading.

General Hains said that Captain Hains was much excited during the taking of the confession, crying aloud, "My God, she has ruined me, my family and my three children."

General Hains will be under cross-examination Monday, when the trial is resumed.

50 DEAD IN MINE DISASTER.

Explosion Causes Great Loss of Life in West Virginia Coal Mine—Cause is Unknown.

ENNIS, W. Va., Dec. 31.—The fatalities in the Lick Branch mine as the result of the explosion yesterday afternoon will probably reach fifty. Up to 9 o'clock today twelve bodies had been taken out.

According to a mine foreman there are thirty-eight men in the mine with little chance of their recovery alive. The cause of the explosion is unknown. All the bodies are expected to be recovered today.

NOW IS BEST TIME TO TAKE

Directions to Prepare Simple, Yet Remarkable Home Remedy

A well-known authority on Rheumatism gives the following valuable, though simple and harmless, prescription, which any one can easily prepare at home:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sassafras, three ounces.

Mix by shaking well in a bottle, and take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime.

He states that the ingredients can be obtained from any good prescription pharmacy at small cost, and, being of vegetable extraction, are harmless to take.

This pleasant mixture, if taken regularly for a few days, is said to overcome almost any case of Rheumatism. The pain and swelling, if any, diminishes with each dose, until permanent results are obtained, and without injuring the stomach. While there are many so-called Rheumatism remedies, patent medicines, etc., some of which do give relief, few really give permanent results, and the above will, no doubt, be greatly appreciated by many sufferers here at this time.

Inquiry at the drug stores of this neighborhood elicits the information that these drugs are harmless and can be bought separately, or the druggists here will mix the prescription for our readers if asked to.

Mrs. L. D. Webb left on Tuesday for Lewiston, Idaho, on a visit to relatives.

There are persons who will, without a murmur, pay an office fee of \$10 to a "city doctor," and yet grumble when the local physician demands \$1 for the same advice with seventy-five cents worth of medicine thrown in. Don't be one of this kind, but be willing to pay a fair fee to your home physician who, in nearly all cases, can give as good advice as the doctor in the city.

GUMPTION ON THE FAIRM.

Make a good work bench this winter.

Use all last year's failures as the guide posts for the New Year. Put the tools where they will be the easiest to find, not the easiest to drop.

Men are a good deal like beans—they don't amount to much unless there's plenty of snap to them.

Make it your business to shovel a good wide path, through the snow for your wife to walk in when she hangs out the clothes.

When cutting in the woodlot be careful to avoid injuring any of the smaller trees. They may be larger some time. Care for them.

The hen sometimes makes a big fuss about a small egg, but she keeps right on, day after day, doing her best at the one thing she knows.

When you are thinking of buying a farm, look for plenty of wood for fuel and other purposes, for good water, good neighbors and good market advantages.

Keep a dairy; begin on the first day of the New Year and follow it up daily. You will be surprised how many things that are important to remember you will find stored away.

"Isn't it strange," remarked a wayback farmer, as he watched an up-to-date neighbor sawing wood with a patent saw, run by a gasoline engine, "how men will scheme to get out of honest work."

Put everything down in writing when you lease a farm. Memory can not be relied on. It is remarkable how different men will remember different things. If it is all down in black and white, there can be no mistake.

When it is not convenient to apply heat to frozen pipes to thaw them, spread a cloth thickly with unslaked lime, fasten it around the frozen pipe and throw water on it. The heat produced as the lime slakes is great enough to thaw the ice.

There was a belief common for many generations that boys, like wheat, must be well thrashed to get the best out of them. The rod is no longer piled in the school or family, and yet there is after all a pretty fair crop of boys.

Have things gone wrong with you this past year? Now don't get discouraged and imagine you are going to wind up at the poorhouse. The new year is here, good things may be coming around the corner your way. Brace up; have nerve. Never forget that many a great undertaking has been wrought into success after a promise of failures.

It is tough on the wagon to drive it over the rough, frozen roads these days. Especially when the ruts are deep it is hard on felloes and other parts. It is a good plan to have a second-best wagon for these times, and so save the good one. But this utility wagon should always be a good solid one, that will not break down on the way to town.

Don't let the boys read the yellow supplements of the Sunday papers, nor the silly, crude and vulgar so-called "comics" of the daily papers. It must be positively harmful thus to steep the minds of the immature and uneducated with such rapid, stupid and demoralizing stuff. We are glad to note that some of the metropolitan dailies have ceased to affront the self respect and good taste of their readers, notably the Boston Herald.

—From January Farm Journal.

MEN FIGHT FOR FOOD.

Bands of Famished Individuals Attack Each Other Like Wolves—Frightful Scene at Messina.

MESSINA, Dec. 31.—A frightful scene occurred here today amid the ruins of the Customs House. Bands of famished individuals were groping among the debris in the hope of discovering food. The first of the searchers, who were successful, were attacked by others with revolvers and knives, and were obliged to divide their findings. The struggle was fierce. The famished men threw themselves upon each other like wolves, and several fell disemboweled in defending a handful of dry bones or a few ounces of flour. One of the unfortunates was pinned to a plank by a knife, while clinging to his hand was his little child, for whom he had sought food.

CHICAGO & ALTON ROAD MUST PAY BIG FINE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The rebate case of the Government against the Chicago & Alton road was today decided by the United States Supreme Court against the Company in the United States Circuit Court for the Northern District of Illinois, that the Company and its officers were fined \$60,000 on the charge of making a refund to Kansas City packers as terminal charges.

A fault of your own would probably be a sin in others.

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Dated this 10th day of December, 1908.

ALEX. MARTIN, JR.,
Administrator of the Estate of Rodney S. Bowen, deceased.
12-10-18.

SHOP AT SUMMERS.

A blacksmith shop has been established at Summers. General work of all kinds promptly done. Horse-shoeing a specialty. 12-17-8*