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NEW LIQUOR BILL TO BE INITIATED

Oklahoma City, Jan. 25.—Former Mayor Frank Stearns of Shawnee, heading the local option and high license movement, yesterday filed a new petition with Secretary of State Harrison, replacing the one abandoned several days ago, seeking to repeal state-wide prohibition as provided in the constitution, and placing the liquor traffic under the control of the legislature.

The only changes made in the bill were to add an enacting clause, which was omitted before, and to make the periods between elections four, instead of two years. Thus, if a district or county votes "wet" or "dry" the question cannot be resubmitted for four years.

Stearns said yesterday that the Fort Smith case, upon which the circuit court of appeals declared that Indian Territory must remain dry for a period of twenty-one years, has been appealed to the supreme court of the United States and a decision is expected by March. In event the supreme court sustains the lower court, the bill will be referred to conform to it.

The federal regulation, the persons back of the option movement say, would apply only to shipments from other states into Oklahoma, assuming that the law of 1897 still is in effect. Abandonment of the recent bill, Stearns said, was due to the absence of a legal construction of the circuit court's opinion, in the light of which Indian Territory people declined to support a bill which would give "beverages" to but half the state.

A. L. Walker of Waurika has been made secretary of the organization in place of C. H. Hines of Oklahoma City. Being a constitutional amendment, the petitions require about 66,000 signatures.

Why Joseph F. Sheehan is America's Greatest Tenor.

To those who have never heard Joseph F. Sheehan sing in the grand opera classics, it probably sounds far fetched to make the broad statement that he is America's greatest tenor, and they cannot be censured for taking that view and remaining skeptical, but those who have had the unmistakable pleasure of hearing Mr. Sheehan when he was leading tenor with the Savage Grand Opera company know that the aforesaid statement is entirely correct.

Joseph Sheehan, who comes to the Grand Theatre in Vinita, Saturday evening, February 3, in the favorite opera, "The Bohemian Girl," heading his own own company known as the Sheehan English Opera company, is a tenor of the first rank. His ability to sing both lyric and dramatic roles gives him a wonderful scope in his repertoire. When a member of the Savage company he sang Wagnerian parts from "Tanhauser" to "Parsifal." Those who have heard his performance in Wagner's opera of the same name say that his voice is marvelously suited for every requirement of the exacting role. He has sung Verdi's works from "Il Trovatore" to the blood-curdling "Othello" and he was the last tenor to sing the gigantic music allotted to the jealous Moor in English at the Tremont Theatre in Boston several years ago.

As an actor Mr. Sheehan is equally proficient. His delineation of the character of Don Jose in Bizet's "Carmen" is overwhelming. The anguish, passion and final outburst of despair are subtly and forcibly handled as only a true historian can handle them. Why Mr. Sheehan never studied the foreign languages is a mystery to his many admirers, as the eminent New York critics class him with Zlezak Zenatelle, Caruso and the other foremost tenors of the day.

Mr. Sheehan with his company, which critics proclaim the finest ever heard in the English language, will be at the Grand Saturday, February 3.

The Revival.

The house was packed from door to door and the interest was fine. There were fifteen or twenty young men who came forward indicating the fact that they wanted to make a better record. There were two fine young fellows who joined church. Come early to get a good seat.

Promptly at 7:30 last night Mr. Phillips announced the first song, "Shall Be Satisfied," and the way the people sang was inspiring. Dr. McIntosh delivered a very forceful sermon on "Sin And the Devil in General." He said if a fellow drank Oklahoma bootlegger booze it would make a pig of him if he were not already a porker.

WANTS DAMAGES AGAINST LODGE

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 25.—Henry A. Francisco of Spokane, wants \$15,000 damages from the local lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose as balm for charging him with insanity. In an action filed in the Spokane county superior court yesterday he alleges that the visiting committee of the lodge, of which he is a member, instituted a charge of insanity against him last August, following an illness of four weeks in June and July, 1911, and that he was discharged at a hearing after being examined by county and other experts. Francisco says in his complaint that the action of the lodge has injured his reputation and as a result he is unable to secure employment and is made the target of ridicule and abuse. Before he was stricken by sickness he was engaged as foreman of construction on several important works; but since then, he says, he has not been able to obtain work anywhere. The lodge will contest the damage suit.



MISS GLADYS CALDWELL Singing "I Dreamt I Dwelt in Marble Halls," in "The Bohemian Girl," at the Grand Theatre, Saturday Evening, February 3.

Semi-Annual Examinations.

The pupils of Sacred Heart Institute are this week writing their semi-annual examinations.

The music pupils of this institution deserving honorable mention for good lessons within the past term are as follows: Piano—Gladys Wagoner, Leva Spaulding, Willie Billingslea, Julia Shanahan, Irene Horton, Juanita Bordenkircher and Ruby Renfro; Violin—Ben Horton. Those for regular attendance are: Jessie Starr, Ethel Pierce, Eileen Crahan, May McManus, Clarence Kornegay, Cleo Cox, Myrtle and Audrey Taylor.

In general the pupils of both the literary and music departments have been doing excellent work and it is hoped that the second term will prove a still greater success.

The required return is to be prepared. Every corporation shall make the return required by law, although its net income during the year may not have exceeded \$5,000, even though its business may have resulted in a loss.

Blanks for making these reports were mailed in December, 1911, and any corporation that has failed to receive a blank should write to Collector Knott at once, requesting blanks.

The return of a corporation must be signed and sworn to by two officers, one of which should be its president, vice president or other principal officer, and the other should be its treasurer or assistant treasurer.

Corporations that were in business but a part of 1911, or which traded no business during the year, should be so designated on the form for going to the collector's office.

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To avoid errors the specifications should be followed closely.

GREATEST IN VICTORY AND DEFEAT

Be neither swelled nor puffed up by wealth and honors that in the loss thereof you may not shrink.—John the Unafraid.

In a long life of association with great men and small, I have found that the great man was great in all conditions of life. I have seen great men in the hour of defeat and in the hour of victory. I have seen small men in both conditions. I recall one man of wealth who was loud of dress and voice, who when given a great office, became louder in both, and more tenacious of his "official" rights. In his loss of both wealth and power, he seemed to shrink and, to so preceptibly so, that life became a burden to himself and to his friends. Before his loss he was an object of ridicule and after it an object of pity.

One of the men I knew well, who never changed either his manner or disposition, in victory or defeat, was General John A. Logan. He was as simple in the senate as he was out of it, and as great out as he was in the senate. After he was defeated for vice-president, an old friend said to him: General Logan, you seem just the same, just as independent as you were before election; you ain't shrunk a bit." To which he replied: "I hope I am the same. If an office don't swell a man, he can lose it without shrinking."—By Former United States Senator William E. Mason.

WOULD PAY CONVICT WAGES TO FAMILY ALL ENDORSEMENTS TO BE PUBLISHED

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 25.—John H. Wallace, a member of the state industrial insurance commission of Washington, announced at the annual convention of the State Federation of Labor in Spokane that a concerted effort will be made at the next session of the legislature to pass a law, designed to protect the families of men sentenced to the penitentiary. The idea is to change the present system, under which the felon works for the state to atone for his wrong-doing, so that his earnings will go to the wife and children, left at home and frequently destitute and in want.

The delegates expressed their approval of the plan, and, while no formal action was taken by the organization as a body, it is likely that a campaign will be launched in a short time to crystallize the idea into a measure, which will be submitted to the state legislature at its biennial session early next January.

H. L. Thomason of Sandpoint, Idaho, a delegate at the yearly meeting of the Pacific Northwest Hardware and Implement Dealers' association, interested many visitors from various parts of the Pacific slope and Intermountain country in a plan to have the federal government assist in clearing logged off lands in the west. He said:

"The cost of clearing cut-over timber land is high and on that account it is difficult to induce settlers and prospective homebuilders to go into the districts. The government makes large appropriations for the opening of rivers and the reclamation of lands, as it should, and we who live in the timber districts think it also should give similar aid in the clearing of valuable lands now studded with stumps but adapted to the highest form of agriculture. It would benefit the entire country and provide low-priced lands for thousands now crowded in cities."

The Weather.

Unsettled; colder Friday.

Poultry And Seed Train Coming.

Mr. Geo. M. Martin, President County Institute, Mr. H. W. C. Shelton, County Supt. Vinita, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen: All arrangements for the poultry and pure seed train have been completed. It will arrive in your city January 27 at 1:30 p. m. and remain over night. Will you please see to the securing of a suitable hall for the night lecture, all of which will be illustrated. We will have our own motion picture machine and operator, hence it will only be necessary for you to provide a hall where proper electrical connections can be made. A special program will be offered the boys and girls, and will suggest that the coming of the train be freely advertised in your city and district schools.

Very truly yours,
B. C. PITLUCK, Dean.

Any prescribed, which is \$1,000 to \$10,000, all returns must be in the collector's office on or before March 1, 1912.

The instructions on the form for going to the collector's office should be followed closely.

Respectfully,
GEO. T. KNOTT,
Collector.

a separate roll call on the amendment which was adopted 148 to 82. Mr. Mann then led a fight against the entire bill and lost 93 to 147.

An attempt by Mr. Mann to attach an amendment increasing all district judges salaries from \$6,000 to \$7,000 was defeated.

Chairman Clayton of the house judiciary committee in opposing this amendment declared that federal judges had been generously dealt with in being given the opportunity to retire with full pay at the age of 70 years if they have served for ten years.

"I believe judges should retire at that age," he said, "and I shall prepare and introduce a bill compelling all judges to retire at 70 or forfeit their rights to the retirement pension provided by law."

South's Educational Recovery.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 25.—Hon. R. H. Wilson, state superintendent of education in Oklahoma, today notified the Southern Commercial Congress, that he will deliver before its fourth annual convention in Nashville, in April, an address comparing, by public school statistics, the educational conditions in Oklahoma in the years 1889 and 1910. He will also voice the aspirations and intentions of the progressive elements of Oklahoma regarding the future of education in that state.

Mr. Wilson's speech falls into the plan of the congress to prove by a speech from each southern state, the contrast between conditions now and fifty years ago. In other words, "The South's Educational Recovery."

Progressive Teachers Needed.

The educational system of the state needs progressive teachers. They receive higher salaries and fill better places. Teachers can render themselves more efficient in their profession by attending the Northeastern State Normal at Tahlequah, where the teaching of teachers is a science. Enter at any time. No tuition. Address Frank E. Buck, President.

HEARS RUMORS OF ROOSEVELT

Colonel Wrote: "It's About Time I Made a Statement."—Wyoming and Michigan Turn to Him.

Washington, Jan. 25.—There is a rumor in Washington that President Taft and all of his White House workers believe that Colonel Roosevelt will accept the nomination for president should the Chicago convention nominate him. It is said that letters written to Missouri politicians by Colonel Roosevelt have come into the possession of the Taft workers and that these letters make it plain to the administration that Roosevelt will not decline the nomination if it comes. These rumors cannot be certified.

It is known, however, that there is a letter in existence signed by Roosevelt in which he says: "I think it is about time that I make a statement regarding the presidential nomination."

That would indicate that there may be something definite known as to Colonel Roosevelt's position within a few days. Just how long "it is about time" means, there is no one able to guess, but the majority of the politicians seem to think that everything will be made clear by the end of the present week.

The political atmosphere is tense. Rumors and counter rumors are going about, most of them without a particle of foundation. Every straw that floats in is magnified to a tree trunk. The Taft forces have taken the president's indorsement in the fourth district of Oklahoma yesterday as a big boost for their man. The progressives, however, minimize that incident by saying that if Roosevelt had received instruction, it would indeed have been a great victory, but going for Taft it merely meant that the postmasters in the district had done their duty.

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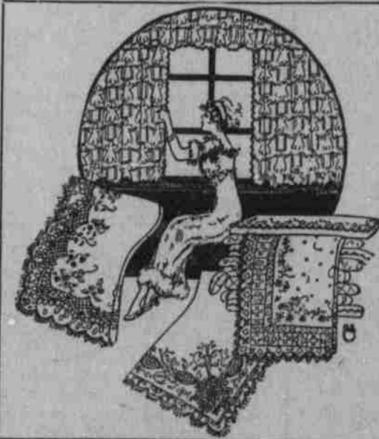
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