

# THE ELECTION IS ANCIENT HISTORY

For Commission, 892---Against, 1,879; now sail in and elect the very best men, and let it go at that; then quit talking politics, for it's the worst paying business in this world, and get down to business. Do not waste too much time in a game where those elected to office are satisfied with a \$25.00 a month job, and in some instances earn it.

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## UPPER DAM SITE PICKED FOR SUPPLY

**Council Adopts Recommendations of Kelsey for Change**  
**CALL FOR BIDS NOW**  
**Hold Up Payments Asked on Work on A. J. West Bridge**

Two sessions of the city council Tuesday and Wednesday nights, resulted in adoption of final plans for construction of Wishkah water project. The dam site, three miles above Wishkah Falls, and pipe line, following the hill gradient, favored by City Engineer Kelsey and Consulting Engineers R. H. Thomson and J. L. Stannard, was adopted. The citizens advisory committee, which was present at both sessions, concurred in this choice.

Engineer Stannard's estimate of cost of system, as adopted Wednesday night, is \$392,835 against \$485,812 for the Wishkah falls dam site and pipe line following the county road. Calling the first system "A," the second "B," these are the comparative items of cost:

	"A"	"B"
Right of way	\$ 11,500	\$ 9,360
Headworks	11,150	26,450
Settling basin	1,825	1,825
Stave pipe	269,882	342,285
Roads	12,500	10,000
Telephone	3,500	2,500
Incidentals, 10%	31,036	39,242
Eng. and Legal Exp.	25,000	25,000
Supplies and tools	15,000	15,000
Int. on construc., 3%	11,442	14,150
	\$392,835	\$485,812

Stannard stated that his estimates were liberal and that probably, were the entire job let by contract, bids

would be lower than his figures. Upon recommendation by the citizens' committee, the council Wednesday advertised for bids for all lumber and steel supplies, bids to be opened March 15. Kelsey was instructed to prepare profile and specifications showing the exact course of pipe line.

Agreement between the street committee and Independent Sand & Gravel company was ratified, under which the city cancels its rent bill and the company agrees to vacate F street.

Upon the city engineer's recommendation, request from Crane & Co. for payment of \$12,665 for two steel spans for the West bridge, bills of lading accompanying request, was held up, as the company is long overdue in getting material here. Contractor A. R. Eichler's request for \$3,000 payment on one of his two bridge contracts was denied, and his request for payment of something on force account was referred to city attorney and engineer.

Police report from Chief Schmidt for February showed 41 arrests made, 667 given nights' lodging, \$175 collected in fines and \$51 meals served.

Notice from John Johnson and 48 other residents near Wishkah and Washington streets that they withdrew their protest against the billboards placed there by the Doyle & Lehman Advertising company, indicated that the council had been utilized as a "big stick" in perfecting some compromise with the billboard concern.

Canvass of the special election Monday showed 1879 votes against commission government, 892 for.

On 2,000 cords of slab and body wood for the water department Phipps & Watson bid \$1.95 a cord, the Kelly Wood company \$2.10. Bids were referred a week.

## CLAMPS LID ON TIGHT FOR ALL GAMBLING HERE

By March 15 all punchboards, slot machines, dice and games of chance played on pool and billiard tables must be out of business, announces Chief of Police R. J. Schmidt. Local dealers all have been notified that the lid is to be placed on tight and they already are clearing up their establishments to conform with city ordinances and state law.

## DEPUTY ASSESSORS START WORK HERE

Deputy county assessors started on their labors for 1916 this week. In Aberdeen they are James D. Carter, Albert E. Sparks, Joseph Jacob, James Empey and Asa B. Wilson; in Hoquiam, T. M. Quinn and Mrs. Clara Rockwell, with Assessor Hoover helping. Patrick McMonagle is deputy for Moclipis and North Beach; A. E. LeRoy, country east of Elma; Wm. Harding, Satsop and Satsop valley; D. C. Simons, Wynoochee valley; R. Carl, North River; J. M. Gwin, Elma and McCleary; T. F. Brown, Montesano; C. J. Coghlin, Ocoasta, Westport and South Beach; E. E. Fishel, Quinalt and Humpulps.

## FREIGHT RATES UP

Freight rates to Cape Town and other South African ports, from Grays Harbor, have jumped to more than \$45 a thousand feet of lumber.

## Collings Establishes Alibi in Connection With Wife's Murder

June ("Baldy") Collings placed himself in the hands of Chief of Police Schmidt the other night, explaining that he had just learned that the police of Salt Lake wanted him in connection with the murder of his wife, Jan. 24. Testimony of two credible witnesses and police station records satisfied Schmidt that Collings had been in this city continuously from Dec. 20 until the present time. Collings was given sleeping quarters several times at the station from Dec. 29 to Jan. 5, during the cold spell and from the latter date on had been steadily employed. He had not lived with his wife, he said, for three years. The chief did not detain Collings.

## RESUMES CARLISLE RUN

The S. W. Johnston Transfer company has resumed operation of its auto freight and passenger service to Carlisle, Aloha, Stearnsville and Pacific Beach. The truck leaves Aberdeen daily at 8 a. m., and leaves Carlisle at 1 p. m. The Pacific Beach run is made Tuesdays and Saturdays.

## PLOTTING AT CITY HALL

Members of the Aberdeen fire department declare they will beat the police flower gardening this spring. Both are starting work on their pretty plots at the city hall.

## HEAVY VOTE IS EXPECTED FOR PRIMARY FIGHT

A heavy vote is expected at the city primary election, next Tuesday, when will be selected candidates for city clerk, city treasurer and one councilman from each of the six wards. Registration was 2479.

Socialists will have sticker candidates in wards from which none of that party filed for the council. Candidates whose names will be printed on the ballots are:

T. H. Hill, Rep., incumbent, and E. B. Crary, Rep., for city treasurer; P. F. Clark, Rep., incumbent, and Joseph Thomas, Soc., for city clerk; Glen R. Snider, Rep., incumbent, and William Baumert, Rep., for police judge; E. C. McKnight, Rep., incumbent; Henry J. Vanucle, Rep., and Charles Ivana, Soc., councilman First ward; E. E. Weiland, Soc., incumbent, and Oliver A. Miller, Rep., councilman Second ward; John Fraser, Rep., incumbent, M. M. Stewart, L. J. Koltz, Rep., and James M. McNamara, Rep., councilman Third ward; James M. Bowes, Rep., incumbent, councilman Fourth ward; J. D. Walker, Rep., incumbent, councilman Fifth ward; E. A. Millette, Soc., incumbent, C. T. Bell, Rep., James McMasters, Rep., and P. A. Powell, Rep., councilman Sixth ward.

## CHAMBER PAYS \$100 YEAR FOR TRAIL BLAZING

The Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce, by action of committee the other day, pledged itself to pay \$100 a year towards keeping of this section on the maps of the U. S. Trail Blazing association, used by autoists. A. L. Meigs, association representative, was here this week and said that signs would be maintained pointing out both beach roads and the road to Quinalt lake.

## BOOZE EASY TO AUTOIST

Any auto owner can buy two quarts of liquor as many times as his car will jump from county to county and there are Grays Harbor county autoists who are getting permits in adjoining counties, say some officials at Montesano, Mason, Thurston, Lewis and Pacific county auditors are issuing permits to Grays Harbor county men and citizens of those counties are getting permits at Montesano, according to these officials.

## CAMPS' OPENING GIVES WORK TO 200 MORE MEN

With the opening, within the next few weeks, of the logging camps of the National Lumber company at Cedarville; Aberdeen Lumber & Shingle company, at Humpulps; McCash-Coates near Pacific Beach; and Preston-Keef in South Aberdeen, 200 men will be given employment.

## MORE REBATE ON FILL DISTRICTS

Rebates amounting to about \$20,000 will be made property owners in first and second fill districts, under terms of an ordinance that likely will be presented to the council next Wednesday night. Under the ordinance, City Treasurer Hill will refund about \$12 to owners of 50-foot lots in the first fill district, and something more than \$20 to owners of the same size lots in the second fill district. City Attorney Cross will give an opinion as to who gets the refund, the man who paid for the fill or present owner of property.

## THE NEW UNCLE SAM.



HERE HE IS! THE NEW "CHAMPEEN."



OUR EXPORTS ARE REACHING BEWILDERING PROPORTIONS—ONE RECORD TOPS ANOTHER. WHAT AFTER THE WAR?

## RAISE MEN'S WAGES WILL PLANT ROSES

The Donovan Lumber company announces an increase in employees' wages effective last Wednesday, March 1.

## GET CHECK ARTIST

Sheriff Schelle Mathews left Tuesday for Lewiston, Idaho, to get E. B. Gardiner, wanted here on a charge of having passed several bad checks on local merchants. The Lewiston police made the arrest and, if Gardiner is found to be the right man, they will draw down \$50 posted by J. S. Waugh with the local police, as reward for the arrest.

## STATION OPEN AT NIGHT

The naval recruiting station recently opened in Aberdeen now is being kept open Saturday evenings from 7 to 9 o'clock.

## "DRY" LAW PROHIBITS --BLETHEN

**Seattle Editor Gives Out Forcible Interview In East**  
**IS ECONOMIC GOOD**  
**Business Shows Big Improvement in First Six Weeks**

That the "dry" law of this state is effectual prohibition is declared by Clarence Blethen, editor of the Seattle Times, in an interview given out Feb. 15 in Kansas City and printed in the National Enquirer (Indianapolis) Feb. 17.

"My paper fought its hardest," says Mr. Blethen, "against prohibition. We fought it on economic grounds alone. We believed that in a great seaport city with a population of upward of 300,000 prohibition would be destructive; it would bring on economic disaster. We believed that under our system of licensing saloons we had the liquor traffic about as well controlled as it could be, and we wanted to let it alone, and so we fought as hard as we could fight. But, in spite of all we could do against it, prohibition carried.

**Business Expanded Quickly**  
"We already know that it is a great benefit, morally and from an economic standpoint. Its moral benefit has been tremendous. Seattle had 260 saloons, and we had an average of 2,000 arrests a month for crimes and misdemeanors growing out of liquor drinking. In January we had only 400 arrests and sixty of those were made January 1, and were the results of hangovers from the old year. That in itself is enough to convince any man with a conscience that prohibition is necessary. There can be no true economy in anything that is immoral.

"And on top of that great moral result, we have these economic facts: In the first three weeks of January the savings deposits in the banks of Seattle increased 15 per cent. There was not a grocery store in Seattle that did not show an increase of business in January greater than ever known in any month before in all the history of the city, except in holiday times. In all the large grocery stores the increase was immense. In addition to this every dry goods store in Seattle except one and that one I have no figures from, had a wonderful increase in business. Each store reported the largest business ever done in one month, except in holiday time.

**Women and Children Profit**  
"I wished to know in what class of

goods the sales increased so greatly, and so I sent to all the grocery and dry goods stores to find that out. And to me it is a pitiful thing, and it makes me sorry that we did not have prohibition long ago—that the increase in sales in all the dry goods stores was in wearing apparel of women and children and in the grocery stores the increase was made up chiefly of fruits and fancy groceries. This proves that it is the women and children who suffer most from the liquor business, and it is the women and children who benefit greatest from prohibition. Money that went formerly over the bar for whiskey is now being spent for clothing for the women and children and in better food for the household.

"It is just like this: When you close the saloons the money that formerly was spent there remains in the family of the wage earner and his wife and children buy shoes and clothing and better food with it. Yes, sir, we have found in Seattle that it is better to buy shoes than booze. The families of wage earners in Seattle are going to have more food and clothes and everything else than they had before."

**It Actually Prohibits.**  
"And is the prohibition law enforced?"  
"Absolutely. Prohibition does prohibit."  
"And how about the empty saloons and the landlords who own them?"  
"Many of them have already been made over and are occupied by other businesses. I will venture the prophecy that in one year from today you won't be able to find a place in Seattle where there was a saloon. They will be all occupied by other businesses. And prohibition has not lowered rents. I know of one big dry goods store that has already had its rent raised since prohibition went into effect."

**Coast Will Be "Dry."**  
"Oregon also went 'dry' January 1. California is the only 'wet' state left on the Pacific Coast, and it will go 'dry' January 1, 1918. And those three states will remain 'dry' to the end of time. None of them would ever have saloons again. Those who were honestly opposed, as I was, to prohibition in Washington and Oregon, have been converted to it, as I have been, by the actual evidence that prohibition is a fine thing from a business standpoint. No city and no community, too, can afford to have saloons. They are too expensive, morally and economically. In a very few years there will not be a licensed saloon in the whole nation, and that will be a fine thing."

## LIBRARY REPORT SHOWS GROWTH

The report for 1915 by Miss Ida L. Rhinehart, Carnegie public librarian, shows both that the library has been well conducted and that the Aberdeen public is taking advantage of the institution's facilities. Total of books circulated in 1914 was 26,765; in 1915, 32,789, of which 22,395 were adult, the balance juvenile literature. New patrons to the number of 830 were added, making the list now 2,840; 903 books were purchased and 93 were donated, while 104 were withdrawn from circulation. Expenditures for the year were \$896 for books; \$1145 for salaries, balance of the total of \$2,876 being for light, street assessments, binding books, periodicals, supplies and improvements.

## FINDS JAG IN BITTERS

William Plaster of Hoquiam drank three bottles of Hostetters Bitters, the other night, for a cold. He acquired a jag which resulted in his being taken in charge by the police. The bitters are said to be 25 per cent alcohol. Plaster bought them at a Hoquiam drug store.

## CUTS MOST OF DOUGLAS FIR

The state of Washington produced in 1914 more than three billion feet of Douglas fir, or approximately 65 per cent of the Douglas fir produced by the five Northwest and Coast states.

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