

VICTORY OVER WHISKEY IN OHIO AFTER BITTER WAR TAXATION BUT POOR DEMAND TODAY

TEETOTALERS ARE RAPIDLY SWEEPING SALOONS OUT OF THE STATE BY MEANS OF COUNTY OPTION ELECTIONS—LONG DRAWN OUT, BITTER LEGISLATIVE FIGHT—REMARKABLE SCENES ON POLLING DAYS.

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COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 13.—Ohio is too much surprised and excited over the saloon question to pay much attention to the presidential race. The latter is a question for November. The saloon issue confronts voters constantly and elections are held daily to decide whether they shall go or stay.

The last legislature passed a county local option bill that went into effect a few weeks ago. It was the plan of the Anti-saloon league, led by Superintendent Wayne B. Wheeler, to have immediate elections in 20 counties that were pretty certain to go dry. Then the fight was to be prosecuted again after the November election. But he was wrong in thinking that the enemies of the saloon could be held in restraint. From counties in all parts of the state came demands that the league lead them in election contests. The league was busy and begged them to wait. Their answer was that they would attend to the matter themselves. As a result the league is leading in a fight twice as big as it had mapped out. And with startling results.

Counties began going dry at the rate of one a day. A month after the opening of the battle the drys had won in 30 of the 31 counties. In their single victory the wets saved 24 saloons. In their 30 victories the drys wiped out 872 saloons. The saloon tax in this state is \$1000 a year. The drys have thus cut off public revenue to the amount of \$872,000, but they feel that the result is worth the cost.

It is freely predicted that by the middle of November more than half the 88 counties of the state will be dry. Otto Horix, secretary of the Liberty league, the organization opposing prohibition, concedes that the drys will be able to carry 60 counties. Even if his estimate is correct the saloons in the wet counties are in grave danger.

In 30 counties the drys have had just short of 40,000 majority. The fights in the next 30 will be somewhat closer, but it is estimated that they will swell the dry majority to over 60,000. The drys will then be in a position to demand state prohibition and they figure that even if the wets should retain 28 counties they could not, in a state vote, overcome the 60,000 majority in the dry counties.

The prohibition victory in Ohio comes only after a battle that has raged more than a quarter of a century. As long ago as 1882 a prohibition amendment to the state constitution was presented to the voters of Ohio. There was a terrific contest at the polls, but on the face of the returns the teetotalers lost, although they claimed the politicians of both parties united to count them out.

About 20 years ago the Anti-saloon league was organized, and another uphill fight was started, the purpose being to attain prohibition finally by legislative stages. Every legislature since has had its temperance bill. Since 1898, the fight has been bitter through every session of the state general assembly, the anti-saloonists winning in practically every contest. First there was township option, then ward option, then district and now it is county option. Probably no state has ever experienced such a sensational, long continued legislative battle on any issue as this one in Ohio.

No such feeling as enters into the present county option elections has ever been aroused by a political contest. Families have been divided. Friendships by the hundred have been sundered. Neighborhoods have assumed a state of war. In a mining county the engagement of a young woman of a temperance family to the brother of a saloon keeper was broken.

Every effort is made by the drys to touch the emotions of the voters. In Crooksville a mother mounted a flat car with other temperance speakers when the town hall wouldn't hold the crowds. She had her three children with her.

"Now, let us see," she said, "which one of these we can spare to the saloon. Here's Johnny; he's only 5. Sometimes he doesn't mind me and at times he is a downright bad boy. But he's kind and gentle and loving. No, I wouldn't want to give him up."

"Now, here's Sam; let's see if we can spare him. He ran away from school last week and I had to whip him twice. But he's awful good to me when I'm sick, and he'll do anything when I coax him. No, I don't believe I'd like to let him go."

When the mother put her hands on the head of flaxen haired Mary the crowd was weeping, or a great part of it. It was the crowd that decided in favor of Mary. In fact, there were several "toners" in the crowd, who had come for curiosity, and their eyes, too, were shedding tears. Afterward there was a general tossing away of whiskey bottles.

It is safe to say that no argument of taxes or of morals would have



RESULT OF A MONTH'S VOTING ON PROHIBITION IN OHIO. LINED COUNTIES HAVE GONE DRY, 30 IN ALL. THE DOTTED COUNTY, DEFIANCE, ALONE HAS VOTED WET. THE UN-SHADED COUNTIES HAVE NOT VOTED YET.

sent such bottles smashing to the street and sidewalk.

Polls open at dawn and the people are reminded of the fact by the blowing of factory whistles and ringing of church bells. Young women of the church societies serve coffee and sandwiches to their partisans at the voting places. Processions are held in which women and children in rags represent the families of patrons of the saloons, while comfortably dressed women and children represent the families of abstainers. "Onward, Christian Soldiers" is the war song of the anti-saloon forces.

The liquor interests show that millions of public revenue are at stake and that thousands of men are being thrown out of work, but the wave of reform rolls on like a flood.

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TAXATION BUT NO POLICEMEN

RESIDENCE TERRITORY DEMANDS SOME PROTECTION AND 12 MEN MAY BE ADDED, CHIEF AFTER CAPTAIN'S JOB.

"The outside territory is paying taxes and demands representation and wants policemen for our protection," was the keynote sounded by Councilman Funk last night on the question of estimates of expense of running the police department for the next year. Councilman Lambert expressed the same sentiments.

Originally Chief Rice asked an appropriation for 25 more men. The chief last night submitted an estimate for \$74,975, exclusive of any more men than the 54 now on the force.

This amount is \$6,000 more than used during the past year. The increase is due to the fact that some of the officers will get more pay hereafter on a basis of years of service.

When the chief declared that at night he kept a force of eight men in the downtown districts and 10 in the outer, councilmen expressed surprise. There was not a councilman who remembered seeing a policeman near his residence for months. The chief explained that if those 10 men were to walk steadily every night for three nights they could just about cover their beats.

Councilman Funk got angry about it. He demanded that more policemen be added to the force and declared that he personally favored the chief's first estimate of \$101,000, which included 25 more men.

"I don't like the way the chief comes to us," he said. "He declared the city not properly protected before when he asked for the additional men. Now he comes and says he is prepared to run his department with the same force of men. If he needs extra men I'd like to see him stick to it."

The chief explained that he made the cut at the earnest solicitation of the mayor.

Indications are that the force will be increased probably by at least 12 men.

In the event of an increase a new captain will probably be included. There will be a lot of tall hustling for the place. Among those who it is believed will try to land it is Chief Rice himself. The chief will probably go out of office next spring following the city election, as the office he now holds is an appointive one. As captain of police the chief would have a job for life so long as his health and behavior were good.



WAYNE B. WHEELER, LEADER OF ANTI-SALOON FORCES.

OREGON BLUE LAW ENJOINED

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 13.—The Sunday closing law which was passed by the legislature in 1884, and which was cited by District Attorney Cameron in ordering all the shops and stores closed on Sunday, was yesterday declared unconstitutional by Judge C. U. Gantenbein.

The reasons for the ruling are that it restricts religious freedom, that it discriminates in exempting theatres, and that it is unreasonable and arbitrary.

The injunction restraining the officers of the law from making arrests by virtue of this law was made permanent.

Stocks were in very little demand this morning with the exception of Monitor, Snowstorm and Panhandle Smelter. The center of attention was Monitor, the stock declining under persistent offerings and closing several points under the sales of yesterday, about 9,000 shares changing hands at prices ranging from 48½ to 51 cents per share.

Panhandle showed a little weakness, several thousand shares being sold at 6½ cents and closing weak at 6½ bid and 6½ asked.

	Bid.	Asked.
Alameda	.03½	.03¾
Alhambra	.11	.20
Ambergris	.10½	.16½
Bell	.05	.10
Bullion	.04½	.05
Charles Dickens	.01½	.01¾
Copper King	.01½	.02½
Evolution	.02½	.03½
Gertie	.02½	.03½
Happy Day	.02	.02½
Hecla	3.40	...
Holden Gold & Copper	.10	...
Humming Bird	.06	.07½
Hypotheek	.01½	.01½
Idaho Giant	.03	.04
Lucky Calumet	.03¾	.04½
Mineral Farm	.01½	.02
Missoula Copper	.02½	.03¾
Monitor	.49	.50
Moonlight	.02	.02½
Nabob	.02½	.03½
Oom Paul	.03¾	.05
Panhandle Smelter	.06¾	.06¾
Park Copper	.01	.02
Reindeer	.01½	.01¾
Rex	.05½	.06½
Snowshoe	.06½	.07
Snowstorm	1.57	1.60
Sonora	.02½	.03½
Stewart	.67	.78
Tamarack	.50	.75
Wonder	.02¾	.03

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Granby Smelter	95.00 110.00
International Coal & Coke	.58
Rambler Cariboo	.16

EASTERN MARKETS

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NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—Just as long as the present crowd are back of the market with cheap money advantage, and with Taft's strong showing as definitely as at present, there is nothing to stop their policy of advancing values.

The New York Herald straw vote indicates enormous gains for Bryan and Debs.

CHICAGO, Oct. 13.—Wheat opened higher on cables. Volume of trade only fair. More or less selling of wheat against ups around ½@¾c.

Bull leaders were generally disposed to think the setback in

Word was received from the plant this morning that the management has started a fire in the furnace for the purpose of heating it up in readiness for starting operations the first of the week. Everything is in readiness to welcome the excursion which will leave Spokane Tuesday morning.

Notices were received today of the annual stockholders meeting of the Idora Mining Co., to be held at the company's office, 112 Wall street, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the election of a board of trustees for the ensuing year.

THE DALLES, Ore., Oct. 13.—Arrested for jumping his board bill, Lewis Kracht had the complaining witness in the case, Peter Henningsen, arrested for selling intoxicating liquors on Sunday. Mr. Henningsen, who is proprietor of the Gerlinger hotel here, had a warrant sworn out for the arrest of Kracht on the charge of jumping his board bill. Kracht pleaded guilty, paid the amount of the bill, \$4.50, and costs in the case, then had the landlord arrested.

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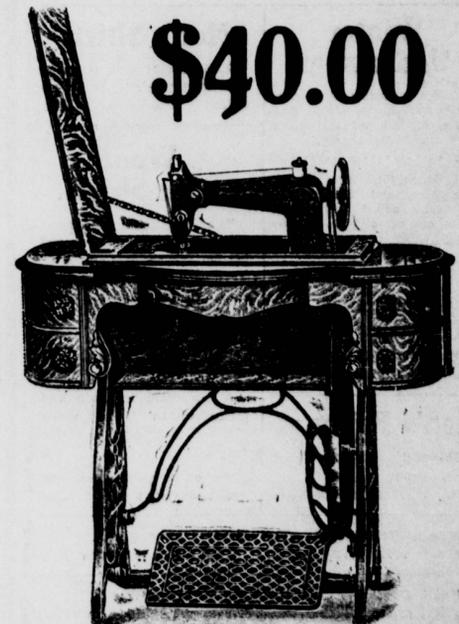
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