

**PETITION CANVASS HELD UP**

Temperance People Block Saloon Consent Plans in Des Moines.

**DRYS FILE MANY WITHDRAWALS**

Declare They Have Found Enough Errors in the Petition to Make It Illegal as It Now Stands.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 24.—(Special Telegram)—The canvass of the saloon consent petition in this county was not completed today, but was held up by an order of the district court which will prevent the board from declaring any result for some time until the complaint of the temperance people can be heard.  
In the meantime the drys have filed 43 withdrawals of names and say they have discovered a sufficient number of errors to make it impossible to have the petition declared good.

**Democratic Patronage.**  
Senator Cummins stated today that just before he left Washington he was asked by Attorney General McInerney if he would oppose the confirmation of N. C. Reed of Ottumwa and Dan W. Hamilton of Sigourney to be marshal and attorney for the southern district of Iowa and he said he would not oppose them in any way. From this he was led to infer that their selection had been decided upon. It is known, also, that the department had agreed to appoint A. B. Moore of Anamosa to be marshal in the northern district. Chairman Reed received word of the action taken and expects appointment from the president any day. This would dispose of most of the patronage matter for the democrats of Iowa as it is expected that Frank O'Conner of Chickasaw county will be

named attorney in the northern district to succeed Van Wageningen.

**Government Ownership.**  
A meeting was held here today, led by Colonel Smith Brookhart of Washington, Ia.; Judge A. Van Wageningen of Sioux City and Clifford Thorne, railroad commissioner, to lay plans for some kind of a state organization for the purpose of making investigation as to the advisability of government ownership of railroads and to encourage discussion of the subject from all angles. The organization is not to be one distinctly to advance government ownership, but to secure such discussion of the matter as will lead to an intelligent understanding of what is involved, as the promoters say. A state meeting will be held to perfect a statewide organization. Judge Van Wageningen is author of a book on the subject printed some years ago.

**School Now Sanitarium.**  
The federal government is rapidly getting ready to make use of the Indian school at Toledo, near the homes of the Musquakie Indians in Tama county, Iowa, for a sanitarium for Indians from all over the country. The newly appointed agent is a doctor and he will have charge of this sanitarium. It is the intention to provide for treatment of incipient cases of tuberculosis and also for cases involving a prevalent eye trouble of Indians caused from the smoke of their tepees.

**Special Election.**  
Governor Clarke will soon call a special election in the Second congressional district to elect a member of congress to succeed the late Irving S. Pepper. At least ten days' notice will be given, but probably the election will be held about the middle of January. The nominations of the parties will be made by district conventions of delegates selected by county conventions in which the present delegates sit. The county delegates are continuing offices and hold over until after the next primary and may be called together at any time. The district is

strongly democratic and a democrat will probably be elected.

**Information as to Hog Cholera.**  
According to the blanks now being sent out to the assessors in Iowa for the listing of facts regarding all Iowa farm matters, the assessors will for the first time be required to report the number of hogs that have died during the year from hog cholera. All farmers will be asked to state this fact and when the statistics are all put together the state will have a valuable start for work on the fight against hog cholera. It is believed the losses annually amount to millions of dollars in value.

**Enjoin Board of Supervisors.**  
The County Board of Supervisors was enjoined temporarily by the district court today on behalf of the Citizens' association to prevent continuing the canvass of saloon consent petitions until the board is willing to have representatives of the drys assist in checking over the names. The court will hear the main question tomorrow. The drys are enraged because the board would not permit five persons to assist in the checking. They also claim that the entire proceeding is illegal because of defective petitions. The board had planned to finish at noon today.

**'Mail Order' Magnate Leaves Nothing of Fortune to Charity**

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—All of the estate of A. Montgomery Ward, estimated at more than \$2,000,000, will be kept in his family, according to the terms of his will, a digest of which was given out tonight. None of the property is left to charity, Mr. Ward having held that he had provided sufficiently for charitable purposes in his lifetime, according to attorneys who prepared the digest.

Various relatives are to receive a total of \$100,000. Five nephews received considerable blocks of stocks in the business built up by Mr. Ward, two-thirds of the residue is willed to the widow and the other third to the widow in trust for the only child, Miss Marjorie Ward. The income from the proceeds from all Mr. Ward's insurance policy was also left to Miss Ward. The only charity mentioned in the will is that should Miss Ward die without children and without having prepared a will, her third of the

estate is to be used to establish and maintain a home for worthy working girls.

Among those to whom bequests were made was Mrs. Elizabeth Guild, Hecla, S. D., a sister, who will receive in trust \$10,000; Harry, Lester, Julia and Gordon Guild, all of Hecla, S. D., will receive \$5,000 each.

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Remember during the coming year that we have men's ready-to-wear clothing, direct from maker to you.  
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Good wishes for a Happy Christmas, Good Cheer and all the rest of it. Whatever luck the year may bring We wish you all the best of it.  
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extends greetings of the season to all sovereigns and friends, and a Prosperous, Happy and Healthful New Year.  
W. C. T. Thompson, E. C. Edward I. Foster, Clerk.  
**THE JOLLY 24 Dancing Club**  
wishes to announce it will NOT give its weekly dance Christmas night, but will give a prize waits New Year's night, Jan. 1, 1914.  
Committee.

**OMAHA-SEYMOUR CAMP NO. 16 Woodmen of the World**  
wish to extend to their large membership and to all members of the Woodmen of the World, a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.  
Guy H. Furness, Clerk  
John N. Crawford, C. C.

**Merry Christmas in a Drug Store**  
**We Wish You a Merry Christmas**  
but if, perchance, despite the season of good cheer, there are bodily ills, we beg to remind you that even today, our dispensing department is carefully accoutred as to men and medicine.  
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**Omaha Electric Light & Power Co.**

**Merry Christmas**  
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Blue Point Cocktail  
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Watertown Goose Mashed Potatoes Hubbard Squash  
Orange Sherbet  
Tea Biscuits Finger Rolls  
Combination Salad  
Ice Cream English Plum Pudding Cake  
Coffee

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