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WHAT IS BEST FOR ROSEBURG.

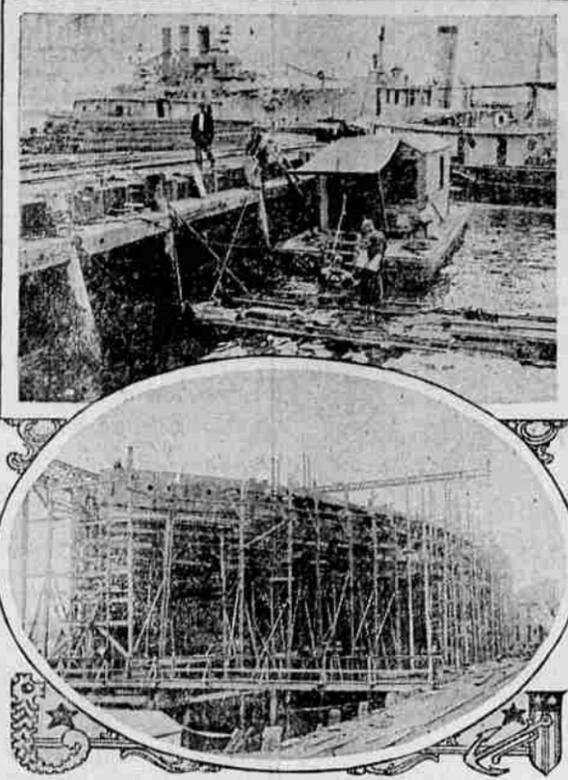
Editor News: In voting for a park commission the people of Roseburg have taken a forward step. It is to be hoped that a park commission will be chosen who will have broad and intelligent views of the public interest, and a keen appreciation of the opportunity given them to perform a great service to the present generation and to posterity. We begin to realize more and more that not only is there a great debt due from individuals to society as a whole, but also society as a whole has many and great obligations to discharge to individuals. The more people there are gathered together in one place the more do their lives interests affect one another, and consequently the more questions and problems arise. There are many needs of humanity when gathered together in communities which can be met and provided for only by community action. A city park is a necessity in every modern community. Those who have the best interests of Roseburg at heart desire to see the park question carefully studied, and when the time shall come to submit to the people the choice of a location, the question should be entirely free from factional or local or selfish entanglements. All citizens should take an interest in the question, but all should be actuated by a sincere desire for the general good.

Other and important forward steps which Roseburg could take and which she will take in due time are the establishment of a Y. M. C. A. and a public library. Practically every one admits the beneficial character of such institutions. Roseburg as a progressive and enlightened city cannot in justice to her good name continue to do without these institutions. Many believe that a Y. M. C. A. should not be organized until sufficient funds can be raised to erect a suitable building. This is the opinion of those who have had experience in connection with such institutions. It would seem, however, that a start for a public library might be made without waiting for the time to come when the people will be willing to contribute twenty five thousand dollars for a Y. M. C. A. building. If such a library were started now, it can eventually be placed under the control of a Young Men's Christian Association. Roseburg needs now a place where men and boys may enjoy a comfortable lounging place with good literature at hand, and where there are no influences to tempt them from the paths of sobriety and good conduct.

Not only is it important that such a place of resort ought to exist in order that man may have less occasion to seek places of evil resort, but it is important that the community as a whole seek to banish and keep from its borders those places of resort which tend to gather about themselves the evil influences of the community. Unfortunately at this time Roseburg is called upon to vote upon the question of permitting the existence of liquor saloons within her borders. No man has advanced or can advance any true claim that the liquor saloon will be a real benefit to anybody, and yet men who would be horrified at the thought of subjecting their own boys and girls to the immediate influence of the saloon will advocate the establishment of saloons with the selfish hope that they will be able to keep their own children far from the contaminating influence and that those who must go to ruin because of that influence will be the boys and girls of other people; that the homes which the saloon will destroy will be other people's homes; that the families which will be broken up by the saloon will be other people's families. Some one has said, "If the men who vote for saloons had to furnish the boys to fill them, every town would go dry."

Some say that saloons would pay a large revenue to the city, and thus make the burden of taxation lighter. There are two answers to this contention, and the first is that the liquor business increases the burden of taxation in the long run because it increases the expenses of the courts, the police department, the poor farm, the county jail, the penitentiary and the public hospitals. In the second place we ought to be too far advanced in civilization to believe that it is necessary to destroy manhood and womanhood and all that is best in life for the sake of making taxes lighter. How much better that the money spent over the

Uncle Sam's New Battleship Ready For Maiden Plunge



Photos by American Press Association.

THE great battleship New York, sister ship to the Texas, which was begun Sept. 11 last year, will be launched in the last part of October at the Brooklyn navy yard. She will be one of the biggest and best fighting ships in the world, costing \$6,500,000 without armament or furnishings. It will take 2,400 men nearly two years more to complete her. The New York will have a length of 573 feet, a breadth of ninety-five feet two inches, a total displacement of 27,000 tons and engines of 28,000 horsepower. Her major armament will consist of ten fourteen-inch guns. She will be one of the first vessels of the navy to be armed with fourteen inch rifles. With a displacement of 5,000 tons more than that of the Florida, the New York when launched will be the biggest and most powerful fighting ship ever constructed for the United States navy. She and her sister ship, the Texas, will be larger in every way than the Florida, which it is expected, will soon be ready to go into commission at the Brooklyn yard. The New York is to be built entirely by the construction corps of the navy at the New York navy yard, of which Commander Robert Stocker, U. S. N., is the head. The great battleship is shown on the ways in the lower photograph, and above is seen a diver examining the ways under water on which the ship will slide into its watery berth.

saloon bar should go over the counters of the butcher shop, the grocery and the drygoods store, by means of which legitimate industry will be increased, families be more comfortably supported, children better clothed and given better educational advantages. With the open saloon and all the allurements which are connected with it, many a man is tempted to spend his hard-earned money for that which breaks him down in mind and body, reduces his earning capacity and robs his family.

No man who expects to make good use of his muscle or his mind has any business to tamper with liquor. Thomas A. Edison says, "I am a total abstainer from alcoholic liquors. I always felt that I had better use for my head."

It is the universal testimony of merchants in towns that have been wet and have gone dry that under the new regime the average working man spends more for the necessities of life and pays his bills more promptly, and that there is less money lost in the way of bad debts.

B. L. EDDY.

"I" MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

The saddest thought to candidate—
"I see my finish, but—too late."
By T. EDDY

In nineteen-eight I could have had
Reputation like a shot,
But thought I'd make 'em want me
bad.

They don't; and that is why I'm hot.
I put up Taft for contrast's sake,
Thinking of him they soon would tire.
The people don't; they like "his
make",
And hence my righteous indig—ire.

I thought the people liked my guff,
Admired the way I swung my club;
The "mully" and "de-lighted" stuff.
They do not now, and there's the rub.
They used to cheer and howl like
mad—

When I turned loose my Bowery
slang,
But now they call my language
"bad";
The cheers come only from "the
gang".

In nineteen-eight I told 'em Taft
Was just "the finest in the land".
I thought 'twas good politcraft—
I guess I overplayed my hand.
He's proved to be all that I said.
His record's mighty hard to beat.
And now he's way up at the head—
I occupy a far back seat.

"Of all sad thoughts of tongue or
pen."
The saddest is, I might have been."

DIED VERY SUDDENLY.

Mrs. Farrar, of Gold Bay Stricken With Paralysis Wednesday Last.

Word was received in this city Friday that Mrs. Sadie G. Farrar had died the evening before at her home at Ray Gold and at first could hardly be credited as only a few days ago she was to all appearances in the best of health. Death was due to a paralytic stroke which took her some time Wednesday and she sank rapidly until the end came Thursday evening, October 2, at 7:45. She was forty-seven years of age.

A physician was called Thursday afternoon and did not consider the case to be of a serious nature but four hours later she passed away.

The family has lived at Ray Gold for four years past and Mr. Farrar has supervision of the power plant of the California-Oregon Light and Power Company and they are well known there and here as well. Mrs. Farrar took a very active part in the church and Sunday school work at Tolo and was an earnest Christian worker, winning the attachment of all with whom she became acquainted.

Besides her husband Mrs. Farrar leaves two children, a son and a daughter, F. H. Farrar and Miss E. M. Farrar, both reside in Portland, and a niece, Mrs. Chamberlain, of Ray Gold.

Funeral services were held in the city of Medford Sunday October 6, from the Presbyterian church at 2:30 p. m.; Rev. Shields officiating and interment made in the cemetery here.

(Mrs. Farrar lived here for a number of years. While here her husband was employed at the Water & Light Company.)

Let the People Rule
Vote 322 X Yes
On Election Day.
The Majority Rule Bill.

CHURCH NOTICES

Christian Church.
J. N. McConnell, pastor. We will have all of our regular services tomorrow at the usual hours. Come at 11 a. m. and let me knock the bushel off your light.

Saint George's Church.
Corner Main and Cass streets. The Rev'd Charles Wilson Baker, rector.

The poet rightly said;
Politely I'm dead.
—Walla Walla Union.

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THE IRONMONGERS

The nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
Holy communion at 7:30 a. m.; Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer at 11; evening prayer at 7:30. All are cordially invited to these services.

Baptist Church.

W. H. Eaton, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m.; young people's meeting 6:30 p. m.; evening service 7:30 p. m. The Brotherhood meets in the reading room of the church at the Sunday school hour. All men are cordially invited. The pastor will be the preacher tomorrow. The music is fine, the services inspiring, the spirit cordial. Come and see.

M. E. Church, South.

A. Thomas, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Junior league at 2:30 p. m.; Senior league at 7:30 p. m.; prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening; choir practice at 7:40 Friday evening. Not one of these services is unimportant, and therefore no member should miss a single service of that department to which he belongs. These different departments of the church have been

organized in order to give each member of the church a place to work for his Master. Dear member of the church, what are you doing to help

make your church a live moral and religious force in the community? Here is a hearty invitation to every body to attend all of these services.

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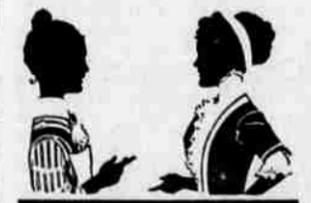
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