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WILL TOWNS SUFFER?

The Portland Journal of yesterday handles the prohibition situation in Oregon in an able editorial that teems with truth and common sense. The article proceeds to state that the saloon men are financial losers, and that it is unfair for the victors to gloat over their downfall. Assuming a different viewpoint—that of the victors—the Journal says: "But none of them could have been taken wholly unawares. Prohibition has long been 'in the air,' and has been moving forward and spreading, and they knew, too, that the will of the majority must rule in this country, and that under the law a majority of any county can make all places in the county dry, even against the will of any one or more precincts. An argument against the fairness of this as a local option law could be made, but a good argument could also be made on the other side; but arguments are immaterial after the courts have decided. So there is nothing for the saloon men to do but to yield, and either take up some other occupation or move to some county or state yet wet—though at the present rate of prohibition progress they might have to move again before very long.

"Does prohibition inflict a severe and permanent injury upon a town like Pendleton or La Grande? Is whatever injury it does inflict not more than compensated for in the course of not a very long time? These questions will be differently answered, and conclusive evidence is not as easily available as champions of one side or the other assert. No one can figure out exactly how much the liquor traffic does, at least superficially and within a limited circle to 'help business.' But on the other hand nobody can estimate accurately the indirect and ultimate losses and injury caused by that traffic—and we are speaking now of only the money, the material, side of the question. But we think that if a complete and extended account could be kept, the liquor traffic would show up finally with a balance on the debit side of the ledger.

"Then there is the still larger consideration, when one takes a broad view of the subject, of the tremendous moral and social harm the liquor traffic does in a community—the doors it opens to other vices, its evil associations; its deteriorating effect, mentally and morally, on saloon frequenters, the crimes it causes in whole or in part, and their awful cost in many kinds of payment; the losses of money, property, homes, friends, families, character; the suffering and shame and misery and degradation—we have all read of it and heard of it and seen some of it, and know that the tale of woe cannot well be exaggerated. When all this is considered, must we not conclude that even if prohibition does temporarily somewhat hurt business and cause some injury, it is finally the best policy for any community, at least any village or small city?

"The immediate effect in the towns that contained a considerable number of saloons will probably be apparently bad; they will suffer a temporary business depression; but this will like in most if not all cases be overcome after a little. Men adapt themselves readily to changed conditions; when they find they cannot do as they have been accustomed to do, they soon do the other thing quite cheerfully; and often what portends to be great storm clouds turn to be

merely the mist that vanishes before a ray of sunshine and a breath of air. Where prohibition becomes a fixed fact, people will soon adapt themselves to it, and makes the best of the situation, and that best is likely to be a good deal better than the former condition with a lot of licensed saloons.

THE NEW PENDLETON.

It will seem strange to have no saloons in Pendleton, where for 40 years the saloon has been the only open door for the stranger, the only rest room, the only lounging place, the only open resort with an inviting chair and a place to sit and rest for a few moments.

Pendleton has sacrificed everything to the saloon. She has discouraged every other form of resort, because the saloons wanted to monopolize the time and rake in the money of the idle man. The saloon has wanted to corner the rest room proposition and has outbid every other institution in rents until Pendleton became top heavy with saloons and top heavy with excessive rents.

Now we will get down to a sane level. The new Pendleton will offer a lease of life to small industries, which can afford to pay rent with the saloon competition eliminated.

Grocery stores which have been crowded off Main street by saloons will now be re-established. It will now be possible for the city to rent a large rest room for the country people to enjoy after their shopping is done and the new Pendleton will have much to attract customers to the city.

Pendleton has been soaked, saturated, glutted with the idea that the saloon is the only thing. This sentiment has been thought, talked, discussed, agreed to and emphasized by the city until a large proportion of the people have come to actually believe it. But nothing is farther from the truth, when men come to their senses.

The new Pendleton will be better than the old. With the new city hall erected in the heart of the city, with its library and inviting assembly hall; with the new federal building as a home for the postoffice and other government departments, and with increasing country settlement, the new Pendleton will forget the saloon and will rejoice that she got rid of them with as little expense as she did.

Let us discourage the croaker. Let us meet the new condition like men. Pendleton is here and is going to stay and grow. New faces are seen in business every day. Let us greet the stranger and invite him to join with us in the task of holding Pendleton in first place among the cities of the inland empire.—East Oregonian.

A WRONG IDEA.

Yesterday G. B. Benham, of the La Grande Investment company, invited a gentleman from Moline, Ill., to accompany him on a drive through the orchard district and the farming community around Mt. Glenn and that north of Island City. Mr. Benham's guest came west a short time ago to look for a new home. He expected to find good land selling for \$10 an acre, and the best farm land in the valley, according to the information given out in Illinois, could be had for not more than \$50 an acre. When told that the Zurbick farm was for sale at \$112 an acre, the eastern man was greatly surprised and somewhat disgusted. The above is only one of numerous instances of the kind that happen frequently in the west nowadays. Real estate sharks, unrelenting and looking only for a swad of "easy" money, establish themselves in some favored spot of our country, and open branches in the middle west, give out misleading literature and deliberately deceive prospective immigrants as to the value of our lands. It is a poor thing for us. If our lands could be had for a few dollars per acre, they would be worth only that, and no farmer of the fertile Mississippi valley would have a desire to come so far to investigate our climate and resources. All literature and statements emanating from the Grande Ronde valley should be entirely truthful. The truth is flattering enough. If the income from our orchards makes them worth half a thousand dollars and more per acre, they are just as valuable to homeseekers as land that returns interest on an investment of half a hundred dollars. Tell the sweltering people of Chicago, St. Louis, Indianapolis and the other struggling thousands of the prairies, the truth about our lands. The class of people we want and need will come. We have no good lands for sale at \$10 an acre. Neither have we at present any real estate men who spread such reports.

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FACTS ABOUT NEW THEORY SECURED BY INTERVIEWS

People Tell the Reason for Their Faith in Cooper's Belief.

An article from the Nashville, Tenn., Banner, published during L. T. Cooper's visit to that city, throws some light on the remarkable success of the young man's theories and medicines in various cities visited by him during the past year. The article is as follows:

"In view of the enormous sale of Cooper's preparations now going on in this city and the intense interest which Mr. Cooper has stirred up since his arrival, a representative of the Banner spent Thursday afternoon at the young man's headquarters, watching the swarm of humanity come and go.

"During the afternoon the reporter interviewed many of the callers and obtained statements from all who cared to give them as to their experience with Cooper and his preparations.

"The following are selected from those statements as being typical of the general expression of the people seen:

"Mr. B. B. Lasater, living at 1234 North Fourth avenue, when interviewed, said: 'I have been troubled with my stomach for the past two years, and have had rheumatism for more than five years. Sometimes I could not walk, and there were times when I could not even move in bed. Hard knots would form on my muscles, which caused me intense pain. Gas formed on my stomach after eating, which gave me much pain and distress, and often I was restless and tossed all night, losing much sleep and rest.'

"Hearing of Mr. Cooper and the great work his medicine was accom-

plishing for others, I decided to try it. I have taken it about two weeks, and find myself in a greatly improved condition. My stomach is in good shape, and does not trouble me at all. My rheumatism has nearly disappeared, and I expect to resume work shortly, for the first time in twelve months. Mr. Cooper certainly has a wonderful medicine, and I am grateful for what it has done for me.

"Another caller was Mrs. T. J. Smith, of 505 Hudson street. She said: 'I have been a sufferer from bladder and kidney trouble for twenty-five years. In that time I have tried many prescriptions and various kinds of medicine, but received little or no benefit from them. I seldom had a sound night's sleep, my rest being broken at intervals throughout the night. I had pains in my back and burning sensations.'

"I heard so much of Mr. Cooper that I came to the conclusion he might be able to afford me some relief. I have now been taking the medicine about a week, and feel better in every way. The pain has disappeared, and I have no distress whatever. I have come here today to express my appreciation to Mr. Cooper for his wonderful medicine and what it has done in my case. I will take pleasure in recommending it to others.

"In spite of assertions by various physicians that Cooper is a fad who will soon die out, the young man seems to be gaining even greater headway as his visit draws to a close.

The agency for Cooper's celebrated medicines has been given to us. We are making a fine record with them.—A. T. Hill.

Sacred Heart Commencement.

The commencement exercises of the Sacred Heart academy will be held at the Elks hall on Friday, June 12, at 2:30 p. m. The school work of the different grades will be on exhibit on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week in Mr. Pearce's jewelry store, Newlin's drug store and Mr. Harris' art store. All are cordially invited to inspect the work. We are pleased to state that the academy has had a very successful school year.

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Notice.

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THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ANNANDA, GA.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore., April 13, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Henry F. Sturdivant, of The Dalles, county of Wasco, state of Oregon, has applied to purchase, under the act of congress of June 3, 1878, as extended by act of August 4, 1892, the NW 1/4, Section 11, Tp. 2 South, R. 37 E. W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before John Halley, Jr., U. S. commissioner, at his office, Pendleton, Ore., on the 1st day of July, 1908.

He names as witnesses: David C. Brichoux, of La Grande, Ore.; Earl Lyons, of The Dalles, Ore.; Achilles S. Eason, of Hood River, Ore.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 1st day of July, 1908.

F. C. BRAMWELL, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Ore., May 27, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that MARY E. SCHOFIELD, of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, who, on May 15, 1908, made timber and stone sworn statement No. 6029, for lots 2 and 3, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 1, Township 2 S., Range 35 E., Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final tim-

ber and stone proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on the 16th day of August, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Walter Pratt, of Alice, Ore.; Harvey Dahlstrom, of Alice, Ore.; Thomas L. Schofield, of La Grande, Ore.; Neph W. Schofield, of La Grande, Ore. F. C. BRAMWELL, Register.

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