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TRUANCY AND HEALTH.

Occasionally a city department breaks away from routine and decides, with what daring and trepidation it is hard to imagine, to investigate a theory. Why are children truants from school? That was a question which the bureau of attendance of the New York city department of education wondered about for a good many years.

Obstruction to nose breathing in 64 cases.
Sight defective in 27.
Bone deformities in 26.
Irritable heart in seven.
Endocarditis in 10.
Pulmonary tuberculosis in one.
Stigmata of degeneration (which may or may not be important) in eight.

Many of these ills will yield to treatment, and the child, instead of growing up a burden on the community, may be turned into a valuable citizen. The lesson is obvious.

KANSAS TACKLES ANOTHER PROBLEM.

Kansas feels that it has solved one of the greatest problems of rural education. Leave it to Kansas. There is a state that can overcome any-

thing—even its climate and its scenery—If it is given time enough.

Kansas had plenty of trouble finding teachers for the district schools. The young women who volunteered used to fall in love with 640-acre farmers before their first year was over, and the school boards had to look for others. The young men found that life was too lonesome and awe-inspiring and after a few months they dashed to the nearest big town.

On the district schoolhouse lot a house was built, a commodious dwelling with electric lights, sanitary plumbing and a wide porch. Then the trustees advertised for teachers. If a man applied, he was told that two teachers were needed—a man and a woman; and if a woman happened to be the man's wife, a home would be provided.

This scheme necessitated the consolidation of small districts, and a little more money than the old plan, but reports from Kansas say that it works marvelously. The teachers do not resign at the end of the year, but are said to be happy and contented.

"DRY" COUNTERATTACK

Opposition to Beer Amendment Taking Shape.

Portland, June 22.—The Prohibition party's state committee has undertaken a campaign against the brewers' proposed amendment to the dry law and has issued a bulletin regarding its counter amendment, designed to prevent the shipment into the state of even the quantity allowed under the law as it now exists.

The friends of the brewers are circulating a petition to permit the reopening of breweries in Oregon. They state that 4 per cent beer is a non-intoxicating, light and simple beverage and try to create the impression that beer drinking is harmless, notwithstanding convincing testimony of examiners for life insurance and physicians who say, 'the beer drinker is much worse off than the whisky drinker.'

The brewers seek the right to manufacture, sell, and deliver beer in original packages, with no restriction as to the size of the package, which may result in its being handled in small bottles, thereby practically re-establishing its retail distribution under conditions which would be dif-

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Outing Shirts, Khaki, Flannel and other materials 50c up
Whip-cord and Khaki Outing Pants \$1.25
Men's Bathing Suits \$1.00 to \$5.00
Auto Dusters \$1.00 to \$5.00
Men's Newest Shapes Straw Hats for Dresswear \$1.25 to \$5.00
Men's Outing Hats 50c
Men's Ventilated Sandals \$2.50
Men's Tennis Shoes, Hosiery, B. V. D. Underwear, Etc., Etc., Etc.

The Ladies, Too, Will Need

- Outing Skirts, Sport Skirts, Plain or Stripes \$1.25 to \$8.50
Outing White Felt Hats 50c
"Marj Dora" and Auto Caps 50c to \$1.50
College Style Sport Middy Blouses for tennis and lounging comfort \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75
Sweaters, ruff neck style for cool evenings
Pretty Wash Frocks \$5.00 to \$17.50
New Summer Styles—women's waists \$1.25 up
Women's Sandals \$1.75
Womens White Rubber Sole Pumps, with strap 85c, \$1.35, \$1.65, \$2.00
Women's High Top White Canvas Shoes, with white rubber soles and low rubber heels \$3.50
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Extra Knicker Pants 50c to \$1.50
Boys' Newest Sport Blouses 50c
Boys' Newest Sport Shirts 60c
Boys' Bathing Suits 50c to \$1.50
Straw Hats for Boys 50c
Boys' Sandals 90c, \$1.10, \$1.75
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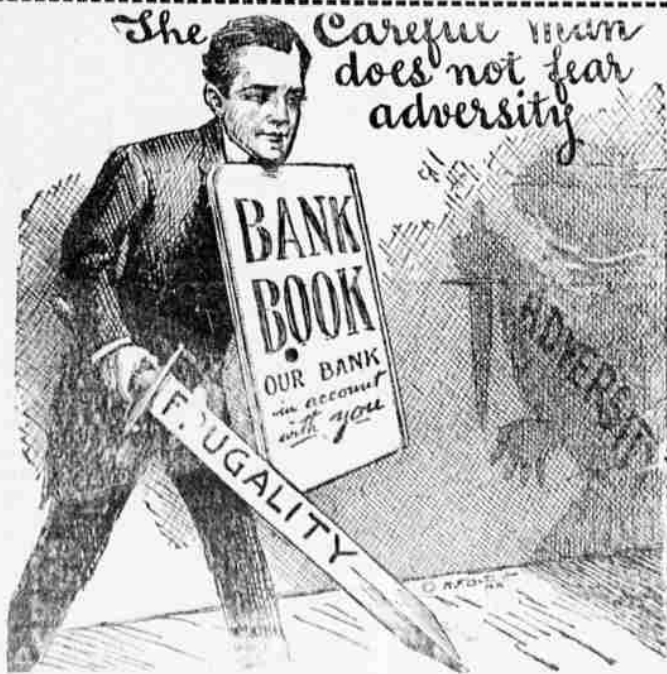
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fault to control.

"Their argument commences with the following preamble: 'We, the undersigned, feel that there is a lack of logic, even from a prohibition point of view, in allowing beer and intoxicating liquors to be brought into the state, yet forbid the manufacture of beer in the state.' This statement probably reflects a unanimous verdict.

"Notwithstanding its shortcomings, the friends of prohibition had purposed to give the present law a longer trial, but they now feel that they are not only released from any actual or implied obligation to do so, but that this action of the brewers impels them to accept their challenge by initiating a counter amendment so framed as to remedy the illogical provisions complained of and remove the privilege granted to those who still wished to indulge themselves and give real constitutional prohibition to the people of Oregon.

"This new amendment is short and simply adds the following to the present constitutional provisions: 'Section 36A. No intoxicating liquors shall be imported into this state for beverage purposes.' This will result in removing the alleged defects of our present law, instead of enlarging them.

"Those who believe in prohibition prefer an offensive rather than a defensive fight; to go forward rather than backward; and strive for such legislation as will give them all that they want, rather than defend that which gives them only a part.

"With the reopening of the breweries it would be impracticable to restrict the amount of liquor manufactured. It is claimed that one of Oregon's brewery plants alone could manufacture in a few days, all the beer now being imported in a year."

"This new dry amendment is initiated by the Prohibition party. It is endorsed by the Portland Ministerial association, the Oregon Woman's Christian Temperance union, the Saloon league of Oregon and Women's Prohibition club of Por-

CHERRY FAIR DATE

Cove, Or., June 22.—A meeting of the Cove Chamber of Commerce, S. E. Forsstrom, manager of the Cherry Fair, was held today to arrange for the fair day arrangements. The officers are: Anties, president; C. H. Power, secretary; J. F. Dean, treasurer; and H. E. Coolidge, chairman of the board of directors. The fair day is set for July 20.