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THE RAILROAD AND THE PUBLIC.

The banquet tendered James J. Hill at Portland last week and the cordial welcome given E. H. Harriman last summer by all Oregon cities, usher in a new era wherein friendly relations between railroads and the general public supplant indifference, discord and animosity. Both the traffic officials and the people are realizing that their interests are mutual and that what benefits one benefits the other. So the railroads, instead of resorting to corruption of politics, are now appealing directly to the people to secure and maintain by good will what was formerly seized by force.

Co-operation with the people of every community is now the railroads' policy, and efforts are put forth to establish friendly relations. If a new industry is to be fostered, favorable rates are made. If there is universal fault finding, steps are taken to remedy the ills. Formerly complaints fell upon deaf ears, and insolence and indifference prevailed toward the public. This attitude, combined with rebating and other illegal practices, and interference in politics, aroused a feeling of resentment and retaliation on the part of the public, which resulted in a wave of summary railroad legislation, cutting rates and providing stringent regulation, which has had its effect in arousing railroad companies to a truer conception of their positions as servants, not masters of the public.

The railroad can only grow in volume of business and profits as the territory it traverses develops. As this is realized, we see officials in closer touch with the people to learn their needs and lending assistance to upbuild communities and settling the country. Experts are sent to teach modern methods, and cars equipped to demonstrate scientific theories to farmers and fruit men. Lecturers are employed, pamphlets issued and the nations ransacked for the benefit of almost unknown localities.

The Harriman lines have been backward in aiding the development of Oregon. Until recently efforts to upbuild the west were confined to California. The past few years, however, go far to atone for any previous neglect in this regard, and no small part of Oregon's rapid development of recent years is directly due to the railroad's efforts. So an era of better understanding and of better feeling between the people of Oregon and the Harriman lines seems here.

AS THE SWISS SETTLED IT.

Switzerland, the "Ideal Republic," has worked out an original method of settling the liquor traffic problem, which, it is claimed, is so satisfactory that the demon rum is no longer an issue in the Alpine hills. It is known as the Swiss Alcohol Monopoly and is intended to check the consumption of distilled liquors, while improving the quality and substituting the less harmful wine and beer.

M. Milliet, director of the government monopoly, says: "To the federation was assigned the task of making wine, cider and beer cheaper and more easily obtainable. Whisky, however dearer and less easy to obtain. The monopoly offers a better distribution of the burdens among the different classes of the population and enables us to tax the distilled spirits variously—i. e., the drink of the rich man higher than that of the poor man."

E. R. Mansfield, American consul at Lucerne, has lately made an interesting report on the management of the liquor traffic. Each canton has a large measure of discretion, the general plan being to limit the number of saloons in proportion to the population. The minimum price for license is 200 francs, equal to about \$40 a year, and the maximum for large first-class hotels 6000 francs, equivalent to about \$1200 per year. Each municipality or community decides the number of saloons to be licensed.

Mr. Mansfield reports that under the Swiss plan of liquor selling there is little excessive drinking and practically no drunkenness. "The net result of the liquor traffic in Switzerland," he concludes, "would seem to be that it is regulated so as to secure a large revenue, which is applied largely to the maintenance of public schools, and at the same time so restricted as to prevent any abuse of the privileges granted with a license to engage in the business."

SCHOOL AUTHORITIES IN TROUBLE WITH PARENTS

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 11.—Trouble between the school authorities and the anti-vaccinationists is today predicted because 717 pupils who had not been vaccinated have been refused admission to the Seattle public schools. The anti-vaccinationists are advising parents of the children to send them back to school when they are refused admission. According to figures compiled by Dr. G. A. B. Steiner of Ballard, there are in all 2008 children in the Seattle schools who are not vaccinated. Among the children sent home yesterday are several belonging to Councilman J. T. Armstrong, who said today he will fight the case to a finish.

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GOVERNOR-ELECT OF WASHINGTON IS BETTER

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 11.—A marked improvement in the condition of S. G. Cosgrove, governor-elect of Washington, was reported today, though it was announced last night that he was quite ill.
 The governor-elect requested that his daughter, Mrs. Kincaid, and Governor Mead be brought to his bedside. It is understood that Cosgrove has made arrangements with the present governor to remain in office until such time as Cosgrove is able to assume the duties of his office. Mead's term expires in January.
 The sick man will be taken to California, where it is expected he will regain his health.

WANT FLEET TO STAY ON THE PACIFIC COAST

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 11.—A set of resolutions asking that the Pacific fleet be retained in the Pacific ocean and that it be augmented by the Atlantic fleet was forwarded to President-elect Taft today by the officers of the California branch of the American National Red Cross society. The resolutions were drawn up at the annual meeting of the association yesterday afternoon and are congratulatory in tone. Taft is president of the American National Red Cross society and the organization here hopes to have considerable influence with him in making the request that the fleet remain in the Pacific ocean. Yesterday's meeting was addressed by army officers and naval men.

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