

MEDFORD CHARTER

An amendment to the liquor clause in the city charter of Medford has been filed and the same will appear on the ballot next Tuesday.

Inasmuch as the POST is non-partisan in everything we feel as though it is our duty to give our views on the matter.

Should this amendment carry it would be in direct opposition to the state local option law. The present charter is only a local option charter inasmuch as the citizens of Medford can regulate or abolish the saloons as they see fit. That is local option pure and simple. Now what is proposed is a prohibitive charter amendment. Is this fair and just? Does it show the high clean hand of Christianity? It is a matter of forcing an issue on the people which is not in accordance with true American principles.

Let the majority rule, but don't enact a law prohibiting the majority from ruling at any and all times. The Medford charter gives the voters the privilege of abolishing the saloon at any time. By amending the charter this right is taken from the people, and instead of being a "people rule" charter it will be a "class rule" and this should be abolished in any community where the people are possessed of enough intelligence to govern themselves.

The city council Tuesday advanced the saloon license to \$800 a year. This is not unreasonable for a city like Medford, and will assist greatly to defray the running expenses of the city. This last paragraph does not interest the POST any more than a matter of news.

Another matter that should interest the resident taxpayers is the importing of speakers from some other county or state to tell you how to run your business. The affair in your city may be different from that of another city, and this foreign orator would not be able to treat your local condition justly. The orator on many occasions is some noted man, noted generally for his gift of oratory and seldom for his gift of manual labor. Think of this.

We do not wish to confuse the reader and lead you to believe that we are intruding on territory out of our realm but this article could apply to a city in California, Washington or Idaho. Should the writer have occasion to make a comparison or refer to a city in Maine it would not signify that the article was intended to advise the people how to run their business in Maine. Regulate the saloon but do not take the power away from the people. If the majority vote to abolish the saloon next Tuesday let the wish of the people prevail, but one year from now the people may see that they are benefitted by the presence of this business and desire to open these houses to the public. Would it be doing the citizen a justice to deprive him of the right to say whether or not he could vote on this question again? If the charter amendment carries he cannot have this right.

Let there be justice in all things for he who seeketh unjust is ungodly. The laboring man who toils earnestly at his bench may find much enjoyment in his daily glass of wine, while others are more able financially may get the same pleasure at the theatre or some winter resort. In this case the laborer must be deprived of his pleasure and privilege to satisfy the desire of those who choose to force their belief upon him.

As a champion of justice we say: Let the charter remain as it is.

A BOOK OF INFORMATION

The Bureau of Labor and Statistics has issued a neat book giving a write-up of all towns of importance in the state together with the average wages paid to skilled and unskilled employees.

Jacksonville received a very complimentary mention, although the figures were slightly wrong. The book states that the three churches, court house, Odd Fellows and Masonic halls aggregate a value of \$60,000. The court house is built on a solid stone foundation and six or eight feet in the ground. This building alone would almost reach this sum. The Masonic hall is a two story brick covering one lot and cost about \$15,000. The Odd Fellow's hall is a two story brick.

Fred Dorn, of Watkins was in Jacksonville Saturday.

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Levi Strauss & Co's
 Copper Riveted
Overalls
 for the mechanic farmer engineer stock raiser

LOCAL NEWS

A few toys left at the Boss.

Bruce Buck of Joe Bar was in town this week.

Mrs. Christena Reuter was in Medford Wednesday on business.

Mr. Angle of Ashland was at the county seat on business this week.

J. M. Rader of Eagle Point transacted business in the county seat Tuesday.

The Boss for candies, nuts, fruit vegetables, in fact everything that is nice.

Mrs. Herman Messenger of Provolt transacted business in Jacksonville Tuesday.

Call up the Boss on the phone for vegetables or anything we carry and it will be delivered.

Frank Zell of Middle Fork was transacting business in Jacksonville Saturday and Sunday.

George Henry returned to his school at Eagle Point Sunday after spending the holidays in Jacksonville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Byrum of Table Rock were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Cronemiller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bostwick of Provolt were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cantrell this week.

Mrs. Walter T. Kentner of Medford spent Thursday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Kenney in this city.

J. R. Harvey lessee of the Old Channel mine at Glacie, was visiting old friends in Jacksonville Saturday.

Miss Grace Henry who is employed by Col. Munday of the Medford Coal mine spent Thursday in Jacksonville.

Don't walk in the rain and mud but telephons the Boss for what you want and it will be delivered to your door.

Miss Abbie Henry returned to her school at Sterling Sunday evening after spending the holidays in Jacksonville.

Clyde Shaw, head blacksmith at the Blue Ledge, made his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. T. T. Shaw a visit Saturday.

Supt. Chipman of the Warren Construction Co., of Medford was transacting business in Jacksonville the first of week.

The United Artisans had a social evening for its members Tuesday evening when the installation of officers took place.

The holiday season is over and the Boss has a few things left over which must go. A fresh supply of candy has been received.

C. D. Abbott, of the Abbott house, left Sunday for Corvallis where he was called to the bedside of his sister, who is sick with pneumonia.

Mr. Carlson the diamond drill man of the Blue Ledge was in the city Saturday. He says that things look pretty lively about the camp.

Miss Marion E. Towne the efficient deputy county clerk was in Phoenix Wednesday to attend the wedding of Mr. Claude Cate and Miss Grace Rose.

Flora Thompson, who is teaching school at Central Point spent the holidays with her parents in this city returning to Central Point Sunday evening.

Miss Agnes Williams of Ashland and Miss Maud O'Brien of Applegate are assisting the Jackson County Abstract Co., in copying records at the court house.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Coleman and Misses Marion E. Towne and Josephine Donegan attended the wedding of C. C. Cate and Grace May Rose Wednesday evening.

Miss Myrtle Quigley of Quigley station Cal., visited Miss Jennie Kitto a few days this week. She has since gone to Medford to become a student at St Mary's Academy.

Miss Lulu Garrison of Portland who has been visiting Miss Mary Peter in this city, accompanied her sister Mrs. Wm. Campbell to Joe Bar Cal., Wednesday to spend the winter.

Assessor W. T. Grieve entered up on the duties of the office last Monday, and the way he started the work was conclusive evidence that he was no novice in the office. Mr. Grieve is a pleasant man and will no doubt serve the people well. He is all business and has the office well organized.

Mr. Warren of Portland special switch-board man for the Pacific States Telegraph and telephone Co., was in the city investigating the local office with a view of installing a new switch-board and improving the services. He was accompanied by city manager J. J. Bookter of Medford.

WILL SERVE TWO YEARS

C. E. Roach, who was convicted of forgery was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary Wednesday. He was taken to Salem Wednesday.

Roach is a young man and has probably been in bad company or he would not have committed the crime. He forged his mother's name to a check in Ashland and left for California. He was brought back to this county and convicted.

He held up well during the trial but when the judge passed the sentence he broke down. His mother was in the court room when sentence was passed and she also broke into tears when her son was being led out of the court room to commence his term of two years in the penitentiary.

This case may be a lesson to the young men of the county who are inclined to associate with the undesirable element. Many like Roach, do not realize the magnitude of such offenses until they face the bar of justice. It pays to lead a life of honesty.

DIED

BIGGINGS—At Ashland, Dec. 31, 1908, W. E. Biggings of Medford. Interment in Medford cemetery.

BULLOCK—At Medford, January 1, 1909, Mrs. Alma Bullock, wife of W. R. Bullock, aged 39 years, 11 months and 2 days.

DEMERS—At her home in Medford, Thursday, January 7, 1909, Susanna Demer.

The deceased was a native of Austria Hungary and was 71 years of age.

ATTENTION

To those who have postoffice boxes: By order of the P. O. department all lock boxes in the postoffice must be kept locked in the future. Persons disregarding this notice will be deprived of their boxes and mail placed in the general delivery.

John F. Miller, P. M.

This order was issued by the department on account of complaint being made of packages and important letters being lost. In one case a letter containing \$3,000 was taken from an unlocked box. The money was in form of a check and the party went to another town and received the money and has not been heard of since. Two-thirds of the boxes in the postoffice here is left unlocked.

Stomach Trouble Cured.

If you have any trouble with your stomach you should take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, Mr. J. P. Klote of Edina, Mo., says: "I have used a great many different medicines for stomach trouble, but find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets more beneficial than any other remedy I ever used." For sale by City Drug Store.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

C. C. Cate and Grace May Rose.

Fred J. Fick and Laura J. Richardson.

Verne Marshall and Ruth Brown.

PROBATE COURT

Estate Carlos Reed; final account filed and Saturday, February 6, set as day for final settlement.

NEW CASES

Margaret J. Bailey vs. George W. Bailey; suit for divorce. E. D. Briggs attorney for plaintiff.

State of Oregon vs. Myrtle Painter; assault with dangerous weapon. B. F. Mulkey, attorney for plaintiff.

Minnie E. Foye vs. Lizzie M. Willits suit to quiet title. F. M. Calkin, attorney for plaintiff.

Fever Sores.

Fever sores and old chronic sores should not be healed entirely, but should be kept in healthy condition. This can be done by applying Chamberlain's Salve. This salve has no superior for this purpose. It is also most excellent for chapped hands, sore nipples, burns and diseases of the skin. For Sale by City Drug Store.

AT A BARGAIN

Several 10 acre tracts of the best Bear Creek bottom land at prices from \$50 to \$185 per acre. Jacksonville Real Estate Co., Adolf Schulz, Mgr.

OYSTERS

The Oyster season is now open and Lay & Keegan handles the famous Eagle brand of oysters. Take a can of these large Eastern oysters home to fry, stew or for cocktails.

CLASSIFIED

WANTED—A girl to work in restaurant. Apply at Mrs. Grant.

DRESSMAKING—For first-class dressmaking call on Mrs. S. A. Swanson, Luke Ryan's house east part of city.

LISTEN

We are now offering one of the best clubbing propositions ever offered the citizens of Jackson county. The clubbing offer consists of three of America's leading magazines (all to one address) and the Jacksonville POST one year for \$1.75.

"Our Day" recently consolidated with "World Events" is a magazine of national events (historical) and treats on all prominent questions all over the world. An excellent magazine profusely illustrated.

"Home Herald" is a magazine for the home, along religious lines. Treats on the progress of Christianity in foreign countries. It also has short and continued stories. "Home Herald" is a weekly magazine.

"Vick's Magazine" is a periodical of progress, containing 36 pages, well illustrated.

These are the three best magazines we have on our list of about twenty.

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This is the greatest half price offer ever given the reading public in this county.

Renewals will count the same as new subscriptions.

CLUBBING OFFER

The POST has made arrangements to club with the Toledo Weekly Blade and the American Farmer.

This will be the last year that the Toledo Blade will club with other papers. The following is an extract from a letter received from the Blade: "The extraordinary advance in cost of print paper almost decided us not to make a clubbing offer at all this season, knowing the usual offer would net us a great loss, we finally concluded to make the old offer for this one season more."

Our offer:
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Total.....\$2.50
 Our price.....\$1.75
 Jacksonville Post.....\$1.50
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 Jacksonville Post.....\$1.50
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