

A GREAT SCHEME

"You See" has New Idea to Procure Necessary War Revenue

I have thoroughly made up my mind that this temperance move that is being agitated over the country, and especially Oregon, if not of a Socialistic nature, is a deep-laid plot to give the Democratic administration a black eye and the standpatters a strangle hold on the reins of government again, and I think at least John Stark will argue with me when he has time to digest my simple and effective plans to help the Government out of the financial hole we have got ourselves into.

We—that is the government—has got to have money and anybody can see it will not do to collect our debts from the banks for they need it in their business and besides, Mr. Wilson says the people are loyal and anxious to help make up the 100 million wanted, and I am fully satisfied it is going to be a pleasure to assist. I do not think from the start we have made that it is going to be necessary to put stamps on potatoes before we eat them if my plans are carried out. I shall not go into minute details but think any common brain such as Underwood or Bryan or maybe Stark, could work them out when the general plan is outlined.

We—that is the government—struck the keynote to prosperity when we made beer and perfumery bear the brunt as revenue raisers. Beer with the 5c discount for cash will raise 50 million at once. But that is nothing to what it can be made to do with a little boosting. All we—that is the government—have to do is to offer a small reward both to individuals, counties and states consuming the most beer in the shortest time. Now here is where we show what a long head we have got. Breweries will have to be immediately enlarged to supply the demand and it is going to take money to do it.

But all they will have to do is to go to the banks and draw on the 75 million we, the government, has on deposit. All the bankers will be more than glad to assist the administration to help bring back prosperity by loaning out their money for 182 percent and collecting the interest. Can you imagine anything that will relieve the situation sooner or bring unlimited prosperity to us sure?

Now as to perfumeries. Anyone familiar with the aroma of a beer-soaked hide or breath is aware that it sometimes necessary to disguise both with some other kind of a smell. When going into the presence of women for instance, for I am not considering the men in this deal for I do not consider that they have any business meddling in politics anyway. It is easy to see if the first is handled properly that it will make a great demand for the latter. Aho, William, it's too easy.

The scheme looks as simple to me as falling from a foot log into the creek, for it is on a down grade.

But what surprises me most is to see a dyed in the wool Democrat like Gov. West boosting a scheme to help make a "hard times" Democratic administration.

P. S. Most of the premiums offered by the government in a short time can be paid in beer checks.

P. S. What a stimulant it will be to the hop industry, giving employment to so many of the unemployed. These also could use beer checks.

You See.

IS AGAINST THE BEGINNER

Mr. Heinbothem Thinks Tax Exemption Would not Help Him

Oregon City, Ore. Oct. 17, '14. Editor Courier:—

My old friend and single tax opponent, O. D. Robbins, I see, is still fighting for single tax, and for the \$1500 exemption bill, although he plainly admits, in his letter in the Courier of the 1st inst., that it is a question of principle, of right and wrong, of justice between the poor, the rich and well-to-do, between those at the beginning of life's battle, for a competence, those at the middle, and those near the end." Now this part that he admits, is just that part I object to, in this \$1500 exemption bill. This bill would give me an exemption every year of \$1500, and several of my neighbors, right here by me, that have secured a piece of land for a house, but have not been able to make any improvement on it, would not get one cent of exemption, but on the other hand, they would have to pay more taxes every year, until they were able to make improvements just on account of this bill. Do you call that justice between the well-to-do and the poor? You say "some are worrying" for fear the percentage of property exempted would be too high, and do not realize that the higher the percentage, the more taxes will wealth pay, and the closer will the line come to the middle class."

On this same line of reasoning, the higher the percentage of property exempted, the harder it will be on the poor beginner, and there is only one limit to the percentage of exemption in this case, and that is straight single tax. The rate of taxation will get higher every year; every division of real estate, increases the rate of taxation, and every one ought to be able to see that it would run itself into almost straight single tax, and the rate of taxation on land would soon be doubled, or maybe more than doubled. Then how would your new beginner fare?

In the Courier of the 1st inst., in

which this letter from Mr. Robbins came out, there also came a letter from F. W. Bates, in which he tries to make out that some of my assertions, in regard to the \$1500 exemption measure, were wrong. Without referring to the different paragraphs that he objected to, I will just make a few plain statements covering a few remarks, that the said were wrong, to show that I was right.

Mr. Bates can't understand why I think this bill is bad for the poor man when he saves \$208 in 15 years in taxes, and in the same time I would save \$600. It is plain to see that most all the poor man's saving in taxes, is made in the last 6 or 8 years, and that during all the forepart of his time in home making, he had almost no help at all, and right at the first it worked right against him. Then Mr. Bates claims that the poorer a man is the more this bill would help him. Let us see:

Suppose two men, each having a piece of wild land, assessed at \$1,000 one of the men has a family, and is not able to make any improvement on his place. His taxes are \$25 each year. The other man has a good situation, and is making good wages, and is able to make \$500 worth of improvements each year. In three years' time this last man has made all the improvement necessary, to get the full benefit of the exemption, while the other man is paying out \$5 extra tax each year, just on account of this bill, and is not getting any exemption. Who is getting the best of the deal?

Mr. Gill's argument with Mr. Cridge, on this bill, suits me first rate. It shows the straightforward, honest disposition of the man, and he is a very safe man to stay by for Governor.

George Heinbothem.

A TRIBUTE FOR KOEHLER

Lifelong Friend says he Would Make County Splendid Sheriff

Oswego, Oregon, Oct. 17, 1914. To the Editor of the Oregon City Courier:

Will you allow me space in your paper for a few lines in behalf of my friend Henry W. Koehler, the democratic candidate for sheriff. I have resided in Oswego precinct for 28 years, and have known Mr. Koehler for 23 years.

I am a republican generally speaking, yet in local and county politics I am for man and not party; and it is for this information of such voters throughout the county, that are not personally acquainted with Mr. Koehler, that I write these few lines. By honesty and industry as a skillful blacksmith and wagonmaker, Mr. Koehler has acquired considerable property here and has not hitherto aspired for any county office.

No man in Clackamas County has attended better to his own business or done more conscientious work.

He has instructed two or more of the young men of Oswego in his trade and they are now doing business for themselves. One of them at the old stand. He takes pride in doing his work well and in having all things orderly and convenient, and in making things pleasant and beautiful around his own home, which is one of the best in Oswego. Although not a member of any fraternal order, his heart and purse are open to those in need, and he has often given freely to save some poor unfortunate from a pauper's burial at the expense of the county. He is not "burning any fire-works" but quietly and in a dignified way has tried to get the people acquainted with him, and I hope many republican voters will see fit to vote for him at the coming election.

A. J. Thompson.

VIOLA

Mr. Gibbs of Portland, who traded places with C. Clayson of Viola, is moving his household goods to his new home. The Viola people are glad to welcome him in our midst.

Mrs. Gifford of Seattle, who made a short visit last week with her friend Mrs. J. A. Randolph, of Viola, has returned home again.

Mrs. Harve Mattoon of Viola, has returned home from the Oregon City hospital and is gaining slowly. Miss Brown of Redland is working for her at present.

Tom Eaden our merchant, went with his family to Logan Saturday evening to visit their son Arthur.

Saturday evening a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Schmalley of Stone, came over to surprise her parents with a visit.

Well, election will soon be here, and nearly all the residents of Viola desire prohibition, notwithstanding some of the devil's agents of Portland—the saloon element—are sending out circulars to us asking us to vote for the saloons and not to take their liberty (to make more drunkards and turn a man into a beast—that is what they want.) Hope Oregon goes dry.

Mrs. T. Jackson of Viola sprained her wrist badly while turning the cream separator recently.

Wm. Hubert and wife of Bethel, were calling on Mr. Babe White and wife Sunday.

There will be a basket social at the Viola school house on the evening of Nov. 6th. Everyone is welcome. Come and have a good time.

Mr. F. Cockerline of Viola made a business trip to Portland on Wednesday. He took a load of chickens and eggs, going by the auto truck.

If you want to buy or sell see McDonald and Van Auker. They hunt buyers, they advertise your property.

STEPHEN A. LOWELL'S VIEWS

Noted Jurist of Pendleton Urges that Liquor be Banished

Pendleton, Oregon, October, 14, 1914.

Editor Courier:—

This communication is offered for publication as expressing the results of a dispassionate study of the liquor question pursued by one who is not radical, and who neither regards prohibition as a panacea for all evils nor anticipates that a prohibitory statute, if adopted, will be thoroughly enforced. Nevertheless, upon moral grounds the conclusion has been reached that the state cannot longer afford to lend countenance to traffic in intoxicating liquors, and upon economic grounds that the commonwealth will be improved by the elimination of the saloon.

Weighed by the rules of evidence which govern courts of justice, the following facts have been proven by an overwhelming preponderance of evidence. They are sufficient to induce the writer to espouse the dry cause in this campaign, and are presented in the hope that their consideration may aid others in reaching a conclusion upon this vexed problem.

First:—The best authorities in modern medical science declare that alcohol is a poison, and that its use undermines character and lessens vitality. Any step, therefore, looking toward its ultimate disappearance is

When taxes diminish taxes will decrease.—The criminal courts, the jails, the penitentiaries and the reformatories are all tax eaters pure and simple.

Seventh:—The liquor interests generally oppose any movement looking toward improved moral and civic conditions, and their engine of operation, the saloon, must be eliminated in the interest of progress, just as slavery, lotteries and open gambling have been eliminated. It was a long, bitter fight to accomplish the suppression of these recognized evils, and it might be profitable to remember that their supporters made in their day substantially the same appeal to business men as the liquor men are making now.

Respectfully,
Stephen A. Lowell.

QUESTIONS FOR MR. RILEY

W. S. U'Ren Asks him Some about the \$1500 Exemption Amendment Oregon City, Oregon Oct. 19, '14

To the Editor:—

Mr. E. F. Riley is opposing the \$1,500 Home Tax Amendment. He says the payment of taxes is a sacred obligation and "voting for exemption from taxes will be a repudiation." When it comes to repudiating taxes it is worth while to examine Mr. Riley's record. Mortgages have not been taxed in this state since 1893. I find on the record more than 150 mortgages for money loaned by Mr. Riley and he has not paid a dollar of taxes on these mortgages. Does he count

A REVIEW OF THE MEASURES

Rev. Milliken Writes how He will Vote on Several of Them

Editor of the Courier:—

A study of the proposed constitutional amendments reveals some interesting attempts at legislation. To several of these I shall vote a decided "NO", for reasons which I shall present more at length.

I shall vote 319 NO because I do not see why any member of the legislature should be allowed 10 cents per mile mileage when the railways carry him for the same rate that they do the ordinary person; and I am not yet convinced that the average legislative assembly earns more than he gets at the present time. I want to see them sufficiently wide-awake to prevent the reroading through of any "Free Text Book Bills" with "Jokers" allowing private schools to drop into the Public School Funds before I vote for a further increase in legislative salaries.

I shall vote 321 NO. I favor eight hour legislation, but it must be discriminative. I was brought up on the farm, and I know what effect it will have upon the farmer if this law goes into effect. In harvest time if he goes into the field with his "hands" at 7:00 in the morning, counting one hour off for noon, he must let his men quit work at 4:00 in the afternoon, or leave himself liable to a fine of not less than \$100, or a jail sentence, or both. He cannot even allow his sons, or his relatives to help him

trouble and expense than it is worth. The Oregonian deems that it has any connection with monarchical government, but any student of history knows better. First, the king ruled absolutely. Then the nobles became strong enough to wrest class-privilege from him, and an upper house is formed. As the people become stronger they seek representation, and get it in the second house with limited powers, like the "Third Estate" of France before the revolution, and the present Russian "Duma." After while the people gained the upper hand and the "upper" or "class" house takes a secondary place. More often it proves an anchor than a balance wheel, and when a predatory interest is seeking power it has a double chance where there are two houses, because if it cannot block legislation in one house it can in the other. During the last twenty years I think I am safe in saying that the senate of the U. S. has been more in the public eye for measures it has blocked, than for those it has advanced. Some of the great provinces of Canada do very nicely with one house and why could not we?

The death penalty is a sort of anomaly in the twentieth century. Why not abolish it by voting 334 Yes. The NON-PARTISAN JUDICIARY BILL is a move in the right direction. Our judiciary should be removed from partisan politics, and placed upon a perfectly neutral plane. Canada secures this by having her judges appointed for "life or good conduct" by the dominion parliament. 334 would still leave the selection of judges to the people, and, at the same time, would remove any objectionable partisan features.

I was opposed to the PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION plan until I found the Oregonian in one issue opposing it because it would permit the strongest political party to elect all the legislature, then in the net issue it objects that it would allow the small parties "socialists and prohibition, to nominate short legislative tickets, and obtain representation in the house out of all proportion to their strength." Now it must be a fearfully and wonderfully made measure if it can enable the strongest party in the state to manipulate things entirely to its own advantage, and to give the smaller parties representation, far beyond their strength at the same time. I think the Oregonian has made me a convert to the measure, and I am curious to see the thing work. I am under the impression it will seriously interfere with partisan politics, and will play hob with all the machines. When the average citizen has the privilege of voting for but one representative he will think more of the man than the party, and it will "do things" to the machine.

I shall certainly vote 332 YES for State Prohibition. No state has ever been hurt by prohibition. The International year book shows Kansas ended 1912 (the last year reporting) with a balance in the treasury of \$1,289,209, and a debt of only \$376,000, while wet Missouri, a state greatly richer in natural resources, and with just as good a people, had only \$537,829 in the treasury, and \$4,398,839 of a debt. Since going dry property values in North Dakota have increased 1000 per cent. In Maine, once the poorest state in the union, the department of agriculture report Maine farmers the best off financially in New England. In Kansas one man in five owns an automobile. In Missouri only one in one hundred owns an automobile. Hundreds of factories are locating in West Virginia since it went dry. Leading business firms of Oregon are working for a dry state. The Booth-Kelly Lumber Co. of Lane County, the Baker White Lumber Co. of Baker County, and the Grand Rounde Lumber Co. of La Grande, among the number, also the Northwest Door Co. of Portland. A boozer can get no work on the railroads, no place of trust in the business world, no high salaried position in the mills, and he is the first man laid off in the roust-about gang, and the last man to be taken on. Nothing good can be said for liquor, and every evil can be laid at its door. Only 26.2 per cent of the population of the United States use it at all. The would-be-representative of this district who put the proportion way up near 100 per cent showed very poor qualification for the office he seeks, or he would be careful to verify his figures. Of this 26.2 per cent most would not miss it. The men who are raising the roar about prohibition are the saloon grafters, who get more money with less investment in that business than they would in any other. The noise than sounds like Eppstein, the Hop Growers Association, etc., is merely a roar of the booze trust. Hence let us vote 332 YES.

W. T. Milliken.

VOTERS, THINK THESE OVER

Farmer Robbins Gives up a Few Paragraphs to Consider

The State of Oregon is very generous to a few poor beginners in the way of taxation. Gives them a small present with a strong string tied to it and when they get something worth while, pulls it back with double compound interest attached, and gives the whole thing to wealthy parasites. Vote for the exemption measure and come much nearer justice.

And the wealthy bunch are tired of having their "Personal Liberty" threatened by reform tax measures so often and want it fixed so it will take a two-thirds vote to reach them. This is quite a contract to the authors of the exemption measure, who are willing, if it carries, to give the people two more chances to wipe it of the books by a big majority vote.

The many poor people that the Oregonian says will be injured by the exemption—why do they not tell us who they are and where they are, give us examples and why do not the poor people themselves complain, and give their percentage of exemption?

The Oregonian says the exemption measure would only help the middle class that is able to pay the tax as it is. Yes, maybe we are able to pay twice as much for a cow as others can buy her for but somehow we do not like to do it, neither do we like to buy a cow and let some one else use the milk at our expense.

If it was proposed to assess all land alike, acre for acre, without regard to location, what a mighty howl we would all raise, but personal property and improvements are assessed without regard to location and because we have become used to it, some think it the only way and howl against a change. Perhaps it is for the same reason that a prisoner becomes attached to his cell.

It is said the rich have the most of the kind of property it is proposed to exempt. Yes, but they have a much greater proportion of the kind that is left after the exemption is made and that is where the shoe pinches. That is the patriotic reason for the \$100 contribution to beat the change. What they will have left to pay taxes on will be a much greater proportion than the rest of us will have left and they cannot hide it and that will pinch too.

Well, I rest the case on the above issue and hope the surtax will carry, that the legalized booze business of Oregon will get a solar plexus blow, ditto for the disguised assembly bill. I hope U'Ren or Smith will get a chance to use the sharp two-edged sword on single item appropriations, that I can bid goodbye to the senate, but if it does not go, that Stark-weather will be there, that proportional representation will carry and that Schuebel, Spence and other good Democrats and Socialists are elected to the legislature.

O. D. Robbins.

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worthy support.

Second:—The experience of life insurance companies through a long series of years has demonstrated that the use of alcoholic beverages shortens life, and decreases the desirability of insurance risks.

Third:—The great employers of labor have concluded that alcohol diminishes efficiency, and they are refusing places to men who drink. There is no sentiment in business. In the future sober men alone will find employment. Labor and capital have common interest in the banishment of the saloon.

Fourth:—The athletic world no longer stands sponsor to the drinking man, and proclaims through its leaders, that clean living and quick thinking, the prime essentials to success in athletic sports, are impossible in association with alcohol.

Fifth:—The general business of a dry town, its collections, its morals, are all universally better than in the presence of the saloon. When pay day come before them, have their source purchase supplies for family use, and bills are paid promptly. Careful investigation in any town which has passed through yet and dry periods demonstrate this.

Sixth:—Prosecuting officers will testify almost without exception that the majority of criminal cases which come before them, have their source in the use of intoxicating liquors.

himself to be guilty of repudiation of his moral obligation to pay taxes?

It is strange that the capitalists and money lenders like Mr. Riley and the members of the Non-Partisan League, mostly very wealthy men, should be so well satisfied that exemption of \$1500 worth of Jersey cows, other farm live stock, buildings and improvements, will be so bad for the farmer, while they themselves get so much pleasure out of the exemption of mortgages, the dodging of tax on money, and the complete exemption of all their household furniture, diamonds and other jewelry.

Sincerely yours,
W. S. U'Ren.

Rev. E. A. Smith will preach Sunday, Oct. 25th, at Clarkes at 11 A. M., and at Alberta at 3 P. M., and will be at Beaver Creek Grange hall at 7:45 with Dr. Milliken of the Oregon City Baptist Church and G. N. Taylor of Anti-Saloon League. There will be a mass meeting at Beaver Creek hall.

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after the eight hours without getting into trouble. This amendment is the very climax of freak legislation.

I shall vote 341 NO to the Dentistry bill. There is no reputable Dental College with as low a standard as that described in the bill. While I have no more use for a dental trust than for any other trust, I have a great deal of respect for the gentlemen who are endeavoring to safeguard the health of the community. I would not put into the hands of a quack, or a short-cut dental student a matter so necessary to the health of my children as work of this sort, and I believe in helping to protect my neighbors. Why should we put down the bars for individuals who cannot qualify for dental work in this state to come in and make money and practice on us?

I shall vote 355 NO. Because the proposed PRIMARY DELEGATE ELECTION BILL means a return to the notoriously corrupt convention system. And it will be safe politics for the public to vote against every item of legislation proposed by the group who favor so flagrant an attempt against Oregon popular government. Hence I shall also vote 357 NO.

On the other hand there are some very meritorious measures proposed. 350 X Yes is worthy of note. The State Senate is a sort of legislative verminiform appendix that gives more

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