

WOMEN'S COLUMN

EDITED BY OREGON CITY WOMEN'S CLUB.

The following letter from Millie R. Trumbull, chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, will be of interest to every person in the community; when one considers the statistics contained in the circular, to be presented to our people, it will be found why there is need of prompt action. It was at the request of the General Federation of Women's Clubs that the bill has been introduced in both houses of Congress:

Dear Madam:
President Roosevelt says "Our national health is physically our greatest asset." "I also hope that there will be legislation increasing the power of the national government to deal with certain matters concerning the health of our people everywhere; the federal authorities for instance should join with all the state authorities in warring against the dreadful scourge tuberculosis. I hope to see the national government stand abreast of the foremost state government."

It is to bring about the above result, that a bill has been introduced in Congress "To Investigate and Develop Methods of Treatment of Tuberculosis."

The intention of this bill is Educational and embraces:

1. The supplying—free of cost—an authoritative statement of the best known methods of treating tuberculosis.

2. The supplying—free of cost—reports on later developments and other literature which may be used to interest persons in the suppression of tuberculosis.

3. The collection of data, models and plans which shall form a permanent exhibit, free to the public.

This bill was introduced in the Senate by Honorable W. M. Crane, of Massachusetts and in the House by Hon. John Dalzell of Pennsylvania, at the request of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, an organization having a membership of eight hundred thousand, resident in every state of the Union. The health department of this organization is so systematized it will place the publications above referred to in most of the homes of our country. Physicians agree that in order to stamp out consumption the work must be done in the individual homes. It is to the woman of the family the physician looks for assistance, to the mother the father turns in the care of their child, and it is the woman who must be educated in the suppression of tuberculosis, if it is to be stamped from this country. This bill has been carefully framed along lines which makes available material which can be used to advantage by women. Understanding the nature of the disease, the methods which should be used for its prevention and cure, she at once becomes an intelligent assistant for the physician and health officials.

It is not the intention that the provisions of this bill shall interfere with state or municipal activity, but shall arouse, co-operate with and supplement such activity. Neither is it the desire of this organization to limit such health legislation as it seems best for the federal government to enact. We recognize a simple fact long granted by those best fitted to know it—the tuberculosis specialist—that because of her family and social relations this ONE PARTICULAR DISEASE can be stamped out better with the active assistance of the women than without it.

In order to gain co-operation, in order that women in every station of life shall learn to prevent and cure tuberculosis in her own family, shall teach her children the same rules of health, it is absolutely necessary that a simple, concise, illustrated pamphlet of unquestioned authority shall be provided which may be distributed free of cost and which should be published in several languages. In every state women have been appointed who, realizing the responsibility of their position and their duty to that state, will study the best ways of meeting the local needs of each city and town and calling upon citizens of those cities and towns for co-operation pledge themselves to use the material provided by the conditions of this bill.

We feel, in asking your PERSONAL ASSISTANCE to have this bill pass Congress just as it stands, you will be protecting your OWN HOME from this greatest of scourges, tuberculosis. Every year it kills more people than were killed in the FOUR years of the Civil War. Every year, it costs the people of this country \$320,000,000. In the world, every two minutes night and day someone dies from it. At the present death rate 10,000,000 persons in this country now living will die from it.

Will you do your part in the suppression of this preventable disease? While millions of dollars are being appropriated by Congress for other objects we beg you to remember that we ask that only THREE FOURTHS OF ONE CENT per capita on the 80,000,000 people of this country shall be used to save our families from the scourge which kills ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND people in the United States EVERY YEAR. We also impress upon you that the three fourths of one cent per capita will be needed to do the work at all thoroughly.

The women of this country are banded together to stamp out the "great white plague," but their work cannot reach any large proportions unless aided by Congress as well as state and municipal governments. We believe that the members of Congress desire to carry out the wishes of their constituents. It is then the duty of the residents of every CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT to impress upon the members of the Senate and the House the importance of having this bill pass as it stands, to aid in stamping consumption from the district he represents. If by any chance the bill fails to become law, will it be the fault of YOUR-

SELVES or of the members of Congress?

We ask every man and woman who reads or who hears read this letter, to do two things.

1. In a personal letter to each Senator and member of the House from your own district ask that he vote and speak in favor of the bill as it stands. If it is cut, our work will be limited.

2. Secure signatures of both men and women to the enclosed petition, and as soon as possible send the lists to the chairman at the address given below.

If you do your part the members of Congress will surely do their part.

Hoping to hear from you very soon,
Sincerely yours,

MILLIE R. TRUMBULL,
305 Jefferson St., Portland, Oregon.

HEARTS AND DIAMONDS.

Ninth Grade of High School Will Give Production at Shively's.

Students of the ninth grade of the Barclay High School are rehearsing for the production of "Hearts and Diamonds," a 3-act drama, which will be put on the boards at the Shively Theatre Wednesday evening, June 10, and the proceeds will be devoted to the library fund. The title of the play indicates a card game, but this is far from the subject, for the plot, which is chiefly comic, deals with real diamonds, which are stolen by the heavy villain in the play who accuses his step-sister of the theft. She, portraying the heroine, leaves home in anger and goes into the country to teach school. Before leaving her happy home she had become acquainted with a young physician, who falls in love with her. In the country she boards at the home of the doctor's uncle, who lives with his sister, though the heroine is not aware of the relationship between her host and her city admirer until the latter comes out there on his summer vacation. Their warm friendship is renewed and the physician stays away from his work perhaps longer than he should. The farmer uncle is also in love with the pretty school teacher, but will not stand in his nephew's way, and the villain, who is also in love with the heroine, is ultimately found guilty and everything ends happily.

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BRETON AT THE OAKS.

Daredevil Automobile Rider Makes Sensational Whirl.

It requires a hardy man to smile calmly in the face of death. Under the stimulus of patriotic excitement, in the rush and strife of battle men have done heroic things and have become noted for bravery. To coolly take one's life in hand and dash with it to the brink of the grave with a smile on the lips and no tremor of the muscles is something which not every one can do. Yet there is a man in Portland today who has often done this thing, who in fact makes it a business to brave death. He has looked the black angel in the face so many times that the sensation has lost its awe for him. This man is Harry Breton, who, when The Oaks opens for the summer season, May 16, will make his bow to the people of Portland in his daredevil automobile ride.

Breton's ride is a sensation in itself and throughout the east has made him the center of many scenes. He has an automobile made of steel throughout and weighing something like 500 pounds. It is equipped with 3½ horsepower engine. This machine is driven down a steep incline constructed high in the air at a speed which after a swoop down a 45 per cent grade equals a mile a minute. At the foot of the incline is a gap 25 feet, and across this the car is driven. After the gap is jumped the car is run out onto the roadway and brought to a standstill.

The least swerving of the steering gear would send the driver to instant death. The slightest lack of calculation would end the ride with the funeral of the driver. Many times Breton has had thrilling escapes, but so far has escaped serious injury. He will be the principal feature at the opening week of The Oaks beginning May 16.

A. KING WILSON



The above candidate is running for the legislature, on Statement Number One. He was born in Maryland in 1864, and raised on a farm. He is a resident of Clackamas County, residing at Oswego, where he has a small place on which he raises fruit, etc. He has always been interested in farming subjects, and has attended five meetings of the National Irrigation Congress. He is a Lawyer with offices in the Chamber of Commerce, Portland.

PROHIBITION HIS SUBJECT

MAYOR MATLOCK, OF EUGENE, IS IN FAVOR OF A VERY DRY COMMUNITY.

SAYS TOWN GOES AHEAD

Though Revenue From Licensed Liquor Saloons Is Cut Off, Eugene Has Paved Streets and Empty Buildings are Rented.

Mayor Matlock, of Eugene, Oregon, was in Oregon City last Friday night and helped the local option people in their fight for a dry Clackamas County. Mayor Matlock's remarks were well received. They were timely and showed how the people of Eugene got along without the revenue from the licensed liquor saloon.

He said in part: "I come to you not as an orator, but as a farmer of Lane County and by good fortune the mayor of Eugene. I come not seeking political honors because my best days are gone, but I come in behalf of good government, the elevation of character and good citizenship."

"Eugene went dry two years ago under very unfavorable circumstances. The mayor of the city at that time, a man honest in his convictions and a good man, was not in favor of it, because he honestly believed that there was not sufficient public sentiment in Eugene to make the law effective. There were predictions of failure on every hand, and it was said that our present splendid prosperity would be trampled in the dust."

"But what are the facts about Eugene today? Instead of grass growing in the streets we have paved miles of them under prohibition. The eleven empty saloon buildings were soon rented. Eugene prospered in spite of the loss of saloon revenue. The last two years have seen the largest increase in business and money in banks, in fact, in bank deposits, Eugene stood at the head of the list in Oregon, leaving out Portland. We have better collections, factories and mills are running full time. Last year we put up from 200 to 300 dwellings and had an increase in population of 4,000."

"Let me give you a fair sample of business prosperity in the case of my own son. He was doing a business of \$30,000 a year. After the first year of prohibition it was increased to \$45,000, the second year to \$60,000 and this year it is larger than ever before."

"The first year of prohibition we decreased our city debt by \$2,000, besides purchasing a site for a new city park, a team and chemical engine and hiring an engineer and surveyor and all this at an expense of \$12,000 over last year."

"No, the grass is not growing in Eugene streets, they were paved to the extent of \$15,000 worth during prohibition and this year we are making improvements to the extent of \$315,000 and the building department shows that \$83,000 for permits were taken out for dwellings alone in one month."

PROHIBITION IN CLACKAMAS.

Voters Will Express Their Sentiments June 1.

Two propositions started by the local option forces are to be voted upon in Clackamas County this year. One of these is to vote Prohibition in the county as a whole, and the other is to abolish the sale of liquor in the district comprising the precincts of Milwaukie, Harmony, Oak Grove and Clackamas. There are no saloons in the last three precincts, but the sale of liquor has not been restricted, in Milwaukie, where the prevailing settlement is apparently wet, but the prohibition people hope to vote Milwaukie dry by combining it with Clackamas, Harmony and Oak Grove, the latter precinct being the home of B. Lee Paget, chairman of the local option campaign committee of this county. The incorporated towns of Clackamas county, aside from Milwaukie, are not affected except as the county votes as a whole.

The only previous attempt made in this county to drive saloons out of business was made four years ago, when the vote was taken in the county as a whole, and in this election the saloons were victorious by a vote of nearly two to one. There have been times when the question of prohibition has been introduced in other elections as in this city last December, when an attempt was made to pass an excise law, resulting in a victory for the saloon element.

The arrest of two Canby saloon keepers and their two bar-keepers for selling liquor to minors last fall was followed by the abolishment of the saloons in that town through the election of a mayor and council opposed to licensed saloons. The history of repeated attempts made in Clackamas County by the prohibition element has resulted mainly in saloon victories.

THE MASK TORN OFF.

Salaried "Officials" of the Anti-Saloon League Let the Cat Out of the Bag. "To the Editor"—The Rev. J. H. Knodell, of Portland, one of the many salaried "superintendents" of the Anti-Saloon League, stated the other day that the local option elections this year were only preliminary skirmishes. He said that the real idea was to obtain prohibition for the entire state of Oregon in 1910, two years from now. That lets the cat out of the bag.

The people were assured four years ago that the local option law was merely intended to protect residence districts against the encroachment of the saloon.

the supporters of the bill. "We are only local optionists." To those who claimed that the local option law was merely prohibition in disguise, its supporters presented an unbroken front. When taxed with the fact that their law was unfair they replied by asking the public to read it. As the law was 28 pages in length the public would not bother itself by making a more careful examination.

When they were confronted with the fact that states and communities which adopted prohibition grew poor and lean, they said it was not so. When they were shown that the United States census proved that only three states in the Union had ever decreased in population, and that two of them were prohibition states they said "Do not worry. This is only a local option law. We are not in favor of prohibition."

When this same crowd of salaried agitators was asked if taxes were not generally higher in prohibition communities than in communities which handled the liquor business under the license system, they were quick to answer: "It is not so, but even if it were, it does not matter, for this is local option, not prohibition."

And now the cat is out of the bag. They are not local optionists. They are prohibitionists after all. The opponents of the local option law were right. If really was prohibition in disguise. And the scheme of the smart attorneys, lecturers, and orators, who make a fat living out of the prohibition agitation, is quite plain. The scheme is to stand in quietly, to hold elections in precincts in which there are no saloons, never were any saloons, and probably never will be any saloons. Such precincts being frightened with the absurd question, "Do you want a saloon next your home?" were easily put in the dry column. Then by adding each year to the dry territory acquired in this way, they finally reached that state of arrogance in which they have thrown aside the mask and boldly declare for state prohibition two years from now. Voters have been fooled with this kind of fraudulent election long enough.

Prohibition accomplishes nothing for real temperance or for morality. Bankruptcy does follow prohibition and the United States census reports prove this beyond a doubt. Here and there a prohibition orator may find a prohibition town or small community which has been fairly prosperous even in spite of prohibition. There are exceptions to all rules, but government figures, which do not lie, prove that prohibition is not only a mark of stagnant community, but is a blight to a prosperous one.

Prohibition in Oregon would cause 2500 buildings to become vacant and would throw out of employment 9,000 men and deprive 4000 families of their livelihood. Where is the prosperity in this.

Remember a vote for local option now is a vote for prohibition in 1910.
E. WARD.

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Dr. Thomas on Prohibition.

From the splendid condition of business, thrift and enterprise seen on every hand by the Grangers of the State at Eugene, last week, it is evident that local option, a "dry" town, or even prohibition, works no injury to any business, save the "wet goods" industry.
J. W. THOMAS, Molalla, Ore.

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"The open field for the creation of appetite is among the boys. After men have grown and their habits are formed; they rarely ever change in this regard, and I make the suggestion, gentlemen, that Nickels expended in treats to the Boys now will return in dollars to your tills after the appetite has been formed."

HELP HIM TO ESCAPE

BY VOTING JUNE 1st, 1908

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