Brewer Deckebach Raises Some Pertinent Questions.

HOW ABOUT LOCAL OPTION?

Making Business?

ane writer has read with interest the report of your correspondent relative to the Silverton meeting held under the suspices of the Willamette Development League, and especially that part which had reference to the "Brewer's Address Not Appreciated," Being the "brewer" rred to will account for the interest

appears that criticism was made be se of the topic I chose, namely, the ness I was engaged in and the effect exal-option law had upon the same-ewith quote a part of the criticism: e protest voiced last night and today is based upon the ground that this subject was not a proper one to present. On the platform were the members of a church choir, who were participating in the exercises and men who cannot accept the brewery man's views were Just preceding this was the statement:
"No censure is heard concerning the

tone of the address."
The writer is very much surprised to hear that perhaps he has misinterpreted objects and purposes of the meetings the Development League, and in order be set right in the matter, refers the same to you, well knowing that fairness and fearlessness of stand has always characterized the position of The Oregon-

characterized the position of the creek. I ian its all matters of public interest. I therefore respectfully ask you: If the meeting of the Development League was not "the proper place to pre-sent this subject," one which was of such vital importance to industries in this state

as set forth in my address.

I enclose you my address to full in order that you may inform yourself accord-

tive to the "members of the church choir who participated in the exercises." I certainly cannot understand how my words should offend them. Neither disrepect nor irreverence for things that are sacred were shown by me, either intentionally or otherwise. I might add that I am myself a member of an Episcopii choir and have the deepest of reverence for the work of the church as taught by the life and doctrine of Jesus Christ. Sincercly trusting that you will en-lighten yourself as well as many others as deeply concerned, through the columns of The Oregonian. I remain, with re-

speciful regards, yours truly.

F. G. DECKEBACH.

Vice-President Salem Brewing Ass'n.

The full text of Mr. Deckebach's ad-

ir. Chairman, Nembers of This Conven-iand Ladies and Gentlement. I have had pleasure of attending several of the etings of the Development League that we been held during the pass six months have been greatly interested in the factors and matters discussed at these things. Especially have I been inter-id in the recommendation for legislation as the lines that tended toward the suld in fostering a broad and progressive pirit. It practically evertooked legislation and was already upoft our statute books, and which was today doing probably much award tearing down and discouraging already exatitished industries and the further evertment of capital along those lines. I refer, naturally, to the brewing business, in which I have the honor of being engaged, and the kindred businesses that are already and indirectly connected with the same. The brewing business has always in the past been looked upon as an eminently agittimate industry in this country and Europe. When one pilgrim forefathers landed on the shores of this country they brought tall you can do it by passing unfair or harrow the shores of this country they brought same. The breaking business has always in the mast been looked upon as an eminently legitimate industry in this country and Europe. When one pilarim forefathers landed on the shores of this country they brought with them their beer, and even during the early history of the colonies and this country some of the New England States passed special legislation exempting breweries from maximon in order that thereby they might recoverage the building of them in this country.

Yet in this state there is at the present time a law in existence, viz., the local-option law, that gives to a small number of people in any precinct where a brewery is located, the power to put it out of hydress at any election, and, to all littents and purposes, thereby conflicate the property used for that purpose. What irony is covered by the statements, so often made, that Oregon takes great pride in being the greatest hoppoducing community in the United States, when one realizes that Oregon is doing its very utmost to absolutely kill the brewing business. However, that is the present condition of affairs.

Not another dollar will be invested in the brewing business, the malting business, cooperage and many other enterprises closely allied to the first-named, as long as the local-option law remains upon our statute books in its present form. The State of Washington has been more fortunate in its legislation.

washington has been more fortunate in its egislation. It has no such drastic measure legislation. It has no such drastic measure upon its statute books. The consequence is that it has far outseripped this state, not enly in the brewing business, but in many other lines. When I first came to Washington in recriterial days we always looked upon Oregon as a kind of foster father. It had been a state for many years, and we were yet in our intancy. How different it is to-day. Even in the brewing business the change has been most remarkable. Oregon supplied all of Washington's wants 15 years ago. Today we find that the increase in brewing in the State of Washington for the past year and a half is greater than Oregon's antire output.

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Washington during the last few years has
util many malt housers glass factories for
on making of heer bottles, cooperage and
ox factories, cold-storage and warehouses,
side from greatly enlarging the brewing
usiness itself. Of course this does not intude the vast henefits derived by the supby houses and other husinesses that deal
fift the brewing trade.

It is now a little over two years since our

this state. When I first visited Oregon I saw the state through the portals of the Willamette Valley. To a man living in the Willamette Valley. To a man living in the Western part of Washington, this valley looked like paradise. Its opportunities for a great and prosperous future appeared certain. I could not help but note that there was almost twice as much open, fertile agricultural land in the Willamette Valley than there is in the whole of Western Washington. I was supprised to see what little real progress had been made when I considered that for nearly 30 years Oregon had been a state. Enthused with the spirit that is natural to one who has lived on Puget Sound it commed to me that this valley, were it located in Western Washington near Scattle, it certainly could have had over 1,000,000 inhabitants.

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Hardly had we built our enterprise and invested about \$100,000 in the venture than the local-option law mas passed. That law places the manufacturer in the same category with the saloot. It makes no distinction. At any election the voters of the Fourth Ward, Salom, can vote that precinct dry if a majorly of one so declares. It absolutely puts us out of business, for the law declares we cannot sell any of our product if the precinct ross dry. Notwithstanding the fact that we do little, if any, husiness in that precinct and that our trade is mostly on the outside, throughout this state and California, we are prevented from doing any business, and our property is for all intents and purposes worthess. This aword of Damocles, in the shape of the local-option provision, harges over us continually. Do you wonder that we cannot afford as sensible business men to invest another dollar in the enterprise? Do you wonder that outside capital will refuse to invest in Oregon.

It is rather hard to restrain enesself and

not enter into the discussion of the subject of problibition. I do not intend to do so at this meeting, for it is ceriain to engender a successed discussion. I address myself to you, as members of the Williamette Development League, as farmers and property-owners and taxpayers. I place the matter before you in just the condition it is, and ask you to think the matter over seriously.

As an instance to illustrate what, affect this law has altered what, affect this law has altered mailting establishment, not alone for supplying our plant at Salem, but also the ones at Olympia and Bellingham, Wash. It was also desired to build larve enough to engage actively in the business of selling mait to other breweries. This enterprise means the investment of several hundred thousand dollars and would annually use several hundred thousand bushels of barley, which could be raised in the Williamette Valley, for we believe that the soil of this valley will produce the very best of brewer barley. As long as the present condition of affairs exists regarding the local-option law, this enterprise will be locat to Oregon, and if no change is accompliance next Jutte the enterprise will go to the State of Washington.

Here is Oregon, the greatest hop-producing state in the Union. The industry represents millions of dollars annually engaged in gathering in the erop. Do you farmers think it would be a just, fair law that gave your neighbors an opportunity at every election to say that from now on you shall no more operate your business? That your investing in restriction may become the competent of the product of the product

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disgusting the bonesi seeker that he abandors the whole subject and becomes infinded to all the influences which would lead him to a higher life. Such mediums, and many of them are probably possessed of mediumistic powers, while the remainder are only possessed of skill in deception, are the greatest drawback and lindrance to honest investigation and development of true spiritual philosophy. The average mind is to an extent credulous and too ready to accept the assertion of the speaker or writer concerning any phenomenon which it does not readily understand. In other words, to allow some other person to do its thinking, rather than to think for itself, and right there opens the door for the faker, and his meager supply of modesty never hinders him from entering.

We trust you will not hesitate to denounce or expose any or all tricksters, ever remembering that you cannot destroy the truth, and that it will grow all the better by being dug around and pruned.

Milwaukle, Or., Feb., 16,-(To the Ed-

Milwaukle. Or.. Feb., 16.—(To the Editor.)—I wish to reply to an article of M. b. Wells, in The Sunday Oregonian of February II. Being one of the "gullible-looking" ten present at the seance criticized, and partly responsible for the holding of it I think I am entitled to a hearing also.

Having attended a number of seances at the Fosters' rooms, a friend and myself wished to have him hold one at a private house. We decided on her home as being centrally located, and we wanted ten people for the company. Mr. Foster's charge for such a sitting is 110, and the person for whom he gives it can pay it alone or invite a reasonable number to be present and share the expense. We wanted only ten people so each had to pay II. It was immaterial to Mr. Foster whether we had ten or twenty sitters. Mr. Wells intimates that the money was collected in advance, the door being locked, as he facetiously puts it, to prevent any one escaping till payment should be made.

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vent any one escaping till payment should be made.

Now the money was not collected until the seance was entirely over, and the door was closed at Mr. Wells' own request/ as he feared the entrance of confederates. Mr. Wells says: "We did not take any precaution to prevent fraud, the modium being a large and handsome man, and we were afraid he would resent any interference with his methods."

In point of size, he is quite the medium's equal, and every chance was given him to detect attempted fraud. Mr. Wells and his wife sat together with the medium. Their hands were placed in position before the curtain was lowered, and so acute an observer should have noticed that they were "leaving the medium's right hand free." He certainly could not have attended the public meeting at 39 Aider street, when the medium allowed two sitters to hold his hands firmly clasped in theirs against their chests while the phenomena went on just the same.

If Mr. Wells knew positively he had detected fraud, why did he wait till Mr. Foater left town? Was it on account of his size? The scance took place three weeks ago, not a few days since, as he asys. It certainly would have been in better taste, if he wished to criticise, for him to have obtained the material for his article at a public, and not at a private, sitting, to which he was invited in good faith, and not by a lot of "guilible apiritualists," but by earnest investigators of the phenomena. I am sure all who attemded the Foster seances, bringing to bear upon the phenomena a fair and critical observation, will agree with me that they are not only genuine paychies, but most extimable people, worthy the respect and consideration that is not accorded them by Mr. Wells' flippant and unfair article.

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The accompanying letter was not algoed. The writer had an idea that I was puffing the Fosters up while Mrs. Houser thought that I was running them down. This letter and Mrs. Houser's letter form an instructive example of the manner in which most spiritualists attack the problem of psychic phenomena:



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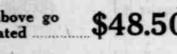
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the like shall be useless to you and the money you have invested to the same shall be practically a loss to you? Yet that is just the position in which this local-option law places the brewer, and you know, as well as I do, that without hops there would he no beer, and without beer there would he but an infinitesimal use for hops. I cannot see how a man can be an homest and consistent man an about a consistent man an acceptant to see men advocate one thing and then do another. Nothing hunts a state mare than for reports to go out that its people are nerrow-minded. If you want to wear away capital you can do it by passing unfair or narrow laws. I have great faith in the general spirit of fairness and justice that characterises the clitican of this state, and do not believe that he will long let this unfair provision real in the local-option is a sit stands it in the local-option is a sit stands in the local institution that affords support to out to business, mothey is sent away which should have been kept here and assisted in the building up of the domestic enterprise. Tou sacrifice the home industry to benefit the foreign concern. I have about concluded what I wint to say to you relative to the business in which thought and the same point of the content of the constraint of the most careful thinkers of the present day have concluded. These men have been kept here and assisted in the buildi Stand the Gaff:

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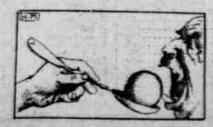
Den't groan and wish you ne'er were b



'Its tough at times to stand the grind And as your way you wend along That goes to make this mundane life. This ceaseless conflict with our kind; Let rancor rave, let critics chatter, You sweetly sing your simple song: To honest men such things don't matter, its troubled train of tearful strife.

But say The way To play Is for the better or the worse, When everything goes to the arong Just show the world that you are strong Pay the Nill

> And keep still. When "Gabe" for you has blown his born Care not though uninscribed you lie, For in that sleep Where things that creep Their vigits keep The lesson that you lived won't dis.





As regards the letter of Mrs. Houser, I could easily let it go without comment were it not that, in one particular, she raises a question of fact. She says:
"Their hands were placed in position before the curtain was lowered, and so acute an observer should have noticed that they were 'leaving the medium's hands free."

The inference that Mrs. Houser wishes her readers to draw from that remark is that if I had been as smart as I thought I was that I would have made protest right there and then.

This is how it happened: Mr. Foster sat with one of his bands on each knee. My right hand was placed on his left hand as it reposed on his left knee. After the curtain was lowered he slipped his hand from under mine, catching my little fin-ger with his little finger, pulling my hand at the same time toward his other knee. It was this peculiar movement that led me to ask my wife a few questions after the seance was over. Her replies developed the fact that we both had hold of the medium's left hand, thus, as I said hefore, leaving the medium's right free.

ple like to travel and give exhibitions I like to see them assist the public, as well as ask the public to assist them. A medium can develop a person much easier and quicker than a hyphotist can.

By wishing you success, I will close. Clerk. Justice Seton's pintform is: "In the future as in the past, equality to all."

W. H. Patterson has filed a petition for the Republican nomination for the office of Constable for the West Side district.

A petition has been filed by R. E. L. Simmons residing at 2th Sallyand street. Simmons, residing at 214 Sellwood street, for the Republican nomination for mem-ber of the Legislature. He will vote for the Republican who receives the highest vote for United States Senator at the June election.

Wanted in San Francisco.

Held prisoner at the Portland Hotel all day yesterday, Mrs. Bertie E. Gordon, of San Francisco, charged by the Bay City authorities with issuing a forged note, re-fused to be taken to police headquarters without a warrant. She was only landed in the City Jall last night after the war in the City Jail last night after the warrant had been served and after the City
Physician had pronounced her well enough
to occupy a cell. Mrs. Gordon is accused
of issuing a forged note in San Francisco.
She was released on \$1000 bonds but left
the city, leaving her bondsmen in the
lurch. She was known by the San Francisco authorities to have left for Portland, and Chief Gritzmacher was notified. She was located in the Portland Hofied. She was located in the Portland Ho-tel, occupying a room on the sixth floor. Detective Hellyer was detailed to watch the woman until a warrant could be pro cured. She refused to be taken to the station, claiming that she was ill. The

manner in which most spiritualists attack the problem of paychic phenomena.

Mr. Wells: I started to read a piece published in yesterday's Organian where you were trying to puff up the Fosters. I should think when a person would not let any one look in the cabitual is emonth to make any sane person skeptical. I was at one of their seances last Fall. That did me, and when it is so easy to be a materializing medium. I cannot understand why people want to go around and fake the public.

Go to some good hypnotist, let him hypnotise you deep enough. When he says Too you hear me? You will say Yes. This you deep enough. When he says Too you hear me? You will say Yes. This you meet me? You will say Yes. This you deep the property of the property of

construction work immediately, and as soon as details are worked out franchises will be asked for the right to en-ter the city. Meanwhile work will be-gin either at the Cornelius end or beyond the city limits."

Multnomah Bar Association.

Sixty attorneys were present last night at the meeting in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, when the final steps were taken in the organization of the Multnomah Bar Association. All put their signatures to the constitution and by-laws which were adopted, becoming charter-members of the organization.

The evening was spent in considering the report of the committee appointed to

draw up a constitution, and the discussion which preceded its final adoption was so long that no time was left for the election of officers. This will take place at the meeting next Saturday evening. The committee on constitution and by-laws was: C. M. Idleman, R. G. Morrow, L. E. Crouch, John H. Woodward, George E. Brice, George S. Shepherd and Wilbor Se-After a number of minor amendments were made, their report was unan-imously adopted.

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