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LET US TALK IT OVER

"Vice is a monster of so frightful mien,
As to be hated, needs but to be seen;
Yet seen too oft, familiar with her face,
We first endure, then pity, then embrace."

IS IT possible that Marshfield's finest, the police force of which we have been so proud, has been living so close to the purlieu of vice—peeping right into the purlieu, as it were—that they have become victims of the poet's philosophy. That's the way the story runs as told in the City Recorder's Court, they "endured, then pitied, and then Embraced," with the emphasis on the Embraced, with a big E. The whole sordid, shameful story as revealed in the Morrison case was one of its most distressing features. The Times is loath to believe the terrible tale. Here was a woman being prosecuted and with a desire to be revenged upon her prosecutors presents this story of shame. While The Times does not give credence to the matter, it thinks it is something that should be fully, fairly and fearlessly investigated. Mayor Allen owes it to his administration and to the people of this city. The police themselves should desire it, that they may be purged of the shameful stain upon their names that this woman would place there.

The policeman occupies a peculiar and important place in the community. He stands between decency and devilry. He stands between the law-abiding citizens and the underworld of the criminal and the courtesan. He is guardian of the peace and property of the community. We sleep more securely in our homes at night when we have confidence in the character of the men who stand watch on our homes and business houses. That's why the policeman should be, like Caesar's wife, above suspicion. That's why these men, our neighbors and friends, should insist on an investigation that would clear them of the indecent imputations involved in the Ruby Morrison case.

In the meantime, what of the conditions revealed as existing here? This is no profound, involved question. Let the average normal man and woman judge for themselves of the revelations, most of which were unprintable and would make the very air unbreathable. When we instinctively shun such immodest and indecent matters, we are responding to an instinct set up within for guidance. It is the secret voice of conscience.

I think it is Plato who says: "Is virtue a thing to be taught or to be not taught? Do men become good by nature, or by any other means? Let us consider the matter in this way: If a person wished to become good in the virtue in which clever cooks are good, from whence would he become so? It is evident he would have to learn to be a good cook from good cooks. If a person wished to become a good physician, by going to whom would he become a good physician? It is evident, by going to some one of the good physicians. If he wished to become good in the art in which clever carpenters are good, he would have to learn this virtue of some one of the good carpenters. If then he wished to be good in the virtue in which men are good and clever, he would, then, have to go to some one of the good men to learn this. Who are the men that have become good? In order that we may see who are the persons who make men good we must search among the good men. Every man, whether a free man or slave, will assign as the cause of his having become wise and good his intercourse with good men. Good men never grudge to share their virtue with other persons. The good and the just are the same. It is always an advantage for men to dwell amongst good and just men. It is the work of good men to do a benefit, and of bad men to do a hurt. Is there a person who wishes to be hurt rather than to be benefitted? No one, therefore, wishes to live amongst bad persons, rather than amongst good. Not one, then, of the good is so jealous of another as not to make him a good person similar to himself. The greatest good, then, in virtue, is that it causes those to be good who live where virtue is."

We surely wish this community to be a community of good men and women rather than bad. It requires no moral reformer to point out that there is a limit to which civic putridity may proceed. It looks as though that limit had been reached in Marshfield.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR GREAT WAR.

GERMANY is not responsible; Russia is not responsible, not Austria, nor France nor England. The pillars of civilization are undermined and human aspirations bludgeoned down by no power, but by all powers; by no autocrats, but by all autocrats; not because this one or that has erred or dared or dreamed or swaggered, but because all, in a mad stampede for armament, trade and territory, have sowed swords and guns, nourished and made ready the war.

For what reason other than war have billions in bonds and taxes been clamped on the backs of all Europe? None sought to evade war; each sought to be prepared to triumph when it came. At most some chancelleries whispered for delay, postponement; they knew the clash to be inevitable; if not today, tomorrow. Avoid war! What else have they lived for, what else prepared for; what else have they inculcated in the mind of youth than the sureness of the conflict and the great glory of offering themselves to this Moloch in sacrifice?

No power involved can cover up the stain. It is indelible, the sin of all Europe. It could have been prevented by common agreement. There was no wish to prevent it. Munition manufacturers were not alone in urging the race to destruction, physically and financially. The leaders were for it. It was policy. A boiling pot will boil; a nurtured seed will grow. There was no escape from the avowed goal. A slow drift to the inevitable, a thunderbolt forged, the awful push toward the vortex! What men and nations want they get.

known, the greater value of peace, of progress, of civilization. It is a great responsibility. As the anchor of civilization we must not fail. Ours is the great experiment in human aspiration, the one field where it has been given a chance. Allegiance to our fundamental principles, steadfast adherence to the essentials, is our duty to the world.

Perhaps it is better that the inevitable has come so soon. The burden of preparation was beginning to stagger Europe. There may emerge from the whirlpool new dynasties, new methods, new purposes. This may be the furnace necessary to purge humanity of its brutal perspective. The French revolution gave an impulse to democracy which it has never lost. This conflict may teach men the folly of dying for trade or avarice. But whatever it does, whatever nation having taken up the sword is ruined by it, the capital and energy of humanity, it is not too much to hope, will become again manifest after the cataclysm in advancing national frontiers by the prestige of industrial achievement, until the place of a nation on the map becomes absolutely subordinate to the place it occupies in the uplift of humanity.

CUSTOMS MAN HERE TODAY

Collector of Portland Arrives on Annual Inspection Trip.
Thomas C. Burke, Collector of the U. S. Customs in the Port of Coos Bay, was guest of honor on the Breakwater, which arrived today.
Capt. Burke says his visit at this time has no special significance in reference to the war, but that the department had issued very positive instructions in reference to the strictest observance of the neutrality laws. These instructions have already been received by Deputy Barry.
This is just the regular annual visit of inspection, although deputies are to be instructed careful observance of the department instructions.
Mr. Burke expects to leave on the Breakwater with Capt. Macgenn tomorrow.

LABOR COUNCIL TUESDAY NIGHT

Will Hold Session of Importance to Labor Men of Coos Bay—Three Big Subjects.

Tomorrow night at the Labor Temple on North Front street, the Marshfield Labor Council will hold an important meeting. Three matters of unusual importance will come before the Council. An effort will be made to aid the Coos Bay Band in their fight against the employment of an army band at the Spokane Interstate Fair. Protest will also be made against the action of the city officials in allowing street speaking by Prohibition speakers after the refusal last year to allow political and labor speakers to address crowds on the thoroughfares. The admission of the workers of the North Bend brewery will also be discussed. The program promises to be of much significance to union men generally.

COQUILLE PARTY.

Miss Alice Stanley entertained the N. T. C. Club at her residence last Tuesday evening. The usual program of such occasions was carried out. Sewing and fancywork occupied the early part of the evening, intermingled, of course, with the customary small talk, repartee and good humor of such meetings. Refreshments were served about 10 o'clock and all departed expressing themselves as having had a most enjoyable evening. Those present were the Misses Marion and Mable Schroeder, Verna Phillips, Georgia Watson, Doris Peoples, Imogene Alexson, Naomi Knowlton, Winnie Curry, Ruby Lamme and Alice Stanley.—Coquille Sentinel.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Cary and family went to Roseburg in their car, taking Miss Emma Bartheles, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who had been their guest, with them. At Roseburg they all took the train for the East. Mr. and Mrs. Cary expecting to spend about six weeks in that state.—Coquille Sentinel.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Eastside, in Coos County, Oregon, will receive sealed bids until the hour of 8 o'clock in the afternoon of the 25th day of August, 1914, for the improvement of all that portion of McKay Street in said city from a line eight feet west of the center line of Second Street to the west line of Eighth Street, a distance of 1582 feet.

All such improvements must be made agreeable to and in accordance with the plans and specifications thereof now on file with the City Recorder, which are open to the inspection of all persons.

Each bidder will be required to accompany his bid with a certified check equal in amount to five per cent of the amount bid, for the performance of the contract, should it be awarded him.

Every person awarded a contract will be required to enter into a written agreement concerning such improvements, and at the same time give a sufficient, good and approved bond for the faithful performance of the agreement.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Bids must be filed with the City Recorder.

This notice is given by order of the Common Council of the City of Eastside, Coos County, Oregon.

Dated this 6th day of August, 1914.
R. L. CAVANAGH,
Recorder of the City of Eastside, Coos County, Oregon.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND ELECTION.

State of Oregon, County of Coos, School District No. 9, ss.

Notice is hereby given that at the School District Bond Election hereby called to be held at the Central School Building, in and for School District No. 9, of Coos County, Oregon, on the 10th day of September, A. D. 1914, between the hours of two o'clock p. m. and seven o'clock p. m., there will be submitted to the legal voters thereof the question of contracting a bonded indebtedness in the sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS, for the purpose of constructing a building and Gymnasium for school purposes in and for said School District, said Building and Gymnasium to be constructed on School grounds now owned by said School District No. 9, Coos County, Oregon, adjoining the High School Building and between South 10th Street and South 7th Street, and between Golden Avenue West and Ingersol Avenue West, in the City of Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon.

The vote to be by ballot, upon which shall be the words "Bonds—Yes" and "Bonds—No," and the voter shall place a (X) between the word "Bonds" and the word "Yes," or between the word "Bonds" and the word "No," which indicates his choice.

The polls for the reception of the ballots cast for or against the contraction of said indebtedness will, on said day and date and at the place aforesaid (the Central School Building in said District), be opened at the hour of two o'clock p. m. and remain open until the hour of seven o'clock p. m. of the same day, when the same shall be closed.

By order of the District School Board of School District No. 9 of Coos County, Oregon, made this 15th day of August, A. D. 1914.

A. H. POWERS,
Chairman of District School Board,
School District No. 9, Coos County, Oregon.
Attest: JOHN F. HALL,
District Clerk.

WANT CHANNEL CLEARED SOON

Coos River Boatmen and Ranchers Alarmed at Condition—Scow Is Sunk.

South Coos River boatmen are up in arms over the delay of the Port Commission and others in removing the snags and rocks from the channel. Sunken logs, roots and other material make the river dangerous for boating and it is declared that the channel is now in the worst condition it has been in for years.

They have appealed to the Port Commission and the latter have informed them that they will have to wait until the federal appropriation of \$3000 is available for snagging.

This morning the tide was the lowest it has been in a long time and the Rainbow was not only unable to run up to Camp One, but was unable to turn around near the Goodwill place. Coming down they encountered more delays, owing to the rocks, logs and stumps.

Kick on Brush.

Many of the ranchers are complaining about someone falling a large number of trees into the river just above the Maze. They claim that the trees will cause the formation of another island in the river there. It cost several hundred dollars for the Port of Coos Bay or the government to remove the old island near the Maze and up-river ranchers fear that a new shoal will be caused by the brush.

Scow Is Sunk.

A scow load of wood, containing about twelve cords, was sunk at E. L. Dexter's brickyard landing yesterday and a large part of the load slipped off and floated away and was picked up by various ones along the river. A. E. Seaman gathered up a boatload of it, parties at the George F. Murch and J. Albert Matson places got some, Herbert Rogers got some, S. C. Rogers got some and Mr. Dexter succeeded in getting a boom around the balance. The scow was towed up by the Express late Saturday night and the low run out caused it to flat and later become water-logged.

At the Chandler.

T. H. Campbell, San Francisco; J. J. Conway, Kansas City; J. S. Gaune, Oakland, Cal.; E. L. Hairris, Cape Blanco; E. F. Fay, Portland; A. T. Man, Portland; R. J. Conway, Medford; Walter Mundy, Medford; W. M. Kaiser, St. Paul; E. R. Bryson, Eugene; Ed Egger, Bandon; L. E. Marsters, Roseburg; J. R. Van Cleave, Portland; R. P. Campbell, Mrs. Bessie Berry, A. G. Osburn Kamela, Will Month, Denver, Colo.; W. W. Gage, Coquille; E. Lanagan and wife, Jack Murphy, Coaledo; James Purty, Jack Day, Portland; Dick Swinford, Coos River.

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THE ALICE H. SPECIAL EXCURSION TO CHARLESTON BEACH SUNDAY LEAVES MARSHFIELD AT 8 A. M. ROUND TRIP 50c

Makes connection with auto for Sunset Bay and Shore Acres

LAUNCH BREAK leaves every day at 1:30 p. m. for SOUTH COOS RIVER. Docks at CENTRAL AVENUE slip.

ROAD NEARLY TO MAPLETON

Marshfield Men Report Trains May Be Running by October 15.

A. J. Mendel and Harry Kimball returned last evening from a business trip to Portland. They came overland, making the trip over the new line of railway from Eugene to Mapleton.

"You can get all sorts of dates as to the time the road will be completed and trains running as far as Mapleton," remarked Mr. Kimball today. "Some men along the line say it may be as early as October 15, while others fix it at January 1 and you may take your choice of any date in between. The only delay at present is caused by the three steel bridges, the approaches of which have been built and the construction gangs are now waiting for material. The grading is all finished and gangs of men are at work on the few slides that have occurred.

"We saw great piles of heavy steel construction work stored in the railway yards at Eugene, but did not learn if any of it was intended for the Coos Bay bridge."

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FINE PROGRAM FOR TUESDAY

ALEXANDER MARTIN AND MISS MARGORIE COWAN TO APPEAR AT MASONIC OPERA HOUSE IN DRAMATIC READINGS.

The program for the dramatic readings at the Masonic Opera House Tuesday evening will begin promptly at 8:30 o'clock and will be most entertaining and varied. The lines of dramatic art will find their favorites and many other pleasing numbers among the selections presented.

- 1.—"The Hunchback,"..... Knowlton
 - 2.—"On the Bank O' Deer Creek"..... Knowlton
 - 3.—"A Water Color"..... Knowlton
 - 4.—"A Liz-town Humourist"..... Knowlton
 - 5.—"As You Like It"..... Shallop
 - 6.—"Last Soliloquy of Falstaff"..... Knowlton
 - 7.—"The Schoolgirl That I Hated"..... Waterbury
 - 8.—"Bill Smith"..... Knowlton
 - 9.—"Peer Gyn"..... Knowlton
 - 10.—"Huck Finn"..... Knowlton
- Admission: 25c and 50c. Tickets for sale at the Busy Corner.

PORT ORFORD PIONEER

Well Known Marshfield Man Visits Former Home.

The Port Orford Tribune contains the following interesting bit of news concerning a well-known Marshfield resident:

"Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wolcott and son, C. W. Wolcott, were casual visitors at Port Orford last week, coming down from their home at Marshfield in their auto. Mr. Wolcott, Sr., was one of the pioneer merchants of this place, having kept stores in Port Orford over thirty years ago. It was he who built the store now owned and occupied by John R. Miller, and for many years the name of Wolcott was a household word in Curry county. Mr. Wolcott's visit to the place last week was his first return to the town since he left it so many years ago. Other than perhaps half a dozen old buildings he saw very little about the town to remind him of the place where he conducted his business in early days. Mr. Wolcott and son are engaged in the store business in Marshfield.—Port Orford Tribune.

ATTENTION KANSANS.

All Kansans and their families are invited to attend a picnic at Patterson's Grove, Coquille, Saturday, August 22, 1914. Bring well filled baskets and let us eat, drink and get better acquainted with each other.

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