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## NOW WE HAVE A BONE-DRY NATION.

"The old order changeth, indeed. It is safe to predict that former conditions will not return. It is, possibly, the finest example in history of drastic reform accomplished without revolution. The people who have made this possible can be trusted in the end to accomplish substantial enforcement. National prohibition, effective January 16, 1920, is the present generation's gift to the generation to come."

The above is the concluding paragraph of the leading editorial article of the Oregonian of Friday—the day on which national constitutional prohibition of the manufacture or sale of intoxicating beverages became effective.

It is now the law of the land. It has been voted into the fundamental law according to the methods laid down by the fathers of the Republic, and has become fully effective by lapse of time.

The task of its enforcement is now in the hands of the federal officials in all the territory of the United States; aided in most states by fundamental law provisions and legislative enactments and municipal ordinances. Hundreds of thousands of men, from the highest judges down to the constables of the smallest precincts, are sworn to its enforcement.

Every good American will willingly abide by the law, and no bad American will disobey it with impunity.

"The old order changeth, indeed," and it will not return.

This is made in Oregon week in Salem, as well as thrift week. Nearly all the Salem stores will carry window displays of made in Oregon goods, and special displays of goods made in Salem. Too much attention cannot be given to this campaign for home products—to creating sentiment in favor of keeping our money at home, in the employment of our own people.

This is corn show week in Salem. It is very important that more corn should be raised in this section, and better corn. Every loyal Salemite will take an interest in the corn show.

For the sleepy legislators, high noon of yesterday was very high, with the sky the limit, along towards the shank of the morning after.

While all the rest of the world wants peace these Senators want a debate on peace. They are willing to let the great concern of America and the world go on the rocks in order that they may vent their partisan spleen on the President and serve their partisan and personal purposes. They are making a sorry spectacle of America, whose leadership in civilization they would turn into a leadership in dishonor and chaos.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Sunk without a trace—the bad ship Barleycorn.

This is national thrift week, also made in Oregon week. They go well together.

Buy the ones that are made in Salem first, and the made in Oregon ones next.

To the Cherrians: Get 'em all. Find out where they sleep; that is the test, for enumeration purposes.

Why worry about the supposed presence of another world beyond Neptune? Quite a number of us are kept busy with the little world that we know something about.

A well known woman in Ohio has contributed \$1000 to the Harding candidacy. Wonder if she has her eye on a cabinet job? These Ohio women are very long-sighted.

Having said nothing about a third term, it is possible that Woodrow Wilson has placed himself in the "Barkis" class. But it does not seem possible that the Republicans would have that luck.

Old John Barleycorn is dead. The bootlegger is up against the United States government now, and his life will grow small and beautifully very fast.

Champ Clark sees nothing but a Democratic victory this fall. But it will be recalled that Champ saw nothing but a Clark victory in Baltimore in 1912.

"You need a new government, and hope the election will provide it," says Emma Goldman in exile. True, and the election of next November will provide it. But it will be such a new government as will shatter Emma's dream of ever returning to America, which she says she intends to do at the first opportunity.

Secretary Wilson was not so sure Emma Goldman and Alex Berk could be deported to Russia, for reason that the United States had diplomatic relations with the government in power in Russia. Some days there will be a secretary who will look out for the interests of the United States just as well.

## NONE SO BLIND.

In a magazine article a scientist is trying to explain why we can't see in the dark. He needn't bother. What's more to the point is to show up some of these people who can't see in the light.

## CHASING GERMS.

It is reported that Dr. Rose, now of the Mayo hospital at Rochester, has finally run down and tagged the influenza germ. According to the best advice the little devil is a green bug of the streptococcal family.

This cock-eyed bunch are a bad lot and said to be responsible for several of our ailments.

Now that the brute has been found the doctors will probably wind up in the same old way. Instead of hitting it in the head with an ax and putting it out of the way they will just hobble it while they brew a toxin or a serum as an antidote for the bite and will charge us seven dollars for a shot of the stuff in the hind leg. Leave it to the docs for getting the dough.

## A MEDDLER IN MEDALS

(Los Angeles Times)

The secretary of the navy wants it understood that no man can win a Navy Cross or a Distinguished Service Medal by shaking the box or cutting the cards, but outside of that the honors are obtainable in many surprising ways. As the secretary himself says: "If the medals are not to be given to those who are able to turn a stumbling block into a stepping stone, what on earth are they for?"

Therefore, any old subscriber of the Raleigh Observer who takes his life in his hands and declares his purpose to vote for Josephus Daniels until Hades freezes over would be awarded the extinguished service medal with two palms and one cocoon.

The hardy hero who had the courage to charge the American navy twenty-two cents a pound for his bean crop would be decorated with the Star of Merit with four prongs.

The secretary favors different kinds of decorations for different services. He would have quite a collection of honors, so that the humblest voter might secure some decoration commensurate with his

Eyes Examined



Glasses Fitted

"There was a man in Our Town  
And He was Wonderous Wise—  
He Jumped Into a Bramble Bush  
And Scratched Out Both His Eyes"

## Foolish Man

- And he certainly was foolish, if we can believe the little verse of our childhood.
- He committed a very rash act, you'll say. Of course he did.
- But remember: There are acts of omission that are just as foolish as acts of commission.
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- If you sometimes think that perhaps you need them, then you'd better find out for certain.

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worth. The faithful servitor who dusted the secretary's desk would not secure so glittering a trophy as the secretary's nephew or his aide, but he might at least achieve the double cross of Neptune, with the silver trident—that could be used as a pickle fork when the family had company for dinner. The official barber, as a reward for long and competent service on the secretarial jowls, could be granted the order of the golden mug with its two fig leaves and the motto: "Safety first."

The amiable ideas of the secretary are re-echoed in the breasts of hun-

dreds of gallant patriots who deserted their happy homes and wives to serve their country in that part of the navy lying south and west of Pennsylvania avenue. There, at times surrounded entirely by mahogany furniture, they sold their lives as dearly as possible—in some cases as high as \$800 a month. Day after day, dressed in the simple uniform of an admiral, they sat in their swivel chairs awaiting the stern call for lunch. They were ready to meet the opponent on the golf links, the rathskeller or any old place.

"Their not to reason why,  
Theirs but to do and die."

In fact, they would do anybody. It is only proper that these strong spirits—if we may have strong spirits in a bone-dry land—should be recognized by a fit decoration. The come-across of St. Vitus would be fit.

Before the Democratic national convention is held the secretary of the navy will have worked out some plan whereby any ambitious and courageous Democrat will be able to gain a decoration proportionate to his worth. Certainly a man who can bring a hundred lusty voters to the polls renders his country more service than one who simply sinks a flock of Germans without a trace. Under the idea of Josephus he might be awarded the medal of glory with a bubble for every voter.

As a ruler of the sea our North Carolina journalistic friend is one of the best window decorators that ever voted for William Jennings Bryan.

## WHY HE HANGS ON

A friend has handed to the editor the following copy of a letter sent in reply to one soliciting help for a worthy cause; showing forth some of the perplexities of these parous Democratic days:

"For the following reasons I am unable to send you the check asked for:

"I have been held up, held down, sandbagged, walked on, sat on, flattened out and squeezed.

"First by the United States government for federal war-tax, the excess profit tax, the liberty bond loans, thrift: stamps, capital stock, merchants' license and auto tax, and by every society and organization that the inventive mind of man can invent to extract what I may or may not have in my possession.

"From the Society of St. John the Baptist, the G. A. R., the Women's Relief, the Navy League, the Red Cross, the Black Cross, the Purple Cross, the Double Cross, the Children's Home, the Dorcas Society, the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the Salvation Army, the Knights of Columbus, the Boy Scouts, the Jewish Relief, the Belgian Relief and every hospital in town.

"The government has so governed my business that I don't know who owns it. I am inspected, suspected, examined and re-examined, informed, required and commanded, so I don't know who I am, where I am or why I am here. All I know is that I am supposed to be an inexhaustible supply of money for every known need, desire or hope of the human race and because I will not sell all I have and go out and beg, borrow or steal money to give away.

I am cursed, discussed, boycotted, talked to, talked about, lied to, lied about, held up, hung up, robbed and nearly ruined, and the only reason I am clinging to life is to see what in hell is coming next."

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## STRAYER SAYS TAFT IS RIGHT

Senate and House Urge Congress to Adopt Lodge-McNary Compromise

The senate yesterday passed Senator Banks' memorial to congress calling upon that body to adopt the league of nations covenant according to the Lodge-McNary compromise.

When Senator Strayer, Democrat, is senator from Baker, arose to ask for further information of the measure Senator Eddy said:

"Senator, if you are a follower of Bryan, you will vote aye. If you are a follower of Wilson you will vote no."

"I am not a follower of any man on earth," roared Strayer, "and I am not a follower of any party. But I will say for the benefit of the Republican members of this senate that I think William Howard Taft is right on the league of nations."

"This conforms to Mr. Taft's opinion," said Eddy.  
Strayer voted for the resolution.

## VISIBLE AT LAST.

Strolling along the quays of New York harbor an Irishman came across the wooden barricade which is placed around the inclosure where immigrants suspected of suffering from contagious diseases are isolated.

"Phwat's this boarding for?" he inquired of a bystander.

"Oh," was the reply: "that's to

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