Outstanding Authority on Firearms Makes a Correction of History

Editor Statesman: I have just noted the letter, or rather article, in the Sunday Statesman in regard to the weapons used by the Seventh cavalry, under General Custer, in the Battle of the Little Big Horn, where seven companies and the commander were slain.

I regret to say that Mr. Howard is misinformed in regard to the weapons carried by the Seventh cavalry on that June day, 50 years since. They were not armed with repeaters unless some officer had a Winchester, Henry or Spencer as a private arm.

The foregoing is the result of a letter from Col. Vernum, retired, who was a lieutenant in the 7th cavalry that day, and was with Reno and the survivors upon the hill, being resumed by the infantry under General Terry on the 28th of the month. Col. Vernum now lives in San Francisco, and the letter was written to E. A. Brininstool, the author of "A Trooper With Custer," "Fighting Red Cloud's Warriors," "The Story of the Bozenem Road," and other literature of the Old West, and was sent to the undersigned for his inspection, he having been under the delusion that Custer's men used the Spencer carbines in the

The letter from Colonel Vernum weapons used that ray were Springfield single-shot carbines, and Colt revolvers. He states that peater during his service, and that

General Godfrey, in his story of the battle, (Century Magazine, 1892), states that one of the causion, the failure of the carbines having to be taken out by some going on. separate means. Having used the old Springfield, I can say that learn the truth. sometimes they did do just that thing; fail to extract the empty cartridge case. This defect was remedied by making the chamber of the barrel conical, and gave better results.

It is well known to students of firearms that Henry, Spencer, Bell and Scott & Trippley repeaters were used in the Civil war, as well as Colt revolving rifles and car-Trusting this will be of interest

to readers of The Statesman, I re-DONEGAN WIGGINS. Salem, Or., Rt. 8, box 75.

April 4, 1927. (Mr. Wiggins, the writer of the above, is one of the outstanding authorities of the United States on firearms, and a writer of distinction on such and other sub-

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Editor Statesman:

jects.-Ed.)

I wonder if former City Recorder Earl Race and your anonymous correspondent are open minded enough to credit the true courage of Prof. J. C. Nelson.

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ways admired, but he is mistaken schools.

that local officers yesterday made writer. an arrest of a man who sold liquor

public statement. Another reason for prohibition's failure is the "hush, hush" policy of those who had its bullies and habituals, and say in effect, "this condition may it was these fellows who, nine exist, but we must say nothing of times out of ten, would stir up a it if we would hold our jobs."

to and Police Matron Myra Shank: the evening's social festivities alto-As a newspaper man I have been gether. closely associated with these folks for several years. I know that for the farmers, loggers, miners there are no other three people and men of other occupations to in Salem who have actually done congregate in the towns and cities as much practical good for young for the week-end, some for the people. Rather than drag youthful purpose of trading at the stores, offenders into the hurtful lime- but many others for their usual light of publicity and senseless week-end drinking and carousing punishment, they have with the spree. Their weekly pay checks aid of other good citizens taied to were invariably cashed in at some was an old relic some one picked get the offenders back on the track saloon and their salaries entirely of right living and right thinking. absorbed in this riotous way, leav-I could fill this paper with such ing the family without funds for instances. There are scores of the ensuing week and the grocery young people now grown to man- and other bills unpaid. hood and womanhood in this city Oh, yes! Those were the good who are now good citizens because old days-of poverty and distress; to extract the empty cartridge, it coins on

WILL CARVER. Salem, Or., April 2, 1927.

Lest We Forget

In the present wet and dry discission precipitated by the principal of the Salem schools, it is really amusing to read of the excess drinking in the schools and at dances and parties now as compared with this intemperate indulgence in the good old pre-Vol-

There is some excuse for such of the younger generation who have grown to maturity since the ending of the saloon regime several years ago, but for those who and promiscuous drinking of the saloon days to put up such an argument can be considered only as wilful misrepresentation of the true conditions of those days, or else they are suffering from a

lapse of memory. We remember quite well that in those days young men were not infrequently expelled from school for the offense of either bringing intoxicants on the school premi-

able to understand Professor ses or over-indulgence in strong ent flasks and bottles of liquors one particular trades line. Many printing plant. Some are well dency is important as well as

when he asserts that Professor In a small town school in Lane them for a fortnight, a prank more valuable for having a col- teach printing, but many of the mitted fact that there is no trade Nelson has slandered Salem and county in those "good old days" which many times caused these its young people. Mr. Nelson has we remember quite well when that boys to form a habit which in later for years silently contended with pioneer country school teacher, years they could not shake off. there would be fewer strikes and printing into their manual traina condition rapidly growing worse | Rufus Callison, frequently admon- This was not by any means the and should receive the support of ished his advanced pupils against only source of supply of liquor. every man, woman and student the use of strong drink, and on one for boys in those days. It could be who wants to clean up this booze occasion felt it his duty to expel stolen out of many homes and from the school two young men secured in a hundred other ways, Mr. Race defies anyone to show who refused to heed his fatherly that there are more than 50 gal- advice, and these two young men arrest and conviction for infraclons of booze in Salem. I notice happened to be classmates of the tions of the few liquor laws that

Speaking of drinking at dances to students. Indications of a large in those days. A dance and liquor still right in this county, also were were simply synonymous in those found. Two years ago a couple times-they were inseparable, for of huge stills with daily capacities don't we all remember how a large of over 200 gallons each were proportion of the young men found in this county. The still dancers would rush out and line owners were "not found," but the up at the nearest bar between men who dared to expose the stills dances and call for their favorite are now serving 18 months each "poison" and then hastily sat a at McNeil's Island on testimony handful of cloves on their way provided by admitted bootleggers back to the dance hall? In the and the alleged owner of the stills. event of the dance being held That is the way prohibition is where saloons were not convenisupported by the people who voted ent, every one of these fellows The Rev. Mr. Tully regrets that flask on his hop, and these flasks Professor Nelson had to make a were not always emptied by the young men alone.

In those days every community fight or drunken brawl during Now, a word about Professor the progress of the dances and Nelson, Chief of Police Frank Min- oft-times succeed in breaking up

It was a habit in those days

and suffering as a result of liquor Let us open our minds and drinking in one week than there is now in a year. These were the conditions that brought about suicides, murders and wrecked homes innumerable in those days, and the strange thing is that the older generation of today seem to forget the delirium of that period.

It will further be remembered that in those days the "livery barns" were the favorite "hangouts" in every town, and what sport it was for "us boys" of tender years to seek the mangers and barness rooms for the ever pres-

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Nelson's general statements, but drink. These instances were not hidden away for Sunday consump- bright students are distinctly me- equipped while others have just literary training. will be able to see things that are confined to the larger cities, eith- tion, and what little trouble it chanical and are forced into a barely enough material to justify er, but were of common occurrence was for the boys to accumulate a Earl Race is a man I have al- in the small town and country stock on these occasions to hide long, because of a narrow public added as the class of work re- mechanical end of the printing away at some rendezvous to last school policy. Any tradesman is quires. Not only do these schools business. It is a generally adprevailed at that time.

This is only a mild reference to the drab story of those days which. when we recall to memory the many wild scenes and instances of that period it seems more like a fantastic dream or nightmare than a reality.

In this brief review no mention has been made of the gambling. the red-light resorts and dives of that day and which cause the vices and pitfalls of today to pale into insignificance in comparison. The world is growing better. -An Old Timer.

Salem, Or. April 2, 1927.

For Manual Training Editor Statesman:

I was very much interested in the article in your Wednesday's pass to it. paper by Arthur Lion dealing with developing manual training and vocational work in our public

While I firmly believe in a colthe opportunity to satisfy a na- Nearly every state boys' traintural craying to delve into some ing school and reformatory has a

profession, where they do not be- their existence. New material is lege education. Had our average public schools throughout the tradesman, a higher education much better managed trades ing department.

the most of cases he should be-

dustrial era and should show our- strong mechanical makeup is neselves awake to the changing con- cessary as is also an artistic tembridge before there is a crash.

Nearly all professions are crowded with people who disgrace which proved deadly pitfalls to them. The most of these people the youths as well as the adults would have entered some trade school had not public sentiment, prompted by our general public school policy, influenced them to choose a profession. The trades organizations need just this class of people for a stabilizing influ-

Columns could be written on this subject, but as I wish to take up one detail in particular I will now

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