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THE MODERN DRUGGISTS . . . PENDLETON



FRIDAY, JULY 25, 1902.

SUPPRESS THE TOUGHS.

Pendleton seems to be the center of attraction for toughs. The harvest season always brings a large floating element into the city and this year it has brought more toughs than usual. Complaints have been made daily against the conduct of these gentry and it is well that they should be suppressed. Fisticuffs and brawls are reported nightly and the language used in some of the saloons and even on the streets is such that modest women are often shocked while walking along the streets, and some have been deliberately insulted on the streets.

Men generally are often too careless in the language they use, and especially while drinking, and some of the toughs of Pendleton seem to be so lost to all sense of decency that they pride themselves in selecting the foulest language possible and speak it in the highest note which the human voice has attained. In the afternoons they congregate on the shady side of the streets and form a motley crew indeed. The pedestrian is compelled to elbow his way through the best he can, and the woman who finds it necessary to run the gauntlet is likely to hear language that will make her blush. It is claimed that the women no longer pass certain points on the streets if they can possibly avoid it, and do not come to the business portion of the city any oftener than is absolutely necessary.

They are not all bad men who use obscene and indecent language, but it is a loose habit of many of the best men. Neither are all of the men toughs who congregate on the streets but the toughs are also there and the conditions have become such as to cause complaint to be made to the East Oregonian about the matter. "Something ought to be done!" it is said. "It ought to be suppressed," says another. Under the laws of this state one cannot be arrested for swearing, it seems, or using smutty language, and without a law and its enforcement against such evils they are likely to continue, as a majority of the class who possess the habit do not have the thoughtfulness or self-pride to curb themselves.

Saloon men do not like to compel men to keep quiet in their places of business as the bolsterous element would become offended and go elsewhere. Around the bar is a great place for smutty stories and these are inspired by a few drinks, and for this reason the greatest amount of complaint comes against the saloons. Some saloon men, however, enforce an orderly house at the risk of losing business. None of them like a "loud" house and always call an officer when a breach of the law is committed, but they necessarily put up with loud-mouth fellows as long as possible in order to hold their trade.

But it is well to suppress some of the offensive customs of the present floating element in Pendleton before something worse may happen. If these fellows are left unbridled it will go from bad to worse and the loud talking and obscene language would become unbearable and the fisticuffs will develop into more serious rows and the county will soon have some expensive trials on its hands.

If the better element will be more guarded in the language used, and officers will keep the toughs moving this will be a great aid toward sup-

pressing them and the causes of complaint registered daily against them. The work of Marshall Blakley Wednesday night in running in a band of hoboes was a step in the right direction and if he keeps this up for a few days it will be found that the city will soon assume a more quiet and orderly aspect. Suppress the toughs, is the general demand of the best element.

Newspapers have risen and fallen in regular order in the Portland field, but the people who know the management of the Portland Journal now have the utmost faith in that paper's success. With plenty of money, good newspaper sense and business ability all combined the new management will inspire general confidence from the beginning.

The complete civilization of the Indian is close at hand. He is rapidly taking on the habits and customs of the white man. Spah-Pah-Bear was granted a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Mad Bear, by an Oklahoma court Monday.

Even the busy government officials at Washington have the Tracy craze. In an official letter from the librarian of Congress to a citizen of Pendleton, the writer takes occasion to mention the name of Hary Tracy.

St. Vincent is again terror-stricken. Many buildings were demolished by an earthquake Tuesday and a tidal wave is expected to follow.

The drummer now who has not seen Tracy or had some personal experience with him is no good salesman.

When women are not safe on the streets from insults of the men it is time for the men to do something.

Keep the hobos moving.

LOOKING BACKWARD.

Before us lies a populist platform of 1892. At the time it was promulgated in Oregon, it was considered a political freak. The wise men shook their heads at its vagaries. The old war horses frisked and shied at its nightmare bug-a-boos. The orators of the day rained down their condemnation upon it, like red hot pebbles from Mt. Pelee.

It was ranked with anarchy. It was branded as unsafe. It threatened revolution. It was the basis of Coxeyism. Business men went into spasms when they thought of its chilling breath. Politicians called down all the gods of the partisan calendar to protect themselves and their jobs. Those were unsettled times. The air was full of dire forebodings. The were smoking. New seams, spouting fire and sulphuric gas, broke forth in a hundred places.

Mrs. Lease came forth. Jerry Simpson arose. Peffer was unveiled. Waite was armed and mounted. Ignatius Donnelly, the giant of the north, came into the arena. Tom Watson flashed his shield against the sun light. It was a day and age of evolution. It was a transitory period in politics. Men of conservative minds, really wondered what the outcome of the agitation would be.

Let us glance at some of the horrible details of that populist plot. It demanded the initiative and referendum. It called for flat salaries for all public offices.

It demanded the popular election of United States Senators. It reaffirmed the principles laid down in the Declaration of Independence.

It proclaimed the right of the laborer to organize for self-improvement and self-preservation.

It demanded a safe, sound, conservative government, economically administered.

It demanded government owner-

ship of all public utilities.

Baring a few local details that is the whole harrowing tale.

A decade has passed, fraught with its fusions, its joining of hands and its sad farewells.

Before us lie two recent Oregon platforms, a republican and a democratic. Reading down the bold declarations of each of these we find a fac-simile of that awful document of 1892, except the one issue of government ownership.

Those vagaries used by democrats and republicans in 1892, to scare their children with, are now the watchwords of their faith. They have adopted that threatening ogre—the initiative and referendum 5 to 1. They all voted for salaried offices. They all voted to elect the United States senator by popular vote. They all said the toller should organize and have his "rights and privileges." They all want good government, economically administered.

What a change of heart and mind the years do bring about. What a softening of hard hearts and a melting of icicles has taken place. The lava thrown out by those spouting agitators has changed into the fertile soil and from it has grown a full harvest of reform.

BERT HUFFMAN.

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