

The Public Forum

To the Editor:
As one of the committee securing funds for the Salem General Hospital, I have had a splendid opportunity to ascertain the real condition of the citizenship of which Salem is composed.

It has always been a puzzle to numberless people why Salem with its broad streets, its well kept lawns, surrounded by a most wonderfully productive country, and best with every advantage to make a city second to none in America, should be as backward in development as it is. If one desires to thoroughly understand the reason of Salem's slow unprogressive spirit, they should be connected with some enterprise such as the building of the new hospital and they will find its boundless possibilities and wonderful opportunities limp along in a feeble apologetic manner, an object of pity and the butt of ridicule among the progressive cities of the West.

There are families in Salem who came here in the early days none too well blessed with this world's goods, but sat "tight" and patiently waited for development.

Without any effort, or very little, on their part, the city slowly grew and developed. Their properties increased in value, and today they are well to do, but alas, their only interest in Salem, and in life itself, is in accumulating more and more, sacrificing all the finer qualities of manhood and womanhood, bowing as an object slave to that Golden Calf they have set up as the shrine before which they daily worship. Every act of their lives is becoming narrow and dwarfed, shutting them away from their fellow man—the real human being, who make home building their first consideration and live in the life giving sunshine of service.

The time has come for such dwarfed and selfish beings to be known as they are; to have the cloak of respectability pulled away and let them stand forth before the world in their baseness, shivering with shame before the eyes of patriotic progressive men and women, who live a broad life human in its expression and beneficial to the community in which they live.

I sincerely hope before this campaign is over that hospital committee will publish the names of those citizens who are in financial position to contribute, but fail to do so,—and also the names of those who with heavy property holdings, subscribe a sum barely more than that given by a laboring man with a meager salary and a large family to feed and clothe.

Salem is going to build this hospital, of that I am convinced, for I have sat in conference with solid determined business men of our city who are giving freely of their time and generously of their funds, and to see their fighting faces assume that look that only men resolved to do—ever have—I know the hospital will be built.

HOSPITAL SOLICITOR.

Editor, Dear Sir: May I again ask space in the public forum with which to discuss a matter I think to be of interest?—namely, Altruism. This is not entirely adequate as a term, I might say unselfishness, at any rate the word altruism according to the man who coined it, means or pertains to others—(Leconte). This is simply a phase of everyday ethics, the right regard for the rights and privileges of others. That most people aim to develop true altruism goes without saying. But there are some who are interested in others only to the enhancement of themselves, and selfish interests. Ofttimes the man who is the most influential and gives to charity, may be one who would jump at any chance to gain an advantage over another.

There is for instance the automobile road hog, so-called. The bigger the car and the more influential the man the more deliberate is he. In Portland a street was closed, and the paving company watchman tried to prevent a well to do man from going thru. He sold material to the paving company and thought he would be protected if he forced the enclosure. He went thru, ran into the watchman injured him and got off without even a reprimand. This good to know that the auto men have gone in to eliminate him.

Another, is the end seat hog, so-called. He used to frequent public places of a secular nature. Now he has made his advent into the churches, and because the problem of the usher, he would rather stand up and out, block the way, rather than move down. The fact that a man gets a seat first, that affords a better view, and that he needs it does not relieve him from foregoing it occasionally for the benefit of others, especially where seats are not sold and numbered.

Another is the waiting line fellow who is too rushed to keep his place. A while back I stood in a line in one of Salem's banks, and a business man with big bag in his hand, watched me with a single bill of currency in hand and with all of his business shrewdness angled his way ahead to the window. What was it. Was it the fact that I looked easy, below his station, or the idea of special privilege that moved him?

Again I was at a sale, had bought some goods and was hidden, to come over to a small room to see some hardware. A large business man, having the man speak, left off the examining of the object of his desire, hurried up ahead of me, got in the door with hands and feet surveyed the goods, got the price and bought all that was worth having, notwithstanding, he had admitted buying some of the same goods before, and hardly needed them. But his sense of values and the desire to get something for nearly nothing, excited him to forget true altruism, worse yet, to me, it was a breach of good ethics.

And there are others, and of recent occurrence. In the last few months I have had what seemed to me to be well to do women in three instances systematically work ahead of me while waiting in a meat market. It seems that this is just in keeping with the spirit of other cases cited—a thing common to both sexes, or else women have had so much privilege and favor that they abuse the good confidence and worth that men hold of them. I would gladly have tendered my turn to be served to them, had

I not detected that they were with one eye working a game to get it. This is not only abuse of confidence and privilege, it is a breach of good ethics. Such people might with a little reflection see that some others need of immediate service is just as important as their own.

Perhaps the worst breach of good ethics and fairplay is that seen by some Salem people and outsiders—in going around and systematically working other people out of residence and business locations, that they had obtained by long residence or occupancy, and by honorable means. This has been done in many instances in the last few weeks. If there is any man so sordid and desperate for a place to live or run a business that they can justify themselves in doing this, let them assuredly understand that they can't get by a Creator's laws of retribution. I never saw anything ill gotten that ever was held with lasting success. I say this being deliberately done. A man asked a business friend of mine lately if he knew of any store whose lease was going to expire, so he could bid in and get an advantage. The man to whom he put the question, replied in a manner to show that he had an ethical conception. He went away talking to himself.

Some conclusions I reach from the above observations and experiences are: That natural man is just the same every where, regardless of how he may dress or what his calling may be. That most of the above infractions of every day ethics were I am sorry to say from well to do people: that there are two standards of life, so conceived: one in which a man in his place of business acts like the ideal, and the other the one who tries to do the same both in private and in practical life, public life. That there is a sure and definite way of escape from such a bondage as selfishness; that the more I see of these things the more I am determined to press towards this privilege liberty from self.

As to the way, Plato the Greek philosopher pointed it out in part, namely "Love for the right and love for a divine person. A greater than he said, "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

—J. D. WOODFIN.

THE CHURCH SHOULD PURGE ITSELF OF LICENSE VOTERS

No man or woman can be a true Christian or patriot and vote the republican or democratic or any license party ticket.

General conference, 1916, (political action)—The time has come when the line should be definitely and sharply drawn between the supporters and the partners of this traffic, and those who stand for its abolition. A man cannot, as a Christian citizen, sign a petition for a liquor license, rent property to be used for the purposes of the traffic, vote for it or with it, or fail to make his citizenship count as an elector in protest against the traffic's continuance. To do any one of these things is to betray his citizenship, the religion he professes, and the church of the living Christ.

WILLIAM N. TAFT.

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Editor Capital Journal:—On glancing over your paper of March 3 my eyes caught sight of a picture (if it could be called such) an advertisement put out by the Bilgh that made me wonder why a city claiming to be moral and wanting to help make our boys and girls into better men and women will allow such low down stuff carried on. Of course we all know that such pictures will draw large crowds and consequently make more money for the man concerned, but why sell the souls of our children for the dollars? Surely the ones who run such ridiculous places have no children of their own or have no one else they care for, therefore someone should take steps to see if in the place of such degrading stuff something uplifting to humanity could not be substituted. Why will men (good men too) continually harp on the use of tobacco (which is an unnecessary filthy habit) and let the shows run as they are doing now. Our city has a high grade of officers and I am proud to say it. Of course it is impossible to make a heaven of this earth but I believe they should do something on this line.

Another thing that has been started in Salem that cannot be of any good to our youngsters is called the Skating Rink. Also the gym exercises practiced in our public schools. Oh, do I hear some one say, "You old fogey." Well if you could live one hundred years from today I am afraid you would cry for the rocks and mountains to fall on you and say to yourself if to no one else, why didn't I do something to check the downward career of our young people sooner?

I do certainly hope the time is near at hand when gambling houses will be closed forever. So many of our men, not only our young ones but older ones as well, men old enough to be an example for the growing boys, spend their hard earned cash, money that their families need to get necessary food and clothing, in ways that not only set bad examples and cause their near kindred and friends to suffer, but send their own souls to an undying punishment prepared for the devil and his angels. If it were the wealthy only whose families do not suffer the loss of such folly as spoken of above the idea of a gambling den would not seem quite so bad to use from an earthly view, but on the other hand, does it not seem a horrid thing?—Oh you may men do not have to visit such places. True, but yet they are an unnecessary evil and let us hasten and banish them from our land forever while we are trying to live sober and godly in this present age.

ONE WHO WISHES TO SEE THINGS CHANGED.

San Francisco, Mar 12.—Portions of a Los Angeles ordinance prohibiting a display of the red flag and other radical activities was declared unconstitutional by the state supreme court here today. The court ordered a man and woman who had been arrested under the ordinance dismissed from custody.

A vigorous campaign has been started in Jackson county against violation of the game laws.

PARDON ME!
By M. B.

Hasan
The son of Ali
Grandson
Of Mohammed
Is said
To have divided
His substance
Equally
On three occasions
If Hasan
Were alive today
And heard about
The new Hospital
Probably
He would come across
Handsomely
What?
One day last week
I read a news item
In the Journal
About an old friend
Of all of us
'Twas David Warfield
Whom we all love
Because
He loves us
And this item
Said he had been hurt
Quite badly
In Los Angeles
By being run down
By a big car
On a busy thoroughfare
And got all scratched up
And then this item said
That he was rushed
To a Hospital
And there they cared for him
So he's better
And will be all right
After a while but
Will have to cancel all
His engagements
Booked for this season
If they had not had
A Hospital
In Los Angeles
Our dear old friend
David Warfield
Might have died don't y'know!

Constantinople should remain Turkish (that Smyrna, "the only outlet of western Anatolia," should be saved from foreign hands; that the Southern and Eastern provinces in which Turkish populations are in the majority should remain Turkish and that the rights of the minorities of the Christian elements in Turkey and Turkish elements in the Balkans should "be settled on an equal basis.")

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Turkish Women Are Given Opportunity to Aid "Homeland"
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Resolutions were adopted and delegations appointed to deliver them to representatives of the Entente here. In these it was declared that Constantinople, being the seat of the Caliphate, and the Thracian hinterland around

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