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COMMUNICATED.

The Sentinel in an Editorial on May 15th speaks of its conscientious motives, in an article upholding the licensed saloon and in particular citing to the fact that, local option has made more liars, hypocrites and thieves than the open saloon. That would mean the sale of more liquor.

While I do not believe that this is the case for if it were the case would the liquor interests exert themselves as they have been doing to defeat local option. They are after the money in it and if they could sell more liquor under local option than the open saloon they certainly would not work for an open saloon in order to decrease their sales and add to their expenses by paying for these same licenses.

For sake of argument will say Sentinel is right in its position of making more drunkards, thieves etc. Let us ask who furnished the liquor that made the people liars, thieves, drunkards, etc. that the Sentinel spoke of? Is it not the very people that the Sentinel is aiding by pen and influence? Did they get their liquor from the local optionist? or did they get it from the licensed saloons of the county?

The local option law is all right, it makes no difference how good a law is it has to be enforced by some one and if not enforced that does not signify that the law is no good. The Sentinel further says the average saloon men are law abiding and believe in the enforcement of all laws. Did they close the saloons on Sunday until Prosecuting Attorney Brown, warned them to do so? Are they still observing that law the same as when he happened to be in the towns mentioned?

And further says the saloon men were not to blame. A fine argument in defense of the men that are selling to their fellows, that which robs them of their hard earnings, of health honor, manhood body and soul and many times make them objects of charity or causes them to do things that render them a burden to their fellow men and robs their dependent ones in many instances of the pleasures of life and often its actual necessities. Do you say that the saloon men are not to blame, that they are law abiding?

Also says that such an unjust law would be declared unconstitutional the first year it went into effect (i. e. speaking of Local Option Law).

Why not say that the laws against counterfeiting (i. e. making of spurious coins) are unjust to the counterfeitters and that the Supreme Court should declare them unconstitutional, and in fact many of our laws that govern criminal matters? How can you the Editor of the Sentinel, who has so much heartfelt sympathy for the follies and weaknesses of mankind uphold the promoters of such a traffic as the liquor traffic as carried on by the open and licensed saloon? Why not turn around and join hands with the people who are trying to rid our land of this evil, and especially of this part of the state, instead of trying to frame excuses for it and to protect and retain it, that it may go on dispensing its deadly blight to the sons, fathers and brothers of our native land?

What benefit is the open saloon or any other kind of a saloon to any community? What does a man get when he pays his hard earnings over the bar for liquor?

When a man pays his money for a cow, a pair of shoes, a plow, a piece of land, he has an asset that he can use or convert again into funds, can exhibit it to his neighbor. What can he exhibit or how much of an asset can he show for the money that he paid to the saloon keeper?

Unless it is a sore head, a depleted pocket book, less ability to fill the useful positions of life.

Respectfully,
ED RACKLEFF.

Base Ball.

Just at this time, when great preparations are being made for the coming ball season, an account of the first game ever played in the Coos county league would no doubt be interesting to many readers. The game was played thirteen years ago at Empire City between that City and Bandon. Following is a full account of the game as told by a Coos Bay paper at that time:

Sunday last, the first championship game of the Coos County Base Ball League was played in Empire City, between the Coos Bay team and the Bandon boys. The game was a good one from start to finish, and shows the clubs to be very evenly matched. Promptly at one o'clock President S. D. Magnes, tossed the ball up, and formally opened the Coos County League.

The large crowd present, who had been coming on every steamer from Marshfield since early in the morning, set up a cheer, and the Libby Brass Band commenced to play as Burkhardt faced the pitcher, and the game was on. The first two innings neither club scored, but in the third Burkhardt reared first, and Emmit brought him in with a two base drive to left center. In the fourth inning Coos Bay tied the score on a wild throw of Williams to first, and in the fifth inning scored four more after two men were out and Erickson had muffed a fly center field. In the sixth inning they scored three more by hard hitting assisted by a couple of errors, and the seventh inning one more, making their total nine. In the meantime Bandon scored one each in the fifth, sixth and seventh innings, and five in the eighth, on a couple of hits, an error, a base on balls, and a long three base hit by Williams, thus tying their opponents they succeeded in shutting out Coos Bay in the eighth inning and started the ninth inning even up. They managed to get a man over the plate before the side was retired. Coos Bay went in to get one to tie and two to win. Tower hit safe. Clark and Saunders, both reached bases scoring Tower. Byler went to the bat with one man out, two men on bases and the score ten to ten. He was equal to the occasion, Emmit warned Smeer to watch him as he was liable to hit it, and he did winning the game for Coos Bay, amidst great excitement. The game was a beautiful one clear through. Burges and Schuyler played a fine fielding game for Coos Bay, while Emmit and Williams had the fielding honors for Bandon. Byler's fielding was simply short of marvelous. He accepted nine chances at third, on a rough field. Mehl, Emmit, Williams, Clark, Tower, Saunders and Byler led for their respective sides in batting. Both pitchers pitched an elegant game and kept the hits well scattered. Smith made one quick and very accurate throw to the plate to catch Mehl that is deserving of mention.

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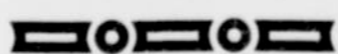
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