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PROSPECTS FOR OREGON DRY.

The Oregon W. C. T. U. reports that they alone have registered 51,000 dry voters, which is going some. On October 15, there were 1,444 women registered in Portland alone. The wet and dry proposition appears to be arousing the women.

J. E. Wheeler, chairman of the Committee of One Hundred, is confident now that if the voters of Oregon vote in any way like the number they have registered the Oregon dry fight is already won. He said:

"Up to date, the saloon forces seem to have spent about \$200, 000 on their campaign in Oregon.

"Despite this, sentiment in favor of a dry state has been steadily growing. This is mainly because voters have learned that business is invariably better and taxes lower in a dry town.

"Merchants in all Oregon dry towns are almost unanimous in favor of Oregon dry."

It would appear that all of the large schools of the state are bunched in the northwestern corner of the state, and this does not seem exactly equitable or fair to southern and south-western Oregon. For this reason and many other good ones the Leader is favorable to the measure providing for the re-establishment of the Ashland normal school and we urge the voters to cast their ballot in favor of this measure, which we consider a meritorious one from every view point and if carried will add little expense to the taxpayers. To the man assessed at \$4,000 the annual maintenance of this school means the price of one cigar a year. Vote 312 X Yes.

It is observed that the wholesale liquor dealers never have and never will come out in a fair and open fight to perpetuate their doomed business interests. Four years ago they masqueraded under the title "Home Rule Association," but very appropriately styled by their opponents, "The Home Ruin Association." This year they are out, masquerading as usual, under the name of the "Hop Growers and Dealers Association of Oregon." This method of campaigning is enough to condemn and defeat the whole outfit, regardless of the fact that there is absolutely no economic, moral or industrial argument possible to sustain their side of the question.

There are two men on the county ticket in whose success Cottage Grove and south Lane county should be particularly interested. They are both home men and in every way worthy of your support. We refer to Alta King, candidate for representative, and Marion Veatch, candidate for coroner. We like Mr. King's platform. If you have not read it call for one of his cards.

Leader readers, especially the legal voters, might do well to read the ad on another page entitled, "Vote to Save Industrial Oregon," which has reference to the Water Front bills, and this seems to be an important matter upon which we should vote right.

If state, or national prohibition never comes until it is brought about by the support and vote of Senator Geo. E. Chamberlain, it is a long way off. This much was fully proven by his Cottage Grove speech.

Stacey Russell, candidate for re-election as county clerk has made a good, obliging official. He is a prince of good fellows, and is worthy of re-election. Vote for Stacy Russell.

Some claim that war is now raging because war is cheaper, even at fifty millions a day, than armed peace. One conclusion leads to the other.

Lower tax levies and sane laws will help restore good business conditions.

While this country has declared its strict neutrality in relation to the European war, it is evident from careful observation of the tone of the newspaper headings and the expression of the people generally, that this country, as far as sentiment is concerned, is not neutral.

Speaking about taxes, the state tax rates of certain states is as follows: Kansas, 10 mills; Oregon, 24 mills; California, 30 mills; Washington, 36 mills. License has not kept the taxes down in any of these license states.

AN EDITORIAL

By OSWALD WEST
Governor of Oregon



OSWALD WEST

OREGON should go dry because there does not exist a single reason on earth why it should stay wet.

The war news from Europe strikes us with horror; yet this great war, with all its carnage, past, present and future, will not prove a drop in the bucket compared with the ravages which are being made throughout the land by booze.

We boast we are the greatest nation upon earth, and in our efforts to preserve this position we boast we must strive constantly to raise, or at least maintain, the standard of our citizenship, and to accomplish this end we must unceasingly fight organized greed and graft, stamp out poverty, vice and crime, protect the home and make life more pleasant for those who have been less fortunate than others. It is idle, however, to talk of progress along those lines so long as King Alcohol

occupies the throne.

Who grabs the pay check from the honest workman on Saturday night and makes his wife and little ones go hungry?

Mr. Booze.

Who sows the seeds of poverty and distress everywhere?

Mr. Booze.

Who loads upon us most of our tax burdens?

Mr. Booze.

The Wets protest against our voting the state dry because it will close Paul Wessinger's brewery and be equivalent to the confiscation of his property, but they do not tell you how the brewery was built through the ruin of homes and the confiscation of pay checks. They do not tell you that every brick in the building represents a broken heart and the color of the building is emblematic of the blood which has dripped therefrom.

Whenever I think of the devil I think of booze, and whenever I think of booze I think of the devil, for the devil is booze and booze is hell.

Old Booze is an outlaw who has been long pursued but never subdued. At no time and under no circumstances should he be given quarter, and it is the duty of every good citizen to stand ready to sand-bag him whenever he sticks his head in sight. All Oregon will have a chance to sand-bag him on November 3, and for the Lord's sake let us make a good job of it.

IF YOU BELIEVE WITH GOVERNOR WEST, VOTE—

OREGON DRY, 332 X YES

Paid advertisement by the Committee of One Hundred, 748 Morgan Building, Portland, Oregon.

TEN CENTS' WORTH OF LAND.

Land is cheap. For easy figuring let us say it is worth \$160 an acre. A square rod, then is worth only \$1, and 10 cents worth will be a little more than 26 square feet, or a little more than five feet on a side. How often a boy will waste a dime and think nothing of it. For a dime he can buy land enough to hold a flower bed, four hills of clover or a peach tree! The boy who can save a dime can become rich. Make a dime look like a tiny farm. The boy who learns to save a dime and to know values will some day come into his own.

The Booth-Kelly Lumber Co., has paid out more money in Lane county in good wages since it began operations than all of the other industries of the county combined. This company has paid over \$304,000 in taxes into the Treasury of Lane county. Robt. Booth is entitled to the vote of all those in sympathy with the laboring man.

BROWN LUMBER CO. WINS SUIT

The jury in the suit of L. B. Hudson against the Brown Lumber company of Cottage Grove, which occupied the circuit court for the greater part of last week, returned a verdict shortly after 8 o'clock Tuesday night in favor of the defendant, denying the injured man any damages whatever. The man is in a bad physical condition, but it is contended that other factors than the accident in the mill offer the cause. Hudson charged that a large slab of lumber struck him, causing a rupture and other injuries which resulted in a general breaking down of the nervous system. J. S. Medley was principal counsel for the lumber company.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

Family pride has been the ruination of many a young man.

What was well enough for yesterday is poor enough today—do it better.

Letting well enough alone never raised a salary or declared an extra dividend.

German army leaders report that the attractions of Paris have been greatly overrated.

It is easier for the average man to fall in love with a woman than it is for him to stay there.

A business is seldom bigger than the man behind it. What are you doing to prove yourself a giant?

Many a woman after removing a smoky stove or a smoky lamp, has to put up with a smoking husband.

After a girl gets to be about so old she makes a bonfire of the baby pictures of herself taken in a washbowl.

It is sad to be forgotten, but the grief is greatly assuaged when the man who forgets you is a creditor.

If we are successful in giving our readers a little knowledge, a little pleasure, we have accomplished our purpose.

No young man is proof against a gum-drop when she holds it between her teeth and invites him to take a bite.

When you "thank the Lord that you are not like other men" always remember that the other fellows are returning thanks, too.

A capital fellow is a capital fellow till his capital runs out, and when that is gone he begins to realize why flies have no use for the sugar barrel after the sugar is gone.

Early to bed and early to rise, mind your business and tell no lies; don't get drunk and deceive your wives, pay your debts and advertise, buy from men of enterprise, is the best advice under the skies.

Little beams of moonshine

Little hugs and kisses,

Make a little maiden

Change her name to Mrs.

STORE AND SHOP TALK

Subscribe for the Leader.

The Eagle cigar store is being nicely remodeled and enlarged.

Wood taken on subscription at the Leader office or we "wood" take cash.

The West Side Grocery is giving away some beautiful framed oil paintings to its patrons. Read ad on another page.

Spriggs Bros. the village blacksmiths, have had a new concrete sidewalk built along the south side of their shop on Washington street.

We would like to see about a dozen more good, enterprising Cottage Grove merchants represented in the Leader advertising columns.

There are still a few people in Cottage Grove who have not subscribed for the Leader. Get your name on our list and make it unanimous.

That old suit will look like new, if you will take it to Mrs. Henderson's clothes cleaning, pressing and mending parlors next door to the express office. 10-7-tf

Furniture and Office Fixtures Sale

Household furniture and office fixtures, all practically new, for sale, call at the corner of 5th and Washington streets.

DR. F. W. ROBBINS.

Bargains In Photos.

My wife having been called to Nebraska to attend her mother who is seriously ill, incurring considerable expense to me, and in order to meet which I will for a short time make my \$5 cabinets for only \$3.50 per dozen. Now is the time to get your holiday pictures. A. L. MONROE.

At the Bridge,