

LAND BEYOND THE GATE

We seek to look behind the Veil,
We peer into the Tomb;
And wonder if the passing Souls
Dwell there in joy or gloom.
No answering pressure comes to us
From the cold and lifeless hand
The Mystery hides beyond the Gate
Of the undiscovered Land.
Death comes not like a Monster
Of grisly, hideous mien,
Nor like an Angel glorious
With wings of silvery sheen;
But to the Soul devoid of fear
He comes with outstretched hand;
And says: "We take a journey
To the Undiscovered Land."
And where they go we do not know—
We only wonder where;
Do they go to the Beautiful Land of
Dreams?
Do they remember there?
No message comes from the Silent Ones,
We can not tell their state;
We only hope their lives are blest
In the Land Beyond the Gate.
Horace M. Ellington.
Ellijay, Ga.

With the Churches

Evangelical Church
By F. M. FISHER.

Fifteen minutes of intense interest was enjoyed last Sunday evening in the Young People's Alliance, as Mrs. Canning gave us a comprehensive glimpse of China and its needs. Come with us next Sunday evening at 6:30 and enjoy it with us.

When we study the agony of our Saviour in the garden of Gethsemane, let us remember that it was for us that he suffered so.

"He had no tears for his own griefs
But sweat drops of blood for mine."

Faithful work today gives strength to do better work tomorrow. Indifference lessens the power of achievements for the future.

"Say well is good"—but do well is better." Don't forget to vote your sentiment on the liquor question at the ballot box.

Too late to register now. Don't be too late to vote, and then have to say: "I wish I had."

If the men who vote for saloons had to furnish the boys to fill them, every town would go dry.

The more respectable you make the saloon, the more seductive it becomes.

The best way to get rid of blind-pigs is to elect officials who have eyes. Fostering the license system will never do so.

If you support the saloon with your ballot, to be consistent you ought to support it with your boy.

License money is a bribe to get you to vote for something you would otherwise vote against. No worse than the bribes taken by our Oregon newspapers for publishing lies for the wets.

Letter to the Editor

Committee of One Hundred
Answers Questions on Oregon Dry Amendment

Dear Sir:

As the Committee of One Hundred drew up the Oregon dry amendment, may we venture to ask your space to answer two queries that have been asked broadcast regarding this measure. These are:

If passed, when would the Oregon dry amendment take effect? Why was the word distribution left out of the amendment?

The measure would not take effect until January 1, 1916, thus allowing over one year for business to become readjusted.

As to the very important question of "distribution," J. E. Wheeler, chairman of the Com-

mittee of One Hundred makes the following statement:

"The 'wet' forces are seeking to make capital of the fact that proposed Oregon dry amendment does not forbid the 'distribution' of liquor, but merely its manufacture and sale.

"They are correct. This was done designedly and deliberately by those who drew this amendment. Oregon has many citizens, especially many of foreign birth, who desire to have liquor in their homes. They feel that it would be a hardship and an infringement of their personal liberty absolutely to forbid them the USE of liquor.

"The present proposed law does not forbid the USE of liquor by any citizen, be he poor or rich, provided he wishes to have this shipped direct from some other state to his own home.

"But the issue this time is the 'open saloon' and the sale of liquor in clubs and elsewhere. As some German farmers out in Washington County put it: 'We are going to vote for Oregon dry. Since Hillsboro went dry, we can still have our glass of beer at home if we choose, but we do not go to town and drink more than we ought to, and waste all our time hanging around saloons and neglecting our farms, and spend our money treating a lot of others who are doing the same thing. And if that is good for us in Washington County it is good for the state.'

"The comparatively small quantity of liquor that is or will be drunk in the home if the individual must send weeks in advance for it to some distant city, may or may not do serious damage. We can decide as to that some other time, but the open saloon, with its vicious treating habits and association, its universal temptation, alike to the business man and the laborer, the man who can't say 'no,' and especially to the growing youth of Oregon is inexcusable.

"And don't let the liquor people worry you with the charge that this will merely drive Oregon saloons out of business; that the same amount of liquor will be drunk but the profit and the revenue will go to some other city or state, from which the same amount of liquor will be shipped to Oregon consumers.

"Some liquor is shipped into dry Kansas, but official state figures show the per capita consumption to be \$1.25, as against \$21 per capita for the United States as a whole. Some liquor is shipped into dry Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Oregon City and other dry towns. But the saloon is gone. And any business man will tell you these dry towns are the best in the state. Some liquor is drunk in Portland on Sundays, doubtless, and in the homes. But we doubt if the liquor people themselves will assert that one-fiftieth as much is drunk on Sundays as on week days. Some liquor will be shipped into dry Oregon and drunk in the homes of the few who will feel they must have it.

"But every citizen knows the amount drunk and the damage done will be trivial compared with the present conditions of vicious, unending temptations to every class of society. Listen! The Eastern liquor interests are generally understood to be contributing two-thirds of the vast fund that is being used in Oregon to fight prohibition. Would they have been doing that if they thought their business, shipping in from outside, would not be cut to a minimum by the change?

Very truly yours,
Committee of One Hundred.

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Monmouth Heights

Geo. Bennett and family of near Independence passed over the Heights Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Johnson of the Luckiamute Valley visited with relatives here first of the week.

Elmer Rake and family of Monmouth were visitors here Sunday.

John Sumpter and family of near Falls City were in our neighborhood Sunday.

Pearl and Ina Fishback were Independence traders Friday.

Frank Swearingen of Monmouth was a guest of his brother George, Sunday.

Roy Clarke of Independence was hunting here first of the week.

Allen Towns erected a new hog pen recently.

Robert Rake and family of Oakdale have moved on to the George Chesebro place here.

Amos Holman of Dallas was a visitor here Sunday.

Chas. Holman and family have moved to Washington, where they traded for a place.

Hill Roads Announce Opening of Steamship Line in February

The Hill roads announce that their fast steamship line between Astoria and San Francisco will open for business by the time the exposition opens in February. The crafts will be the fastest boats that have ever been built, and, it is claimed, will make the run on practically the same time by water as is made by rail between Portland and San Francisco. Work on the docks and terminal facilities at Astoria is progressing rapidly and the ship-building concerns having the contracts for the new coats announce that they will be finished on schedule time.

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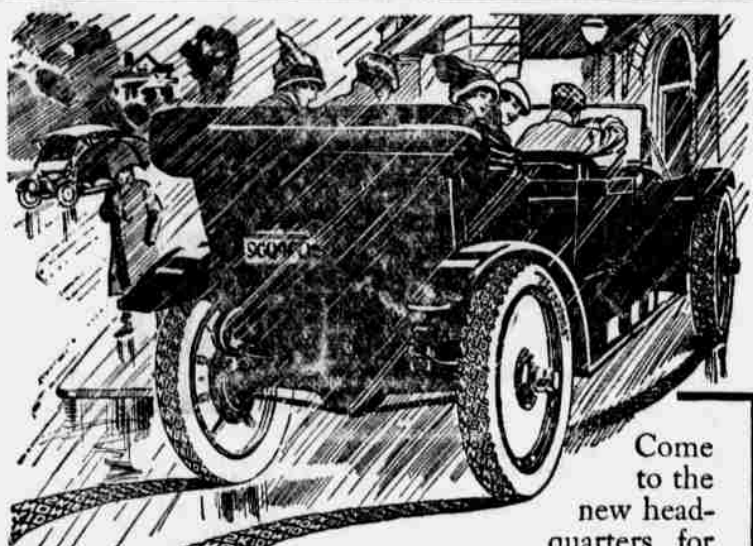
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Commercial men say Oregon will sure go dry