

LET THE SOLDIERS HAVE THEIR PAPERS AND PIPES

While the Southern states have never used tobacco in any form, he nevertheless, coincides most heartily in the following from the Oregonian on the subject of "Tobacco and Whiskey":

"It should not be forgotten," says the bold stay-at-home soldier in the grand cause of keeping the trenches pure from the defilement of the cigarette, "it should not be forgotten that there is practically no difference between giving a man a drink of whiskey and giving him a cigarette, for they both lead in time to the same place."

Could petty intolerance and meddling ignorance find fitter expression? It is a statement of puritanical prejudice not supported in any degree by scientific knowledge or common experience. The cigarette is the least harmful of all forms of tobacco. Any doctor who knows will say so. It is in bad repute, often, because it is associated with vicious practices among boys. But an army is made up of men.

The tobacco fund being raised by The Oregonian and other American newspapers is not confined to cigarettes, but to tobacco in packages. The soldier may use it as he pleases. If he prefers a pipe, it is there for him; or if he would roll a cigarette, he has the makings.

The soldiers are not children but men. In the Navy, tobacco is furnished under direct supervision of the Government—the same Government that put the ban on liquor. In the Army, tobacco in all forms is sold in the canteens. The present proposal—sending 25-cent packages to France—has the direct sanction of Government officials, and transportation is furnished free.

The Y. M. C. A. has a tobacco fund for soldiers, and it can be bought in any form in the various refreshment stands set up by that great organization in London and in France. The Y. M. C. A. officials, with a complete understanding of human nature, know that tobacco is a solace to the user and is frequently a substitute for undesirable things. The Red Cross, too, apparently approves of tobacco, or at least does not disapprove it. The same who refuses to give a soldier in her care his smoke during convalescence would surely be working a hardship on him, and would speedily lose his regard and confidence.

Whiskey and tobacco lead to the "same place"? Nonsense. No one ever heard of a good woman giving her husband liquor to keep him by the home fireside; but countless millions have cheerfully filled a pipe and lighted it for the man of the house. Tobacco debauches no man, pauperizes no children, disgraces no woman; but it comforts many a lonesome soldier and helps him build his day dreams of a happy return to his home. It is an arduous and fearful thing to go to war. It is the duty of the soldier's government to make him as comfortable and contented as possible. It he wants tobacco—and he does—let him have it. It pleases him and helps him, and keeps him in the usual way of his life and abbit. To deny it to him, as he is denied liquor, which is demoralizing, would be a wrong to him and an injury to the Army.

About Very Dry Years.

The dry record so far as the official records for the past 15 years show, was not equaled by the recent drouth, says the Eugene Register, published at Eugene where the climate for the past few months has closely resembled that of this section in respect to dryness.

There were seventy-one days on which it did not rain this year, which is two days below the record of 1906. In 1906 the weather records show that a "trace" of rain came down on two occasions, as also the records show for the 1917 drouth, but the duration of the previous dry spell was two days longer.

There have been but three other dry spells that approached the recent drouth. In 1905 there were 55 dry days, and in 1910, 66 days passed without rain.

This "Dry Record" appears to be defective. In the summer of 1914, only three years ago, in Coos county we had 76 days without rain—from the 20th of June to Sept. 6.

Coos Bay Biggest Shipper.

During the first two weeks of September Coos Bay shipped 8,171,000 feet of fir and spruce to San Francisco. This not only breaks the record for the present year, but was more than three times as much timber as was shipped by any other port on the Pacific coast, the Columbia river and Eureka coming next with about two and a half million feet each.

Hereafter all automobile and repair work must be settled for before it leaves the garage. A. A. Paul.

Homey Leap Reinstated.

The following dispatch from Washington will be of interest to many in Coos county:

"The Department of Justice has reinstated a delayed report from the United States Attorney in New York City stating that Homer H. Leap, formerly of Myrtle Point and Eugene, Ore., had pleaded guilty to the indictment on the charge of impersonating an officer of the United States Army, and been sentenced to one year's imprisonment at Atlanta, Ga."

"The report explains that Leap, at a New York Hotel, wore the uniform and insignia of a Lieutenant, Captain and Major, in turn, and represented himself as an officer of the army, when, in fact, he had never been commissioned and had failed, in fact, to qualify for the aviation corps after a course at the Dayton, O., school.

"The report further states that Leap had passed a number of bad checks, but the indictment was based solely on the other charge.

"When taken into custody Leap had in his possession a morphine outfit, and medical examination disclosed that he had become addicted to the use of the drug. This fact is stated by the department as explaining many of Leap's queer actions from and after the time he telegraphed his wife and father from New Orleans under a frequently used alias, announcing his own death in an aeroplane accident."

Better Road Can Be Made.

Here is what State Highway Commissioner E. J. Adams, of Eugene, says about the proposed Coast Highway through Curry county:

"I found that by changing the road in Curry county nearly all grades can be eliminated. In some places it would be necessary to change the road a mile and in others possibly a half a mile. There are also stretches of the present road that can be utilized. The changes in many cases would not only give a better grade but would also serve to shorten the road. The cost of making the changes will not be very great and we will get a road in which there is no grade over 5 per cent.

The creeks in Curry county offer an almost unlimited supply of cement gravel, which will stand up under the climatic conditions. The road problem there consists of property (a) along the road and the transportation of this gravel on to the road."

O. & C. Taxes Soon.

Former Attorney L. A. Liljeqvist, who is in charge of the big tax foreclosure cases for the county, has just returned from Portland and says that ex-Governor West, who has been employed by the Federal government in connection with O. & C. land grant matters, says that Coos county's portion of the funds from that grant is about \$151,000 and this amount will probably be paid over within the next few months. No doubt approximately \$100,000 of that amount will be available for the redemption of county warrants, which added to the \$45,000 now available from the Boutin tract payments would leave only about \$100,000 of warrants outstanding.

Other Land Grant Case Up.

The case brought by Douglas county against the Southern Oregon company to secure the payment of \$50,000 in back taxes due that county on the lands of the Coos Bay Wagon Road grant is set for hearing in the Supreme court at Salem on Friday of next week, the 28th inst. As Coos county has a much bigger tax claim than Douglas against the Southern Oregon, the progress of that case will be watched with interest here. Indeed, Mr. Liljeqvist, as special attorney in tax cases, will represent Coos county's interests in the hearing there next week.

Christian Endeavor.

The contest is progressing nicely, both sides are working hard to win. Last Saturday evening the Endeavor gave the minister, Brother Morris, a farewell party.

Next Saturday the state C. E. president, Miss Edna Whipple, will be here from ten to four.

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To Finance Klenny Tract.

Food Hollister is authority for the statement that F. B. Wallis and others of a syndicate will take over the Klenny property, pay all back taxes, interest and penalties, if the people of the community will subscribe \$25,000 for stock in the new company. The subscription is not a bonus or gift in any manner but is to show that the people locally favor such a move and will co-operate with the men who will put up the larger share.

This property will be placed on the market, the titles perfected and an effort made to build up the harbor section between the two sites. Those who have investigated the plan of the syndicate approve of it most heartily and there are a number of men who will take stock in it.—Coos Bay Harbor.

Marshfield and Roseburg.

The Roseburg and Marshfield companies are looked upon as having the best physically fit men of the entire regiment, says the Oregonian, in referring to the Coast Artillery companies now at the mouth of the Columbia River. Each of these companies lost only five members. The following is a complete list of the names of the organizations and the number each lost: Ashland, 20; Eugene, First Company, 10; Eugene, Second Company, 18; Roseburg, 5; Albany, 19; Cottage Grove, 15; Medford, 11; Astoria, 21; Tillamook, 23; Marshfield, 5; Hood River, 10; Portland, 10.

Then He Came Across.

The Coos Bay Times says that a good story is going the rounds in North Bend concerning the way in which Jack Littell, of the U. S. Internal revenue department, has been rounding up the dealers in booze. He recently called on an individual, and, having introduced himself, informed the man that he owed Uncle Sam just \$27.50, which he would like to collect at the earliest opportunity. The man demurred and replied that Littell had nothing on him. Littell then produced his diary and said: "You sold Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ a bottle of liquor on such and such a date, and Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ three bottles, just two days later. I have other dates, but that ought to convince you that you have overlooked taking out a revenue license. Here is the receipt." Needless to say, the man paid.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Farmers & Merchants Bank

at Coquille, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business September 11, 1917.

Table with columns for RESOURCES (Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, Bonds and Warrants, etc.) and LIABILITIES (Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, etc.).

TOTAL RESOURCES \$125,762.17. TOTAL LIABILITIES \$125,762.17. State of Oregon, County of Coos, I, R. H. Mast, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. R. H. Mast, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of September, 1917. M. O. Hawkins, Notary Public. (My commission expires Dec. 4, 1919.) Correct—Attest: R. S. Knowlton, Geo. A. Robinson, Directors.

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Curry County's Prize Cows.

A. H. Scott, leader of the Curry County Association reports: "Of the 587 cows tested during the month, I have found four cows that produced over 50 pounds, and twenty that have produced over 40 pounds of butter fat and 567.1 pounds of milk, which is much lower than last month. The average test per cow was 4.716 per cent fat."

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NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account, 22nd, 1917, at the hour of ten o'clock as administrator of the estate of Thomas T. Smith, deceased, and the County Court of Coos County, Oregon, has appointed Monday, October 1, A. M. as the time and the County Court room in Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, as the place for hearing objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof. Dated September 20, 1917. Wm. Oddy, Administrator of the Estate of Thomas T. Smith, deceased. 3945

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon in and For the County of Coos. Elizabeth J. Robertson, Plaintiff, vs. Louis E. Robertson, Defendant. Summons. To Louis E. Robertson, the above named defendant.

In the Name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of summons herein, and if you do not the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint, a succinct statement of which is as follows: For a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and defendant, for an order and decree awarding to the plaintiff the care and custody of their children and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem meet and equitable.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of publication duly made by the Hon. John E. Coker, Circuit Judge, and entered herein on the 11th day of September, A. D. 1917 and the date of the first publication of this Summons as prescribed by said order is the 14th day of September A. D. 1917 and the date of the last publication is October 26th, A. D. 1917.

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