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Mr. Gilliland is evidently seeking for vindication. We can see nothing else in the office of County Judge for him. We have the Tribune's word for it that he owns a farm on which he can earn six times more of dough than the salary of Judge amounts to. It may be that if successful in the election Mr. Gilliland has some ray of hope of an increase being made in the office of County Judge. Vindication of former official acts by re-election, of course, would to some extent remove the sting of exposure of the alleged Umatilla bridge graft, now being broad-sided into him by a Pendleton paper, which goes directly into the court house records for the basis of its accusation, and prints these records verbatim, to substantiate its charges against the former Judge. This paper in question, the East Oregonian, is responsible from a financial standpoint, its editor qualified in the knowledge of the libel laws of the state, and being familiar with Mr. Gilliland's rights to protection under this law, evidently rests perfectly secure in the allegations he is publishing. To the Press it looks like Gilliland has the hardest job of election of any candidate on the republican ticket, for in the shadow of the Umatilla bridge allegations, he meets with Charles H. Marsh, one of the cleanest, most capable young men of the county, as an opponent for the office through which he seeks vindication.

The need of more and better rural schools in Oregon is made manifest by conditions revealed in a recent census report showing the per centage of illiterates among the native white farming class of this State. The figures show that the per centage of illiteracy in the rural districts of Oregon is three times as large as that in the cities and villages of the State. Oregon has 10,504 illiterates and 7,133 of them live on the farms. There are 5,042 boys and men and 2,091 girls and women on the farms of this State that can neither read nor write.

"Our George" can explain the administration's legislative policies about as well as any one we ever heard. But he failed here the other day to give an inkling of what he had accomplished in the "construction" camp. After hitting himself up with the administration, that was all there was to it except one little incident. And that was where he differed with President Wilson in regard to the Panama tolls question. But he didn't explain why, or how, or what for(?) he differed with the President.

While the light of investigation and publicity is being turned on alleged certain shady transactions of a County Court of which T. P. Gilliland was the presiding member, it might be well to draw attention to the fact that in the minds of many, the present rate of high taxes is being confused with county court administration. This is far from the true status of the situation. The root of the cause of high taxes lies wholly in the extravagance of the last legislature.

The plan of the St. Louis banker to assist the cotton farmers of the South is a further indication of the nationwide interest which is being manifested in the problems of the man who follow the plow. The movement is not intended as a plan for purchasing cotton, but is designed rather to make available a fund of \$150,000,000 to loan on cotton at not to exceed six cents per pound for the purpose of making cotton a liquid asset, stabilizing its price and bringing about normal conditions again.

E. B. Richards is taking special interest in the election of Mr. Lawrence T. Harris for Justice of the Supreme Court. Inasmuch as Judge Harris was nominated by both the Republican and Progressive parties in the primaries, Bert's boast that the nominee is one of the best men he ever knew, carries considerable weight with us, and we are not averse in the least to yoking Judge Harris up with Judge Galloway, another good man, in wishing the two success at the polls.

The Pendleton Trib, the "only republican paper in Umatilla county," declares that what this county needs — what the whole State of Oregon needs, is men in the Legislature who can accomplish something; not mere chair warmers. Well, we will not take issue with "Mac," on the state at large, but it is curiously believed up this way that the delegation rep-

resenting the county in the last session couldn't find a chair. So the whole bunch roosted on the steam roller.

Speaking of "the full dinner pail," R. A. Booth, aspirant for senatorial honors, carries one that is never empty. Trust him for that. If his relatives had held out numerically, by this time he would have been totting around a hoghead with the other half of Southern Oregon's timber land in it for ballast.

It is safe to allege that if elected to the office to which he aspires, Joe Scott will not be found trailing around in the smoke of the steam roller down at Salem next February in extra session to circumvent the Governor's power of veto on extravagant legislation.

Till Taylor stands on a platform good enough for anybody who is conscientious in the performance of his official duties—his past record.

Will Bill Hanley come to Athena and make a speech? This is the second offhand invitation, Bill.

No easy seat on the steam roller for Joseph.

The Democratic Ticket

- We call the attention of the voters to the democratic ticket at the general election, November 3, 1914. It is composed of honest, capable, upright and efficient citizens who will make honorable public servants and reflect credit upon the respective offices to which they aspire, if elected. They all believe in rigid public economy, lower taxes, a higher standard of public morality, civic purity, dignified law enforcement and strict performance of official duty.
- For Representative in Congress, 2nd Congressional District.— 13 Sam Evans.
 - For United States Senator.— 16 George E. Chamberlain, present incumbent.
 - For Governor.— 32 Charles J. Smith.
 - For State Treasurer.— 37 H. L. Lee Page.
 - Justices of the Supreme Court.— 32 T. H. Crawford. 33 Wm. Galloway. 35 Wm. M. Ramsey. 40 W. T. Slater.
 - For Attorney General.— 43 John A. Jeffery.
 - Superintendent of Public Instruction. 46 J. A. Churchill.
 - State Engineer.— 48 John H. Lawie.
 - Commissioner of Labor.— 49 O. P. Hoff.
 - For Commissioner of the Railroad Commission.— 52 Frank J. Miller.
 - For Senator 10th District, Umatilla, Union and Morrow Counties.— 56 Joseph N. Scott.
 - For Senator 20th District, Umatilla County.— 57 D. C. Brownell.
 - For Representative, 22nd District, Umatilla and Morrow Counties.— 59 George H. Bishop.
 - For Representative 23rd District, Umatilla County.— 63 A. W. Simmons. 64 Henry J. Taylor.
 - For County Judge.— 67 Charles H. Marsh.
 - For Sheriff.— 70 T. D. Taylor present incumbent.
 - For County Clerk.— 71 T. O. Frazer.
 - For County Treasurer.— 78 R. O. Hawks.
 - For Surveyor.— 80 John R. English.
 - For Coroner. 82 Retta E. Wombough. (Independent but endorsed by Democrats.)
 - For County Commissioner.— 84 Lou Hodgen.
- We invite careful attention to a consideration of all these candidates.
- WILL M. PETERSON, Chairman.
W. N. MATLOCK, Secretary.
—Paid Adv.

The Republican Ticket

- The Republican party has the reputation, upheld and sustained by the records, of living up to its campaign pledges and platforms. Each and every man on the ticket is pledged to an economical, tax-reducing, efficient administration. They are each and every one men of ability, honesty and integrity, well qualified to administer the affairs of the offices to which they aspire, and if elected their individual reputation and standing is a guarantee that they will do so. This ticket is submitted to the voters with the greatest confidence, with pride and the firm conviction that they will find it measuring up to every expectation and requirement. It is a ticket well worthy of the unanimous support of every conscientious man and woman in the State of Oregon. The numbers opposite each name are the same as will appear on the official ballot. Consider it carefully.
- 14 N. J. SINNOTT, Representative in Congress.
 - 15 R. A. BOOTH, United States Senator.
 - 25 JAMES WITTYCOMBE, For Governor.
 - 26 THOS. B. HAY, State Treasurer.
 - 29 HENRY J. BEAN, County Judge.
 - 30 HENRY L. HENSON, State Treasurer.
 - 31 LAWRENCE T. HARRIS, Justices of the Supreme Court. (To be elected)
 - 41 GEORGE M. BROWN, Attorney General.
 - 46 J. A. CHURCHILL, Superintendent of Public Instruction.
 - 48 JOHN H. LEWIS, State Engineer.
 - 49 O. P. HOFF, Commissioner of Labor Statistics

SALEM SUFFERS BUSINESS LOSSES FROM DRY RULE

Store Property Rentals Drop \$75 a Month in City

BANK DEPOSITS OFF \$300,000

Fourteen Business Houses Quit in Less Than Year. School Attendance Less

Many Oregon papers have been loaded down within the past three weeks with repeated assurances that "Business is Fine in Dry Towns."

The three most important Oregon cities to become "dry" nine months ago were Salem, Oregon City and Springfield.

If business is fine in those cities the taxpayers and most of the business men would like to have the "drys" explain just what they mean by "fine." If they had said "business is thin," then they might have been more easily understood.

Let them answer first about conditions in Salem. Ex-Councilman John D. Turner, of Salem, an attorney, is sponsor for the following facts about that city:

Salem went "dry" December 1 last, closing 15 saloons, three restaurants and two wholesale houses and withdrew liquor permits from eight drug stores and cut off an annual license revenue of \$15,400. Ninety men and a monthly payroll of \$5,700 were put out of commission. Most of the men have left the city. All buildings vacated by these concerns are still empty, except six, which have been occupied by tenants who have vacated other buildings, several of the best buildings being boarded over and used as billboards. More than five hundred modern dwellings are "for rent." Store property rentals on State street have dropped from \$185 to \$110 a month, but "business is fine."

Fourteen other business places have closed since December 1 last, aside from the saloons and restaurants. Included are three shoe stores—two by sheriff and one voluntarily; one of the largest drygoods stores has been sued for the first time in twenty years. Scores of clerks have left the city, causing the loss of more payrolls to the city, but "business is fine."

A leading prohibitionist promised to build new dwellings if the city went "dry." Nine houses were begun, two have the windows and doors in, but have never been finished; no work has been done on the others, besides their bare frames.

Building permits from January to August, the last nine wet months of 1913, were \$388,925; from November, 1913, to September, 1914, the next eleven "dry" months, they were \$120,000 less, or \$268,925.

The grammar school opening day enrollment in 1913 was 1210; on the same day 1914, 1469, but "business is fine."

Bank deposits show a decrease of \$309,942 since the town went "dry," even after allowing for the \$485,000 deposited this year from sale of bonds in Boston. The decrease, therefore, really should be \$794,942, but "business is fine."

The attendance at the "Cherry Fair" this year was about one-half what it was the last "wet" year. The Ministerial Association before the election which made Salem "dry," told the Cherry Fair promoters that they would make up for the donations usually made by the saloons, but utterly failed to do so this year and the promoters refused to hold that carnival.

The "Cherrians," consisting of 100 real boosters, but of no prohibitionists, then pledged their personal membership for the necessary funds, requiring the payment on their part of \$500. To rub it in, the Methodists then turned their church into a restaurant, put the kitchen in the pulpit and competed with the legitimate restaurants for the little business that their proprietors had hungrily looked for as a possible annual godsend.

Business must be "fine" in any city when building permits, payrolls, bank deposits, bank savings, closed stores, depopulated dwellings, depressed realty values, school enrollments and carnival statistics all tell so dreary a story of literal fact. Maybe the prohibitionists mean that the "agitating business" is fine.

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- and Inspector of Factories and Work Shops.
- 53 FRANK J. MILLER, Commissioner of the Railroad Commission of Oregon.
- 54 GEO. T. COCHRAN, Superintendent of Water Division No. 2.
- 55 C. A. BARRETT, Senator 19th Senatorial District. (Umatilla, Union and Morrow Counties.)
- 58 J. N. BURGESS, Senator 20th Senatorial District. (Umatilla County.)
- 60 ROBERT N. STAFFIELD, Representative 22nd District. (Umatilla County, Morrow County.)
- 61 J. T. HINKLE,
- 62 ROY W. RITNER, Representatives 23rd District. (Umatilla County.)
- 65 T. P. GILLILLAND, County Judge.
- 69 L. L. MANN, County Sheriff.
- 72 FRANK SALLING, County Clerk.
- 74 B. S. BURROUGHS, County Recorder.
- 76 G. W. BRADLEY, County Treasurer.
- 79 WILGARD BRADLEY, County Surveyor.
- 81 J. T. BROWN, County Coroner.

CLACKAMAS AND OREGON CITY HIT BY EMPTY TILLS

"Dry" Regime Followed by Query as to Receiver

CITY WARRANTS UNSALEABLE

City Council Calls Election November 9 to Raise Levy 8 Mills to Pay Debts

Oregon City and Clackamas County, of which Oregon City is the county seat, present as lamentable a condition in a business sense as a defunct corporation about to go into the hands of a receiver. In fact, a receivership for Oregon City already has been seriously discussed by certain of its creditors, and Judge Campbell of that city has declared his willingness to declare such a receivership, if formal application were made to him, as he would for "any bankrupt corporation."

A special election has been called by the city for November 9 "to relieve the financial condition of the city," the purpose being to vote \$250,000 5 per cent bonds and to increase the tax levy eight mills in order to take care of the new indebtedness.

On the part of Clackamas County the County Treasurer is confronted with an empty treasury for the first time in six years. The Morning Enterprise, a radical prohibitionist daily of Oregon City, in explaining this situation, says "the condition is considered the result of the amount of delinquent taxes on the county's tax rolls. County Treasurer Tufts refused the first warrants on the general fund Monday (October 12, 1914)."

Business must be "fine" in a city and a county when the treasuries of both are empty because of lack of money coming into their strong boxes, with a special election called by the city to increase its tax levy, with a receivership threatened and with "danger" signs strung along the length of the business portion of Main street by "order of the City Council," which read:

"Danger — Main Street Declared Dangerous—All persons traveling on Main street between North side of Main street and South side of Third street do so at their own risk."

Banks are refusing to cash Oregon City municipal warrants. Since January first the city has issued \$39,991.05 in those warrants, according to the report of City Recorder John W. Loder, and these warrants are still unpaid.

The city tax levy in 1913 in Oregon City was eight mills. Two weeks after the city went dry the council increased this levy to 10 mills for 1914, and on November 9 there is to be a special election held at which the voters will be asked to sanction an additional levy of eight mills to meet the municipal indebtedness. Yet "business is fine in dry towns," and Oregon City is doing well.

Vacant buildings now stand on Main street, the chief business thoroughfare of Oregon City, as monuments to the memory of one garage, one clothing store, one restaurant and one lively bar now closed up, but formerly did good business. Fourteen vacant stores line both sides of Main street, and three vacant lots mark the places where three other stores formerly stood, but which have burned down.

So little has been the demand for business property that the burned structures were never rebuilt. But "business is fine in Oregon City."

The Enterprise printing office, which formerly employed a large force of printers and bookbinders, and often worked night and day to fill orders, is now operating its job department crew but five days a week, yet The Morning Enterprise is one of the papers that has printed the Committee of One Hundred matter about "business is fine in dry towns."

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83 H. M. COCKBURN, County Commissioner. JOE H. PARKES, Justice of the Peace. Pendleton District. THOS. SMART, Constable, Pendleton District. Respectfully submitted to the consideration of the voters by the County Central Committee. FRANK S. CURL, Chairman. LEE MOOREHOUSE, Sec'y. Headquarters, Rooms 1 and 2 American National Bank Building, Pendleton, Oregon. —Paid Advertisement.

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