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MORROW COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

Thursday, February 18, 1915.

TO AID PEACE OFFICERS.

A meeting of representative citizens of Heppner on Friday evening last took up the discussion of the subject of law enforcement and the formation of a civic league, or some similar organization, having in view the creating and maintaining of a healthy public sentiment for law enforcement in the City of Heppner and throughout Morrow County. This meeting was addressed by our County Attorney and Sheriff, and our City Attorney and Mayor, each of whom made it plain that he was in favor of law enforcement, but each in turn showing how difficult it is for public servants in these offices to perform their duties and enforce the laws and bring offenders to justice, in face of a public sentiment that is not willing to back them up. While there is a sentiment of this kind it is almost impossible to get evidence in certain cases and bring about convictions. This has proven a handicap to officers fully disposed to do their duty and obey their oaths of office. This public sentiment should be changed; officials disposed to do their duty should be made to feel that there is behind them a strong force of law abiding citizens, ready at all times to back them up and furnish any evidence within their knowledge that will bring offenders into court, and after getting them there assist in convictions. This kind of public sentiment will soon bring about proper conditions. At the meeting mentioned above, strong endorsement was given the stand taken by our officials, and promise given to support them in their work in every legitimate way. The fact was not overlooked that officers, on the other hand, should not hide behind the excuse of having no public sentiment favoring their enforcement of laws and performing their plain duty. It sometimes happens that this is the case, and then it is that a public official is not a public servant. We believe that we have none of this kind in our county, and the men entrusted with preserving the peace and dignity and upholding the laws of the state and municipality will do all that they can in this respect. Let the righteous citizenship of the town and county support them in their efforts by a strong organization standing for law enforcement.

CITY SHOULD DO IT.

Our City Council is at present discussing the making of an ordinance governing the construction of buildings and sidewalks within the city limits. These are matters properly coming under the direction of the city and should be controlled in a manner looking to uniformity in the building and parking of sidewalks and safety in construction of business houses and dwellings. There being no adequate laws in the city covering these matters, this move is in the right direction. There is much improvement contemplated over the city; it is the air, and the people are planning new walks, which will doubtless be largely of concrete; new residences and business houses are in contemplation and will no doubt be constructed, and these should be put up under permits from the city that certain regulations might be carried out. At present, anyone so disposed can put up most any sort of a building in any part of the city, regardless of whether it is suitable to the surroundings or possesses any elements of permanency or safety. As a result fire risks are increased and insurance rates advanced. Heppner is big enough to protect herself against these things and the city fathers will be congratulated upon taking action along these lines.

The excellent picture on the title page of our Home and Farm Magazine section this week is a Morrow County scene, taken at the Hinton creek farm of T. J. Matlock. An illustration, true to life, of the very high grade of stock produced by Mr. Matlock on his home place. Other interesting views of the farm and ranch life of this county will be spread upon the title page of this section of our paper from time to time, and we shall greatly appreciate the loan of any good pictures our friends may have that we may use them this way.

Let us get ready for the big rain; it is surely coming.

CANCER—A DISEASE OF MANY FORMS.

People commonly think of cancer as a single definite disease, as distinct and uniform in its nature and symptoms as appendicitis or typhoid fever. This is a misconception. It is nearer the truth to regard "cancer" as the name of a group of quite different diseases which have one feature in common. It has been said that the layman's conception of cancer is of something very indefinite, very portentous, quite hopeless, a disease which always affects someone else than himself, and about which he carries no immediate interest or responsibility. If this is a fair statement, the layman is wrong on practically every count, and his error and confusion is probably due, in no small part, to the failure to take account of the many forms of cancer. If this were done, perhaps the patient would not so frequently yield to despair and throw away the excellent chance of cure that exists when the disease is first discovered.

As a matter of fact "cancer," in the light of modern knowledge of human ailments, is almost as general and vague a term as "fever." The word covers a number of entirely distinct diseases, differing widely in their origin, symptoms, treatment and curability. The various kinds of tumors have little in common except that they are all forms of new and lawless growths of body cells.

This false notion of cancer as a single disease has probably hindered progress toward the understanding and control of the various diseases which are conveniently grouped under that term. All forms of cancer are aspects of new and lawless cell growth, and it is the inner nature or "cause" of such growth that we do not yet understand.

The essential point for the man in the street is that each different kind of cancer is a separate disease. If he is so unlucky as to be attacked by any one of them, it would be well before becoming discouraged to go and find out which form he has. If he is taken with a "fever" and it happens to be German measles, his life chances to be virulent small-pox. So, also, a "rodent ulcer" on the face is quite different from cancer of the stomach. And lastly while one is a more serious disease than the other, there is always hope if it is recognized and treated at once. Why not give the surgeon the same chance with cancer as he has with appendicitis? Suppose all symptoms of that disease were neglected and hidden until the appendix had burst? Doubtless the surgeon would still save a certain percentage of cases, but would the record be anything like it is now? It is the intelligent cooperation of the patient and the family physician that has conquered appendicitis, and the same weapons are even more needed in the fight against cancer.

THE POWER OF PUBLICITY.

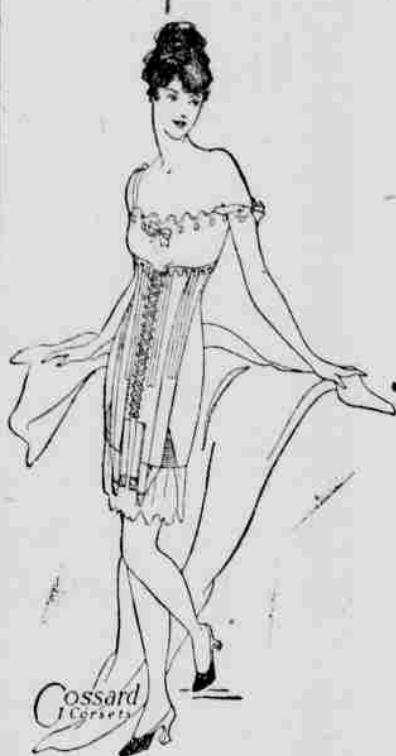
An Oregon country editor has suggested—professedly in a spirit of persiflage—a solution for the problem of regulating shipments of liquor to individuals after the prohibition amendment takes effect. He would compel the would-be purchaser of intoxicants to advertise his intention in the newspapers of his city, together with the amount of liquid trouble he contemplates laying in. By displaying a copy of the advertisement and identifying himself as the person who caused it to be printed he would be entitled to receive shipments without further red tape.

We suspect that this country editor's motives are not wholly unadmixed. Advertising is his business, and he would naturally not be adverse to collecting a tax from the bibulously inclined of his community. Nor can we blame him for business is business—even though some of our radical lawmakers are inclined to regard it as a crime.

Nevertheless, the author of this plan displays considerable shrewd knowledge of human nature. If prospective indulgers in the cup that cheers were required to publish their intentions to the world at large their thirst would doubtless be greatly reduced. Frequent and public announcements of intention to restock the cellar can hardly be regarded as credentials for admission to the best society in these days. Moreover, if such a law were strictly enforced, the wicked and low-browed bootlegger would be compelled to advertise his business abroad—and bootlegging is one business in which advertising does not pay.—Eugene Register.

BACK TO THE SHERIFFS.

The collecting of taxes will now go back into the hands of the Sheriffs. This change in the order of things is brought about by the passage by the Senate on Monday evening of House Bill No. 14, which makes the Sheriffs tax collectors. An emergency clause attached makes the bill effective immediately upon its being signed by the Governor. For the past two years the Treasurers of the counties have been the tax collectors, and as a consequence a large amount of work was added to their duties, necessitating the hiring of deputies and adding costs which the taxpayers have had to meet. At this session of the Legislature, numerous bills have been up asking for increase in the pay of County Treasurers, but nothing looking to the proportionate reductions in the salaries of the Sheriffs. The Legislature had this



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situation to face, and the best road to relief was found in returning to the old system. You will pay your taxes to the Sheriff this year.

Mr. C. C. Chapman has resigned his position as publicity manager of the Portland Commercial Club, to take effect April 1st. Mr. Chapman has been in this position for the past five years and has proven a very valuable man for the place. The executive committee of the Club regrets very much to be called upon at this time to accept his resignation. Mr. Chapman's work with the Portland Commercial Club may be said to have been altogether for the State of Oregon, as under his administration Portland publicity was not sought. The aim has been all the time to bring more people to Oregon and settle them upon our lands. His work was backed up in a substantial way by the Club and a total of \$270,000 subscribed by the Portland business men was expended by Mr. Chapman for this purpose. Mr. Chapman numbers his friends by the hundreds over the State. He will go into the publishing business in April and will edit and publish the Oregon Voter, a weekly paper to be devoted to the independent discussion of live issues coming before our people, and in this venture his many friends will wish him abundant success.

BILLY SUNDAY AND BOB INGERSOLL.

New York Times: Accused of "literary theft" Billy Sunday responds that he didn't mean to steal from Agnostic "Bob" Ingersoll, whose flowery oration on war veterans passed for his own before old soldiers. That speech was donated to Billy by a fervent admirer—he has hundreds of "em sending in "fine sermon material" all the time—and, like Montaigne, he takes his own wherever he finds it. Steal words and style? Never. If sinners find a resemblance between the things he says and the language of Ingersoll, Talmage and Sam Jones, it must be because those discourses on the soul happened to think and speak just as he thinks and speaks now.

Billy Sunday developed his own

style. Doesn't his gospel gun shoot straighter than Ingersoll's agnostic rhetoric? Why, it's loaded with rough on rats, lice, rock salt, dynamite and barbed wire. No doubt he could get off a line of talk—thanks to the donated sermon material—that would make a Greek professor's jaw squeak, but he has hoped out that people don't want that line of conversation. It isn't hot enough shot for the enemies of the church. Call them bull-necked, beetle-browed, hog-jawed, peanut-brained, weasely-eyed four-flushers, false alarms and excess baggage, and the devil banks his first, beats it out of hell, and is picked up later by an ambulance. Why go jimmying for other people's language after that.

By fall you will have forgotten that the winter of 1914-15 was one of the driest ever experienced in Morrow County. Plenty of moisture from now on will bring good crops; the war in Europe will do the rest.

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