

# YOUR DUTY CALLS YOU

## TO THE POLLS TO-MORROW

Your duty is to vote for your own and your fellow-brother's liberty, love for your country, uphold the honor of your home, stamp out fanaticism, kill hypocrisy, keep up the value of your property, keep down taxes, avoid stagnation in business, and, what's most essential of all, **DO NOT RETARD**

**THE SPLENDID PROGRESS OF THE ROGUE RIVER VALLEY** and vote

for Home Rule, against prohibition and the most outrageous search law, which has made the best of friends bitter enemies, which has been tried in other states and given petty officers the right to search homes during the husband's and father's absence, resulting in insults to mothers, wives and daughters, and has even resulted in murder.

Do you want such a lawlessness in our beautiful state of Oregon?

**NO—A THOUSAND TIMES, NO!**

No fair-minded man will vote for it; only those who wish to see the establishment of blind tigers and dark hell-holes will give it their support.

**LET US REFER YOU TO GRANTS PASS!**

Not until the prohi agitator was shown up how he was supporting the blind pigs, or being supported by them, did he make a move to arrest them, but he could not get away from it any longer. He was forced to do it by the Anti-Prohibition league. Oh! how bitter was the pill he had to swallow; it sickened him to the very bottom of his stomach, and he has not gotten over it yet, nor will he for some time to come. He had better get busy in some other town next, before we show him up some more.

**FEAR GOD AND NONE. THE MOST OUTRAGEOUS AFFAIR IS YET TO HAPPEN.**

It is commonly understood that this evening the prohis will hold an open parade. No objection of any kind could be made to this, and no exception could be taken to it were it not for the fact that they propose to parade young girls and school children in this parade. They seem to stoop to the lowest that they could possibly stoop to. Just think of it!

**MOTHERS OF SONS AND DAUGHTERS,** it is your duty to call a halt here. Let any grown-up person parade if he so chooses—it is his privilege—but do not allow your child, who is nearest and dearest to you, to be

brought into this outrageous movement, which only educates them that bootleggers and blind tigers are the real issue with the prohi. Again we say, **CALL A HALT!**

**CITIZENS OF OREGON,** you are in one of the grandest states of the Union. Do not stain Oregon by voting for this proposed law, only to break it immediately after it becomes effective.

Statistics show that it has made more criminals in the state of Maine than in any other state. In Maine the percentage of divorces are larger than in other states where they had license. Below are the statistics:

State—	Divorees.	Marriages.	Ratio.
Maine, Prohibition	14,194	86,592	1 to 6
New York, License	29,125	1,205,655	1 to 41
New Jersey, License	7,441	335,809	1 to 45
Pennsylvania, License	39,686	876,533	1 to 22

Draw your own conclusions from this.

**BELOW IS A LIST OF ARRESTS FOR DRUNKENNESS.**

City	Ratio, 1 to—	City	Ratio, 1 to—
Portland, Me.	24	Galena, Kan.	53
Auburn, Me.	137	Hutchison, Kan.	75
Augusta, Me.	110	The above are prohibitory states.	
Bangor, Me.	18	Ratio, 1 to—	
Bath, Me.	51	Milwaukee, Wis.	142
Biddeford, Me.	40	Racine, Wis.	171
Lewiston, Me.	65	La Crosse, Wis.	82
Rockland, Me.	21	Oshkosh, Wis.	119
Waterville, Me.	75	Appleton, Wis.	162
And as goes Maine, so goes Kansas:		Eau Claire, Wis.	123
	Ratio, 1 to—	Green Bay, Wis.	1324
Kansas City, Kan.	76	Chicago, Ill.	232
Wichita, Kan.	26	New York	311
Atehison, Kan.	124	San Francisco	286
Emporia, Kan.	121	St. Louis, Mo.	182
Ft. Scott, Kan.	52	Buffalo, N. Y.	196
		The above are licensed cities.	

Draw your own conclusions from this. If the prohis would arrest the drunks in our Oregon dry towns the result would be the same, but they have shielded them in order to use it as an argument in favor of their infamous blind tiger measure. Nothing is too low for them. They stoop to anything. They are nothing but deceivers. They are like the minister of the Gospel who rather stands on the street corner and argues politics instead of staying in his studio and study the Word of God so he may deliver a true sermon on Divinity; who makes his church a political club instead of a House of God; who splits his congregation into flagrant instead of making them a God-fearing unity.

How different does one feel toward the minister who thus prostitutes the Bible than to the minister who attends to his church as he should attend. The political minister who meddles in public affairs is pointed at with fingers; the minister who preaches the pure word of God is respected by all. His very presence brings holiness over you. The red-nosed angel, who plays prohibition in public six days in the week and gets drunk in secret over Sunday is a familiar figure in those states where the drink issue, fomented in the churches, has got into politics. "Honest liberty," says Milton, "is the greatest foe to dishonest license." It is easy for vice to affect virtue—for the devil to quote Scripture—and to palm off fraud on impressionable people for truth—Henry Watterson.

The Rev. Dr. Blanchard, Portland, Me., spoke thus: "My eyes were opened to the great evils of prohibition in a very few years. The clubs organized by young men, the selling of vile decoctions by women and children, the hypocrisy and corruption, arrested my attention."

And that is what the prohi agitator, who is supported by the bootlegger, wants to establish here in your very midst. Are you going to allow it?

People cannot be coerced into a distaste for liquor by laws; on the contrary, it makes them want it all the more. This is a free country. It is up to you to maintain our freedom.

# The Last Call to Voters of Oregon

The Prohibitionist points with pride to Kansas, and what they have done in Kansas City. The great amount of building and a splendid water system and civic improvements costing one million three hundred thousand dollars. In four years they say they have built one new hotel and several new churches. They tell us prohibition is strictly enforced and give it credit for all this prosperity. But you don't see any of our prohibition friends in Medford selling out and immigrating to Kansas. Perhaps they are afraid they would have to go dry, even if Kansas City, Mo., is just across the river from this famous Dry City—The Paradise of Prohibition.

What's the matter with Medford? She's all right. Medford has spent almost one million dollars on her water system, sewers and paving. Medford has more good paved streets than any city of its size in the United States. Medford has built 400 houses in one year, still you can't find one vacant. You can not get a business location in Medford for love or money. Business property is rented before the foundation is started. Owners of business property in Medford get more rent for their stores than is paid in any dry territory in the country. Hundreds of people have come to Medford within the last year to start in business, but they could not find a building. A store building in Medford that rents for one hundred dollars per month you can rent in a dry town for forty dollars per month.

While Kansas City, Kansas, built one hotel in four years, Medford is now building three new hotels to cost one-half a million dollars—dependant to a certain extent on whether the state goes wet. More outside capital in-

vested in Medford and vicinity last year than in any city in Oregon outside of Portland. Medford has doubled in population two years and will double again in population in five years. If you will but vote down this farcical agitation for prohibition. The business men of Medford are satisfied. They know a good town when they see it. They are loyal to the city and think no place on earth can equal it. Who then is discontented in Medford. The narrow-minded prohi, who takes more interest in his neighbor's business than in his own, and the Anti-Saloon League preacher, who was ordained to preach the Gospel, but who is now taking a post-graduate course in politics, hoping that the higherups may notice his activity and call him to some larger city, where he will shy his castor into the ring. "Come on you hundred headed Dragon—Rum. I can kill you if you have a thousand heads." Then the fanatics applaud and some brother passes the collection box, dreaming again. Better for the Reverend Gentleman to stay where he is a big toad in a small puddle than be a small toad in a big puddle.

They tell you the Search Law will not hurt you. It's only intended for criminals. Who will be the spotters and gum shoe detectives if this law carries. The most depraved and despised and dissipated unreliable gentlemen in the community. They are clothed with power of Deputy Sheriffs or Constables and can search your house day or night and you can offer no resistance or he can shoot you in the discharge of his honorable duty. They can call in all the bums from the alleys to make affidavit against you when they find liquor on your premises and each bum

gets a fee for his expert testimony. But who pays for this? You, Mr. Taxpayer. You are the fall guy of this infamous law, which they lately repealed in Iowa after a long trial, and the loss of many lives. In Iowa the searchers made more money than the Governor of the State, and some Justices of the Peace would not exchange places with the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Why this raiding of blind pigs at Grants Pass? It's that by so doing they can retain Josephine county dry and cheat Grants Pass again out of the few thousand dollars these men or women should have had to pay into the city treasury of said city for license.

They tell you Medford saloons are all violating the law by selling on Sunday and selling to minors, and many different ways. Then why don't the Prohis have them arrested and prosecute them? Because they are trying to deceive the people. Why not bring some of the celebrated Sherlock Holmes Gum Shoe Detectives from Grants Pass and pretend they are sick and must have some whisky for medicinal purposes, which the Prohis admit is all right. They are simply guessing at it. They are also guessing at the advantage Prohibition has over license and regulations. Men who have traveled all over the country have been heard to remark, that in all their travels they have never seen better conducted saloons than we have here in Medford. Business men awake from your apathy, protect your interests and the interests of your state, where millions of dollars will be invested in the development of her many resources in the next few years, and vote down this humbug and failure—Prohibition.

Vote 328 Yes. Home Rule

" 343 No. State wide Prohibition

" 345 No. Search Law

## TAXPAYERS ATTENTION

Eugene "dry" for nearly four years, paid 31 1-2 mills tax for 1909. Eugene levied all the law allowed and still had a deficit in 1909 of

**\$82,440.39**

Eugene's assessed valuation for 1910 will be increased from

**100 to 300 per cent**

in order to meet continued deficits.

Why has the public failed to hear lately from Mayor Matlock about the beneficial influence of a "dry" administration. Are the taxpayers of Jackson county and Medford, in particular, anxious to assume a double and treble tax burden? **IS SENTIMENT OR COMMON SENSE TO RULE?**

# Anti-Prohibition League

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