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Do You Prefer the Saloon?

WE never expected to find anyone SERIOUSLY preferring the old-time saloon, to the system of state liquor control, as advocated by Governor Meier's committee. But this is the attitude of Mr. Edwin Deacon of Talent, Oregon whose communication will be found in another column. Mr. Deacon admits the old saloon was bad, but maintains the proposed system of state control would be WORSE,—for it would allow the general sale of light wines and beers, and transfer the abuses of the old saloon to the HOME!

TO our mind, Mr. Deacon is woefully mistaken. The proposed state control plan is not new. It has been tried out successfully in many parts of Canada, and in a modified form in northern Europe,—Sweden, Norway and Denmark.

Does our correspondent maintain the HOMES in Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Canada have been transformed into saloons,—that "the foul and obscene talk," the brawls and disorders, characterizing the old-time saloon, are now prevalent in the HOMES of these countries? Obviously that is not true.

Nor can we believe that such would be the experience in America. Can Mr. Deacon point to a single home in Jackson county which he believes under this system would become a BROTHEL?

In our opinion the average American home, not only here, but everywhere else, would be the last place in the world where the abuses of the old saloon could gain a foothold. Eliminating the saloon and rendering group drinking of hard liquors impossible,—which the state control system would do,—would unquestionably do more to advance the cause of true temperance, than anything that can be imagined.

THREE main factors made the old saloon system a curse and a disgrace. First, and foremost, private competition in liquor sales,—resulting in the saloons striving in every way, supported and usually owned by the breweries and distillers, to increase their sales, enlarge their profits,—in other words sell all they could at the maximum profit.

Second, the isolation of the saloon with its custom of pulling down the shades and putting up the drinks,—treating,—and the knowledge that barring actual riot and perhaps manslaughter, NO ONE WOULD INTERFERE. Third, an inevitable product of the first,—POLITICAL CONTROL BY THE BIG LIQUOR INTERESTS,—for where the profits are, there are the politicians.

UNDER the state control system, none of these things would be possible. There would be no competition for the liquor revenue, for the state would enjoy a monopoly of all hard liquors. There would be no drinking on the premises of the state liquor stores, therefore no treating, no group drinking, no mass conviviality. With a non-political liquor committee, composed of high type incorruptible citizens, there could be no political control.

As to local option, the state control system now provides for local option as far as whiskey, brandy, gin, and all highly intoxicating liquors are concerned. Any proper self governing unit in the state can prevent the establishment of liquor stores, if a majority of the people so desire.

True the sale of light wines and beers WOULD be generally allowed as the sale of beer is allowed NOW. Does Mr. Deacon believe that the present system of beer control is worse than the old saloon? Have any homes in Jackson county been turned into riotous and unseemly beer halls? If not, then WHY would the addition of light wines, materially change the picture?

Of course a person CAN get drunk on beer, as he can on light wine, or on shellee and lemon extract, but the fact remains that in beer and wine drinking countries, drunkenness and conditions incident to the old saloon system in the United States, are practically UNKNOWN. Isn't it fair to assume if this should become chiefly a wine and beer drinking nation, similar conditions would prevail?

NO, the opposition to the return of the saloon, on the part of those who favored prohibition repeal, is NOT a smoke screen, behind which they hope to fasten the liquor curse upon the people of this country.

They believe that economically and morally, the old saloon or any "new deal" APPROACH, to the old saloon must NEVER RETURN! They believe that under the proposed system, with everything to DISCOURAGE the drinking of hard liquors and everything to ENCOURAGE the consumption of the milder beverages,—light wines and beer,—not only will the old saloon never return; but the speakeasies and roadhouses, the bootleggers and moonshiners (with their affiliation with the underworld and organized crime), will eventually disappear.

For hard liquor is now and always has been the corner stone of the speakeasy as it was of the brothel and the saloon. A beer and light wine speakeasy has never been known and never will be.

THE American people who by such overwhelming majorities voted out national prohibition and now favor the new system of state control, have only ONE desire,—that is to solve the liquor problem, in the BEST POSSIBLE WAY. They may be mistaken in their views, but they are certainly NOT insincere. They are sincerely and honestly devoted to evolving a system which will—as far as it's humanly possible,—eliminate the evils of the old saloon, as well as the evils of absolute prohibition, and eventually render real temperance in this country a national habit and a realized ideal!

Don't Expect Too Much

THIS recognition of Soviet Russia is going to help business and also promote the cause of international peace,—but in neither direction, as materially as some of the enthusiasts suppose.

Russia needs many things the United States can supply. But in the last analysis the only way Russia can pay for these things is by the sale to the United States of her own products.

Russia produces for export, largely those commodities which America also produces in large quantities,—wheat, grains, lumber and minerals. The interchange therefore must be limited.

As to peace, Russia and America are the only two world powers SINCERELY devoted to peace—the only two countries who only want to be left alone to work out their own destinies.

Their union diplomatically will make international support for peace stronger than ever before.

On the other hand, Russia is committed to communism and a sworn foe of capitalism; America is committed to capitalism, and the sworn foe of communism.

In the realm of practical international politics therefore, friction between the two countries, in the face of any genuine test, will be unavoidable.

So it would be foolish to expect any sensational advance in the cause of world peace, merely because theoretically Russia and the United States subscribe to it, and agree to trade with each other, as recognized, rather than unrecognized, friends.

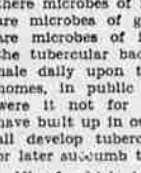
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By William Brady, M.D.

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THE MICROBES IN DUST.

Here is a 32-page pamphlet entitled "How to Conserve Public Health." It is a report of an address of a member of the U. S. senate who is a physician, interspersed with bright comments by another medical member of the senate and some quaint interpretations by a third physician senator. I quote from the pamphlet: "Not only are there microbes of ill omen but there are microbes of good omen. There are microbes of ill omen, such as the tubercular bacilli, which we inhale every day in the streets, in the homes, in public institutions, and were it not for the resistance we have built up in our bodies we would all develop tuberculosis and sooner or later succumb to the disease."



Dr. William Brady, M.D.

Dust in one's eyes, ears, nose or mouth is not pleasant, but I assure you there is no need to worry about microbes or germs that float in the air or fly about on dust.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Harney Hunters No Parsnips I read your article nearly every day. They are very good. Now will you give me a little advice on the following (pages of history and symptoms) . . . (R. L. D.) Answer—You do not understand what you read. I can form no opinion about an individual case on such second-hand data as you give. A physician has to do enough guessing when he personally observes, examines and studies the case.

Fingers Restored I have obtained complete relief from "dead fingers" by using hyppo as you recommended. Also a slight case of eczema. Many thanks to your fine column . . . (Miss C. H. F.) Answer—The correspondent probably refers to the treatment of chronic arsenic poisoning with photophosphors fling agent, "hyppo" (sodium hypophosphite) or as it is perhaps more widely known, sodium thioarsophosphate. Daily injections of this into a vein are given, but the medicine may be taken internally, the dose being 10 or 20 grains in a half glassful of water after food three times daily over a period of at least two months. In some cases of chronic arsenic poisoning Raynaud's affection ("dead fingers") seems to be a symptom, though this does not imply that "dead fingers" always spell chronic arsenic poisoning. The occurrence of so-called "eczema" in such a case is additional circumstantial evidence that the cause is arsenic. The young lady's report was made with good intention but it is of no value, because she gives no information about her trouble or the treatment.

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Communications

Saloon Bad, State Control Worse To the Editor: For any "dry" who does his own thinking, it is not easy to read the present day editorials in the secular press, touching liquor, and remain silent.

From the time of the party conventions, the unvarying slogan of the wets has been "No return of the old saloon," yet they have worked hard and fast, with feverish haste, for the return of liquor.

Now with such a passionate devotion to the evil itself, WHY is all this pretended honor at its old time habitation? To this writer it looks like a camouflage, a thin smoke screen, to divert public attention from the liquor curse itself, while they bring it back and fasten it with bands of steel just where they want it. Fixed, this time, to stay.

Notice how modest is the request of the wet leaders and the wet press. They don't ask a thing except that they be allowed to turn every hotel and restaurant, every grocery and drugstore, every fruit stand and soda fountain into a "new deal" saloon. Of course, they will also want them at every fair, celebration, dance, etc. Do they really want the old saloon system? Not on your life. The old saloon was too limited, too isolated. Why, non-drinkers never came near them, and only now and then could they catch a new boy. This time they must have it so fixed that non-drinkers, from the minister to the youngest S. S. child, cannot avoid it. If he eats in a public place he must do so amid the fumes of beer and wine. The same when he gets an ice cream soda, and when he buys groceries he must buy them at a liquor dealer, etc. Through this constant and intimate association with liquor he is supposed to gradually lose his bitter antagonism to it, and then start using it himself.

The dregs oppose the return of the saloon because of the poisons sold there. The wets oppose its return because they think they now have a better card to play, a sure winner. Activists of the state liquor systems pretend that thus they will reduce the drink evil. As a matter of fact they thus help the drink evil to fix and fortify itself everywhere; so that no community, no matter how dry its sentiments, can free itself from the curse of liquor. That proposed Local Option on liquors containing more than 14 per cent alcohol, is but a mocking job. 14 per cent liquor can put any man in the gutter, and the community that bans the high powered liquor will have just as many drunks as the one that doesn't. Much is made of that provision "No drinking on the premises" of the state liquor shops, making them much cleaner places than the old saloons.

Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County shippers from the files of The Mail Tribune of 24 and 10 Year ago.)

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY November 19, 1923 (It Was Monday)

"How To Cut Taxes," subject of address at Nat by Edwin Cook, famous authority on taxes from Woodburn, Ore.

Grand jury, William Gates, foreman is investigating the Siskiyou tunnel robbery.

Citizens rush to pay their back taxes on city property.

Turkey raisers up in arms as thieves raid their flocks.

Fine sunny weather prevails, and is worrying farmers with seed in the ground.

This is "Education Week."

896 applications for jobs filed for places as income tax collectors, for the Oregon law, which will be appealed to the supreme court.

STANDARDS for admission to bar in Oregon are raised by supreme court.

Start work on flahway at Gold Ray dam. Doubt is expressed that it will work, by the Valley Sportmen's association.

Worker who tried suicide and escaped with a scalp wound, says "It was an accident."

Speared chewing tobacco prints a full page ad in the Mail Tribune, and will give a handkerchief with every ten-cent plug, as long "as the supply lasts."

Eagle Point street improvement work is completed.

Move launched to have the "eyesores" removed along the Espee right of way.

same desire to quarrel and fight let him fight his wife and children.

The old saloon was had enough, but what they now propose to put in its place will be worse and the anti-liquor forces will soon wish for the old system as a relief, for we could rise up and outlaw the old saloon as a nuisance. But outlawing a state liquor store entrenched as a revenue producer will be immeasurably more difficult. The wets have foreseen all of this and gladly join the general outcry against the old system.

And lastly: When the state engages in the liquor traffic it will corrupt its own heart, befoul its own hands. But now that prohibition is lost there is one course which the state may pursue and keep its hands clean, and at the same time be fair to all parties. And that is by giving us what we once had, LOCAL OPTION in the communities and the counties. That would give the anti-liquor forces at least a fighting chance to protect their children and their homes.

EDWIN DEACON, Talent, Ore., Nov. 18.

Roosevelt Luncheon Service Wednesday

The Roosevelt school, having completed equipment of its kitchen, will start serving hot lunches to the children this coming Wednesday, it was announced yesterday.

Many inviting menus for the children have been announced. Wednesday the kitchen will offer vegetable soup and a glass of milk for five cents. Thursday for the same price, each child will receive cheese and macaroni and a glass of milk, and Friday, cream of corn soup and a glass of milk.



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rations would run into anti-trust law difficulties with the justice department if they chose to ditch the code. The warning reached the proper steel authorities and is said to have had a salutary effect.

In automobiles, an NRA official recently received a letter from an official of General Motors, stating the corporation was satisfied with the operations of the code and liked it.

Notes. Al Smith was lionized at that White House tea party he attended. Mrs. Roosevelt dragged him into the midst of her guests, and he received as much attention as a star halfback at a sorority meeting.

Treasury Secretary Woodin was caught in a fib when he announced Monday that he would not resign and

then Wednesday the president came out with Woodin's letter of resignation dated two weeks before. Woodin apologized to newsmen for misleading them, but pointed out he had only said that he hadn't resigned, and he hadn't. It only goes to show that you cannot believe all you hear.

Acting Treasury Secretary Morgenthau was a student at Cornell under Prof. Warren, author of the gold-price commodity-dollar program. Now Warren is doling out Morgenthau.

Eagles Close Drive Friday With Feast

One of the largest classes ever initiated in Medford were initiated last Friday night at the Armory by the Fraternal Order of Eagles. They have conducted this drive for the past eight weeks and according to Jack Huston, President, this drive will end next Friday night. This drive has tripled the membership.

It is the intention of the officers to close the drive next Friday evening with a banquet and the awarding of prizes to the members. D. D. Hall, state president of the organization, addressed the members and suggested plans for the general relief work of the organization during this winter.

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Ye Smudge Pot

A conspiracy is being hatched to give the county another dose of the D.D.'s, or Delirium Drivels. It is feared the conspiracy will use good judgment and not be hatched.

Thurston Daniels is being boomed for the legislature, on the grounds "that he is an ideal selection, and never mixed in politics." That is why he is an "ideal man."

Many of the Older Older Girls were out Fri. pm. hobnobbing and enjoying the May sunshine in November. Infants were doing the same.

The United States has agreed to recognize Russia. There is nothing in the agreement stipulating that if the Russians whack off their whiskers, the Americans will obliterate their Charles Chaplin do-dad mustaches.

People are eating ducks, which are chiefly wishbone and bb shot.

The usual number of farmers were in town on their week-ends, despondent and dressed-up.

J. Wesley Bates, the chinwacker, celebrated 21 years of married life, and a birthday last week. He swears he has never been lucky.

Hog-killing has started in the hills, and the screams of hogs and country butchers float through the nippy air of the higher elevations.

Nothing has been heard from the Public Speaking class the past week, and that is fine.

A down-trodden citizen was caught Thurs. looking at a new auto, which he had already bought.

The dead leaf problem is confronting many lawnowners, who hope the Democratic administration will rake them up, unless a brisk wind acts.

The lack of money is still keenly felt by both rich and poor.

The Galbevikis are now wearing sidewalk length skirts, for evening wear, and the long-sleeved dinner dress in alluring fabrics and hues. The Italian Red makes a hit with most of the fair sex. Many of the womenfolk have got over the Depression and are sporting new regalia, that knocks the eye out of a gent.

Football has squelched the higher education ruckus and the 18-k. jubilee for the nonce.

The cops nabbed a citizen who failed, like the state will, controlling liquor and cast him into durance vile, contrary to his constitutional rights. He will get a lawyer and find out about it.

Tom Johnlin has fled from Chicago, Ogden, N.Y., Buffalo, St. Louis, Tulsa and Norman, Okla., and Kansas City. He was well pleased with all points visited, and found no city just like Medford. This is not surprising, but nobody dares say so. He was glad to get back here, but was able to control himself.

C. Strang is dressing a better game of golf than ever. His boy Verge has a cold. Working in the drugstore he is unable to find a cure.

Now is the time to get your next year's auto license, if you have your this year's license.

Fletch Fish, the boom day tenor, negotiated another birthday last week.

Candidates for the legislature are blooming like spring flowers, and fluctuating like the dollar.

NEW BEER PRICE AT PIGGLY WIGGLY

William Cookey, manager of the Piggly Wiggly store, announced Saturday that the new price on Budweiser beer is three bottles for twenty-five cents as advertised in the Piggly Wiggly ad in Friday's paper. Mr. Cookey says he has a large stock of beer which will be sold at this new low price.

Heating costs can be reduced. For complete heating service call Art Schmidt, 418-1022.