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Salem's Gambling Cleanup

IT IS A TRIFLE difficult to become properly agitated over the present gambling situation in Oregon.

Gambling is such an old, old story, and cleaning up the gamblers has been done so many times.

A city has a sudden spasm of civic virtue, the gambling halls are raided, closed up, some of the guilty parties are put in jail; then public interest quickly subsides, and a few months later gambling at the same old stand has resumed precisely as it was before the crusade started.

But it is NOT difficult to become excited over the situation now existing in Salem, because there the gambling crusade has resulted in a direct attack by the attorney general's office upon the integrity and efficiency of the city police.

Our old friend Ralph Moody mines no words in declaring the only aid he has received in his gambling probe has been from the STATE police, that the Salem police "from the chief down" have tried in every way to thwart and obstruct the investigation.

STRONG words! But in all likelihood entirely justified. Nine times out of ten where gambling has become a scandal and a disgrace, the local police are in on the deal, and just as responsible as the gamblers for the condition existing.

Just as responsible and far more GUILTY. For the police take an oath to enforce and uphold the law, and the gamblers have assumed no such responsibility.

IF THIS bombshell exploded by the attorney general's office, results in not only a clean-up of the Salem gambling situation, but a clean-up of the Salem police department—which it should—then what started as just "another gambling crusade" will end as a decidedly worth while, and permanent accomplishment.

For gambling goes just as far as the local police want it to go and no farther.

A police department sincere in its desire to protect the state capital from the gambling racket, could not only do so, but could continue to do so just as long as the sincerity of its desires continued.

In other words, if this gambling crusade in Salem results in the securing of such a police department, then unlike so many moral spasms in the past, this revival of virtue as far as gambling is concerned, will result in constructive accomplishment and genuine moral advancement.

Which will be all to the good for everyone concerned.

Is Improvement Lasting?

EVERYONE knows business is better. But will it continue to be better? This is the burning question of the day, and nothing psychologically would help business more than a reply in the affirmative from some authoritative source.

Well here is the reply of the National City bank of New York City in its regular monthly review of the situation,—decidedly optimistic and from a conservative standpoint, about as authoritative as anything could be.

"The improvement in business this Fall, after only a nominal Summer recession, naturally is influencing sentiment very favorably. It is plain that 1935 will close with more genuine confidence in the outlook for the coming year than there has been at any time since the depression started. In the most trying year of the depression, 1932, business was oppressed by the fear that the economic system itself, the system of specialized production and exchange of goods, was breaking down beyond repair, and that its powers of recuperation had been destroyed.

"This fear was proved unfounded by the beginning of world recovery in the Summer of 1932, but it was later succeeded by the fear that governmental interference, experiments in a managed economy, fiscal extravagance, taxation and waste, would block the natural recovery.

"Of course these handicaps are still present, and they limit confidence. But after the 1935 experience of persistent improvement despite unfavorable conditions, and extension of the recovery movement to durable goods lines, business men are more disposed to believe that the natural recuperative power of the economic system is the important thing; and that it can to a considerable degree overcome the handicaps. This shift of emphasis from the difficulties to the natural power of recovery has been the great gain in the psychology of business during 1935."

Oh So! says FRANK WATANABE by ED HOLDEN. I got so much intelligence pumped in me about those Townsend plan—that I am deflated with knowledge.

Update leaders of the Old Age Pension plan are engaged in a controversy. The state manager is called "the Hitler of Oregon" and the assistant manager is charged with political connivings with the Mayor of Klamath Falls.

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Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M D. Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene not to disease diagnosed or treatment will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink.

DEFICIENCY OF VITAMIN B. Even the physician with a very large practice will see only a few cases a year in which he will suspect, opines Dr. Walter C. Alvarez, that the symptoms are due to too great a narrowing of a diet.

How can even a physician with a very large practice suspect a condition of which he knows practically nothing? The knowledge in regard to vitamins and their role in nutrition, health and disease has come chiefly from sources outside of the medical profession.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Rheumatism. Kindly advise whether inflammatory rheumatism is caused by the absorption of poison waste from the teeth, sinuses, etc., or by overwork or long hours of work with exposure to cold and wet.

Safeguard Children. We are going to have our two sons, 4 and 7, vaccinated. Would it be advisable to have them immunized against diphtheria at the same time?

Honey. Does honey contain vitamin? What is its food value? (Mrs. V. P.) Answer—Only an insignificant amount of vitamins if any in honey.

Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M. D., 265 E. Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

NEW YORK DAY BY DAY. By O. O. McIntyre. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Two of the world's cleverest men met at a luncheon at the Plaza the other day.

With the abolishment of the Black Chamber, America no longer has such experts as Yardley and Painvin. Painvin is president of an electric corporation. Yardley is doing cinema matinees.

Some feminist must have had a hand in the town naming of my native state of Missouri. In an old atlas today I found these postoffice addresses: Mabel, Cora, Pearl, Beulah, Victoria, Patsy, Angelina, Grace, Myrtle, Christine, Tina, Opal, Eunice, Hattie, Lulu, Elberta, Agnes, Belle, Isabelle and Ethel.

One of Broadway's stock hilarities is the gorgeous ermine coat owned by a theatrical agent. A popular fellow in stage-wise circles, he is celebrated for always acquiring a beautiful one. As the story goes, on the afternoon of the evening gala he telephoned to ask his companion for the event if she has a smart wrap.

Yardley is a stocky, round-headed, grey-eyed, Irishman. Painvin is a slender, tall and cultured Frenchman. Neither spoke the other's language and Gelett Burgess acted as interpreter.

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Flight 'o Time

Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 30 Years Ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY. December 12, 1925. (It was Saturday) Rose Kline is named master of the Eagle Point Grange.

Twenty high school football players are given letters. Each player was paid a fine tribute by the coach. When he received his letter, and the most glowing one handed to "Pitt" Putney, a guard, who played on the scrubs for four years before he received any recognition.

Blizzard rages over middle west; balmy weather in valley. Merchants report heavy holiday trade.

Saloons of city announce rapid disposal of stock. State goes "dry" January 1. French troops cut off from British by Bulgarians on Serb front.

AS TO the New Deal, the supreme court on Monday made these rulings: 1. That federal incorporation of building and loan associations AGAINST states' wishes is unconstitutional.

WHY are these rulings important? Because they uphold the RIGHT OF STATES to make their own laws and run their own affairs, whereas the tendency and apparent effort of the New Deal is to concentrate authority in Washington.

ONE more question: "What does all this mean to you and me?" Well, it all depends on whether we want government relatively SMALL AND CLOSE, so that we can get at it and fix it over if we don't like it, or BIG AND REMOTE and therefore hard to get at.

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Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS. TWO headlines of considerable interest to everybody: "Supreme Court Denies Hauptmann's Appeal."

Apparently Doesn't Like Mr. Wirth. To the Editor: I think it is about time some facts were brought to light.

As a 100 percent Townsend follower, resent the dastardly attack by H. E. Wirth, through the Medford News, against the coming of the new newspaper to Medford.

Mr. Wirth should keep close to his boasted Townsend headquarters contact and know whereof he speaks before he makes such uncalculated and unwarranted attacks.

The fact is Wirth's past record indicates he's a dyed-in-the-wool "New Dealer" at heart and therefore represents any newspaper coming in which might stamp the News, which is undoubtedly a "New Deal" advocate.

Wirth ran for governor last year on the independent ticket, so did Peter Zimmerman. When Wirth lost his political wind, was enough of an independent at heart to throw his support to the other independent candidate? He was not; he came out 100 percent for Joe Dunne.

Now, I ask you, what assurance has anyone that he wouldn't "throw the race" if put in the saddle again for a high office?

I, for one, heartily agree with a local writer who penned these expressive words: "Definition of a Dodo." I thought dodos were extinct, folks, but I find that they're still here. They're the guys who always "wrest" you, when election time draws near. I heard one in Medford last week, using the phrase of Townsend's plan, then endorse the state dodo pension. How is that, folks, for a man? Men who try to win an office, fall and try again, are poor risks, when all's at stake, folks, like our Townsend pension plan. Don't be fooled by such old dodos; don't prove false to Townsend plan; he will tell you who is worthy; let him first induce your man.

Wirth and his new deal newspaper supporters ought to know that all the Jackson county Townsends are not blind. At any rate, I am one who can't be fooled by such old dodos into putting my confidence into a person whose past performance indicate to me he is a new dealer in Townsend clothing.

I will appreciate it most sincerely if you will give this space in your paper today. There's a reason. MRS. MARTHA BAXTER, December 12.

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