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The present campaign is notable for one fact—the fairness with which it has been conducted. None of the candidates on either ticket has indulged in any unfair tactics, and those who go down to defeat will have no reason to feel "sore" with their opponents. It is to be hoped that all future campaigns will be conducted on the same high plane.

The Republican, in last week's issue, published the picture of W. A. Delzell, announcing under the name that he was the democratic candidate for county treasurer. This was so obviously a mistake that an explanation is hardly necessary. Mr. Delzell is the candidate for county clerk on the democratic ticket.

The voters of this county will be called upon next Monday to choose officers for the ensuing two years. The Republican has not felt called upon to thrust its views upon its readers, for the reason that the well known character and ability of the republican nominees needed no special eulogies. They are men of whom the party has reason to feel proud. There is no reason why the party vote should not be cast for them. If this is done then Klamath county will have a full set of republican officials.

We publish this week a list of the republican candidates, with a brief statement about each. Read this over carefully. Is there a man mentioned therein who is not thoroughly well qualified for the office he seeks? Is there aught you can say against the character of any one of them? Will they not give to the county an honest, efficient and business administration? Then why bolt and elect a democrat? Let the party be solid for once and give all of the candidates an even majority. Think it over, and when the idea occurs to you that you ought to step over to the other side just forget it.

When you go to the polls next Monday to cast your vote, do not fail to vote for Mr. Cake. We have no fight to make on Mr. Chamberlain. As a man and as a democrat he is all that he ought to be, but in this particular instance he is not the man for Oregon or Klamath county. This section will have much to ask from congress during the next few years and consequently we will need all the influence we can get. No one will deny the fact that a republican will have greater weight under present circumstances than a democrat will, and therefore it behooves the people of Klamath, irrespective of party, to get back of Cake and give him as big a majority as possible. His election is assured, and Klamath county should be numbered as among the counties giving him a handsome majority.

Corvallis, May 17.—"Sentiment in favor of the re-election of Congressman W. C. Hawley is so nearly unanimous that there can scarcely be said to be a Congressional Campaign in progress," said Chairman C. V. Johnson, of the First District Committee, today. "The people of this district, regardless of party lines, appreciate the fact that Hawley is making good at Washington. They recognize in him a man of high intellectual attainments, tireless industry and rare oratorical ability. The republicans of the district were so well satisfied with their representative that they renominated him without opposition.

"It has been very gratifying to the people of this district to read in the news dispatches from time to time that by his earnestness, his sincerity and his devotion to duty, Hawley has made a favorable impression in Washington. Though the unwritten rules forbid a new congressman to thrust himself forward, we are glad to learn that Hawley has made many warm friends in the House of Representatives and that during his first session he had opportunity, in discussing the Oregon and California land grant resolution, to demonstrate his ability as an effective public speaker."

"Here in Oregon we know Hawley as a man fitted both by native talents and by education for the work of a statesman. All his life he has kept himself well informed upon all public questions. We are justified, therefore, in believing that he will soon attain a position of influence in the House of Representatives. We all understand that it takes time for any man to rise to leadership and we expect to keep Hawley in Washington until he has had a chance to work his way to the top."

"Hawley's persistent efforts for the cancellation of the railroad land grant, his systematic work in behalf of a government appropriation for free locks at Oregon City, his advocacy of river and harbor improvements, and his attitude in favor of tariff revision while maintaining the protective principle have met the approval of the people of his district. This satisfactory public record, together with the personal esteem in which he is held because of his high moral character, his genial disposition and his intellectual attainments, make it a pleasure for the people of his district to vote for him regardless of party lines."

One of the planks of the Republican state platform is as follows: We are opposed to the abuse of the initiative and referendum by the submission to the people large numbers of

measures on the same ballot. The people are too busy to give these measures the attention necessary to insure wise action. The number of measures to be submitted to any one election should be limited and it should be further provided that a measure once voted down by the people should be ineligible to a place on the ballot for a period of six years thereafter.

The later part of this plank is clearly directed against woman suffrage. This proposition was thoroughly canvassed two years ago and was defeated by a majority of 10,173. There has been no change in public opinion on this question and the immigration into the state has been chiefly of those opposed to this amendment. Nevertheless it is again foisted on the ballot under the misleading title of "Equal Suffrage" in the hope that through the inattention of the voters and the carelessness which will follow from the large number of propositions submitted, this measure may now slip through. The convention is right. This is an abuse of the initiative. The amendment ought to be defeated by a larger majority than that of two years ago.

Republican Candidates

U. S. Senator—Hon. H. M. Cke, aka U. S. Senator, is all that we can ask for in one candidate. Mr. Cke is a man of pleasing appearance, an eloquent speaker, a man that understands the political situation. While many regret that Mr. Fulton was beaten, yet we realize, by the vote Mr. Cke received in his home county that he is as popular there as Mr. Fulton was here. Mr. Cke is deserving of his party vote.

Congressman—W. C. Hawley points to his first record with pride; in fact his record is his platform.

Justice of the Supreme Court—R. S. Bean needs no special mention.

Dairy and Food Commissioner—J. W. Bailey is also a winner.

R. R. Commissioner—T. K. Campbell is a man for the people and is entitled to the support of the entire party.

Prosecuting Attorney—D. V. Kaykendall, as Prosecuting Attorney, is practically without opposition. He is well qualified and Klamath and Lake Counties are to be congratulated on having been able to place so competent an attorney in nomination for the place.

State Senator—Geo. H. Merryman, as State Senator, is a rising young Statesman having served one term in the lower House and demonstrated his ability.

Representatives—Our State Representatives, H. P. Selkoup and H. A. Bratlain, are strong candidates and will more than hold their party strength.

Sheriff—W. B. Barnes is well qualified to fill the office, having served as a sheriff of Lake County, also as deputy sheriff. He has a good education, is an active man, well acquainted with all the surrounding county and make an efficient officer. Vote for him.

County Clerk—C. R. Delap, as County Clerk, is well known to you all, having served this county as School Superintendent in a way that is a credit to himself. He is now serving as Deputy Sheriff of this county and is known to be a thoroughly competent man.

School Superintendent—J. G. Swan is a man that has been conspicuously before the public for the past five years and has accomplished wonders in educational lines. He is well fitted for the place.

Assessor—Bert E. Withrow, as Assessor, is the right man in the right place, having served a number of years in the Abstract Office and having a complete abstract of every piece of deeded land in the county, puts him in a position to better judge the value of real estate than any other man we know.

County Surveyor—M. D. Williams has been conspicuously before the public during his term of office. His work speaks for his efficiency.

County Commissioner—C. J. Swingle is a pioneer of Klamath County. He is a conservative business man and has made a success with his own business venture, and it is fair to assume that he will do as well with the county business.

The Southern Oregon State Normal School will conduct a six weeks summer course, beginning June 18 and ending July 31, 1908. The course offered is as follows:

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LOCAL OPTION

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For the sake of those who cannot vote, cast your ballot against the saloon.

A saloon cannot long do business without boys. Have you got one to spare? Think about it.

The Financial Aspect of the Saloon in Klamath.

The only plea that the saloon can possibly make, justifying its existence, is the plea that it is a financial help to the community. It knows full well that it has no moral ground on which to stand and its plea of "personal liberty" is so facetious as to every where provoke a smile. So it has been driven to its last stand on the ground of finances. This is the ground that every advocate of prohibition for the last fifty years has been hoping that it would take. It will prove the saloons' Waterloo.

Suppose we take a survey of things as they are in Klamath Falls and Klamath county. Klamath county received from the saloons last year \$1,000. This is the amount paid by the saloons that are not in incorporated towns. Over against this the saloons have cost the county in the last year:

Cost of the trial of Corporal and Peterstiner \$3,614
Other prosecution of crime caused by drink 646
Expense to the county of five men destitute through drink 835
Maintaining the Johnson family since March 1st, \$20 per month, three months 60
(This item will continue indefinitely.)
Maintaining a man with a broken leg, nurse \$3 per day and other expenses approximating 125

Total \$5,280
Direct loss to tax payers \$4,280
While the county receives no money from the saloons that pay a license in incorporated towns, yet it is evident that the county has to meet the expenses that arise from crime and pauperism caused by these saloons.

More than this there has been a loss that can not be counted in dollars and cents. There have been in the last year:

Deaths through drunkenness and drunken rows 5
Serious accidents through which the injured or his family have become a county charge 3
Men impoverished by drink and becoming a county charge 5
Persons sent to the penitentiary and reformatory (crimes either committed while drunk or for drink) 5
Besides this there are the hundreds of things that can not be tabulated; heart aches, suffering, poverty, incapacity for work, loss of manhood and self respect, a heredity of diseased bodies, minds and wills passed on to innocent generations yet unborn. Can Klamath county afford to pay \$5.28 for every \$1 that it receives and take with that one dollar all the train of results that it drags behind it? You will have a chance to register your answer on June 1st.

How about the incorporated towns? For the \$5,000 which the town of Bonanza has collected from the saloons in license money since the town was incorporated, all that it has to show is a little city jail made necessary by the saloons. The rest of the money has been paid out for the police protection and the prosecution of petty crimes caused by the saloon. Are Bonanza people willing to give the life of their fellow citizen who drowned a few weeks ago while drunk, in exchange for that little jail? And who can compute the many other things that must be taken out of the cost of that little jail?

During the year just closing the saloons have paid into the treasury of Klamath Falls \$4,900. Several careful estimates, made independently by different people for different purposes, place the minimum amount that has been spent in the saloons of Klamath Falls during the last year at \$100,000. The amount for each of the preceding years has, at least, equaled that amount. During the last three years the earnings and business men of the city and community have paid in to the saloons at least \$300,000. During the same time the saloons have paid to the city approximately \$15,000.

"But," the objection is raised, "this money's not lost. It comes back into the city in the channels of trade." Let us see.

Suppose that each saloon (there are 12) furnishes employment for two men at an annual salary of \$1,200 each. Also each saloon occupies a room that will rent for \$50 per month. Now let us see.

The license paid \$ 4,900
Rent of 12 buildings, \$50 per mo. 7,200
Salaries 24 men spent in town - 28,800
Advertising, etc. 2,000

Total \$42,900
The difference is quickly seen to be \$57,100

Somebody in Klamath Falls is paying \$100,000 for which there is coming to the city in trade \$42,900. If that \$57,100 could be put directly into the channels of trade without having to pass through those places where it suffers a leak of \$57,100 would it not be better for the business interests of the city? Are we not simply throwing away \$57,100 every year? The saloon men themselves affirm that they are

only making a bare living. Where is this \$57,100? The saloon men say that they have nothing to show for it in accumulated property. The citizens have nothing to show for it in enhanced values of property. The city has nothing to show for it in debts paid, paved streets, sewer system or municipal plants. The man who spent it has worse than nothing. Where is it?

If the loss for one year were spent for flour it would buy 49,852 sacks at \$1.15 per sack, or enough to feed the whole of Klamath county for more than a year. At an average price of ten cents per pound it would buy 571,000 pounds of meat or 285 pounds per year for every person in Klamath Falls, which is a great deal more than is bought at present. It would buy two good suits of clothes each year for every man and boy in Klamath Falls and leave some over for socks, shirts and underwear. It would put \$100 worth of new furniture into every home in Klamath Falls. It would repair every dwelling house in the city. If this loss were divided equally among the nineteen grocery, dry goods, furniture and hardware stores and butcher shops, it would add \$5,005.26 annually to the volume of business done by each, and that would spell PROSPERITY for Klamath Falls in box car letters. Is it any wonder that every town in Oregon that went dry two years ago is experiencing a boom?

If this money, which has been worse than given away during the last three years, had been paid into the city treasury, see what it would have done. One year's gift would have paid off the city indebtedness. Another year's gift would have bought a good water system. Another would have put in a good sewer system.

This amount of money lost each year would pay the total expense of running our public schools for TEN YEARS.

It would pay the expenses of 100 boys at college each year.

It would build each year eight miles of crushed rock roads as good as the road to Altamont.

If it could be divided up among the inhabitants of the town it would give every man, woman and child a savings account of \$50.

An amount equal to each of the above items is lost—aye, worse than lost—each year in this city. Are we going to allow such an unchecked drain upon our resources? The saloon not only robs legitimate business but it bests men, and inflicts untold hardship, suffering and poverty on the families. Besides all this, when the saloon has taken all the man's money, crazed his brain, made him a thing of ridicule and shame, it kicks him out—the finished product of the saloon. Such an one was driven out of one of our saloons on the evening of May 18, at about 7 o'clock in the evening. With blood streaming from a gash in his face, his eyes wild with fury and screeching like a maniac, he reeled down the walk insulting and frightening women and children. After being locked up by the police he attempted to burn the jail. Then he made the night hideous with screams, disturbing the sleep of peaceful citizens. Must we forever be insulted with such things as that? Are not our sisters, wives, daughters to be safe on the main street of our town and that in broad daylight? Let us remove this stench from under our very noses. Let us make it possible to walk our streets without having our ears and our eyes insulted with profanity, obscenity and vulgarity of every sort.

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A Disgusting Record

Truth, a reputable paper, published at Detroit, Mich., some months ago started an investigation of the affairs of the Michigan Anti-Saloon League, and is prepared to prove in court, if necessary, that it is nothing more nor less than a gigantic graft, wherein the superintendents, traveling representatives and employes in general pocket the receipts of the league, contributed by zealous Christian people of the state for reform work against the saloon. Truth says:

The men at the head of the Michigan Anti-Saloon League, who are responsible for the funds so generously poured into its coffers by the public, are men of prominence in the state. It is owing to their well known reputation for honesty that the Christian people of the state are led to contribute so generously to the league's support. And yet it is a fact that these men do not handle one cent of the receipts or have anything to do with the management of the league further than to meet once a year, audit the books and request the resignation of the state superintendent for misappropriation of funds of the league, as they have been forced to do for several years past.

At the last annual convention, held a year ago, the board of trustees found that the solicitors and collectors for the league were appropriating the funds to their own use, that the district superintendents were doing the same, and that the state superintendent was pocketing whatever moneys came into his hands. His resignation was demanded, and Rev. L. B. Bissell, of Lansing, was offered the position.

Dr. Bissell made a strenuous effort to bring order out of chaos. His reputation as a clergyman was at stake. That he failed to secure any control over the small army of ex-preachers, ex-professors and grafters who were traveling the state as representatives of the Anti-Saloon League, collecting money at their pleasure, was no fault of his.

Professor J. P. Vroman, the field secretary, traveled about the state, opening up churches, delivering addresses and collecting funds, every cent of which he appropriated to his own use. Not content with this, he borrowed from all who would loan him in towns he visited. To the state superintendent's appeal for the turning over of the funds he collected, Vroman turned a deaf ear; he needed the money himself.

A. Frank Ferris, of Grand Rapids, conducted his district to suit himself. He pocketed the funds which should have gone into the treasury, and when an attempt was made to make him disgorge he resigned.

Rev. S. C. Strickland, the superintendent of the Kalamazoo district, is a fit one. He made the collectors and solicitors in his district turn all funds over to him. He in turn turned the state superintendent a statement of all moneys collected, but he kept the cash. Not one cent would he turn over.

And so it went all over the state, in spite of Dr. Bissell's efforts to check the abuse. At last, realizing that he was fast securing a reputation as a grafter himself, without getting any of the graft, the doctor resigned.

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