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They Did "Dare" Vote Against It.

Mr. Claude Thayer made a good speech at the meeting on Friday from a lawyer's point of view in arguing a case before a jury, but his closing remarks, from a citizen's point of view, were those of a despot and had the ring of despotism. We certainly felt surprised when Mr. Thayer reiterated the remark that the citizens did not dare vote the proposition down after listening to what he had to say. What would people think if the HEADLIGHT, indisscussing any subject, dared them to vote only as it dictated? They would naturally think we wanted to be Czar of All Tillamook. We are honest in believing that Mr. Thayer will admit that he erred in judgment when he dared American citizens to vote any other way than that he dictated after listening to his remarks. What Mr. Thayer principally talked about was the need of a sewerage system in Tillamook City. We say "Amen" to everything he said in favor of it, for he substantiated what the HEADLIGHT had already pointed out showing how important it is that this city should be drained. But Mr. Thayer's argument lacked logic. He "dared" his listeners to vote down a \$60,000 water proposition, which exhausted the city's credit and left nothing for a sewerage system.

A Water Question Suggestion

Now that the water question is disposed of for a time, and in deference to those who wanted a new system, the HEADLIGHT would now like to make a suggestion. As in all probability the amended city charter, under which the vote was taken on Monday, will be unconstitutional if the initiative and referendum law so declared, we would suggest that a committee of about dozen of the largest taxpayers in our most successful business men be appointed to discuss the matter from a business, economic and sanitary point of view, and not, as the recent agitation was intended by some people, to "do up" the present company in business. Let the committee be composed of men like C. Thayer, M. W. Harrison, G. B. Hadley, B. L. Eddy, C. L. Clough, P. W. Todd, Geo. Edmunds, Geo. Cole, E. T. Halton, A. McNair, P. McIntosh, R. L. Wade, etc., men who have large interests in the city and who are competent to take the matter up coolly and discuss it as a business, sanitary and economic proposition and come to an understanding as to the needs of the city and how far it is wise to run in debt. The water company has been given its last chance to improve its system so as to furnish better fire protection, and if it fails to do so now the committee should make some recommendation for a new and better sewerage system, for in our judgment one is just as necessary as the other, and it was an unwise proposition to exhaust the city's credit for a water system and which left nothing for sewerage. And for that reason the HEADLIGHT is glad the vote went Monday as it did. We believe that a committee like we have suggested would be the proper persons to take the matter of water and sewerage up, not those who pay little or no taxes and who are here today and gone tomorrow, and who go on the theory of doing all the shouting, leaving the large taxpayers or prosperity to foot the bills. It is a little singular that out of the several streams and routes proposed by Engineer Chase those who voted to bond the city on Monday did not know which they voted for or which would be constructed if the citizens had by a majority vote decided to bond the city. Let this "hot air" bust up, agitation on the water question take water, and allow the conservative and successful business men and largest taxpayers to put their heads together and decide what is best. Then it will not take long to come to a proper solution of the question. But as long as the agitation is kept up by those who have been monomaniacs on the water question the past four or five years, there is not much likelihood that the business men and taxpayers will come to a common understanding as to what is best to be done for the city.

The Governor and the Eddy Law.

As there appears to be some objections to the Eddy tax law, which imposes a tax on corporations, by "wild cat" mining companies, the opinion of Governor Chamberlain is well worth repeating. He says: "I still believe in the plan of the corporation tax law and hope that no change will be made. The law has not yet had a fair trial and it should be left as it is until we have learned more of its practical operation. I see no reason to believe that the fees required to be paid are so heavy as to crush out any industry or enterprise organized and conducted in a legitimate manner. "Of course the law is not perfect. No scheme of taxation yet devised by the human mind has been found entirely just and equal. But the theory of the corporation tax law is right and should be continued and extended until all our state revenues are derived from indirect sources. This is the policy that is being pursued in other states, and while we cannot hope to reach the desired end for many years to come, our effort should be to increase indirect taxes until we have entirely separated state taxes from county taxes. If, after a fair trial, we find that we can improve the Eddy law by amending it, the amendments should then be made. One year's trial is not sufficient."

When the Eddy corporation tax law was passed it was estimated that it would produce a revenue of \$100,000 a year. The act has been in force scarcely more than six months and there has been paid into the state treasury \$91,868. F. T. Wrightman, corporation clerk in the office of the Secretary of state, estimates that the annual revenue will aggregate \$125,000 to \$150,000, with the latter sum not improbable. As a revenue measure, it is evident that the Eddy law will not be a disappointment. It has been frequently charged by promoters of wild cat mining companies that the Eddy law would keep out foreign corporations and prevent the organization of new concerns. It is true that the law has put a very noticeable check

upon the organization of corporations with enormous capital stock, but without any considerable assets. Corporations are now formed upon a more businesslike basis.

Mortgaging the Air.

In this age of credulous trustfulness nobody appears to be surprised at the effort now being made by audacious promoters to mortgage the very air we breathe in the shape of Marconi wireless securities. The advertisement that has been inserted extensively in the leading papers of the country announces that the safest and most promising investment before the public of today is the securities of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph company of America. Assurance is given by the promoters that the policy of the directory is conservative and the capitalization is exceedingly moderate. A limited allotment of the Marconi securities representing \$5 will increase to make the bait very attractive attention is directed to the fact that the original Edison electric light stock sold for \$4,000 a share one year after it reached par, and the Bell telephone stock has paid \$200,000 on each original investment of \$100. The information is also vouchsafed that "while the stock of the British Marconi company is now selling at only \$22 a share, it is likely that Marconi securities representing \$5 will increase in value \$200 or even \$300." This is a very attractive prospectus and were it not for the wavering of popular confidence in get rich quick schemes the air line mortgages would sell like hot cakes.

Pure Food Legislation.

The question of providing legislation to prevent the adulteration, misbranding and imitation of food, beverages and drugs is again before congress, bills for this purpose having been introduced in both branches. The house measure is by Mr. Hepburn and embodies the latest results of consultation of the position of such legislation. It has the approval of the chief of the bureau of chemistry and of the members of the committee on food standards of the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists. The senate bill is substantially similar through somewhat less comprehensive. The new Hepburn bill prohibits the introduction into any state or territory or the District of Columbia from any other state or territory or the District of Columbia, or from any foreign country, of any article of food or drugs which is adulterated or misbranded, within the meaning of the act. It provides that any person who shall ship or deliver for shipment or shall deliver, or have received, shall deliver, in original unbroken packages, for pay or otherwise, or offer to deliver to any other person, any article adulterated or misbranded within the meaning of the act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and the penalty for the offense being fine or imprisonment, or both, in the discretion of the court. This also applies to any person who shall sell or offer for sale in the territories or the United States adulterated, mixed, misbranded, or imitated foods or drugs, or export or offer to export the same to any foreign country. It is further provided that the director of the bureau of chemistry and foods shall under rules and regulations prescribed by the secretary of agriculture, make examinations of specimens of foods and drugs offered for sale in original unbroken packages in any territory or in any state other than that in which they shall have been respectively manufactured or produced, or from any foreign country, or intended for shipment to any foreign country, which may be collected from time to time in various parts of the country. It is believed that the policy of preventing trade in adulterated and misbranded foods and drugs can be made effective in the field covered by the Hepburn bill, it is pretty certain to be generally adopted by states for their internal traffic. It is not to be doubted that the example of the national government in the matter will have a very great influence upon state legislation, conducing to the enactment of uniform laws based upon the standard of the national law. Admitting the desirability and expediency of such legislation, it is manifestly important that national legislation shall come first, in order to set the standard for state legislation. The pure food bills that were before the last congress met with great opposition, having failed at the second session for lack of time to give them the necessary consideration and reach a final vote. There will be no such difficulty in the present congress and it is expected that the measures which have been introduced will be passed during the present session.

Blasts from Ram's Horn.

Greedy masters make greedy men. God never demands the impossible. Sacrifice is the measure of service. True culture are simple souls. No home is built with hands alone. They who court fame never win it. Faith does not exclude forethought. Easy virtue is the nurse of hard vice. It is not necessary to be irreverent in order to be reasonable. A man's reflection on others constitute a fair reflection of himself. The light of success needs to be trimmed with the shears of humility.

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Wall Street no Longer Leads.


A good deal of financial pressure and excitement has been noted in Wall Street during the year. The country has been mainly a spectator. Wall street flurries, such as have been witnessed in the last few months, may be classed as local phenomena. What has been described as a "rich man's panic" has troubled speculative circles, but has not touched the people generally, nor the industries. Even the venturesome rich are still rich with a few exceptions, though an immense amount of water has been squeezed out of extravagantly promoted schemes. In his report just published Secretary of the Treasury Shaw says that within a year the market value of stocks and bonds has depreciated in an amount beyond the cost of the civil war, "yet notwithstanding this enormous and inconceivable shrinkage, it has not affected in noticeable degree other classes of property." All the population are still rich with a few exceptions, though an immense amount of water has been squeezed out of extravagantly promoted schemes. In his report just published Secretary of the Treasury Shaw says that within a year the market value of stocks and bonds has depreciated in an amount beyond the cost of the civil war, "yet notwithstanding this enormous and inconceivable shrinkage, it has not affected in noticeable degree other classes of property." All the population are still rich with a few exceptions, though an immense amount of water has been squeezed out of extravagantly promoted schemes.

In the presence of these conditions of national prosperity, the speculative and syndicate operations of Wall street are a minor matter. But there is another important feature to be considered in connection with the decline of the old Wall street paramountcy. The West now owns itself. It is out of debt. It has a surplus of cash. Its products form the great bulk of foreign exports. Wall street's sensations, manipulations and combinations have become a side issue, compared with the larger fact mentioned. The tens of billions in substance cannot be seriously shaken by the ups and downs of billions on paper or in watered stock. Free from debt, and with money of its own, the West regards a Wall street "panic" among big speculators with more of curiosity than concern. Industrial interests throughout the country take the same view of the case, and feel the same sense of calm security. Lending-Westerners owe Wall street practically nothing and are consequently not disturbed by its stock mutations and syndicate exploitation. It is in no sectional spirit that the West rejoices in its freedom from debt and its abundant resources. The East was the old home of the Western people and is duly appreciated, but the time has passed when the West looks to the East for its capital, or to Wall street for the potential lending of its business barometer. On a cash basis, the West has reached an independent level.

Judge Parker says he will not talk politics while on the bench. If he is to run for President the people will insist on knowing something more about him than his name.

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