

**The Tillamook Headlight.**

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**Sheriffs Versus Gamblers.**

A headline in Friday's Journal read: "Sheriffs Against Gamblers," and it expressed an important and gratifying fact. The same could not have been stated as a fact a few years ago, probably not even two years ago, as to most sheriffs of Oregon who disregarded the state law against gambling because it had long been customary to do so, because public sentiment had not been aroused against the vice, and because city authorized and practically licensed it. But it is different now, and we find nearly all the sheriffs of Oregon standing squarely against the professional gamblers, and making it difficult if not impossible to carry on their nefarious business.

This is a genuine reform, and one that will stick. Not that gambling will be entirely suppressed or that professional or habitual gamblers will be completely frozen out of Oregon in a short time; in some towns they are yet more or less openly playing their vocation, but in many other towns gambling has been in a large degree suppressed, and is carried on if at all with difficulty. It is under the ban of public disapproval everywhere as it never was until within the past year or two, and the gamblers road in Oregon will grow rockier and thornier as the time passes.

The sheriffs ought to be "against the gamblers," in right good earnest, whatever their private opinions, because gambling is a crime, and they are the officers charged with the execution of the laws in the various counties. It is well that many sheriffs have followed Sheriff Word's lead in this matter, and it will be better still if they will mutually agree to carry on this warfare vigorously and on the same lines of action in every county.

The sheriffs ought to be "against the gamblers" also because the great majority of people, regardless of the statute, are against it. The sheriffs should be against it as a matter of policy as well as of duty. A professional or habitual gambler has no proper place in any civilized community, and should not be tolerated as such. The people are rightly down on him from a moral point of view. They despise his profession, and will support and reward officials sufficiently able and courageous to stamp out the unlawful and despicable business.

We are pleased that "the sheriffs are against the gamblers." They are right in being so. They should be even more so. Make gambling as a business as impossible in Oregon as it is odious to every good citizen.—Journal.

**Mark Twain on Woman Suffrage in New Zealand.**

In Mark Twain's "Following the Equator" is a couple of pages devoted to woman suffrage in New Zealand in which he gives the official figures showing that women vote in that country in as great a proportion as do the men. In the official report he also found this statement: "A feature of the election was the orderliness and sobriety of the people. Women were in no way molested." In commenting upon this he says:

"At home a standing argument against woman suffrage has always been that women could not go to the polls without being insulted. The prophets have been prophesying ever since the woman's rights movement began in 1848, and in 47 years they have never scored a hit.

"Men ought to begin to feel a sort of respect for their mothers and wives and sisters by this time. The women deserve a change of attitude like that, for they have wrought well. In forty-seven years they have swept an imposingly large number of unfair laws from the statute books of America. In that brief time these serfs have set themselves free—essentially. Men could not have done so much for themselves in that time without bloodshed—at least they never have. The women have accomplished a peaceful revolution, and a very beneficent one; and yet that has not convinced the average man that they are intelligent and have courage and energy and perseverance and fortitude. It takes much to convince the average man of anything; and perhaps nothing can ever make him realize that he is the average woman's inferior—yet in several important details the evidences seem to show that that is what he is. Man has ruled the human race from the beginning—but he should remember that up to the middle of the present century it was a dull world, and ignorant and stupid. This is woman's opportunity—she has had none before. I wonder where man will be in another forty-seven years?"

**Torture of a Preacher.**

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church, of Harpersville, N.Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of Throat and Lungs. At Chas. I. Clough, druggist: price 50c. and \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

**TOOZE ANNOUNCES STAND.**

**Candidate for Congress Names the Planks of His Platform.**

WOODBURN, Or., Dec. 22.—First of the district candidates for Congress to announce his platform is Walter L. Tooze. Of this place, who today made a statement of the issues which he will use in the campaign.

Mr. Tooze declares himself for improvement of the Columbia River, Coos Bay, Yaquina Bay and other Oregon harbors and for the National ownership of the Oregon City locks; for stringent exclusion of Chinese laborers; for larger powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in order to cope with rate evils; for larger compensation for rural mail-carriers; for better protection of the lives of railroad employes and limitation of their hours of labor; for liberal pensions to sailors and soldiers and Indian War veterans; for national aid to public highways, and for promotion of National irrigation projects.

Mr. Tooze also announces his adherence to the direct-primary law and declares that Portland should have a larger share in supply contracts, most of which have been received by Puget Sound bidders.

**Mr. Tooze's Platform.**

It is unnecessary for a lifelong Republican who has always supported the principles and nominees of the Republican party to do more than reaffirm his belief in sound finance, the doctrine of protection, and other cardinal principles of Republicanism. However, they are some questions to which a candidate for Congress should give special attention.

I recognize the vital importance and great necessity for deepening the channel of the Columbia River, and the improvement of its harbor, so that its ports shall possess the same commercial advantages as are now enjoyed by Puget Sound cities. The same class of vessels should be able to ship cargoes from Portland that now enter Seattle and Tacoma. I would firmly stand for the necessary Federal appropriation for the accomplishment of this great undertaking and for the early completion of the Celilo Canal.

As Congressman from the First District, I would also deem it my duty to secure appropriations for a deep sea harbor at Coos Bay which shall be second to none on the Pacific Coast; and for the further improvement of Yaquina Bay and the other west coast harbors. Every one of them is vitally important to the people of the rich and productive territory tributary to them. The opening of their harbor will benefit the producers of the interior by affording them competitive markets for their product.

The farmers of the Willamette Valley are paying a yearly tribute of more than \$100,000 as lockage charges at Oregon City. This obstruction to the free commerce of a National highway should be removed without further delay. Therefore, the purchase of the Oregon City locks by the Government is a matter of great importance, and my best energies would be devoted to secure this necessary legislation demanded by people of the state.

**Would Keep Chinese Out.**

Oregon has need of large numbers of the better class of immigrants; but, for the direct protection of the laborers of our country, I am unalterably opposed to the influx of Chinese and Japanese coolie laborers into the country; and I would favor the most stringent laws to secure their total exclusion, and to protect American labor, both organized and unorganized, from any degrading competition whatsoever. Every dollar paid to an American laborer is expended at home and remains in circulation among our people. Of every dollar paid to the Chinese and Japanese laborers, more than 75 per cent of it is exported to Asia and is lost to the commercial lifeblood of our citizens.

I favor giving the Interstate Commerce Commission power to remedy any existing abuses and injustices in freight rates, to shippers, growing out of discriminatory nations and rebates. All public officials should be prohibitive by law, both state and national, from receiving or using passes, franks or free transportation.

The free rural delivery carriers of our country do not now receive salaries commensurate with the arduous and responsible duties performed by them. I would stand firmly for the enactment of the Fairbanks bill, which is desired by and has the endorsement of the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association. It is my judgment that further relief should be given rural carriers by granting to them an allowance of \$250 per annum for horse hire, which will place them on an equal basis with mounted letter-carriers in the large cities of the United States.

I am strongly in favor of the enactment of such laws as would give to the railroad employes of this country adequate protection to their lives while engaged in such service.

**Pension for Soldiers.**

I believe in the payment of liberal pensions to American soldiers and sailors, and the enactment of such laws as will grant to the Indian war veterans the same pensions and public land rights now accorded by law to Civil War veterans.

I stand for the enactment of laws that shall afford National aid to the improve-



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