

hood and his God. It gives nothing in return.

The liquor traffic is unfair to the business man. It gets the first grab at the workman's wages, by trapping him Saturday and Sunday just after he has been paid his weekly wage. It shows its greed by keeping open long after other stores are closed. It plays upon its patron's weakness and passions and unfits them for legitimate business. It strips men of their money and precludes the possibility of their paying other legitimate bills.

The liquor traffic is unfair to labor. It uses up raw material, employing a less number of men in the process than any other business. It employs a far smaller number of men for the money invested than any other activity. It makes life for the laborer, in these days of machinery, exceedingly dangerous. It unfits the man who, without it, is a very capable workman. It spends for the laborer all his money, and makes it impossible for him to use liquor and buy a home. Everything that makes against the laborer also is a damage to the employers.

The liquor is unfair to those seeking the betterment of the community. Schools are not so well attended from the homes of drinking men. Children of drinking parents are not as clear headed to do intellectual labor. Churches find the saloon the greatest obstacle in their work of evangelizing the land. All reforms expend most of their strength against the saloon, and every kind of crime makes a breastwork of the liquor traffic behind which to hide.

The New Oregon State School For The Deaf.

The fall session of the new State School for the Deaf will open Sept. 28th. The new buildings, for which the last legislature appropriated seventy five thousand dollars, have been completed and are being made ready for occupancy. Those formerly occupied have been transferred to the State Sanitarium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis.

The new School plant is modern in every respect, and is most conveniently located in the suburbs of Salem, on a track of fifty two acres, on the line of the Oregon Electric and about half a mile west of the State Fair Grounds.

The object of this school is to educate the deaf children who come to it without language into useful, intelligent, self-supporting citizens. This is accomplished by means of both literary and industrial training. Seven literary and five industrial teachers are employed. All the literary teachers have received special technical training for their work, principally at the training schools in Washington, D. C., Northampton, Mass. and Philadelphia. Great attention is devoted to the development of speech and speech-reading among the deaf in addition to the necessary instruction in written language.

Trades teaching is an exceedingly important part of the work, and this feature has been greatly strengthened in the last few years. The girls are given ample time and skilled instruction by special teachers in cooking, sewing and dressmaking; while boys are taught printing, woodwork, leather work, and for those interested, considerable attention is given to general farm and garden work.

The recent progress of the school is shown by the winning of the gold medal for general excellence of work shown at the Alaska Yukon Exposition, in connection with the state schools of Washington, California and Utah.

A majority of the pupils enter school not knowing a word of language, not even their own names, and the transformation of these pupils into intelligent young men and women and skilled workers, capable of independent, useful and happy citizenship, is truly marvelous. A number of graduates are successfully pursuing courses at the National College for the Deaf in Washington, D. C.

Through ignorance of the existence of the school, or misconception of its purpose and character, there are deaf children in many communities who are not sent at the proper time, and others are allowed to grow up to manhood and womanhood, ignorant, helpless, dependent, unable to express their simplest wants in verbal language, cut off from social converse, mentally and spiritually starved and stunted. Their unnecessary plight is infinitely worse than that of the wholly illiterate hearing person, and surely no missionary, or social, or civic duty was ever more sacred than that of seeing that there as few cases as possible. Especially so as the state provides free every facility for the prevention of such disastrous results. Full information regarding the school can be had by addressing the Superintendent State School for Deaf, Salem, Oregon.

Unfair.
(The Stainless Flag.)
Liquor traffic is unfair to the business man. It makes the saloon a city in all its impurity and crime. What the traffic promotes the disgrace of the city. The citizens are members in the criminality of the traffic.

Liquor traffic is unfair to the principal business of a city. It is the making of nothing should be allowed but such as conduces to the good of the home. We know in all of life in any neighborhood damages the home as a liquor saloon.

ASSEMBLY OPPOSITION IS DYING.

Only a Few Republican Papers Fighting the Party.

Polk County Observer.
It is a fact worthy of mention that the number of Republican newspapers in Oregon fighting the assembly is steadily growing less. Prior to the holding of the assembly, a few Republican papers were hostile to the plan. This condition no longer exists. Perusal of our exchanges each week discloses a steadily diminishing opposition, until today, out of a total of more than 100 Republican papers in the state, scarcely a half dozen are fighting the assembly candidates.

The cause of this change of attitude is evident to any thinking mind. In the first place, the editors who opposed the assembly at the outset, in the fear that an effort was being made to set aside the primary law, have found that this gathering of Republicans did not take away from the voters of Oregon a single right or privilege. They further see these assembly candidates going quietly about their business affairs, leaving their candidacy in the hands of the people and willing to submit to the popular verdict on the 24th day of September, while a miscellaneous horde of disgruntled politicians and professional piousness, posing as anti-assembly candidates, are running around over the state, engaged in the most unseemly and disgusting scramble for office it has ever been the lot of the Oregon voter to witness.

The greater part of this pretended opposition to the assembly is nothing more in reality than a well-laid plan to defeat the Republican party in the state. Awaking to a realization of this fact, these editors are unwilling to lend their influence to the game. Even this early in the campaign, opposition to the assembly candidates among Republican newspapers has almost entirely disappeared, and it may be confidently predicted that between now and September 24 the list of papers fighting the assembly will dwindle down to a few Democratic sheets and that precious pair of twins—the Portland Journal and Hofer's Journal.

TRIP TO BAYOCEAN PARK.
Washington and Polk County Roads Bad for Autos.

To Tillamook, Bayocean and the ocean was the trip taken last week by Vice-President W. J. Clemens, of the Portland Automobile Club, and accompanying him on his little jaunt were A. G. Dunnagan, with the Gorham Rubber Company, agents for Goodrich tires, and Amos T. Higgins, of the Fleischler-Mayer Company. The party made the trip on Saturday and stayed over Sunday and returned on Monday, Labor Day.

Great improvements are being made at Bayocean, reported the motoring party on its return to Portland. They predict a brilliant future for the Tillamook Bay resort. While there they saw and interviewed W. E. Coman, one of the officials of the United Railways and other Hill lines in Oregon. He told them the road into Tillamook would be completed by next season.

"The commissioners of Tillamook County deserve a pat on the back for their good work," said Mr. Clemens. Under their direction mile after mile of road in that county is being macadamized. Workmen are everywhere improving upon the roads. When their extensive campaign is finished Tillamook County can boast of the finest roads collectively, of any county in the state.

"We found some bad roads on our trip, the worse being in Washington and Polk Counties. In Yamhill County the roads are better. Through the Grand Ronde Indian Reservation the roads are in frightful condition, almost as bad as in Washington County."

Mr. Clemens and party was one of several spending the week-end at Tillamook and Bayocean last week. One of the cars, a Franklin, driven by D. S. Du Bois, of the Menzies-Du Bois Automobile Company, and carrying C. H. Williams, also of that firm, made a try for a record from Portland and succeeded in breaking it. That machine lowered the former record held by Mr. Clemens' four-cylinder machine by 17 minutes. The car, driven by Du Bois, was a six-cylinder, 42-horse power car. It left Portland shortly after 5 o'clock in the morning. Mr. Du Bois and party made several side trips to Nehalem, Garibaldi and Neskonin and other places of interest near there. They returned on Monday, taking eight hours for the return journey.

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