

**KAISER. PROPOSES TO ABSORB SATAN**

**Comes Back Scorning Abdication and Claiming Hell's Throne By Right**

In reply to Lucifer H. Satan's letter published in the Headlight of recent date, in which the devil offered to abdicate in favor of the kaiser, a reply has been prepared attributed to Kaiser Wilhelm. It follows:

Hell, Nov. 1, 1917  
Imp. Lucifer Hotspur Satan:

My Dear Lucifer—or shall I call you Lucy for short? Your note of recent date came to our imperial hand. You offer to abdicate the throne of Hades in my favor would be interesting were it wholly serious; but conditions are implied that make it inadvisable that I accept. I do not think much of Gehenna anyway. It is a second-class state at best and I would not care to live there permanently.

As a matter of fact I have made a splendid start toward a hell of my own—we call it Bottomless Prussia. It has all the modern improvements, such as running hot water, red fire, cyanide gas, calcium lights, wide open plumbing and vacuum cleaner. At the present time we are getting practically all the business and when it comes to a matter of competition it is my opinion that we would have you pushed off the map. To be perfectly frank with you we have considered the advisability of taking over your plant about the time it is ripe for bankruptcy. You are not making expenses, while we are turning them away. Everybody says that I am a much bigger devil than you ever dared to be and there's not a day goes by without my picture being in the papers.

You may have once thought that you were a hell of a fellow, but you have nothing on me. Your place is a back number, and when the time comes we will move in and take possession—if we think it worth while. It is not usual for Prussians to give warning or apology. We usually do things and then leave it to history to explain, but I am telling you this because of your old-time friendship, and also because I realize that you can do nothing to forestall or prevent our action. Abdicate in my favor? Why, you poor old stiff, you have nothing to abdicate. You couldn't float a bond issue on your plant in a million years. In the commercial market it would be called junk. You have a bunch of ancient floorwalkers like Judas, Nero, Ananias, Caligula, Richard III, and Capt. Kidd that are really driving business away from the place. Talk about the Huns! Why I wouldn't let Attila bring my shaving water.

If you had a few scouts like Von Tirpitz, or Von Hindenburg you might talk on some basis of equality. They are the boys who bring home the bacon and they are filling our hell with talent of their own creation and development. But while they are finished performers, of course I am still the boss of the whole works. It is my genius and inspiration that has made our new hell possible. Hell without me would be merely a word. I have made it a torrid reality. You may as well understand first as last that you cannot run a hell without some of our Prussian efficiency. In a competitive race with us you would bring up at a second rate cold-storage plant.

By reason of our former friendship, however, I am willing to reorganize your moth-eaten throne as one with which diplomatic relations may be maintained. I am sending Count von Bernstorff as my ambassador, with authority to make treaties compatible with our mutual interests. Under certain circumstances it might be possible to negotiate a union between our crown prince and your Messalina. They might make a good team. He may also take on Lucretia Borgia and make it a double header. How would it do for me to hook up with one of you. Catherine—this Medici person, for instance? Of course, this would only be for the campaign and subject to cancellation at my will. Count von Bernstorff is permitted to talk of these, as well as other matters, and has himself hinted to me the advisability of an exchange of transfers. This however, would be with the idea of the gradual absorption of your hell by my own. You must realize my dear Lucifer, that you are getting old. You are not up to our modern methods and when you wonder around with your spiked tail, people only smile in a good natured way and murmur: "Who the devil is he?" or "I wonder what mischief Satan is up to now?"

You are all right for running a kindergarten, but as the boss of a real blood-red, rip-snorting, concert pitch hell, you are mostly rabbit. You are altogether too easy. Why, I understand you even shy at cooking children in their own grease. You ought to have seen the way I cleaned them up in Belgium. Women first? Well I guess yes. Any old way. We turned it into a patch of bottomless Prussia overnight. That ancient party who ran wicks through Christians and used them to light up his grounds was a poor fish at thinking up things. We could show him a few things that would make him green with envy. He never poisoned a whole regiment with gas bombs and he never sank and blew up a shipload of women and children with a torpedo from a submarine.

You mean well Lucifer, but you are a slow performer. Take a week off and come over to a real hell. We will show you the time of your life and you can see what you are up against. You can discover why your proposition to abdicate in my favor doesn't

materially interest me. However, I am a real sport and I'll tell what I'll do: I'll play you a game of pitch to see whether you abdicate or I throw you out. In either event you are welcome to a permanent home with me and I'll show you a hell of a time. There's no use in old friends quarreling; is there Lucy?

Fraternally yours,  
Wilhelm Imp.  
His Mark.

**STAMP TAX INTO EFFECT SATURDAY**  
**Revenue Producing Plan While War Lasts Covers Multitude of Documents.**

The stamp tax on legal instruments, provided for in the recently enacted war revenue measure, will go into effect Saturday. On and after that date revenue stamps must be affixed to notes, drafts, deeds, certificates of stock, powers of attorney and other legal papers. Severe penalties are provided for failure to comply.

Exemptions from this tax are provided only for bonds, notes or other instruments issued by the United States, by foreign governments, or by states and territories, sub-divisions, or municipalities; and for stocks and bonds issued by co-operative building and loan associations which are organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of their members and make loans only to their shareholders or by mutual ditch or irrigation companies.

The penalty for failing to affix the proper amount of stamps to designated legal documents or papers is fixed at not more than \$100 for each offense, while the penalty for fraudulent use or alteration is fixed at not more than \$1,000, or by imprisonment five years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

**Playing Cards Included.**

Included in the revenue measure and subject to stamp tax are playing cards which must pay a tax of five cents a package; and on parcel post packages on which the postage amounts to 25 cents or more, bearing a 1 per cent tax for every 25 cents postage or fraction thereof. No package may be transported until the tax is affixed.

Following in summary, are the documents subject to stamp tax, and the amount of tax:

Bonds, debentures, or certificates of indebtedness issued on and after Dec. 1, 1917, by any person, corporation, partnership, or association, on each \$100 of face valuation or fraction thereof, of 5 cents. Every renewal of the foregoing shall be taxed as a new issue.

Indemnity and surety bonds, for the indemnifying of any person, corporation or partnership, or corporation who shall have been bound or engaged as surety, and all bonds for the due enactment of any contract, obligation or requirement, of official bonds, and to account for money received, 50 cents. Policies for reinsurance are exempt from the tax imposed by this subdivision.

**Capital Stock Taxed.**

The tax on each original issue of capital stock, whether on organization or reorganization, on each \$100 or face value or fraction thereof, shall be 5 cents a share. If the actual value is in excess of \$100 a share, the tax shall be 5 cents on each \$100 of actual value or fraction thereof.

Capital stock, sales or transfers, on each \$100 of face value or fraction thereof, shall pay 2 cents, and where such shares are without par value the tax shall be 2 cents on the transfer or scratch sales, and products or merchandise at any exchange, or board of trade, or other similar place, for future delivery, for each \$100 in value of the merchandise covered by such sale or agreement, 2 cents, and for each additional \$100 or fractional part thereof in excess of \$100, 2 cents.

Drafts and checks payable otherwise than by sight or on demand, promissory notes, except bank notes issued for circulation, and for each renewal of the same, for a sum not exceeding \$100, 2 cents; for each additional \$100 or fractional part, 2 cents.

Conveyances, deeds, instruments, or writings, whereby any realty shall be conveyed or assigned, when the consideration or value of any lien or encumbrance remaining thereon at the time of sale, exceeds \$100 and does not exceed \$500, tax of 50 cents, and for each additional \$500 or fraction thereof, 50 cents.

**Ticket Tax Listed.**

Entry of any goods or merchandise at any custom-house, either for consumption or warehousing, not exceeding \$100 in value, a tax of 25 cents; exceeding \$100 and not exceeding \$500 in value, 50 cents; exceeding \$500 in value \$1. Entry for the withdrawal of any goods or merchandise from customs bonded warehouse, 50 cents.

Passage tickets, one way or round trip, for each passenger, sold or issued in the United States for passage by any vessel to a port or place not in the United States, Canada or Mexico, if costing not exceeding \$30, a tax of \$1; more than \$30 and not exceeding \$60, tax of \$3; costing more than \$60 a tax of \$5. Passage tickets of \$10 or less shall be exempt from taxation.

Proxies for voting at any election for officers, or meeting for the transaction of business, of any incorporated company or association, other than religious, charitable, fraternal, or literary societies or public cemeteries, a tax of 10 cents.

Power of attorney is taxed at 25 cents; providing that no stamps shall be required upon any papers necessary to be used for the collection of claims from the United States or any state for pensions, back pay, bounty,

or for property lost in the military or naval service, or upon powers of attorneys required for bankruptcy cases. The act provides for the sale of tax stamps at postoffices. They may also be obtained in Portland, at the office of Milton A. Miller, Collector of Internal Revenue.

**Why Bootleggers Go Free.**

It may be recalled that the bone dry legislation of 1917 was greeted with the announcement that Oregon now had the tightest and nearest perfect prohibition law ever drafted.

Yet it does not fully prohibit. The acquittal in a bootlegging case Wednesday is the seventeenth failure to obtain jury conviction out of eighteen trials since June 1. In many of these cases, and says the trial court, the evidence was clear and convincing against the defendants.

A reason lies somewhere for these seventeen acquittals and disagreements. Probably the underlying one is that the law is in advance of public sentiment in Portland. The law, for example declares that possession of a government liquor license shall be prima facie evidence of guilt. That was one of the hard knots tied around the bootleggers by the framers of the law. But the average juror will not convict on the presentation of the defendant's Government license and nothing in the shape of intoxicants. It is one thing to write into law that the jury will convict when such and such evidence or testimony is presented and another thing to get the jury to do it.

As the law now reads, a person may retain in his possession lawfully liquors obtained lawfully before the bone-dry act was adopted. But he may not sell, barter or give them away. Under a rigid construction it is unlawful for a person to receive even a drink from a neighbor's lawful stock. The man who has received a smuggled bottle is plainly a law violator, as is the other who receives any part of it from him. Yet it is a pretty safe guess that no jury could conveniently be assembled that would not have among its members several of one or the other class.

With such men the evidence of the stool pigeon, the special agent, the provocateur, does not set well. It is reported that in one case the complaining witness had drunk six bottles of beer before arresting the person from whom he obtained them. Nice evidence to present to a possibly thirsty jury.

It was not difficult to obtain conviction of bootleggers under the first prohibition law. They then had no shadow of excuse for existence. Any adult could lawfully import a reasonable quantity for home consumption. The new law stopped importations and it seems to have been assumed that the fiat of that law would change lifetime habits and settled appetites or at least inspire men, no matter what the agonies of their thirst, to block any under ground channels through which their thirst might be quenched.

Our court system picks its jurors at random. It draws not only from abstainers through principle, but from abstainers through necessity, and it also acquires jurors from among those who fudge on the law when they get the chance. Bootlegging flourishes in Portland because bootleggers are willing to take a chance for profit and because there is a large element that will buy liquor on the sly, law or no law. The bootlegger has changed from an unnecessary to the only possible source of supply.

Four out of seven persons in Portland opposed this change, as shown by the vote on the issue. That ratio embraced the women's vote, while the jury panel does not include women. The law of averages runs strongly against selection of a dry jury. Law enforcement is not dependent solely on police, prosecutors and judges, but upon public sentiment which finds its clearest reflection in jury verdicts.—Oregonian.

**The Missing Deacon.**

One of the prominent Deacons in an Ohio church was seriously ill. As he was very popular among the congregation, a bulletin board was placed in front of the church to inform his condition. It read:

"One o'clock. Deacon Jones very ill."

"Two o'clock. Deacon Jones is worse and sinking rapidly."

"Three o'clock. Deacon Jones is dead."

A traveling man passing by that evening; read the bulletin, and seeing no one in sight, added at the bottom:

"Seven o'clock. Great excitement in Heaven. Deacon Jones has not yet arrived. The worst is feared."—Ladies Home Journal

**Notice of Completed Contract**

Notice is hereby given that the County Surveyor of Tillamook County has filed in this office his certificate for the completion of all work under the contract of F. C. Feldschau with Tillamook County for the construction of the Tillamook Bay City hard-surface improvement from Sta 0 plus 90 to Sta. 6 plus 71.0 and the Tillamook-Fairview hard-surface improvement from Sta. 66 plus 01.58 to Sta. 87 plus 10.58, according to the plans and specifications. Any person, firm or corporation having objections to file to the final payment on said contract, may do so within two weeks from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Erwin Harrison, County Clerk.  
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**Why Pay More for your Smoking and Chewing Tobacco or Cigars. Good Havana Cigars---5c. Each.**

**SMOKING TOBACCO:**

Prince Albert	- - - -	10c. a Can.
Texedo	- - - -	10c. "
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Dixie Queen, 14 oz.	- - - -	60c. "
Gold Shoe, 16 oz.	- - - -	65c. "
Petterson Seal, 14 oz.	- - - -	60c. "
Union Leader, 16 oz.	- - - -	60c. "

**CHEWING TOBACCO:**

Star	- -	10c. a Cut.	60c. pound.
Horse Shoe	- -	10c. a Cut.	60c. "
Climax	- -	10c. a Cut.	60c. "
Spears Head	- -	10c. a Cut.	60c. "
Tigar	- -	5c. a Package.	

**Buy your Tobacco from us and save Money.**

**RAY & CO.**

**Notice of Sheriff's Sale of Real Property.**

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a writ of execution issued out of the County Court of Tillamook county, Oregon, on the 7th day of November, 1917, and to me directed, upon a judgment rendered on the 16th day of December, 1915, and docketed in and by said court on the 20th day of December, 1915, in a certain action then in said court pending wherein Jones-Knudson Furniture Company was plaintiff and M. Illingworth was defendant, said judgment being in favor of plaintiff and against the defendant, and by which execution I am commanded to satisfy out of the property of said defendant the following judgment, to-wit:

\$10.35, with interest from the 28th day of November, 1914, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and I have duly levied upon the following described real property of said defendant in Tillamook County, Oregon, to-wit: The South half of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 12; the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter, the North half of the Southeast quarter; the South half of the Northwest quarter and the North half of the Southwest quarter of Section 10, and the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 11, all in Township 1 South, Range 8 West W. M.

Therefore, for the purpose of satisfying said judgment, I will on Saturday, the 15th day of December, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock a.m., on said date, at the front door of the Court House in Tillamook City, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand all right, title and interest which the within named defendant had in or to said real property on or since the 20th day of December, 1915, the date of the docketing of said judgment. Also all right, title and interest of all persons claiming under said defendant since said date. Said sale will be made subject to redemption as provided by law.

Dated this 10th day of November, 1917.  
W. L. Campbell,  
Sheriff of Tillamook County, Oregon.

**Notice to Creditors.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the County Court of Tillamook County, Oregon, appointed as executor of the last will and testament of James Hughley, deceased, and he has qualified as such. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned, together with proper vouchers as required by law, at the office of H. T. Botts, Attorney at Law, Tillamook City, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated November 8th, 1917.  
Wesley Rush,  
Executor of the last Will and Testament of James Hughley, deceased.

H. T. Botts,  
Attorney for Executor.

**Ataboy!**

The kaiser aims the world to own,  
He'd like to boss it all alone,  
And rule the waves from zone to zone  
But can the kaiser?

He'd like to stamp democracy  
Forevermore from land and sea,  
And make earth's motto "Gott und me,

But can the kaiser?  
Not much! Your Uncle Sam's the man  
To knock the tar from such a plan,  
And so, in plain American  
It's CAN the Kaiser!

**Notice of Directors Meeting.**

Notice is hereby given that a regular quarterly meeting of the directors of Tillamook Hotel Company will be held at the parlors of the hotel on Tuesday, the 4th day of December, 1917, at seven o'clock in the afternoon of that day.

Tillamook Hotel Company  
By P. J. Worrell, President.  
Robert H. McGrath, Sec.

In food conservation it is desirable to have canned goods in small sizes that the entire contents may be used at one or two meals and none wasted. The number 2 cans of fancy solid pack. Tomatoes on sale at this Store will help.

**C. O. & C. M. DAWSON,**  
Groceries, Flour and Feed.  
2nd Ave E and 4th, Tillamook,  
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**FISHING RODS,**  
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**Spoons, Baskets, Reels, Snells, Lines, Floats, Flies, Etc., Etc.**

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**Kitchen Ranges and Heating Stoves.**

**THE BEST STOCK OF HARDWARE IN THE COUNTY.**

**See Us for Prices Before Ordering Elsewhere.**

**Notice of Completed Contract**

Notice is hereby given that the county surveyor of Tillamook County has filed in this office his certificate for the completion of all work under the contract of Mallory & Jenck for the construction of Blaine bridge No. 6, according to the plans and specifications, and any person, firm or corporation having objections to file to the final payment on said contract, may do so within two weeks from the date of the first publication of this notice.

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