

# Getting Ready to Inventory

On December 28 we shall commence taking our annual inventory. We have lots of stock on hand that we do not want to inventory. Rather close it out and count the money. We never carry over goods from one season to another, when Low Prices, Cut Prices, Cost Prices or any other kind of prices will sell them. So we will now commence a

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#### OREGON COMING EVENTS.

Deiryman's association, Corvallis, December 15-16.  
Poultry and pet stock show, Salem, December 17-19.  
Special session of the legislature, Salem, December 21.  
National livestock convention, Portland, January 12-15.  
Angora goat show, Dallas, January 14-15.

#### The Weather.

Tonight and Saturday, cloudy with occasional rain.

#### SOME REFLECTIONS ON THE CITY ELECTION.

For the benefit of the public in general this paper wishes to make a few statements about the recent city election. As is usual in such campaigns there are misrepresentations on both sides and not until the air has cleared can a correct view be obtained.

One idea must be dispelled at the very start, that the contest was altogether one involving moral issues and that the success of the Republican ticket means any indorsement of immorality or any triumph or advantage to what is termed vice.

The Republicans went through the campaign virtually unpledged on anything, but the progress and development of Greater Salem. That was hardly a platform of principles but more of a sentiment, or a sort of a protest against the spirit of too great conservatism on the part of the Citizens administration.

But to say that the Republican candidates stood for the non-enforcement of laws, or for the protection of any illegal traffic whatever was not the truth. The managers of the Citizens' campaign and its backers and promoters and candidates did not stand for or against those things.

The ministerial association, or law enforcement league, or anti-saloon league, or church federation, or aggregation of citizens calling themselves by any of these names, endorsed the Citizens' candidates on the theory that they stood for the moral improvement of the city more than the Re-

publicans did, and would demand more law enforcement.

While this element sought to make law enforcement the dominant issue, a victory for either side would have left the police court and the police department in the hands of men who were not elected upon that issue of law enforcement as understood by the Law Enforcement League.

So that law enforcement was not the real issue in the election. Some of the ministers in their pulpits admitted this and were very fair and reasonable in their sermons demanding the enforcement of the laws of the city.

But the fact remains that the election was carried on other issues more than on law enforcement. Those who voted the Republican ticket did not vote against law and morality as has been concluded by some. There are as many morality-loving people in the Republican party as in any party and in place of further degeneration there will be moral improvement in Salem the next few years.

The Republicans know that they owe something to the moral elements of the community and so far as the Mayor and City Council are concerned they will be found leading rather than retarding the moral progress of Greater Salem.

The ministers and other good people who can see no vice in the city government except it be in connection with saloons, or gambling, or prostitution, fall far short of sizing up the problems that confront city government and all government.

One great issue that decided this election in favor of the Republicans was the battle for the new charter of Greater Salem, without which there can be no sanitary regulation or health development of the city in any direction.

The leaders of the Citizens campaign were the avowed enemies of that charter with few exceptions. None of the candidates came out and ever used the word Greater Salem. The great bulk of the delegates to the Citizens convention were selected from among those who had fought the adoption of the Charter. The Citizens party would not have put up a vigorous defense of the charter.

The managers of the Citizens campaign had fallen into hands that would have used the councilmen to promote their own private interests and that to block all attempts at moral or industrial progress. Large property interests, in the event of a Citizens victory, would have stepped to the front and claimed special protection, to the detriment of labor and progress of Greater Salem.

One large interest was backing two Citizen candidates for aldermen and if they had succeeded would have proceeded to "do business" with the city in forty ways that the honest men in the Law Enforcement League would not dream was possible. So it would have been with a majority of any Citizen's administration under control of the management that got into the saddle.

To show how centralized the Citizen's machine had become, formerly a non-partisan committee of three from each ward had the naming of a suitable candidate for Alderman. This

time they were all approached and solicited to become candidates from the "center," while the Republicans adopted direct vote and open primaries.

Many other matters could be shown up that ought to convince any reasonable man that moral reform was not the dominant issue and was not voted down in this election. It is not necessary to thresh the beaten straw over again, but reasonable men in the ministry and out of it ought to rid themselves of the nightmare that all that is good and pure and holy and righteous has been trampled under foot by the defeat of the Citizen's ticket last Monday.

The plain truth is the Citizen's leaders were glad of a helping hand from the Law Enforcement League, while not caring a whoop for moral or other considerations but to get there.

The Journal refused to be a party to any such an alliance because it did not represent what it pretended, and because it had coupled with it objectionable features that were not for the public good.

#### ENFORCE THE LAWS AGAINST CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Salem's Chief of Police has a heart for a horse and a sight that has afflicted the eyes of many citizens caused him to arrest a man Friday and have him fined for cruelty to animals. The poor animal was in a half-starved condition, and unfit to be driven for any purpose. On the left shoulder was a place as large as a man's hand that was raw and bleeding. There were also large lumps on the animal's shoulder. The man had been drawing heavy loads of wood to town with this poor dumb brute in violation of all human and divine laws, and what was worse was an inmate of the Twelfth street Holiness Mission, and even said to be a preacher there. If that is true he should have been fined a hundred dollars instead of five, for being such a living travesty on the Christian religion. The man was probably ignorant of the offense he was guilty of, although he had been warned not to drive that horse to the city. It illustrates that people can imagine themselves to be religious and yet remain in the ignorance and darkness of cruelty.

Horses are being used to haul wood into the city that are unfit to be seen on the streets of a civilized community. Horses are used to haul wood from the flatcars at the Southern Pacific depot that can hardly stand up. People who buy cheap cordwood often innocently contribute to horrible cruelty. Horses are underfed and overworked by ignorant and cruel owners and the protection of law should be extended to such unfortunate animals.

Salem's Chief of Police will enforce the laws against cruelty to animals

In every instance but it is also the duty of citizens to inform him of all such cases. As in all other cases of violation of the laws the citizen owes something to the cause of morality and everything should not be left to the officer. The officer will do his duty and deserves the backing and moral support of the citizen.

#### NO SUBURBAN TAXES FOR 1903.

Owing to the fact that the property of the suburbs was not part of the city when the assessment of 1903 was made, no levy can be made on that assessment of the suburbs for 1903.

The first taxes that can be collected on the property of the three new wards will be on the assessment made under the new tax law in January 1904, and the tax will become payable in September, 1904.

If the special session legalizes the levies on the assessment of 1903 then the 3d part of the city will get two collections of taxes in 1904.

The city will have about ten thousand dollars to expend on streets from the special road tax on one and a half mills levied twice, in December on 1903 and July on 1904.

This will be very favorable for the promotion of better streets and it goes without saying that Greater Salem will take the first steps in 1904 toward permanent improvements.

#### HAS A GOOD EFFECT ON COURT STREET.

Some of the property owners are inspired with a desire to improve that street, and are signing a petition to that effect.

A permanent improvement of Court street would make that a fine residence boulevard.

There are many well-to-do property owners on that street, and the city, county, state and United States own frontage there.

If there is any street in the city that could stand a permanent improvement it ought to be Court out as far as Fourteenth.

The city election has had the good effect to give all the people of Salem a hopeful feeling and there is not much danger of this going too far.

#### Protect the Elk.

Now that the law against killing elk in this state expires next year, it is certainly a fact that our legislators should see to it that there be a law enacted continuing the protection of these noble animals, of which there are no few left. There is no question that every little band in Coos county is spotted and animals numbered, and if the law is allowed to expire for any length of time it is doubtful if one would be left. It is also a fact that there has been quite a number killed in violation of our present law, but we have reasons to believe that most of these were killed by outsiders, and if this could be watched a little closer there is no question but ten years more of close protection, there would be a considerable increase in their numbers.—Coquille Herald.

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