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WILL IT ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING?

GOVERNOR WEST'S raid on the red light district of The Dalles was rather spectacular, and would make a catchy moving picture subject, but what good will it do? What will it accomplish, if anything? The social evil, as it is termed, is one of the most perplexing and vexing that cities have to deal with. In small towns the matter can be easily handled for every one knows every place in the town, and about everybody's business, but in a city, the conditions are different, and the larger the city, the more difficult the matter becomes. With thousands of rooming houses, hotels and public places of that kind it becomes practically impossible to either control or prevent practices not in accord with good morals. The question that confronts the authorities in such cases is indeed a serious one, and as we have said, a perplexing one. There are but two things to do with the evil. Prevent it absolutely, or control it. The first, so far at least has never been accomplished and perhaps never will be, and the second meets with strong opposition from a large part of the people, probably a majority, and this system cannot, in most cases at least, be applied. The result is conditions and incidents such as were found at The Dalles, where it seems an effort at control and supervision was being made. It is useless to discuss the matter, for no matter what position is taken, it meets with a storm of protest. Many object to any system of supervision or control, claiming the community legitimizes vice, and becomes a partner in crime by doing so. In the meanwhile, while making this objection they suggest no remedy other than absolute prevention, and this as has been stated, has not been accomplished in any country under the sun, so far back as history runs though it has been attempted thousands of times. As the law stands, it is the duty of every peace officer to enforce it. It is not a question of what any of us think. The law is on the statute books forbidding the maintaining of this class of houses and so long as it is the law, it should be enforced. We do not believe in officers picking out some laws to enforce and others to ignore. It is an officer's duty to enforce all laws whether he likes them or not, but it should be done without calling on the militia or employing Senegambian detectives. In the meanwhile there will be "cakes and ale" in spite of civic virtue and all efforts to obliterate vice.

CONCRETE AND "THE MIX"

ANOTHER OBJECTION that is made against concrete pavement, one that was raised in Portland and one that we have read of as being raised in other places, is that the disintegrated concrete washed into the sewers, "sets" and finally clogs the sewers, especially if they are not well and frequently flushed. As to this we know nothing personally, but we do not feel that this additional bad trait is necessary to condemn concrete. There is no use adding anything to lumber to increase its smelly qualities. However, concrete has its use even as street paving, but it lies in the way of foundation or base, covered with asphalt or some other cohesive material that will not wear, the concrete makes an ideal base, but it will not stand wear. It might do on streets that are not much traveled by heavy teams, such as Lincoln, but Salem's experience is that wherever the heavy traffic goes over concrete paving

the concrete is steadily worn out and soon develops weak spots.

A paving contractor, a concrete man was in this office yesterday, and took the editor to task for his assertions about concrete. He admitted South Commercial and East State streets were bad, but laid it to the "mix"—partly and partly on the contractor. He insists that if the "mix" is all right, the street will last a hundred years. He gave us, at our request, his figures on what the material for a square yard of paving could be laid down at the place of the job for, and they were 91 cents a square yard.

He was asked: "How can a contractor then lay a concrete paving for 91 cents, if his material costs him that?" He can't, was the quick reply, not if the "mix" is all right. He frankly admitted that good concrete paving could not be laid by anyone for 91 cents, and endorsed our statement that "who's lowest" was not the way to let paving contracts. He also stated that he is willing to give a bond for maintenance for 10 years, on concrete laid by him, intimating that he would charge nothing extra for the bond feature, but that he could not lay it for 91 cents a yard, either with or without the bond.

As was stated in the first of these articles, we do not pretend to be a concrete expert, but we do claim to have average intelligence. We know if one chews sugar or chalk or any other non-tenacious substance, that when it once crumbles, it is gone, and we know from experience, and observation both, that when one chews gum, it will change its shape, but it will be all together and remain a piece of gum to the last. It cannot be worn out. It is the same way with street paving. The concrete is bound to grind, admittedly slower if the "mix" is just right, but certain to wear away in time in spite of any mix. Asphalt, or some other tenacious and resilient substance alone can be permanent.

A TRAGICOMEDY.

GOVERNOR WEST announced yesterday that there was going to be something doing in the way of a war against vice, the new law going into effect today. As the governor leaves for Utah today to attend the meeting of governors, there will probably be a few days of grace granted the unregenerate to reform. With the governor's well known straightforwardness, and in view of his acts at Portland and The Dalles, it behooves the sinners to reform and be good or at least—cautious. No doubt there will be a grand hero's pious, a regular three ringed circus, with the governor as ring master and Attorney Ringo as clown, there will be a great stirring up of a pretty bad and nasty mess, an advertising of bad conditions an unpleasant public smell. Then in a little while the same thing will be ripe for more. The enforcement of the law is correct, but the law itself will fail as a remedial agent as all other kindred laws have failed before it. Some Solomon may some time arise with wisdom enough to cope with the situation, some Moses come out of the bushes, to lead us into the promised land of good morals, but until that time we will probably continue along the same old line. It seems an utterly hopeless task, and heretofore all attempts to prevent lechery have been as useless as trying to cure smallpox by tickling the victim's feet with a feather. The object of the law is good, but the disease is just as far beyond the reach of the law as is smallpox or cholera morbus.

X-RAYS.

Paris ladies, some of them are wearing stockings, if such costly fabrics can be called by so plebeian a name, that cost \$300 a pair. This in the minds of all fair men justifies a split in the skirt, at least as high as the top of the stocking. If they are not worn for show, the price is exorbitant, and the expense foolish.

After today the man who wants to marry must not only interview the county clerk, and procure a license, but must also get the O. K. of the medical fraternity.

Having demonstrated that he is in full possession of his five senses, Teddy is now certainly the owner and proprietor of a sixth sense acquired judicially and judiciously.

If it takes one governor, 11 militiamen, four ministers, two white special detectives and a negro with a gun one week to locate two red light houses in a city of 5000 inhabitants, how can the average citizen discover such places in a city the size of Portland? This is simply a suggestion, not for information.

Dr. Mary M. Madigan (wonder what she was mad about before) is to "Eugenize" a couple of hundred babies in Portland soon. Wonder if she can tell, or will, what made the prize winners such, whether it was feed measuring by fad doctors, or was it just a trick of Dame Nature's!

Concrete paving men point with pride to paving that has been laid for 15 or 20 years and is still good, but they do not explain that it is not used. They claim though that it is all in the mix, which they have now changed and the new concrete is ever so much better than the old. Still they keep changing the mix, so often that one cannot but think that there is some considerable lying being done by some of them. If the old concrete was so good, why are they changing "the mix"?

When Teddy hit Chicago on his way home from that famous trial, he filled up on milk, throwing several hard jolts of that Chicago mystery under his belt. This is only hearsay, and the Capital Journal emphasizes this fact, as it does not want Teddy in its wool.

It is a safe bet that the cost of running for the offices of commissioner and mayor of Portland will exceed the salaries of the entire lot of officers for a year, and it might hold them level for two years. The Oregonian surely got a wad of advertising out of it.

Another Project.

The state engineer's office reports another project which is to be known as the Eagle Valley Project and is to cover a reclamation of 21,000 acres. Eagle Valley is located in the famous Powder River basin. Governor West has received the approval of the United States land office on the project. The contract has been awarded to the Eastern Oregon Irrigation company.

To the People of Salem.

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My son, all the days of thy brother, who is without work, are evil, but he that wisely useth the Journal Want columns hath a continual feast.

THE NEW COOK.

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