



# SOME DOUBTING THOMASES ANSWERED

I opened my office in Salem April 3rd last year and have been in business here since that time, or about ten months. Soon after opening my office and many times since I have heard the remark: "He (Dr. Cox) would only be here a short time and then he would leave for new pastures."

It is really pathetic the way some people worry about other peoples' affairs. The busybodies making these assertions were not patrons of Dr. Cox nor were they liable to be, yet they sat up of nights worrying lest some might go to his office and be disappointed in their work.

The reason some people take so much trouble to guard others against the wiles of the world has never been satisfactorily accounted for but once, and that was when someone remarked that "the reason" so many did not mind their own business was that some of them had no business and the others no mind."

It is perhaps foolish to pay any attention to such profound prophets of evil and disaster, but to show just what my intentions in the matter of remaining in Salem are I submit the following letter from the owners of the building in which my office is located.

It speaks for itself:

Salem, Oregon, Feb. 1, 1916.

Dr. W. A. Cox,

Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir: In reply to your letter of recent date, regarding a further lease on the rooms you now occupy in our building at the corner of State and Commercial Streets, we beg to advise you that owing to the fact that you have spent quite an amount of money in permanent improvements, you will be given the preference in re-renting your present quarters, at the expiration of your present lease which terminates April 30, 1919.

Yours truly,

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You will see by this that I am under contract to pay rent on this office until April 30, 1919. True, I do not have to use it or to continue in business, but what sensible person will believe that I would deliberately bind myself to pay rent on an office for three years unless I intended to use it?

I have spent more than \$2,000 in fitting up my office and the larger part of this expenditure has been for permanent improvements, such as cannot be removed or taken with me should I go elsewhere. I certainly would not have spent this amount had I expected to be here but a few months. The fact is I am here and expect to stay here indefinitely. I have faith in Salem and confidence in my ability to maintain myself at the top in the dental line, on the merits of my work. I know as well as these doubting ones that my work must give satisfaction or I cannot be successful. The fact that I have expended more than \$2,000 in fitting up my offices should convince the most skeptical that I am not afraid to meet this test. I am not; and am willing to be judged by my work. I am not willing however to have my reputation sized up and my standing as a dentist fixed by idle gossippers and profitless prophets.

## Another Doubting Thomas Says:

"He has students in his office."

This is another case of worrying over other peoples' affairs. Another case where the wise ones are at fault. I have three others in my offices, because

the reasonableness of my charges and the good words spoken of my work by those who have had that work done by me, sent me such a volume of business that I was compelled to have assistants to properly attend to it. Two of these are Graduate dentists, licensed as such in this state, and both capable, skillful and competent, and with modern up to date education in all dental work. Each of them has had several years' of practical experience and thoroughly understands his business. The third assistant is an expert in the mechanical department of the work, an artist in his line. He has had ten years experience at this work and does nothing but attend to the making and finishing of crowns, bridges and plates.

I employ no operator who is not a licensed graduate with some years of actual practice, and to these men I pay higher salaries than are paid by any other dentist in Oregon, because they DO THEIR WORK RIGHT, and for the further reason that I alone must suffer in a business way if their work is not the very best.

## The Third Doubting Thomas

This one has a real grievance; and deserves sympathy and commiseration. He is firmly convinced that Dr. Cox does not do good work "because he advertises." There is solid substantial logic, unanswerable argument. By the same rule a hen's egg would be unfit for food because she cackled when her egg was laid and advertised the fact; and that a duck egg was far superior because its mamma made no noise over its production and so did not advertise her work. Perhaps the duck did not advertise because her product was inferior and not up to the standard.

No first class dentist will hesitate about assuring the individual patron that he can do his or her work in the very best manner. What is there wrong then in assuring hundreds of individuals at once through the columns of the local newspaper that he guarantees his work to be the very best?

I can say to these Doubting Thomases and to the general public, that the dental work sent out of this office is guaranteed for ten years. I make this guarantee because I know the work is done right, and that I take no chances in becoming responsible for it for that length of time. I think everyone wanting dental work done has a right to know this and so take the most convenient medium for telling them about it, the columns of the local paper.

I have an immense stock, all that I and my assistants can do in the way of dental work, and this stock I want to dispose of just as does the merchant, consequently I advertise it. I can deliver the goods and the public needs and I want that public to know it.

I am willing to donate \$100 to any worthy charitable cause if anyone can show that the dental work done in my office is in any way inferior to the standard work of any dental school or college. I want the public to know this and so advertise that fact along with others.

I advertise because I want your work and I want you to know that I want it. I want to increase my business and employ other first class dentists, just as every other business man wants to increase his business, and so I advertise to Wake You Up to the fact that you must take care of your teeth, so they can take care of your digestion and your health, and to the further fact that in having your dental work done my office is the place where satisfaction and the work are both guaranteed.

*Dr. W. A. Cox*

## COLLECTION OF TAXES BEGINS IN MARION COUNTY NEXT MONDAY

### Tax Roll For 1915 Turned Over to Sheriff Today for Collection

The Marion county tax roll for this year was turned over to Sheriff Esch this afternoon by County Assessor Ben F. West and the collection of taxes in this county will begin Monday. The tax collector will use the office used for this purpose last year on the first floor of the county court house.

The state tax commission has sent out full instructions to each tax collector and in order that all tax payers may understand the laws for himself the communication of the state tax commission is given in full.

Section 1 of Chapter 156, Laws of 1915, amending Section 3882, Lord's Oregon Laws, is now in effect and reads as follows:

"The first half of all taxes legally levied and charged shall be paid on or before the fifth day of April following, and the second half on or before the fifth day of October following.

"Interest shall be charged and collected on any tax or half of a tax, not so paid, at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction of a month until paid.

"All taxes remaining unpaid on the fifth day of October next following shall become delinquent and on the fifth day of November next following a penalty of five per cent shall be charged and collected thereon, in addition to the interest provided herein.

"All penalties and interest shall be for the benefit of the county."

Under this section taxes become due and payable in two separate installments. If the first half is not paid by April 5, interest is charged thereon (but not on the second half) at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction of a month until paid.

If the second half is not paid by October 5, interest then begins thereon at the same rate. No rebate or discount is allowed for advance payment of either installment.

All taxes not paid in full on or before October 4 become delinquent. After said date and until the taxes are paid, or certificate of delinquency is issued, interest continues to run at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction of a month. Delinquent taxes not paid before November 5 are on that date subject to a penalty of five per cent. In addition to the interest specified.

For illustration it is assumed that the taxes on a certain property, as charged on the roll, total \$100:

The first half (\$50) may be paid on or before April 5 and the second half (\$50) on or before October 5, without interest or penalty on either amount; but:

If said first half is paid on any day from April 6 to May 5, both dates inclusive, there should be added an interest charge of one per cent (\$0.50); from May 6 to June 5, inclusive, two per cent (\$1); from June 6 to July 5, inclusive, three per cent (\$1.50); from July 6 to August 5, inclusive, four per cent (\$2); from August 6 to September 5, inclusive, five per cent (\$2.50); from September 6 to October 5, inclusive, six per cent (\$3).

If the entire tax of \$100 is paid on any day from October 6 to November 4, inclusive, the interest charges should be seven per cent on the first half (\$3.50) and one per cent on the second half (\$0.50);

If the entire amount is paid on November 5, the interest charges should be seven per cent on the first half (\$3.50) and one per cent on the second half (\$0.50), plus a penalty of five per cent (\$5);

If the entire amount is paid on any day from November 6 to December 5, inclusive, the interest charges should be eight per cent on the first half (\$4) and two per cent on the second half (\$1), plus a penalty of five per cent (\$5);

Interest continues on all delinquent taxes, at said rate of one per cent for each month or part of a month, until payment or the issuance of a certificate of delinquency.

All interest and penalties go to the county and no part thereof to any municipal corporation or district for which taxes are collected.

## Spring Valley News

(Capital Journal Special Service.)  
Spring Valley, Ore., Feb. 5.—Jesse French, who has spent several weeks here and at Salem, visiting relatives, has returned to Lexington, where he and his brother, E. H. French, are engaged in farming.

Harvey Crawford was called to Dallas last Wednesday to serve on the grand jury.

Miss Marjorie Stone returned to her home in Salem Tuesday after visiting for several days with her father, W. H. Stone.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Crawford visited relatives at Lincoln Sunday.

B. C. Shephard delivered a wagon load of fat hogs in Salem Friday.

On Friday evening a number of the neighbors serenaded Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weiss, who recently moved here from Salem, Mr. Weiss being employed by S. H. Barker. After a little preliminary jingling of the bells, etc., the company were invited in and a pleasant evening passed. Refreshments were served and Mr. Weiss took a flashlight view of the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crawford were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Miller in West Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Squire attended the funeral of Mrs. Nichols held in West Salem Friday.

Mrs. J. B. Shephard, of Roosevelt, Wash., is visiting her son, B. C. Shephard, and family.

On the evening of the 28th, a party of friends gathered at the Walling home in honor of J. D. Walling's birthday, the affair being an entire surprise to him. A very pleasant time was enjoyed.

Refreshments were served during the evening.

Miss Alice Schindler returned to her home in Salem Sunday, having been for several days a guest at the S. H. Barker home.

Roy Barker returned to his studios in Salem Sunday after having spent several days at his home here.

Mrs. W. S. Catton died at 4:00 p. m. Wednesday at the Salem hospital, from cancer, after a short illness. Although having had several attacks of illness, it was only before the operation of a week ago that the disease became acute and the operation disclosed cancer in an advanced stage. The many friends sympathize deeply with the family in their bereavement.

Francis A. Beedle was born October 28, 1856, at Cincinnati, Ohio. She was married November 25, 1879, to Wm. S. Catton, at Pontiac, Illinois. Eight children were born to this union, all living but one.

The family came to Oregon eight years ago, purchasing the Valley View farm from Jasper Skiffe, where they have since resided. Mrs. Catton was a member of the Spring Valley Presbyterian church, and will be greatly missed in the neighborhood.

Our sympathy goes out especially to the sorrowing family, she being a most loving wife and mother. She is survived by two brothers in Illinois, her husband and seven children, Holland, Oscar, William, Lee, Leota, Mrs. Frank Koch, all of Spring Valley, and Mrs. Zella Baker, of Portland.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon at the Bigdon undertaking parlors, interment to be in City View cemetery.

## Will Again Attempt to Pass Sterilization Law

Dr. Owens Adair, of Astoria, stopped off in Salem yesterday on her way back to her home from San Diego where she has been spending the winter. Dr. Adair was the author of the sterilization bill which failed to pass upon a referendum vote after it had passed the 1913 legislature and she



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states that she will again attempt to secure the passage of the bill through the legislature and, if it is referred to the people, to pass it by popular vote.

Dr. Adair was held up for a short time in San Diego as there was not a single bridge left in the county and all railway traffic was suspended after the recent floods. She came out by boat to Los Angeles.

The Brandeis issue is whether Wall street is strong enough in the United States senate to keep a friend of the people off the supreme bench.

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