

LETTERS FROM MEN AND WOMEN

CAMPAIGN TOPICS DISCUSSED BY WRITERS WHO ATTACK AND DEFEND ISSUES.

To the Editor of The Missoulian:— This is to certify that J. M. Rhoades, candidate for mayor of Missoula, had no knowledge of the recent circular letter mailed by the undersigned to voters of Missoula. That letter was mailed to voters of Missoula in an endeavor to aid the candidacy of Mr. Rhoades, and the writer has been led to believe, after the voters received the letter, that Mr. Rhoades did not approve of the same. J. M. REYNOLDS. Butte, Mont., March 29, 1912.

RAW MATERIAL

Editor Missoulian: A man walking along a street one day in a prominent city asked what factory it was that he was passing; the answer was, a steel mill. Yes; what is the raw material? Pig iron, steel billets, etc. Product, rails, wire, nails, plate, girders, worth many times the raw material. Soon another factory—a saw mill—raw material, logs; finished products, lumber, furniture, all worth many times the value of the rough logs. Next a saloon—raw material, boys, girls, young men and women. The finished products are found in jails, prisons, asylums, brothels and other houses. What is their value as compared with the raw material found upon the streets of Missoula, in the schools and the university, which is the pride of every citizen's heart. Which of these factories would you vote to have closed in Missoula? N. O. BEER.

BUSINESS REASONS

Editor Missoulian: The correspondence column of the local papers have been somewhat occupied the past few days with a discussion of the liquor traffic in the city of Missoula. These letters have been dictated, so far as I can judge, either by a personal antipathy to the business of dealing in alcoholic liquors on the one hand, or on the other, by an unreasoning belief that no business sanctioned by law should be burdened by restrictive regulation. All of this discussion has been directed to the proposed ordinance permitting bar rooms to remain open on Sunday afternoons and evenings, and seems to me not to hit the mark. I have no quarrel with prohibition that will really prohibit and I have no patience with the doctrine that every man should be permitted to conduct his business as he sees fit without governmental regulation. The questions to be considered in voting upon the proposed ordinance seems to me to be two. First—Is it right? Second—Does it pay?

Neither of these questions go to the morals or the profit of the community at large. An individual who drinks strong liquor to excess will be just as immoral in that respect on Sunday in a closed town as in an open one; he will simply provide himself on Saturday with the requirements of his Sunday appetite. The yearly consumption per capita will remain about the same whether the saloons open on Sunday at 1 o'clock or remain closed. The record will show no more economical administration of the police department. The guardians of the peace will in one case protect the dignity of the community from assault by a few inebriated individuals and in the other event they will direct their efforts toward suppressing the illicit barter of contraband goods. The moral tone of the city will not be greatly changed by 12 hours more or 12 hours less of closed doors. People who pass these places six days in the week with their eyes to the front cannot reasonably be expected to cast sidelong glances on Sunday. True, many places of business are closed on Sunday—the groceryman and the butcher, the dry goods merchant and he who deals in boots and shoes close their doors. The newsstand, the fruit stand, the cigar store, the billiard room, the restaurant, hotels and drug stores continue to transact business; the purveyor of coon cola opens early and closes late, and the moving picture show runs the largest house of the week. To which class, if either, should the saloon be assigned? All of the last named group provide entertainment for people and, judging from the patronage they receive, people like to be entertained on Sunday as well as on other days. In fact, there is a large class of men living in Missoula and in the small towns and camps in its vicinity whose only opportunity for entertainment comes on Sunday. If these men desire to take part of their recreation in the saloon they are precluded from doing so if the ordinance falls of passage—and they are the only people who are so precluded—the business or professional man may on any day or evening of the week that the fancy takes him, spend some time at the theater, the billiard room, the cigar store or the barroom. The man whose work is remote from

Rheumatic Pains quickly relieved Sloan's Liniment. Sloan's Liniment is good for pain of any sort. It penetrates, without rubbing, through the muscular tissue right to the bone—relieves the congestion and gives permanent as well as temporary relief. Here's Proof. A. W. LAY of Lafayette, Ala., writes:— "I had rheumatism for five years. I tried doctors and several different remedies but they did not help me. I obtained a bottle of Sloan's Liniment which did me so much good that I could not do without it. Anything I tried after Sloan's Liniment and find it first-class for rheumatic pains." THOMAS J. SPENCER of Easton, Pa., writes:— "I have used Sloan's Liniment and find it first-class for rheumatic pains." Mr. G. G. JONES of Baldwin, L. I., writes:— "I have found Sloan's Liniment par excellence. I have used it for broken sinews above the knee cap caused by a fall, and to my great satisfaction I was able to resume my duties in less than three weeks after the accident."

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the business district and whose toll is being to the body, finds opportunity only on Sunday afternoons and evenings for these relaxations. It has been urged that these men should be protected from the influence of the saloon and made to save the money they spend therein, and it has been said that we do not want the money of outsiders who come to Missoula to drink. If closing the saloons on Sunday had that effect, the argument would be irrefutable, but in fact it hasn't that effect—that amount of money, whatever it is—goes into the same channel in any event, but it doesn't come to Missoula. Most of the people who come to Missoula over Sunday, do not come for the purpose of drinking—the opportunity to drink if they desire is merely an incident—but generally the business which brings them—and it is usually for the purpose of trading—can be done at some other point, and a goodly number of these Rocky mountain citizens, to say nothing of the transients, commercial travelers and others, if they do not care to take a drink on Sunday, at least like to have that privilege, if they so desire. It does seem that less people are upon the streets of Missoula on Saturday evenings and through Sunday than formerly. There is no reason why the local people should remain more closely at home on Saturday evenings, so the conclusion seems fair that we have now a smaller number of week end visitors. These visitors were a commercial asset to the town—many of them come to get away from the monotony of smaller places, and they have perhaps concluded that the monotony of Missoula on Sunday afternoon is not preferable. The men who conduct these places of business in Missoula measure up with the average citizen; they understand pretty well that the way they conduct their business must square with public opinion if they are permitted to conduct their places under the regulations of the proposed ordinance. It is fair to assume that they will observe its provisions strictly as to hours, and maintain quiet and orderly places. If this is true, and if in addition the general volume of trade is increased, and the material welfare of all business is enhanced, the passage of the proposed ordinance does not seem to be an unreasonable demand.

Business Man. (Old Times.) Missoula, March 29, 1912. A REPLY. Editor Missoulian: Please allow me a few lines in reply to "Fairplay." His communication is the most plausible defense of the Sunday opening ordinance I have seen. So far the financial statements of the liquor dealers' advertisements are too grossly exaggerated to deceive any intelligent man. Closing liquor business on Sunday does not close places in Missoula where workmen can gather for recreation. There are open pool-rooms, billiard rooms, bowling alleys and smokehouses where they will be welcomed and can amuse themselves with games or otherwise. So much for the recreation argument. As to the same amount of liquor being sold with Sunday closing, it is enough to say that the Liquor Dealers' association knows its business very well and is not spending its money in a bitter campaign against Sunday closing without good reason for it. If they sold as much drink with Sunday closing as without if they would favor Sunday closing, because they would save all that wages, so enormous according to their advertisements. To this it may be said that the liquor is sold in Missoula is sold elsewhere. That is a theory and not a condition that has not been proved and the liquor men cannot prove this assertion. If it were true there would be remarkable increase of liquor selling in those other places, and this is not true. Drunkenness is universally recognized as a moral and business evil. Arrests for drunkenness have diminished 50 per cent during Sunday closing. That is not a theory, but a fact, and a fact is a stubborn thing. With less

must sometimes be another's disadvantage; one man's sin or peculiarity must be another's sorrow or annoyance. How far can we go in regulating a fellow man's conduct, who is smothering his mind and soul and interfering with us, only to the extent of disturbing our peace of mind? Does to live in a "free country" mean we are free to prepare ourselves for the devil or annihilation? So much in being done for the child outside the home to keep it from harming its soul and body, I wish we could do more for the man or woman. As we place a chair at the doorway to keep the child from falling, would that we could place a barrier at the saloon door or the house of bondage! Especially as many who enter there are not sinners, but weak and drifting. And somehow I feel it would not be "meddling" to place a barrier. G. M. C.

GOOD SERVICE

To the Voters of Missoula: Rufus Angevine, a strong candidate for commissioner in the council, is a pioneer Missoula man, who has served this city in more than one capacity. He was born in Nova Scotia in the year 1837, and has been a resident of this city since 1885. He was married in Dubois in 1883 and has two sons, both of whom live in Missoula. When he first arrived in this city he was connected with the bridge and building department of the Northern Pacific, which position he held several years, then entering the service of the county as auditor. In the year 1895 he was chosen chief of the Missoula police and also had charge of the street department. During his term of office more work was done on the business section highways than was done at any time before, or has been done since. In street building, Mr. Angevine proved an excellent executive. He had charge of these offices for two full terms, the last term closing in 1905. Since that time Mr. Angevine has devoted his attention to his contract work and is now in charge of some important improvement work at Thompson Falls. G. T. McCULLOUGH, M. D.

THE SALOON A BAR

Many definitions of the saloon have been given, the most polite and apt name perhaps that has ever been applied to it is to call it a bar and a bar it is in fact. "A bar to heaven, a door to hell, Whoever named it, named it well; A bar to manliness and wealth, A door to want and broken health. "A bar to honor and to fame, A door to sin and endless shame; A bar to hope, a bar to prayer, A door to death in sad despair. "A bar to honored, useful life, A door to hawking, senseless strife; A bar to joy that home imparts, A door to tears and broken hearts. "A bar to all that's good and brave, A door to every drunkard's grave; A bar to heaven, a door to hell, Whoever named it, named it well." Will the men of Missoula vote to increase for this institution its hours of business. W. F. B.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TO HEAR MISS ZERR

A special treat has been provided for the Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church this evening in the form of a talk by Miss Gertrude Zerr, who was for eight years engaged in settlement work among Bohemians and other foreigners in Chicago. Miss Zerr was sent to Montana by advice of a physician to recuperate her health and she is now residing in Missoula, taking some special work in the university. Her extended experience with the sunshine and shadows of social settlement work in a large city added to a magnetic personality, make Miss Zerr's talks most interesting. A cordial invitation is extended to all who may care to hear her this evening at 6:30 o'clock in the Endeavor room of the Presbyterian church.

DONOGHUE IS COMING TO ADDRESS MEETING

The committee in charge of the meeting of labor sympathizers and crafts directly interested in the coming city election, to be held at the Elite hall tonight, received word late last night that M. M. Donoghue, president of the state federation of labor, will come over from Butte and address the assembly. Mr. Donoghue was very busy yesterday in Butte, but finally consented to come upon the urgent invitation extended him over the telephone last evening. There will be music and refreshments and the crowd at the Elite is promised a good time tonight. Children are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

KIDS PLAY. The first team of the Roosevelt school defeated a newboys' nine yesterday morning. The score was 10 to 5.

THE SALES THAT HAVE MADE MONDAY FAMOUS

Monday can no longer be called "Blue Monday" by the people of Missoula. At this store it has become a day of great values, eagerly appreciated by an expectant public. Monday, a day of great variety and value-giving in the

DRY GOODS SECTION

Pongee Silk Bargains \$1.00 Pongee Silk, full 36 inches wide, in the beautiful natural shades; an article well worth \$1.00; special to you Monday, at, yard 69c. \$1.45 Pongee Silk—an all pure silk in a beautiful fancy weave; extra heavy quality; this Monday special sale price makes it a wonder of wonders, at, per yard \$1.25. Spring Silks Specially Priced \$1.00 Foulard Silks in all of spring's best shades and patterns; a beautiful, shower-proof silk; on special sale for Monday, at, per yard 69c. \$2.00 Black Taffeta Silk, Swiss finished and one of the best wearing silks that money can buy; yours for Monday, at, per yard, only \$1.25. Long Cloth 25c best soft finished longcloth, the most suitable for your summer supply of fine underwear. Monday, you can save 6c per yard; don't overlook this bargain. Monday, yard 19c. TOKIO SILKS 25c 50c Tokio silks in spring's best shades and patterns—that soft silk so much in vogue for spring and summer dresses. Buy Monday, the price is just half the price. Now for 25c. Percale 12 1/2c 36-inch percale in bright and dark patterns for dresses or waists for child or woman; a cloth of the best at a like price. Special Monday, yard 7 1/2c.

Some Easter Table Linen Savings \$1.25 All Pure Linen Cloth in some fine assortments of patterns; 72 inches wide; a bumping bargain at our Monday sale; price per yard 87c. \$2.00 All Pure Table Linen in very handsome patterns—napkins to match—full 72 inches wide and well worth \$2.00 a yard; yours Monday, at only \$1.45. White Serges Priced to Save You Money \$1.00 White Serge, 36 inches wide; a good cloth, and a most popular cloth for spring wear; on sale Monday, per yard, only 69c. \$1.50 White Serge and Bedford Cord, the two most popular, in 42 and 48-inch widths; extra quality materials; you'll say the same when you see them; specially priced for Monday, at \$1.19.

Hotel, Rooming House & Restaurant Supplies AT GREAT SAVING PRICES FOR MONDAY 65c Bed Sheets, 72x90; good quality; on account of limited stock, four to a customer; Monday at 29c. 20c Pillow Cases, 42x36; a dandy; all you want Monday, at only 12c. 75c Fine White Table Linen; a dandy at the price and a great chance to supply yourself, at yard 59c. 10c Toweling; the best for the price; Monday, a yard, only 5c. Huck Towels, 16x36 inches; a towel you've paid 20c for many times; Monday our price, only, each 8c. Turkish Towels, 24x48 inches; an extra absorbent towel, well worth 30c; Monday's special price is only 12c. Napkins—the Indianhead napkin; specially priced at, per dozen 75c. \$1.35 Bed Spreads, 11-4 size; Marseilles pattern; a dandy for rooming houses; special for Monday, at 95c.

NOTHING BUT BARGAINS 12 1/2c extra quality white cotton flannel; good weight and a real value at 12 1/2c; for you Monday, at per yard, only 9c. 12 1/2c Outing Flannel; something special for you Monday, at per yard, only 9c. BUY YOUR SPRING WINDOW HANGINGS HERE The new nets and madras cloth; many new effects in the drapings for this spring, and all the new shades, patterns and weaves can be found here at the following prices, per yard, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c.

Ginghams 35c spring ginghams, in all the latest shades and patterns; a fine Scotch zephyr specially priced for Monday, yard 29c. Bleached Muslin 6 1/2c Yard 10c bleached muslin, a fine, soft, needle finish; full 36 inches wide; a cloth well worth 10c. In special sale Monday, yard 8 1/2c. Percale 15c bookfold best grade percale, in fine neat patterns; a quality extraordinary at the price. On special sale Monday, yard 10c.

DRUG SUNDRIES 10c bottle peroxide, Monday 6c. 15c bottle peroxide, Monday 9c. 25c bottle peroxide, Monday 19c. 25c bottle listerine, Monday 19c. 10c petroleum jelly, Monday 5c. 25c "Eko" spot remover, Monday 19c. 25c Sanitol tooth powder and paste, Monday 19c. 50c Melba face powder, Monday 39c. 75c Pompian massage cream, Monday 69c. 15c Imperial hair curler, Monday 9c.

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Orton Brothers 428 HIGGINS AVENUE State Agents Steinway & Sons Chickering & Sons Vose & Sons, Kimball and several other high-grade pianos. 3 Bargains in Ranch Land \$1,500.00—One hundred and sixty acres, one mile from good town and railroad station; 80 acres fine level land, good soil; 80 acres pasture; five buildings; small orchard; farm implements and stock all go at above price. \$6,500.00—For 160 acres in Bitter Root Valley; close to town and station; splendid buildings; all good, level land and a snap; one-third cash, balance to suit purchaser. \$8,500.00—For 160 acres in Bitter Root Valley; all level land; good soil; deeded water right; good buildings; large orchard; will lend \$6,000 on this for three years at 8%; this place is easily worth \$10,000. H. D. FISHER 113 EAST MAIN STREET. READ THE MISSOULIAN WANT ADS

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