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Tonight and Friday, unsettled, probably rain or snow; colder tonight.

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HENRY FORD AND HIS PEACE SHIP OFF FOR EUROPE

Bands Play and Hundreds of Persons Cheer When the Oscar Gets Under Way at New York.

WILL VISIT BELLIGERENTS

Automobile Manufacturer Declares He Will Assert His Rights as An American to Go into Countries Now at War—His Last Word is "Down With Preparedness."

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Henry Ford and his peace ship will sail from America with no note of welcome from the British press. Newspapers reaffirmed the doctrine there can be no peace except upon the conditions Aquilth named in his Guildhall speech—until German militarism has been banished from the earth.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—With bands playing and hundreds of persons crowded on the docks cheering, the Ford peace ship, bent on establishing peace in Europe, departed at 2:14 o'clock today. Henry Ford made the statement that he intends to visit the belligerent nations, though his passports are good only to neutral countries.

"I will assert my rights as an American to visit belligerent countries," said Ford. "My last word for America is 'Let everyone try for peace; down with preparedness.'"

Ford especially mentioned England and France as the nations he would visit. No other members of the party however, are scheduled to follow Ford's lead into the warring countries. One hundred and fifty-two passports had been accounted for when the Oscar II, sailed, though reservations called for 149.

Germany Suggests Peace. ROME, Dec. 4.—Germany already has made informal suggestions toward peace through the next Monday's consistory, reports today declared. Cardinal Hartmann of Cologne is said to have brought a proposal that Germany will evacuate Belgium and France and agree to the autonomy of Poland if the Vatican will make powerful efforts for peace.

Cardinals from the allies, particularly Gasquet of France and Bourne of England, have been sounded with this proposal, but it is understood they replied the allies would not countenance half peace measures. Pope Benedict will tell the consistory that the failure of the great powers to call in Christianity, made in The Hague treaty, is a dead letter and thus they are responsible for the war.

It is believed the Kaiser hopes that the pope will start a peace movement. Hartmann's visit is regarded as a peace factor. Germany is regarded as having shaped the situation well. Whether the pope will meet what is regarded as a German peace hope, is believed to depend on conversations with other members of the sacred college.

This is How Best Observed His Own "Free Water" Talk

On the 26th day of last month Dr. James A. Best, candidate for mayor of Pendleton, made a payment of \$19 to the city water department as water rent. This was the first payment he had made since his election to the office of water commissioner in December, 1912. He still owes a balance of \$17.50.

These facts are not important or significant save when taken in consideration with certain statements made by Dr. Best during his campaign for office two years ago. At that time he announced to the public with much gusto that he had discovered that the members of the old commission had voted themselves free water and he construed it as an action little short of dishonesty. He made frequent reference to the fact and from it dubbed Commissioner Will Moore "Free-water Bill," which became his chief-est battery.

Yet, in spite of his campaign utterance against the ethics of the commissioners voting themselves water free of charge, Dr. Best never made a payment of water rental from the time of his election until he was in the heat of another political campaign almost two years later. Only the minimum charge of \$1.25 per month has been made against him for water and, when he applied for his bill on Nov. 26, he owed a total of \$37.50, according to the records in the office. On this he made his \$19 payment.

Here is Evidence of Some "Organized" Work

D. G. SMITH, PRES.

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Retail Liquor Dealers Association

Pendleton, Oregon Nov 16-1915

Arthur Kroft

Pendleton, Or

Dear Sir

Please remember

Dr Best for Mayor

for Commissioner 1 mark

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Retail Liquor Dealers Assn

A. H. Peters

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The above is a fac simile of a letter showing the organized manner in which certain forces in Pendleton have been working for the election of Dr. Best as mayor. A council slate was also suggested but the names are omitted because the East Oregonian is not participating in the council contests. This letter over the signature of the secretary of the Pendleton saloonmen's organization was sent out to local liquor men and perhaps to others over 10 days before the East Oregonian began open war upon the candidacy of Dr. Best. The organization on whose stationery the letter was written is composed in large part of men who were publicly known as bootleggers or in other words owners of "near beer" joints during the dry-regime in Pendleton. Some of those men got their start in the saloon business in those days and amassed small fortunes out of the business. The signer of the letter was one of the number.

It is but fair to say that some of the men in the saloon business do not countenance bootlegging and do not have records as lawbreakers. Those men cannot be classed as part of the vice element of Pendleton and this paper has not sought to criticize men of that character.

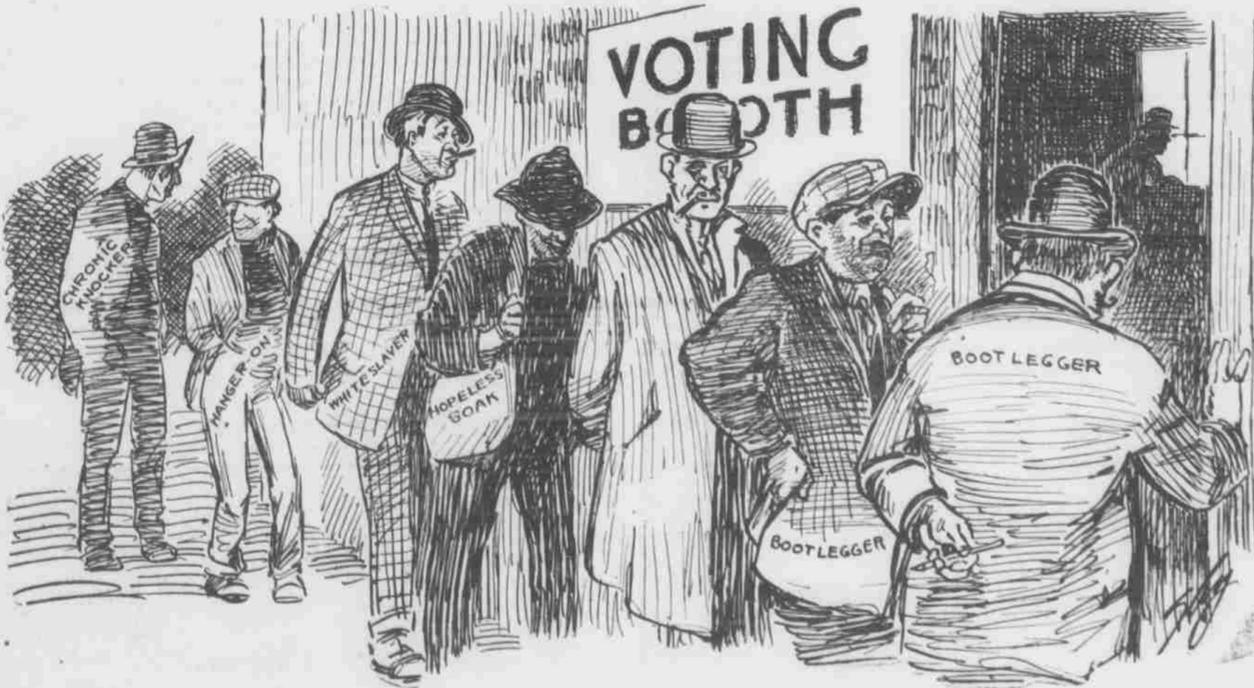
The letter reproduced above is by no means the only evidence that the vice forces have been working in a systematic manner for the election of Dr. Best as mayor. There is overwhelming evidence to this effect and conclusive proof is found in Dr. Best's own admission upon the subject.

The lines of the fight are clearly drawn. The strong array of the vice forces back of Dr. Best heaps indignity upon the citizenship of the town and despite the fact there are some well meaning but misguided church people supporting him it is a fact his election will mean widespread disgrace for the town. It will mean the voters of Pendleton have delivered the keys of the city into the hands of Bootleggerdom and that the best town in eastern Oregon will stand ashamed and scorned before a state whose plaudits we desire and whose good will we now enjoy.

Men and women of Pendleton, can you afford to bring that reproach upon your town and upon yourselves?

These are Some of the Best Supporters; Shall We Allow Them to Run the Town?

(With Apologies to Respectable But Misguided People Who Support Dr. Best)



EVIDENCE OF PLOT TO VOTE NON-ELIGIBLES IS DISCOVERED HERE; POLICE TO WATCH POLLS

Warrant is Out For the Arrest of Von Brincken

ALLEGED CONSULATE ATTACHE WILL BE NEXT TO BE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The recall of Austrian Consul General Von Huber of New York is imminent, according to indications. In its cleanup of Teuton agents displeasing to this government the administration may reach even higher diplomats it was strongly hinted. These are the outstanding facts today in the situation arising from Austro-German activities which already have resulted in the recall of Ambassador Dumba and the request for the withdrawal of Attaches Boy-Ed and Von Papen, of the German embassy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—German Consul Bopp and the German Vice-Consul, appeared to be the alleged "higher-ups" in the Crowley bomb conspiracy for whom federal officials have been seeking. At the same time it came to light that Baron George Wilhelm Von Brincken has been quizzed by federal officials as to his connection with the German consulate. That local officials are after Bopp's withdrawal seems certain.

Baron Von Brincken was to be arrested this afternoon on a federal warrant, it became known. That the warrant was not served before was due to the wish of the state department at this time not to arrest diplomatic attaches. Only orders from Washington prevented serving the warrant. The warrant is the same as that against Crowley, the admitted employee of the German consulate in a conspiracy to "destroy and interfere with foreign commerce." The Crowley warrant charges a conspiracy to violate the United States laws. Von Brincken arrived three months after the war started and passed as a consulate attache.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Ford peace ship leaves for Europe. Hamburg-American officials sentenced to federal prison; appeal is taken. German consulate attache faces arrest.

Local. Evidence discovered of plot to vote ineligible; police to guard polls. Sheepmen bringing annual convention to close. Dr. Best has not been consistent in "Free-water Bill" talk. Chas. Cooney declares sheepmen need protection from rag man.

Large Number of Special Men Have Been Sworn in to See That Provisions of Corrupt Practices Act are Not Violated—According to Reports Attempts Will be Made to Cast the Floating Vote in Two West End Precincts.

Evidence has been discovered of work by the vice interests toward controlling non-eligible voters with the intention of aiding the candidacy of Dr. Best and with this information at hand a large number of special police and watchers have been sworn in to see that the provisions of the corrupt practices act are not violated.

According to reports attempts will be made to cast this floating vote in the two west end precincts and it is emphatically declared prosecutions will follow if the plot is carried out. Not only have special police been called into service but some special state officers are said to be here on a close lookout for violators, male or female.

With the precautions being taken around the polls women are assured absolute protection as no rowdiness will be tolerated at any time.

Following are some provisions of the state law of particular interest just now:

1. The place shall be considered and held to be the residence of a person in which his habitation is fixed and to which whenever he is absent he has the intention of returning.

2. A person shall not be considered or held to have lost his residence who shall leave his home and go in to another state or county of this state for a temporary purpose only.

3. A person shall not be considered or held to have gained a residence in any county of this state into which he shall come for temporary purposes only without the intention of making the said county his home, but with the intention of leaving the same when he shall have accomplished the business that brought him into it.

4. If a person removes to any other state or to any other territories with the intention of making his permanent home he shall be considered and held to have lost his residence in this state.

5. A place where a married man's family resides shall be considered and held to be his residence.

6. A place where an unmarried man sleeps shall be considered and held to be his residence. Not more than 10 electors shall be allowed at one time within 50 feet of a voting place. In this state it is unlawful for any person to sell or give away liquor on

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Wheat Prices Remain Strong in Chicago Pit

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—(Special)—Wheat close today, Dec. \$1.11 25 bid; \$1.10 50 asked; May \$1.13 1-8 bid; \$1.12 asked.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 4.—(Special)—Merchants Exchange prices today, club 82 bid, 85 asked; blue-stem 94 1-2 bid, 99 asked.

Liverpool, Dec. 3.—Wheat—Spot No. 1, Manitoba, 11s, 10d; No. 2, 11s 6d; No. 2 hard winter, 11s 4d; No. 2 hard winter, old 12s 7d. In American terms the highest prices in Liverpool are \$1.82 per bushel.

French Fighter Gets Cross. PARIS, Dec. 4.—Sergeant Georges Carpentier, heavyweight champion of Europe, has been given a military cross for his brilliancy and daring in aeroplane reconnaissances, according to announcement here.

It is better to have reward for heroism in the form of a cheap metal than an expensive tombstone.

Voters' Information

For the information of local citizens, some election points are printed below:

When to Vote. The polls open Monday morning at 8 o'clock and close at 5 o'clock in the evening.

Where to Vote. The first ward is comprised of all that part of the city east of Vincent street; polling place, ABA House. The second ward is composed of that part of the city north of the river, polling place, basement of Christian church. The third ward takes in all that part of the city between the east line of Main and the west line of Vincent; polling place, city hall. The first precinct of the fourth ward lies between the north line of Webb street and the river, west of Main; polling place, Field school. The second precinct of the fourth ward lies west of Main and south of Webb; polling place, Field school.

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DEFENDANTS LET OUT ON BAIL FOLLOWING PRISON SENTENCES

HAMBURG-AMERICAN OFFICIALS GET FEDERAL TERMS—APPEAL IS TAKEN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Dr. Karl Buerz, head of the Hamburg-American line was sentenced to 18 months in the federal prison at Atlanta, following his conviction on charges of customs violations in connection with supplying German warships at sea. Similar sentences were imposed upon his fellow conspirators, George Koeltner and Adolph Hochmeister, while Joseph Poppinghaus was sentenced to a year and a day in Atlanta.

Attorney Rand immediately made application for a writ of error for an appeal. This automatically acted as a stay in the execution of the sentence. The defendants were released on \$10,000 bail each. Judge Howe previously overruled motions to set aside the verdict.

Attorney Rand declared the defendants were acquitted of the wrongful purpose and requested they had done wrong. He declared the others had executed the orders of Buerz.

Though convicted on two counts, sentences were imposed for but one. Judge Howe said he would recommend that the warden show Buerz leniency because he is 72 years old.

PRESIDENT AND MRS. GALT WILL WED ON DECEMBER 18

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—President Wilson and Mrs. Galt will wed on December 18. This announcement of the date was made this forenoon at the White House.