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CITIZEN'S TICKET

For Mayor—Don E. Saunders.
For Clerk—O. C. Teel.
For Treasurer—S. B. Florance.
For City Engineer—Geo. H. Ovinger.
For Police Judge—James A. Burdick.
For Alderman—1st ward: W. A. Sherwood, C. E. Strong; 2nd ward: Paul Storey.
Board of Education—L. H. Blackledge, Henry Gilham.

The Independent Voters

At a caucus of the Independent Voters of Red Cloud held in the court house on Monday evening the following candidates were nominated for the various city offices:
Mayor—J. O. Caldwell.
Clerk—W. R. Bailey.
Treasurer—W. T. Auld.
Councilman 2nd Ward—Chas. Reigel.
Councilmen 1st Ward—Sam Foe and John Crans.
For members of School Board—J. A. McArthur and M. B. Corner.

A people who complacently insist upon wasting two billions of dollars a year for that which is of no value or benefit whatever to the consumer, but brings only harm to the individual and distress to the nation, should either cease complaining of the high cost of living or shut up her trouble-making, poverty-producing factories. If we do the latter, there will come such an era of prosperity as we have never yet seen and "hard times" will be forgotten. The high cost of living is not to be compared to the price we pay the liquor traffic for ruining our citizens and despoiling our homes.

The most vicious and dangerous evil of modern times is the saloon. It is the enemy of the home, the church, the state. Its agents know neither conscience nor honor. Inspired by greed they will if necessary to accomplish their ends, degrade the home, corrupt the church and dishonor the state. Controlling a vast army of voters whom it has debauched, it dictates party nominations and municipal, state and national legislation. Ever alert, aggressive and unscrupulous, it trades upon the evil passions of public men and wins its way by furthering ambitious purposes gratifying petty spite, or filling yawning pockets. It is ambitious to dominate cities, states, the nation. It supports any party that will protect or further its interests, and will end by using and controlling all parties. What is the duty of the true citizen in his relation to the saloon? It is open, uncompromising, undying hostility.

"Hereditry and environment, no matter how good, are of no value after a boy becomes a cigaret smoker," writes D. H. Kress, M. D., in a letter in the Chicago American, in which he states that Teddy Webb, one of the Chicago auto bandits, who has been captured recently, was a confirmed cigaret fiend. Webb is the son of honest parents who aimed to make him self-respecting. Dr. Kress continues: "By inquiry you will ascertain that all of his youthful companions who took part with him in his holdups were cigaret fiends, and probably began the use at an early age. The cigaret, more than any other one thing, is responsible for the present crime wave and for many youthful criminals. The fact is that 95 per cent of the young fellows who figure in our police courts and enter our reform schools are cigaret smokers and begin their downward career with their use. These facts are well known by judges of juvenile courts and other officials."

Another shock the "liberal" elements of our complex social organization is the decision of the president to exclude intoxicating beverages from the white house table. A great many people who might otherwise take pleasure in dining with the president and his family will account it an affront to be invited where they can't tank up a little between courses. We are glad the president has taken this stand for temperance and sobriety. It may be better for those who swig to do so during meal time, but there is no physiological justification for the use of alcoholic beverages under any circumstances. If it is discouraged in high places the example will have a wide-spread influence for good. I'm glad that Wilson won't profane the white house table with champagne. Cold water on the festive board "Most any body can afford. And I much inclined to think. It's good for any one to drink. If statesmen high and statesmen low. The man who learns upon the hoe. The workman in the mine and mill. Would dodge the viper of the still And take to water like a duck They all would have much better luck. So many a household stands to lose Because dad souses up on booze. Forgetful while he swigs the gin Of every duty to his kin. I'm glad, so it seems to be, The president agrees with me, I scorn his party politics. But when he's right I'm with him. —State Journal.

The Sober Truth

There are a number of people in Red Cloud who are advocates of high license honestly believing that the liquor question can be best settled by rigid control of saloons. The argument is advanced that so long as liquor is manufactured it will be bought and sold, hence it would be better to confine such sale to a few persons who would be held responsible for any accidents, or any violation of law, and further the schools are benefitted by the license money.

However honest men are in holding these opinions, we believe that they are mistaken, and that the facts do not bear them out. In the first place it has been convincingly proven right here in Red Cloud that the open saloon is not only the greatest institution of evil in America in the eyes of the temperance folks but it is also the greatest enemy of the other side of the question as well. As a matter of fact who put the saloons out of business in this city? Was it the growth of temperance sentiment? Did the efforts of the one third change the ideas of the two thirds? By no means. The two saloons which were so high handed in their utter violation of every law, made the saloon business so unpopular that decent men would no longer be a party to such defiance. And the saloons went. This city is not a mining camp, neither is it the resort of degraded humanity.

The W. C. T. U. (and we believe a great majority of thinking men) is against the American saloon because of its violation of law, its efforts to make drinking popular, and its great avarice. It is conceded that no man can run a saloon and live up to our Silex law, then why accept a man's money when you know, and he knows, that it is impossible for him to perform what he swears he will perform when granted the privilege? We all know that when the three saloons were here it was a common sight to see dray load after dray load of beer brought up from the depot. We no longer see that sight. We believe that the records of the Burlington station will show that there is not one tenth as much liquor shipped into this city as there was when we had our three open saloons.

So far as aiding our schools is concerned we simply wish to ask what would \$1500 amount to in our school fund when we read the statement in in last week's issue of the Chief that our schools cost us \$10,800 per year?

We are aware that it is no longer popular to present the "sentimental" side of this question, we are told that the recital of the woes and heart-aches of the wives and mothers has lost its power to influence voters to register their judgment against the saloon, but we do know that "money talks" and we simply want to ask the business men of this city if they would not be pleased to tap a territory that would spend from \$24,000 to \$30,000 a year in their stores. The three saloons unquestionably took in that much money each year. If the big corporations have found out that drinking diminishes the efficiency of their help, it is not a good thing for your clerk, your boy or yourself.

We are confident that the spring election will show a greater majority of dry votes than at any previous election—let us make it unanimous.

HOW TO MAKE HOUSECLEANING EASY

Don't wait until the first warm weather and then try to do everything in two weeks.

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Red Cloud Council, Boy Scouts of America Meet

The Red Cloud Council, Boy Scouts of America will hold their annual meeting, Monday evening, March 24th at 8 o'clock in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce. It is important that all members of the council be present as this is the first annual meeting of this council, the election of officers will take place and other matters of importance will be discussed.
E. G. CALDWELL B. W. STEWART
Secty. Pres.

The Degree of Honor will meet Tuesday evening, March 25th., at 7:30 and at which time a program will be given. If you miss it you will miss it.

Notice to Creditors.
State of Nebraska, } In the County Court,
Webster County, }
In the matter of the estate of Christian Rasmus, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against Christian Rasmus, late of Webster county, deceased, that the time fixed for filing claims against said estate is six months from the 28th day of March, A. D. 1913.

All such persons are required to present their claims, with the vouchers, to the County Judge of said county, at his office therein, on or before the 28th day of September 1913; and all claims so filed, will be heard before the said judge on the 28th day of September 1913, at ten o'clock a. m.; and that the administrator is allowed one year from the 1st day of March A. D. 1913, in which to pay the debts allowed against said estate and settle the same.

(SEAL) A. D. HANNEY,
County Judge.

Notice of Probate.
In the County Court of Webster County, Nebraska.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, } ss.
Webster County, }

To all persons interested in the estate of Mary A. Heaton, Deceased:

TAKE NOTICE, that a petition has been filed praying that the instrument to be filed in this court on the 5th day of April, 1913, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, may be proved and allowed and recorded as the last will and testament of Mary A. Heaton, deceased; that said instrument be admitted to probate, and the administration of said estate be granted to John W. Kinzel as Administrator with the will annexed.

It is hereby ordered by the court, that all persons interested in said estate appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county on the 5th day of April, 1913, at ten o'clock A. M., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Red Cloud Chief, a legal weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three consecutive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 19th day of March, A. D. 1913.
(SEAL) A. D. HANNEY
County Judge.

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