

# Give the Anti-Saloon League Rope Enough and They Will Hang Themselves Every Time SMOKED OUT AT LAST

*Council Bluffs is not as large as Omaha; but it can sincerely and unselfishly urge the people of Omaha to join us in making the entire community dry."*

(Signed) JOE W. SMITH,  
President Chamber of Commerce.  
(Signed) M. B. SNYDER,  
Mayor.

The above is a statement from the Mayor, and President of the Chamber of Commerce of Council Bluffs, printed in the Sunday issue of this paper in a paid ad by the Dry Committee for the benefit of the citizens of Omaha. When the Dry Committee published this statement they played right into our hands, for we have been telling the citizens of Omaha that the merchants of Council Bluffs were anxious to see our city go dry, because the merchants of Council Bluffs have been losing trade since they adopted prohibition.

The above statement from the men across the river goes to make our argument for license all the stronger from a business point of view. We have been telling you that the merchants from across the river have been praying for Omaha to go dry and have contributed to the dry campaign fund, and behold, at last they come out with a signed statement to that effect.

O merchants, professional men, laboring men and real estate owners of Omaha, what more proof could you wish than the above statement that prohibition has been a failure in Council Bluffs and that it will work a hardship on the merchants of this city? Can it be impossible for you to see that the merchants of Council Bluffs are suffering from a business depression on account of prohibition? If so, how can you, in the face of this statement, support prohibition?

Again we state that prohibition has worked a hardship on the merchants of Council Bluffs, and they are anxious for Omaha to adopt prohibition in order that they may get some of the trade back that they formerly enjoyed before their city was afflicted with the prohibition blight.

The advocates of prohibition claim that the merchants of Council Bluffs denounce the Taxpayers' League of Omaha. Sure they would denounce the Taxpayers' League of Omaha! They would denounce any body of men in Omaha or anywhere else who will stand for a license policy in Omaha. LICENSE FOR OMAHA AND PROHIBITION FOR COUNCIL BLUFFS SPELLS BUSINESS DEPRESSION IN COUNCIL BLUFFS AND PROSPERITY FOR THE CITIZENS OF OMAHA.

The merchants of Council Bluffs see their old

patrons going by their shop doors, crossing the river bridge, doing their shopping in Omaha and returning with parcels which were purchased from their competitors on this side of the river.

This is their reason for denouncing the Taxpayers' League.

"Make the entire community dry," says the President of the Council Bluffs Chamber of Commerce.

Sure, the business men of Council Bluffs want Omaha to adopt prohibition for the following reasons:

The farmers who live in the near-by community in Iowa and who formerly shopped with the merchants in Council Bluffs before prohibition went into effect there, now go right on through that city to Omaha. They don't even stop for gasoline or water. All that Council Bluffs merchants get from farmers in the near-by community at present is the dust and the exhaust from their machines going through that city.

## Real Estate

The dries claim there are only seven vacant store rooms in Council Bluffs. We publish for your information a list of the vacant store and office buildings across the river and you can judge for yourself whether or not the dries have told the truth in regard to the empty buildings in Council Bluffs.

They are just as close to the truth with their statement in regard to the above as they were with any of their statements throughout the campaign.

See if the following list looks like SEVEN in number:

- One-Story Store Building..... S. E. Cor. 34th and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... N. E. Cor. 33d and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... S. E. Cor. 33d and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 2329 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 2327 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... N. E. Cor. 24th and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 2312 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 2300 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... N. W. Cor. 20th and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 20th and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 17th and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 1506 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... N. W. Cor. Broadway & N. W. Tracks
- One-Story Store Building..... 1028 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 1019 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 1017 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 1014 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 1012 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... N. E. Cor. 10th and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 924 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 922 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 920 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 728 Broadway

- One-Story Store Building..... 711 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 705 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 707 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... S. W. Cor. 7th and Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 303 Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 113 Upper Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 111 Upper Broadway
- One-Story Store Building..... 207 South Main St.
- One-Story Store Building..... 511 South Main St.
- One-Story Store Building..... N. E. Cor. 6th Ave. and S. Main St.
- One-Story Store Building..... 607 South Main St.
- One-Story Store Building..... 919 South Main St.
- Two-Story Store Building..... S. E. Cor. 33d and Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 2534 Broadway (Lower Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 2021 Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 706 Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 704 Broadway (Lower Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 521 Broadway (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 418 Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 345 Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 332 Broadway (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 234 Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 134 Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 116 Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 132 Upper Broadway
- Two-Story Store Building..... 205 Broadway (Lower Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 13 North Main St. (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 15 North Main St. (Lower Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 52 North Main St.
- Two-Story Store Building..... 13 South Main St.
- Two-Story Store Building..... 225 S. Main St. (Two Floors)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 234 S. Main St. (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 504 S. Main St. (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 519 South Main St.
- Two-Story Store Building..... 1005 S. Main St. (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 507 Pearl St.
- Two-Story Store Building..... 141 Pearl St. (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 12 Pearl St. (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... Pearl and Broadway (Upper Floor)
- Two-Story Store Building..... 19 Vine St.
- Two-Story Office Building..... 506 Broadway (Upper Floor)
- Three-Story Office Building..... 514 Broadway (2d and 3d Floors)
- Three-Story Store Building..... 101 South Main St.
- Three-Story Office Building..... 120 South Main St.
- Three-Story Store Building..... 28 Pearl St. (Two Floors)
- Three-Story Building..... 16 Pearl St. (Two Upper Floors)
- Store Room..... 16 Pearl St.

**Seventy-one Office and Store Buildings for Rent in Council Bluffs**—Did the dries tell the truth about the SEVEN vacant store rooms?

We defy them to prove that the above buildings are not for rent and if this be true, and if prohibition is such a good thing for business, why is it that these buildings have not been occupied? We will leave it for the dries to answer.

Oh, merchants and property owners and taxpayers of Omaha, think in a straight line for just a moment! Can't you imagine the destruction of property values in Omaha should prohibition go into effect? Can't you at once see a 25 to 40 per cent increase in your tax rate?

How can you support a proposition that will throw hundreds of vacant store rooms in the midst of your city, such as Council Bluffs has today?

# Vote NO!

# Douglas County Taxpayers' League