

## West Side Enterprise

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### THAT FRANCHISE.

The announcement that the county court has granted a franchise to a railroad corporation along the public highway from Eola to Salem caused some surprise among the busy farmers of Polk county, who have not had time to keep themselves posted in the matter. Not that the public generally objects to a railroad along the route proposed or find fault with the granting of the franchise, so far as it is understood, but there is criticism of the court for making so important an order without giving the subject thorough publicity. Secrecy is the hiding place of all forms of jobbery. Publicity is the greatest safeguard to the people's interest and a barricade against official delinquency. It is not the purpose of this paper to state at this time, that the Salem, Falls City & Western Railway company should be denied the franchise it has been granted. The West Side Enterprise goes on record as favoring the road. But it does not favor the granting of a franchise, affecting the public highways of the county, to the Salem, Falls City & Western or any other corporation until the public has been duly apprized and given time to discuss the matter. Along the route of the proposed road, the public, it seems, were notified of the purpose of the road and it is a significant fact that a generously signed protest against interference with the public highway was promptly filed by them. These people as well as everyone who travels that thoroughfare, certainly have rights that ought to be respected. Furthermore, this franchise practically closes up the only pass from Salem to Eola. With this pass secured, the key to a railroad south from Salem is held. It is not the purpose to charge the Salem, Falls City & Western with bad faith nor the county with giving away the people's rights or property. The court made bold to act in the matter, and willingly shouldering so grave a responsibility, it is to be presumed that the traveling public is protected and that the county gets fair compensation for its franchise. It is presumed that the corporation has not slipped up on the blind side of the court and secured a valuable pass without being bound up to actually build a road within a specified time.

#### SENATOR LA FOLLETTE.

The country is watching the career of Robert M. LaFollette, the junior senator from Wisconsin, with interest. LaFollette is able, conscientious, fearless. Though young in the senate he has forced recognition. Though senatorial tradition sought to silence his maiden efforts it only unstopped the ears of the great American people and gave universal interest in his utterances.

In LaFollette's three days speech on the Rate Bill Law a few senators of the oligarchy left the Chamber. LaFollette, quite undismayed, retorted, "If the senate at this session does not pass a law regulating railway traffic in the United States the seats now temporarily vacant will be made so permanently by the people at the first opportunity."

What LaFollette argued for was a rate bill drawn up in the people's interests. Aldrich, Foraker, Frye and small fry senators wanted a bill that would solace the outcry for relief without disturbing the railroads. Every move of the Aldrich leadership was to render the pending measure less obnoxious to corporate wealth. Every move of LaFollette was to make the measure more helpful to the people.

When LaFollette arose to his feet it was a signal for the trust senators to block or bolt, fight or fly. When LaFollette struck a telling blow the packed gallery loudly approved and the gavel was invoked to quell the applause.

Congress has now adjourned and LaFollette is telling the people of the country all about his experience in trying to plead their cause in the deteriorating National Millionaires' Club. The people will listen to LaFollette. While he fights in the open the standpatters will skulk and scheme.

Neither is LaFollette a demagogue. He is just an honest man "begging of vice a chance to do it good in these fat and pury times."

Even the prune crop is at a good price.

If you can't be a good booster get a substitute.

And then there was more talk of railroad building.

Abate the dust nuisance by oiling the public highways.

Portland has 422 saloons. Only 418 more than Independence.

The vanguard of the army of hop pickers is already beginning to arrive.

The farmers will please finish their threshing in time to help pick hops.

Who will put through the next legislature a bill taxing franchises for the use of county roads and city streets?

Hope that fellow who is starting out to walk from Chicago to the coast and return will get here in time to help pick hops.

The Hunt faction killed four of the Martin faction in Tennessee the other day. Still there are 60 of the Martins yet alive.

The Ranier Register certainly "speaks out in meeting" in scoring the riff-raff and scum of the earth, which it claims infests that fair burg.

It's nip and tuck with Kentucky and Tennessee to see which will have the most scalps hanging to belts when the feud wars are finished.

Swiftwater Bill Gates is asking for a divorce from his fourth wife. It's dollars to doughnuts if he gets the divorce he'll be married again in a few weeks.

Gaekwar, Maharajah of Baroda, wherever that may be, who has just finished a tour of this country, says the American women are not pretty. He's an unmitigated liar.

The Pacific States Telephone

Co. is offering to put in rural phones with connection with all its patrons in Douglas county at a cost of \$1.00 a year. Pretty cheap, that.

A Portland undertaking firm advertises reduced prices for funerals after August 15. All who can do so will take advantage of this opportunity for bargains in coffins, hearses, etc.

**As You Go Through Life—**  
 Never fall in politeness, which is as easy as its opposite.

If you can't love men don't show your dislike for them.

Be silent if you have nothing worth saying.

Never try to be funny or to avoid it. Keep busy, and don't expect anything good to go on of itself.

Make up your mind that most things that should be done must be done at a sacrifice.

Work for what you want instead of wishing for it.

Make your wisdom out of your greatest defect. You can do most in curing this.

Change everything about you that you don't want to be.

Get rid of the brute and of the fool in you.

Keep clean and appear so. Look as well as you can with your means, and when old look more to dress to relieve the ugliness of age.

Give up at fifty the hope of being loved except by your family.

Don't try when old to appear young or "cute."

Learn to attempt what you ought to do as readily as what you want to do.

Be natural, but don't show your meanest nature.

Learn to like your destiny.

If there is nothing much that you want to do more than another, there is nothing much that you will be more than another.

Expect less and attempt more. Let your pleasure be profitable and your business pleasurable.

Do good and feel good. Make your working as enjoyable as your eating.

Learn to do without what you can't have, what you shouldn't have and what you won't have.

If you have not what you want, see what is the matter with you.  
 AUSTIN BIERBOWER.

**Dreyfus Vindicated.**  
 Many years ago Zola and other adherents of the persecuted French army officer Dreyfus predicted that the judgment of the court martial which in 1899 found him guilty of treason to his flag would one day be reversed. The court recommended him to mercy, and he was immediately pardoned by the executive. For seven years he lived on under the taint of having been found guilty.

Recently the whole of France welcomed the quashing of the verdict of the court martial. It has been shown that the evidence upon which he was condemned was forged, that witnesses perjured themselves and that testimony favoring the accused was suppressed. Fortunately vindication does not come too late. Dreyfus lives to confront his fellow countrymen freed from the taint put upon him. True, his career has been blighted, but he is the hero of one of the most remarkable victories over national prejudice and racial fury the world has ever witnessed.

Metal industry, referring to the use of aluminum cables, says that the Niagara, Lockport and Ontario Power company has planned to transmit electric power with aluminum cables as far east from Niagara as Syracuse, N. Y., a distance of 160 miles, and is considering a transmission line as far west as Cleveland, O., a distance of 200 miles. The Niagara and Syracuse lines is partially finished. No current has been carried to New York city from Niagara, and Metal Industry says that to the best of its knowledge and belief no corporation is at present planning to send Niagara electric power to New York, which would require a cable line of 400 miles.

Yes, cold storage chickens will have to be dated like eggs, for the health commissioners say that the smartest housekeeper cannot distinguish off-hand the poulturer's "fresh spring chicken just put on ice" from an embalmed "broiler" of the crop of 1896.

That farmer who neither drinks, smokes nor chews and swears not at all was wise to turn down the appointment as United States senator. It is mighty uncomfortable to play a lone hand in a crowded place like Washington.

New Zealand authorities announce that 54,000 women may get good husbands provided they go there at once. Now, if the girls take their time about it presumably the 54,000 eligibles are to be annihilated.

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presents more opportunities for the home-maker, or for the investor than any country under the sun. Development is rapid and the increasing value of city, town and country property will make any man rich who has the foresight to plant his dollars in real estate. Being free from extreme heat or cold makes this wonderful valley an ideal place of residence. Dairying, fruit-raising, stock-raising, hop-raising, grain-raising, the poultry business and many other avenues that are open for the money-maker makes it possible for the Willamette Valley to support in thrift a population ten times as great as at present. Below we give a partial list of the many bargains in town and country property to be had at this time :

ALL SPLENDID INVESTMENTS	<p><b>100 Acres \$5,000</b></p> No. 1—A choice farm of 100 acres 3 1/2 miles from Independence. All in cultivation; good improvements; price \$5000. This place cannot be beat for the money.	<p><b>40 Acres \$2,800</b></p> No. 4—Tract of 40 acres, 1 mile from Independence; 6-room box house; barn, silo, wind-mill; 2 acres in hops; some orchard; rest good hay, grain or corn land; \$2800.
<p><b>At \$50 Per Acre</b></p> No. 2—Choice farm 3 1/2 miles from Independence; good improvements; 9-room house with hall; barn etc; all in cultivation; good land; \$50 per acre.	<p><b>At \$15 Per Acre</b></p> No. 5—Stock ranch of 1650 acres; all fenced; buildings; part good hop land; good range and easy of access; worth investigating; price \$15 per acre.	
<p><b>7-Room House \$900</b></p> No. 11—Lot and 7-room house on Main street; household goods, carpets, bedding, etc., go with the property at \$900	<p><b>Frame Building For \$350</b></p> No. 6—Frame building and lot formerly used as blacksmith shop; good location adjoining Spaulding Co's. mill property, \$350.	
<p><b>Miscellaneous</b></p> No. 10—Lot and 5-room house, barn etc., good location; \$700. No. 9—Lot and small 5-room house in Independence; \$285. No. 8—House and 2 lots, barn etc., good location; \$900.	<p><b>Miscellaneous</b></p> No. 13—Good house and one or two lots with barn for sale; \$900. No. 7—Good dwelling and half block, slightly home for \$1650. NO. 14—Three good building lots in Independence at \$125 each.	

Two separate companies are now ready to begin the building of electric car lines from Portland into the valley, thus creating competition and the lowering of both passenger and freight rates, which will still further strengthen confidence and create a greater demand for rural property. Every town in the valley near the Willamette river will eventually become a thriving manufacturing center, as all the essentials are here—the raw material and adequate transportation facilities. Better invest now.

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Real Estate Dealers, Independence, Oregon

#### Another Good Man Gone Wrong

He neglected to take Foley's Kidney Cure at the first signs of kidney trouble hoping it would wear away and he was soon a victim of Bright's disease. There is danger in delay, but if Foley's Kidney Cure is taken at once the symptoms will disappear, the kidneys are strengthened and you are soon sound and well. A. R. Bass of Morgantown Ind., had to get up ten or twelve times in the night and had a severe pain in the kidneys and was cured by Foley's Kidney Cure. Sold by D. G. Dove, druggist.

#### Given Up To Die

B. Spiegel, 1204 N. Virginia St., Evansville, Ind., writes: "For over five years I was troubled with kidney and bladder affections which caused me much pain and worry. I lost flesh and was all run down and a year ago had to abandon work entirely. I had three of the best physicians who did me no good and I was practically given up to die. Foley Kidney Cure was recommended and the first bottle gave me great relief and after taking the second bottle I was entirely cured." Sold by D. G. Dove, druggist.

#### Unnecessary Expense

Acute attacks of colic, diarrhoea and dysentery come on without warning and prompt relief must be obtained. There is no necessity of incurring the expense of a physician's service in such cases if Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is at hand. A dose of this remedy will relieve the patient before a doctor could arrive. It has never been known to fail, even in the most severe and dangerous cases and no family should be without it. For sale by P. M. Kirkland, the Druggist.

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