

THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST
SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO
THE EDITOR IF THEY DE-
SIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

EDITOR: Dec. 31, 1928
La Grande Evening Observer,
Ore.

May I help to remind the read-
ers of the Observer, with your per-
mission for a little space, of a very
important appointment about to be
made by our governor to the posi-
tion of two public service commis-
sioners for the state of Oregon. The
two vacancies occur by reason of
the term expires for Commissioner
H. H. Corey representing the Eas-
ern Oregon district, and Edward
Gardner now present chairman of
the commission of Portland, the
term of office expires for these

two members on Jan. 3rd, 1929,
so only one more week remains.

The public should remember that
the duties of this commission are
very extensive, and their deci-
sions are very important, and not
the least of their duties are relat-
ing to power and electric light
companies. Such as service, rates
to be charged, and to look into
complaints by customers or users.

The results of their decisions
mean either the savings of hun-
dreds of thousands of dollars to the
users or public, or the loss of the
same amounts by the users and
public and of course what is the
public's loss is in most cases a gain
for the power and light companies.
So it is a real necessity that the
members of this commission should
be first of all honest men who will
actually do their best to repre-
sent the whole public. This state-
ment has the sad results of holding
these two members now about to
retire, on the pay roll even long
after they have openly showed

that they are not holding office
to represent and protect the pub-
lic as is their duty, but that they
have without fear done their very
best to play big-brother to the
private power and light companies.
There is at this time a lot of
influence being put forward to
have both men reappointed by the
governor and especially to have
Mr. H. H. Corey reappointed, and
this is supposed in a roundabout
way to come from the power and
light companies.

The job is too important to have
these men reappointed back to the
office of public trust, in which they
have failed on two to use an honest
effort in looking after the public's
interest in the past.

Mr. Corey's address before the
railway and utility commissioners
at Dallas, Texas shows him to be
entirely unfit to represent the pub-
lic in this important office, and it
is our duty to advise our govern-
or to that effect. This present
membership allows the Eastern

Oregon Light and Power company
here in Eastern Oregon to charge
the rural districts 15c per k. watt
hour for light even though the
customer pays for the entire cost of
the necessary extension. Besides
this it allows the company to add a
like amount to their investment,
which again is used against us for
rate making purposes.

Respectfully, H. W. SMITH.

A man sentenced to life impris-
onment in New York the other
day sold the Brooklyn Bridge
twice. Relatives had him put
away, it is rumored, to keep him
from taking a few mortgages
on it.

A humorist on a New York
newspaper was struck by an auto-
mobile the other day. He is now
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wise-crack about pedestrians and
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