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EVIL OF POLITICS.

How It Shows Itself in the Conduct of City Waterworks.

Paper Read by John M. Diven, Secretary of the American Waterworks Association, at the Meeting of the Organization Held in June of the Present Year.

That politics does in many cases—probably a large majority of cases—enter into the management of waterworks owned and operated by cities and towns will not be denied. And that this is not right, is absolutely a menace to the health and welfare of the citizens in many cases, as well as a great financial loss, will not, I think, be denied.

Too much depends upon the proper management of a public water supply to make it safe or right to allow politics to control or affect it. To be a good waterworks superintendent or manager requires, in addition to ability and adaptability, long study and practice. If these managers are to be changed every time the city administration changes, it is evident that they can never have the experience that they should have to perform their duties properly.

This follows throughout the entire staff—office force, inspector, street foreman, meter readers and repairmen, engineers and firemen—in fact, the entire force.

Again, will men who only expect to hold the "job" for two or three years give it the study and attention that it should have? It is not natural that they should; there is little incentive for them to do so; they know that the next election is likely to go the other way, so that they will have to go at some other work.

Then they have other duties to perform, other masters to serve—the men or party that put them in the position. Party allegiance must be observed at no matter what cost to the citizens. The men are employed for their politics, not for their worth or fitness for the particular position.

Under these circumstances, are the best men always or even usually chosen—the men fitted for the work?

The public water supply is a matter too all important to be made subservient to politics or any consideration except that of the very best possible supply of the purest water obtainable. All must use water. If it is pure and good, the health of the people will be good and the community will be prosperous. Because it is a healthy city with a low typhoid death rate home seekers will be attracted to it. But without proper supervision and management the purity of the water will in most cases always be in danger.

These political changes are often brought to the writer's attention in his capacity as secretary of this association, one of his duties being to try and keep track of the waterworks people of America. How frequently he finds these changes—for purely political reasons—going on! How many changes have to be made in our list of members for this reason! In looking back over the years of his connection with the association the number of such changes that come to mind is almost as long as the present list of members.

A man drops out, is not heard from. One of our associate members calls and in the course of conversation tells of a visit in "Grafton." Asked about Smith, the old superintendent, he says: "Why, hadn't you heard? At the last election there was a complete change in the political complexion of the city. Smith and all the old commissioners are out. Jones is the superintendent now." The commission is new, the superintendent is new, just because there has been a change in the political control. Smith was a good man for his position and had long experience, thoroughly understood the work in every detail, was familiar with the works, knew all their weak points. In his long years of service he had gathered about him a corps of able and trained assistants. The works were well managed, the quality of the water above suspicion, the quantity ample. The management was economical, waste was kept at the lowest possible point. The plant was in first class condition.

But Smith didn't belong to the right political party. He was not an active politician, but he hadn't voted the party now "in" had, in fact, voted against them; hence he must go. No matter if the quality of the water is not kept up, if the quantity is lacking when a big fire occurs because waste had not been watched; no matter if typhoid fever breaks out because the water supply has not been properly guarded and sickness, suffering and death follow, the active politician, the man who helped the party, must be rewarded.

Jones is an "active politician." He can—in fact, did—carry the Seventeenth ward for the party in power. He is a good man, sober, industrious and intelligent. There is nothing against him; no fault can be found with his appointment so far as character goes. He was a clockmaker and a good one, but had absolutely no knowledge or experience with waterworks management.

Then O'Sullivan had a strong pull in the Seventh and controlled many votes, which he pulled for the dominant party. He had run an engine in Alderman Riley's wood yard—he knew the difference between the throttle and the exhaust; hence he was put in charge of the expensive machinery at the pumping station. Stoppelbein was a clerk in Malsner's drug store; hence knew all about chemistry, water analysis, etc., and he

controlled a large German vote. He was put in charge of the filter plant, though he had no experience in managing either filters or men.

So down through the line the entire force is new and inexperienced, holding the positions because of the political work they had done, not because of their fitness or training.

To start with everything is in the best of condition in all departments, and things run on smoothly enough for a time. The pumping engines respond to the throttle, and the exhaust is clear. So they run smooth and pump water with no increased expense; no difference is perceptible. But in time the boilers through neglect become badly incrustated and require more coal to keep up steam. The packing of the engines becomes worn, the plungers worn, the pump valves broken. There is a loss of steam and vacuum, a big "pump slippage," and more coal is required.

Water is being freely wasted, and more has to be pumped and filtered. The filters are overworked, and with unskilled management soon fail to properly perform their work. Impure water is delivered to consumers, and a typhoid epidemic breaks out.

Then there is trouble, inquiry and investigation. Maybe the state board of health is called in. Anyhow, the trouble is remedied for the present; but, the city and state being controlled by the same party, the matter is smoothed over.

Stoppelbein has had a lesson, has had experience and would probably give efficient management as long as the party "kept in," after which more inexperience would follow.

AGAINST CONFISCATION.

Sound Arguments Put Forward in the Famous Hughes Veto.

Referring to the two cent fare bill which he recently vetoed, Governor Hughes of New York gave utterance to his views on the subject of confiscatory legislation as follows:

"It is of the greatest importance not only that railroad corporations should be compelled to respect their public obligations, but also that they should be permitted to operate under conditions which will give a fair return for their service. Upon this depends not simply the security of investors, but the protection of every form of industry and commerce through the maintenance and extension of necessary transportation facilities. Nothing could be more opposed to the interests of the community as a whole than to cripple transportation corporations by arbitrary reductions of earnings.

"I fully appreciate the fact that those who have promoted this bill believe that such a rate would be fair. But I deem it most important that the policy of dealing with matters of this sort arbitrarily, by legislative rule of general application without reference to the demands of justice in particular cases, should be condemned.

"Every workman, every tradesman and every citizen believing himself to have a right to stake in the prosperity of the country should determinedly oppose it, for it not only threatens the stability of business enterprise which makes our prosperity possible, but it substitutes unreason for sound judgment, the ill considered demands of resentment for the spirit of fair play and makes impossible patient and honorable effort to correct abuses."

Great M. O. Graft Scheme.

The officials of a Kansas city have discovered a new way of working the graft scheme. Ignoring the fact that a private company had a franchise and contract for lighting the streets at a very low rate, they formed themselves into a company, voted themselves a franchise and made a contract with themselves for lighting the city. Under the terms of this contract the taxpayers furnish the building, labor, steam, oil, waste, etc., and the city agrees to take over the plant at any time within two years at the original cost plus 8 per cent per annum. The scheme has not been patented, and other city councils which find ordinary methods of grafting too slow are at liberty to make use of this process.

The White Man's Burden in Decatur.

The Journal of Decatur, Ind., recently printed a list of persons in that city who pay taxes of more than \$100 with the caption, "The White Man's Burden—Is Your Name on the List? Municipal Ownership and \$4.74—How Do You Like It?" Appended to the list of names is the following statement: "The tax in this city is \$4.74 on every \$100. The city of Decatur owns both her waterworks plant and electric light. There can be no question that municipal ownership is to a great extent responsible."

General English Revolt.

The London Morning Advertiser gives an account of the organization on June 5 of a federation of ratepayers and kindred associations to take steps "to prevent reckless enterprises of the municipal trades from being carried on as they are at the present time." Representatives from organizations all over the country were present. This movement is a pretty good indication of the revolt of the English people against municipal ownership.

A Strain on the Taxpayers.

Some time ago Georgetown, O., undertook to build an electric light plant. They voted bonds in accordance with the "estimate" and started construction, but soon found that in order to complete the plant \$12,500 in excess of the "estimate" would be needed. The additional bonds have been voted, but the extra expense is quite a strain on a town of 1,600 inhabitants.

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Missing Boy Returned.

Henry Nelson, who mysteriously disappeared from his home in Clackamas Friday, July 17th, returned home Sunday night, July 26th, having gone without food, except what he could find in the woods, for several days. He had wandered about and was lost. His mind seemed to be blank during his absence. A reward of \$50 had been offered for his recovery, but fortunately he returned himself. Although very weak from fatigue, he will shortly recuperate. He states that he does not know very much about his absence.

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Bone Collar Buttons, per dozen	3c	Kid Cutlers—large size	5c
Cube Pins—black, white and colors	4c	Popular Talcum Powder, per box	5c
Superior White Pearl Buttons, line 16 to 22, per dozen	4c	Decorated Crepe Paper, per roll	10c
Oatmeal, Turkish Bath or Butter-milk Soap, 6 cakes for	25c	Celluloid Dressing Combs	18c
		Pearl Belt Buckles, worth 25c, special	15c
		Smyrna Reversible Rugs, 30 x 60	98c

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T H E C C STORE

MARKET REPORT

WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS. Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.

California vegetables are coming in fine condition and among the offerings on the local markets are:

- Golden Wax Beans 10lb
- Oregon Cabbage, per lb 1 1/2c
- California Onions per 100 \$1.25
- Walla Walla Asparagus, per lb 7c
- ONIONS—Oregon onions, \$3.00 per sack; potatoes 75¢@80¢ sack.
- Los Angeles cabbage 2c lb; rutabagas, 1c lb; fresh onions, 40c per dozen bunches; horseradish, 7 1/2c lb.
- GREEN PEAS—3c lb.
- GREEN BEANS—7c lb.
- YELLOW WAX BEANS—10c lb.
- PARSNIPS—1c lb.

Butter and Eggs. BUTTER—Ranch, 35¢@40¢; creamery, 45¢@55¢ roll. EGGS—17 1/2¢ per doz. HONEY—12c to 14c frame. HONEY—Strained, 7c to 9c lb.

Fresh Fruits. STRAWBERRIES—75¢@1.20 Crt. APPLES—\$1.50@2.25.

GOOSEBERRIES—45c gallon. Dried Fruits. DRIED APPLES—Quartered, sundried, 3 to 5c; evaporated, 6 and 7c; and evaporated and bleached, 9@10c; prunes, 3 1/2@4c, silver prunes 6c to 6 1/2c; pears, 11 to 12 1/2c.

Grain, Flour and Feed. WHEAT—90c. OATS—No. 1, white \$25@26; \$1.30 per hundred. FLOUR—Pat hard wheat \$4.80; valley flour, \$4.40, graham, \$3.75@4.25; whole wheat, \$3.75@4.25. MILLSTUFFS—Bran, \$28; middlings, \$32; shorts, \$29.00; dairy chop, \$27.00@33; hay, \$18. HAY—Valley timothy, No. 1, \$16@18 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$17@18; clover, \$11.50; chest, \$14; grain \$13@15.

Live Stock. STEERS—\$4.50@5.00. HEIFERS—\$4.00@4.50. COWS—\$3.00@3.50. LAMBS—\$5.00 to \$5.50. MUTTON—\$3.00. HOGS—\$5.50@6.00.

Poultry. DUCKS—Live, 14-16c. OLD HENS—9 cents per pound, young roosters, 15c; old roosters, 8c; mixed chickens 10-10 1/2c; spring chickens (fryers) 7 1/2 and 8c pound, turkeys, fancy, 17@19c; geese 7@8c.

Dressed Meats. FRESH MEATS—Hogs, 7 1/2@8c; per lb; veal 7c@8c; mutton 8@9c; lamb (spring) 8@9c. HAMS—Bacon, 20c.

Silver Cup Awarded. The silver cup offered by Mr. J. C. Watts, of Eugene, to the freshman track athlete who made the best record both in scholarship and on the track, has been awarded to Mr. Chester A. Downs, of Portland. Mr. Downs made nearly a straight "A" record in scholarship, and was one of the best half and mile men Oregon has ever produced. The award is a popular one.

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NEW ERA.

Camp meeting closes next Sunday. It being Portland day, a very large crowd is insured.

Miss Ethel Bradt returned last week from an extended trip through parts of eastern Oregon and Washington, and says she would not exchange Clackamas county for the rest of the world.

Ernest Critser returned from Newberg a few days ago, where he was engaged in a sawmill.

James Ewing of Portland, a former resident of this place, spent Saturday and Sunday with Grandma Veto and attended the camp meeting Sunday, meeting many old friends.

Miss Lottie Reif is home again from Oregon City for the summer.

One of our prominent farmers "got a hunch" and stacked his hay on the upper side of a peach tree to keep it from rolling down the hill into his berry patch.

Carl Bargoyne spent Sunday with friends in Portland.

Herman Mader started for Canby Monday afternoon on a bicycle. After going a short distance the chain broke, and in consequence Herman "kicked it" the rest of the way.

John Bradt is hauling logs to the mill to be sawed into lumber for his new barn.

Wm. Wilson came up last Thursday from Oregon City and set up a new binder for John Erickson of the west side.

Joe Sevik, Ernest Critser, the two Messrs. Wirls left Wednesday for a week's outing in the vicinity of Table Rock.

MAPLE LANE.

The new house which is being built by Henry Yost will soon be ready to shingle.

Mr. Williams has sold his farm and moved to Sellwood where he has three houses and lots.

A. Mautz is helping Mr. Blahm build a house near the Leek farm.

Mrs. A. J. Lewis took her berry pickers to the Oaks for an outing last Sunday.

George Brown has purchased a new Mitchell road wagon.

Lawrence Mautz has purchased his father's farm and has taken possession. The parents will live in the house until this fall, when they will move to Elvile into the property they purchased there recently. Lawrence and wife have pitched a tent in the yard and are living in it this summer.

The first survey into Maple Lane for the new car line did not prove satisfactory, so a second survey was necessary, which is now about completed and gives a very good grade to Oregon City.

ELWOOD.

Mr. M. T. Freeman made a trip to Oregon City last Friday to see the doctor about an arm that had been giving him considerable pain. He was still suffering with it when last heard of.

A game of base ball was played in Elwood on Saturday between Elwood

and Springwater. Springwater came out ahead.

Mr. H. Rambo, while hunting for hands in Elwood, met with an accident which delayed him and damaged his buggy considerably.

Quite a number of the people here are scouring the hills for blackcap and blackberries.

Mr. G. Dibble reports an excellent yield of cherries this year.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Henderson made a trip to Portland on Monday.

Mrs. M. T. Freeman has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Rowan of Oregon City.

Marriage of Miss Cora Gaus.

Thomas Robinson and Miss Cora Gaus were married last Saturday in the justice court room by Judge Sampson.



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