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AND IN MULTNOMAH, TOO.

In an editorial, "The People or the Gang," the Oregonian in discussing the Portland Gas Company and kindred corporations, recently made the following pertinent comments:

"The battle is not with the Portland Gas Company alone; it is the irremediable conflict between the associated buccaners of privilege and plutocracy on the one hand, and the plain, every-day citizen on the other. It is the eternal war that has gone on in one form or another during all the ages; it is being waged today in every city and state in the Union; and it will not end until the man who pays his just due to society in taxes, in service and in common loyalty gets his rights; and the man who shirks and refuses to pay gets no more than his rights. In a war between the man on foot and the man on horseback the Oregonian is with the infantry.

"But we shall not stop with mere investigation of the gas company. We shall insist that it give an account of all its transactions, financial and otherwise, to the public. If the Common Council has the power to require efficient and economical service, or to impose a franchise tax commensurate with the immense privileges which the corporation enjoys, or to reduce the price of gas to a reasonable figure, such as other cities in like circumstances charge, we shall insist, on behalf of the public, that the Council do its full duty. If it is necessary to go to the State Legislature, we shall see that there is proper information at Salem on which the Legislature may act. We shall do more. We shall demand that every candidate for the Legislature of every political party shall make an explicit declaration of his attitude toward such monopolies as the Portland Gas Company, and we shall not fail to make due note of failure or refusal on the part of any candidate to support the cause of the people, and to ask the public to govern itself accordingly. The Oregonian has no candidates for office except the candidates who enlist for the war against the insatiable gang who prey on the public under the protection of one kind of special privilege or another, for which they pay little or nothing—nothing at all, that, by sneaking device of false returns to the Assessor or ingenious misrepresentation to the public, they can avoid paying.

"We shall soon see in Oregon who controls the machinery of taxation and has the power to discipline and regulate monopoly and privilege, the people, or the opulent and ruthless gang created and maintained by the cohesive power of plunder."

But in Clackamas county it is different. To exact from candidates for the Legislature in this county a statement as to their attitude towards corporations would be denounced as socialistic and unreasonable, and the aggression of the rights of him who has been serving or rather representing the people of this county in the State Senate.

But where does Senator Brownell stand on the question of corporations? So far as that is concerned it is not necessary that he should make any oral or written statement on the subject. The record of that gentleman in the legislative halls at Salem is conclusive evidence of his position.

Actions speak louder than words and in no instance is this more convincingly true than in politics. The Clackamas county senator has always been found standing for the corporations and supporting any and all such measures calculated to benefit organized capital while he has been equally faithful in opposing any and every measure which would place any restrictions on these corporations. He would openly oppose these measures or when it came to a show down would dodge the issue as he did in the Killingsworth bill.

But what can be expected of a man who depends for his bread and butter on the salaries he receives from the corporations. What else can be hoped for? Can it not be depended upon that he will at all times be found serving the every interest of the corporations in whose hired employ he is? He faithfully serves the corporate interests during the legislative session and then spends the rest of the time explaining to the voters that he did the best he possibly could do "under the circumstances" in hopes of enlisting their aid and support in the succeeding campaign for notwithstand his many statements to the contrary, it is to be depended upon that he will always be a candidate for reelection, until the voters get their fill and relieve him of further service in a legislative capacity. There is a strong feeling among the voters of this county that the time has arrived to effect a change in the representation from this county in the State Senate.

But in the name of government of the people, by the people and for the people, what better can be expected by retaining such men as Senator Brownell in the Legislature?

In his declaratory statement filed with the County Clerk announcing his candidacy for re-nomination and re-election at this time, what does he

promise the people of Clackamas county? Other than subscribing to Statement No. 1, agreeing to support the people's choice for United States Senator, Senator Brownell at this time has no other platform.

As to corporations and every other important question pertaining to matters of legislation, the Senator remains silent. From his position it is to be inferred that he proposes to stand on his past record and he has not yet come forth and made any attempt to defend that record. We say "defend" because if ever a record as a legislator required defense and explanation, that record made by Senator Brownell during twelve years' continuous service, in the State Senate, does. There certainly is little to commend and a great deal to defend.

But perhaps the Senator thinks as Owen Meredith wrote: "Excuses are clothes, which, when asked unawares, Good Breeding to Naked Necessity spares."

NO TREASON IN CLACKAMAS.

"The Treason of the Senate" is a powerful article in the Cosmopolitan Magazine for March. It is devoted mainly to an examination of the history of Chauncey M. Depew; characterizing him as a representative of "interests," during his whole public life of forty-four years, not a representative of the people or the State of New York. Further, he is characterized as "the arch-type of the sleek, self-satisfied American opportunist in politics and plunder." It is shown that he has been a factor in all the big schemes of legislative lobbies, railway jobs, life insurance grafts, metropolitan franchises, and what not, and he has riches in return. It is believed, the Cosmopolitan says, that his career has cost the people of New York not less than one thousand millions of dollars; for he has helped all the games of grab, during his whole life. Suits are now pending against him to recover \$750,000 of the money of the Equitable Life, paid him for no service, during the last twenty-five years.—Oregonian.

But in this county, of course, the interests of the people are foremost and paramount to all other "interests!" Legislators from this county are always found with the people! That is the reason the large railroad interests and the many manufacturing corporations represented in the county are so much concerned in advocating and demanding the re-nomination and reelection of Senator Brownell!

NO FEVER HERE.

About the same amount of typhoid fever is said to prevail at Albany, Salem, Oregon City and other places down the valley as at Eugene, but the news is suppressed by the papers and news-gatherers of those places. There has been more said about Eugene, in the way of advertising it abroad, than was judicious, as it did not help those afflicted and may injure those who are well and have to care and provide for those who are sick.—Oregon State Journal.

Editor Kincaid of the Journal is mistaken in so far as at least his remarks apply to Oregon City. This city never was troubled with typhoid to any extent and there is at the present time but one case of this fever in the city and in that case the patient is convalescing.

As to sickness during the year, Oregon City will bear a most favorable comparison with any other Valley town. Our water plant is owned and satisfactorily managed by the municipality. The reservoir is recognized as such and is not used as a depository for dead dogs and other animals. Oregon City water analyzes 99.5 per cent pure the year around.

With such a standard of purity, the danger of a typhoid fever epidemic resulting from impure water is certainly not alarming although residents of this city will do well, as has been recommended by Dr. Carl, to take every precaution against the polluted water that is being emptied into the Willamette river daily, by fever-stricken Eugene.

A BETTER HOME MARKET.

In a business way Oregon City has suffered because of the inadequacy of the local market to handle at remunerative figures, the produce of this rich agricultural section. In consequence farmers have been obliged to seek other marketing points.

It is for the purpose of providing a better market that the Board of Trade has been agitating the matter of a commission house for this city. Through the agency of this organization, Capt. B. L. Snow, an experienced commission dealer, recently from Hutchinson, Kansas, has become interested in the project and having located here, will engage in a general commission business in this city. The field for this business here is large and the need is great and the entire community will be benefitted in proportion as marketing conditions in this city are improved. Success to the new enterprise.

AN EVIDENCE OF GROWTH.

The recent report of Postmaster Randall shows that in the last five years the postal receipts of the Oregon City office have increased from about \$6000, to more than \$10,000. In other words, the business at the Oregon City office has practically doubled in the last five years. This is a gratifying showing. True, the receipts of the office have been materially increased by the starting of the rural free delivery service, but the enlarged business of Oregon City alone, clearly indicates a good growth of the city in that time.

We are informed by Postmaster Randall that the postal receipts of the office for the year ending June 30, next, will exceed the total of \$10,000, exclusive of the box rentals, a sum that is required before any city can make application for a free delivery of mail. It is the purpose of Mr. Randall to press the city's claim for this service which was only denied us a year ago on technical grounds.

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THE RULE OF BOSSES WANING.

Postmaster-General Cortelyou, in an address before the Young Men's Republican Club, of Grand Rapids, Mich., on Monday evening said: "Our political campaigns must be conducted upon the high plane of principle, in which the fullest discussion of policies shall be encouraged, but in which misrepresentation and abuse of opponents shall have no part.

"Hateful as the domination of the boss has become, there is a tyranny that is worse than that of any boss—the tyranny of an irrepressible clamor to which weak men bow and public officials at the time yield their conscience and their judgment. Nothing strikes a deadlier blow at liberty than the insidious appeal made in her name in times of public excitement. Every convicted violator of her immutable principles should then be brought to his just punishment, but half a case is no case in her tribunals."

There is but one interpretation to be placed on these words and that is, the rule of the political boss is done. This is true for our nation to the smallest precinct. In Oregon the political boss is a thing of the past. A man must now go before the people on his merits. No personal favoritism, unjust pull, no amount of scheming, wirepulling and combinations will avail. He must go before the people on his merits alone. Here in Roseburg ring rule is a thing of the past. Midnight meetings are held it is true, secret emissaries are sent out to deceive and hood-wink the people, but are to no effect. Exposure of their deep laid plans and dastardly schemed arrangements all lead them into the light of discovery, and relegate its perpetrator to well deserved oblivion.—Roseburg Spokesman.

THIS HAS NO LOCAL APPLICATION.

Before signing any candidate's petition for nomination, and especially before voting for him, look up his record. If he is known to be a man of honor, has a clean record and if he has been in office before, lived up to his oath of office as far as possible, sign his petition or vote for him if you want to. But if he has a shady reputation, spends his time and money in the saloon, or if when he was in office sought every excuse for the slighting of his plain duty, turn him down. We have too many of that kind now. A clean administration can come only from a clean man. Keep this in mind and act accordingly.—(Gresham) Multnomah Record.

SUCCESS.

Not long ago a Boston firm offered a prize of \$250 for the best answer to the question "What constitutes success?" Men of recognized ability and standing were selected to look over the vast number of answers and they awarded the prize to Mrs. A. J. Stanley, of Lincoln, Nebraska, whose definition of success was as follows: "He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much, who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children, who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfunctory poem or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose memory is a benediction."—Exchange.

With a characteristic disregard for precedent and convention, President Roosevelt has calmly disregarded the recommendation of expensive board of consulting engineers as to the type of Panama Canal and has announced his conviction, from a layman's standpoint to be sure, but with an array of facts and common sense to back him, that makes one suspect that after all he may have hit the right solution of the problem that has divided the best engineers of the world. The President in his decision has sided with the majority of the Canal Commission and with the minority of the board of consulting engineers. But he has enough expert engineering testimony on his side to make it clear that his decision is no matter of caprice. He also brings out a good many points that have not previously been made clear in the discussion. He shows that the lock canal is the American type and that the Suez which is a lock canal, while it is closed for three months in the winter, actually carries three times as much tonnage per year as does the Suez. He makes clear also what probably was not clear before to the man in the street, and that is that even were the Isthmian canal built at sea level it would by no means be a straight connecting the two

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oceans but would still have a good many of the disadvantages of the lock canal. This takes away much of the glamor that the name "sea level" canal implies. From the financial side he also shows that the extra expense of building the canal at sea level, to say nothing of the extra time, would make the cost of interest on the additional money invested amount to more than the added cost of operating the lock canal. One point that ought not to be overlooked either, is that Chief Engineer Stevens, who would have more at stake personally than any other one man and who is himself no tyro in engineering work, favors the lock type. And he is the man who is to do the work and whose reputation will stand or fall by his success or failure. Decidedly the President's disagreement with the expert judgment of the board is not so radical as at first sight it might appear. And perhaps after all he has hit the real common sense solution of the problem.

Now that the White House wedding is satisfactorily concluded, we will be able to devote a little much-needed attention to the Russian situation, the Algecalrais Conference and the prospective rising in the Balkans, and other world-wide propositions.

The antithesis of the old question as to whether you would "rather be a giraffe with a sore throat or a centipede with bunions" is "would you rather be a life insurance president or hold a Washington job on a Panama Canal?"

Uruguay has decided to reduce the rate of interest on her national debt. President Castro has her, beat to a standstill. He can reduce the principal without paying any of it and ignore the interest altogether.

So far as the published records show, Representative Longworth received only one present and that was a buffalo skin waist-coat he could not wear outside of amateur theatricals, or the artie circle.

The willingness of the merged coal roads to stop rebating seems to be explained by the fact that there was no one left worth giving rebates to.

The German Reichstag is beginning to wonder whether their new tariff train is headed toward a clear track or an open switch.

The House Conferees are now awaiting the return of the Hepburn Rate Bill with a large supply of first aids to the injured.

Wonder if Col. Mann paid Town Topics anything to keep himself out of print? The Czar can now decide whether he will have a revolution because he fires Count Witte or because he does not.

At the rate the packers are defending themselves now, they will soon furnish the government with evidence enough to indict Commissioner Garfield for not indicting them sooner.

When the two mile a minute automobile arrives, someone probably will be found who is fool enough to drive it.

TORTURE BY SAVAGES.

"Speaking of the torture to which some of the savage tribes in the Philippines subject their captives, reminds me of the intense suffering I endured for three months from inflammation of the Kidneys," says W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me. "Nothing helped me until I tried Electric Bitters, three bottles of which completely cured me." Cures Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Blood Disorders and Malaria; and restores the weak and nervous to robust health. Guaranteed by Howell & Jones druggists. Price 50 c.

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OREGON CITY MARKET REPORT.

(Corrected Weekly.)
Wheat—No. 1, 67@73c per bu.
Flour—Valley, \$4.25 per bbl. East or middle West to Oregon may deposit the amount required with the local agent of the S. P. The company will do the rest. For further information inquire at any Southern Pacific ticket office.
Oats—In sacks, \$1.15 per cental.
Hay—Timothy, baled \$11@12 per ton; clover \$9; oat, \$9; mixed hay \$9.50.
Milstuffs—Bran \$19.50 per ton; shorts, \$20.50 per ton; chop \$18.00 per ton; barley rolled \$25.50 per ton.
Potatoes—45@50 per hundred.
Eggs—Oregon—15@17 1/2 per doz.
Butter—Ranch—55@60; separator 60c; creamery, 65@70c.
Rutabagas, Carrots, Turnips, Parsnips and Beets—60c per sack.
Good Apples—Choice \$1.00.
Honey—11@12 1/2c per lb.
Prunes—(dried) Petite, 3c per lb; Italian, large, 5c per lb; medium, 3 1/2c; Silver, 4 1/2c.
Dried Apples—Sun Dried, quartered, 4 1/2c lb; sliced, 6c; fancy bleached, 7 1/2c.
Dressed Chickens—12 1/2c lb.
Live Stock and Dressed Meats—Beef, live \$3.25@3.75 per hundred. Hogs, live, 5c; dressed, 7 1/2c; sheep, \$3@4 per head; dressed, 7c; veal, dressed 7@7 1/2c; lambs, live, \$2.50@3.50 per head.

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