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Untried and Untested Men Dangerous To Public Service

By WILLIAM LOEB, Jr., Collector of the Port of New York

I AM most emphatically in favor of civil service. There are few things from which this country has suffered more than it has from successive hordes of officeholders who have administered its affairs with no better qualifications than those which can be deduced from success as campaign orators and general political utility men.

IT IS AMAZING THAT A PRACTICAL PEOPLE LIKE THE AMERICANS SHOULD HAVE BEEN CONTENT FOR SO LONG TO SEE DIFFICULT AND HIGHLY RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATIVE WORK HANDED OVER TO MEN WHO HAVE TOO OFTEN LACKED EVERY QUALIFICATION FOR THE DISCHARGE OF THEIR DUTIES.

Nothing but the vast resources of the country and the extraordinary energy and industry of its inhabitants HAVE SAVED US FROM PAYING THE PENALTIES which every other country has had to pay for employing untried and untested men in the public service.

Our NATIONAL PROSPERITY has been one powerful influence against any widespread popular interest in civil service, and the vital importance of the question has been obscured by the fact that almost any intelligent man can perform AFTER A FASHION the duties of almost any office to which he may be appointed. It is seldom that incompetence reaches such perfection that the wheels of administration actually come to a dead stop.

If to these circumstances you will add the EASY GOING TOLERANCE which Americans have for slipshod and inferior public service and the general absence of any familiarity on the part of the public with a high standard of administrative efficiency you will have little difficulty in appreciating the uphill work of out and out civil service reformers.

June 7 in American History. 1776—Richard Henry Lee offered resolutions in congress declaring the colonies independent. 1863—Desperate action at Milliken's Bend, La., between Federal negro troops and General J. G. Walker's Confederate division. 1893—Edwin Booth, famous tragedian, died; born 1833. 1910—Professor Goldwin Smith, Anglo-American author and educator, died; born 1823.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS. Evening star: Mercury. Morning stars: Venus, Saturn, Mars, Jupiter. Superior planet Neptune in conjunction with the moon at 4:40 p. m.

OLDEN DAY The younger generation INTELLIGENCE tion is rather prone to smile at the pioneers, and to admit that they did as well as they could, but that things are done better in these days of grace. And the pioneers say nothing, but also they, in turn, sometimes smile. It is quite likely that some pioneers of the Oregon country, or their shades, are smiling now. These men came over the plains to found a new community, and not a few of them finally reached the present site of Oregon City, and here they established a town. There were other towns established, too, but just at present it is of this one that comment is made.

The bulled a little city here, and the place grew and prospered. It bade fair to become the metropolis of Oregon, in fact—and would have so become, had not a younger set established the city of Portland some twelve miles further down the river, and been favored by luck and railroads. Portland today is "the big town"—but Portland has not some of the advantages that impressed the pioneers who settled here. Portland has been several times seriously inundated by floods. Every year Portland's waterfront is turned into a useless desert of water and slime by the rising river, and her trade and dwindling commerce suffer.

But not so Oregon City. The pioneers who settled here found a rock ledge high above the river level, a ledge that has never been flooded, though some of its lower slopes have been damaged. To the wisdom of the pioneer, taught to fear nature as much as the Indians, this site presented advantages that Portland did not have. They settled here, and in times like the present their wisdom is justified. They built an enduring city, a city that the river will probably never sweep, a city to which the stream is only a friend and an aid, and never a menace. The pioneers knew what they were about, they had a far-sighted intelligence and horse sense that some others lacked. And not only is Oregon City itself free from flood danger, but its nearly acreage is equally free. Were factories to be established along the banks of the Willamette below this city, high water would never effect them, and throughout all the year their operation would be uninterrupted—which is more than can be said of Portland's outlying manufacturing districts.

The pioneers usually knew enough to keep in out of the wet. In former years men took heed of the elements. Witness the engineers who mapped out the route of the Northern Pacific railroad, for instance. Their line, it is sometimes jokingly said, followed the trails of the buffalo and of the deer. Maybe they did, but they are still following them, and seldom is service interrupted. Later lines have been built—two in particular, the Great Northern and the Milwaukee—and every winter they are forced to route their trains over the old pioneer road, because of snowdrifts and torrential rivers that have torn out the track laid down by a newer generation, a generation that has scoffed at the old.

Verily, the pioneers knew what they did. They utilized a common horse sense that made their works endure. They may have lacked some

of the fancy frills and furbelows of modern times, but they had a judgment which people of today must honor, and they had a thoroughness that might well be imitated in these times of hurry, rush and boom.

BUYING FOR The council has UN- THE FUTURE der consideration an ordinance for the expenditure of six thousand dollars for the purchase of a rock-crusher. For a number of reasons this matter has been hanging fire with the city fathers for quite a time, yet no out-and-out objection has been made to the outlay. Part of the delay was caused by a natural and proper desire on the part of the council to determine whether or not the plant that it is proposed to buy was in operative shape. Expert opinion has been had on this, and the council was told that everything was as represented. Following this report, a majority of the council seemed to be in favor of completing the deal, but like many other council matters, the affair has dragged almost unreasonably.

It would seem that this purchase ought to be completed. Councilman Horton, for one, has expressed the opinion that the investment would be a good one, even if the rock-crusher never turned a wheel for the city—and this impression seems to generally prevail, for it is realized that mere possession of a rock-crushing plant would serve the city as a club to force down bids on road work submitted by private firms. While Oregon City may not yet be ready for general municipal ownership, it would appear that as long as the city has already purchased the rock ledge upon which this crusher is located, it might as well buy the crusher, and so complete its control of the property, and place itself in a position where it could demand of road contractors and street builders reasonable prices for work.

Gladstone, which is not nearly the size of Oregon City, has looked into the street maintenance matter pretty thoroughly, and has decided through its council that economy lies along the line of municipal control of the products needed for the building and upkeep of its highways. The neighboring community but a short time ago purchased a gravel bed so as to have an economical supply of material at its service; and it is now purchasing equipment for a municipal road-oiling plant. The outlay, when regarded comparatively, is far greater for Gladstone than will be the expenditure of the sum required here to purchase a rock-crusher. If municipal ownership of street material is economical for Gladstone, why will it not prove the same here?

WOOD AND COAL. The famous (King) coal from Utah, free delivery. Telephone your order to A56 or Main 14, Oregon City Ice Works, 12th and Main Streets.

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FOR SALE—New milch cows, Albert E. White, West Oregon City. FOR SALE OR RENT—5-room house at Gladstone on county road facing Clackamas river, 2 blocks from Arlington station; rent \$3.00; sale terms on application to Wm. Beard, 1002 Mohalla Ave., Oregon City. I AM LEAVING town, will sell the furniture of my six-room house cheap, 604 Water St., City.

FOR SALE—Good as new Esty organ. Call E. P. Elliott, 7th and Main St.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Stump-puller and 2 hundred feet of cable, all in good condition. S. G. Bally, R. 3, Box 173, Oregon City.

\$1500.00—For Ten Days Only—5-room house and 2 lots in Gladstone, fronting on Clackamas river; 4-room house on 1st Sellwood, \$1500.00. Good business lot Sellwood 100 ft. by 100 ft., \$3000.00; terms upon application. Also 7-room house and 2 lots Oregon City, \$2000.00, half cash, balance monthly payments. Wm. Beard, Oregon City.

I HAVE ONE 320 ACRES of land under good fence, a natural location for stock; all good tillable land, seeded to good pasture. Also one 140-acre dairy farm, 90 acres in cultivation, all in good trim; good orchard, two good barns, a good nine-room house, with water piped in, all other necessary buildings. Buy direct from the owner and save at least 5 per cent of the value and I will guarantee the price to be right; write for information. Also a good saw mill all in good condition—a good bargain. Address, Ferris Mayfield, Springwater, Oregon, Rt. No. 1.

FOR RENT—6-room house in Elyville. Inquire Beverlin's Grocery store.

TO RENT—A desirable 7-room house for rent; electric lights, enameled bath tub, concrete basement, etc., on Main St., next door to 14th St. Enquire at Harris Grocery.

AN UP-TO-DATE 6-room apartments on 12th and Main and 14th St. Enquire at Harris Grocery.

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WANTED—100 chickens hatched in March and April. Home phone A114, residence 307 Pearl street.

Oregon City, Oregon, which sum shall be forfeited in case the bidder to whom the award is made shall fail to enter into a contract for the work within ten (10) days after notice of said award.

NOTICE OF HEARING. J. Q. Adams Street Improvement Assessment. Notice is hereby given that an appointment of the improvement of J. Q. Adams street, Oregon City, Oregon, from the south line of 8th street to the south line of Fourteenth street has been ascertained and the proposed assessment has been approved and is now on file in the office of the city recorder and subject to examination.

NOTICE OF HEARING. Sixteenth Street Improvement Assessment. Notice is hereby given that an appointment of the improvement of Sixteenth street, Oregon City, Oregon, from the west line of Jackson street to the west side of Division street has been ascertained and the proposed assessment has been approved and is now on file in the office of the city recorder and subject to examination.

NOTICE OF HEARING. Jackson Street Improvement Assessment. Notice is hereby given that an appointment of the improvement of Jackson street, Oregon City, Oregon, from the north side of Twelfth street to the south side of Sixteenth street has been ascertained and the proposed assessment has been approved and is now on file in the office of the city recorder and subject to examination.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION. NOTICE is hereby given, that an election will be held in the town of Willamette, in Clackamas county, Oregon, on Saturday, June 28th, 1913, to determine whether the boundaries of said Willamette shall be extended to include the following described territory, to-wit:

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district No. 105 being the point intended; and running thence northwesterly on the boundary line of said school district No. 105 to the center of the Willamette Falls Railway; thence following the center line of said railway in a southwesterly direction a distance of 60 chains to the right bank of Tanner Creek; thence northwesterly following the south line of tract No. 105 to the north line of the present road from Oregon City to Willamette; thence in a westerly direction following the north line of the said county road to the east limits of the present town of Willamette; thence north 22 degrees 10 minutes, east following the line of tracts No. 60 and 61 of Willamette Tracts to the southeast corner of tract No. 61 of said Willamette Tracts; thence south 67 degrees 39 minutes west following the south line of tracts 61, 62, 63 and 64 and the projection thereof to the east line of Twelfth street in said town of Willamette; thence south 22 degrees 21 minutes, east following the east line of said 12th street and the projection thereof to the north bank of the Tualatin river; thence in an easterly direction and northerly direction following the north bank of the Tualatin river and the west bank of the Willamette river to the place of the beginning.

W. M. bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the re-entrant corner in the south and east boundaries of said claim and running thence south 10 chains; thence west tracking the south line of said claim No. 46 33.64 chains; thence north 20 chains; thence south 85 degrees, west 20 chains; thence north 20.83 chains; thence east 0.25 chains; thence south 20.88 chains; thence north 85 degrees east 20.85 chains; thence south 0.25 chains; thence north 85 degrees east 33.37 chains; thence south 13.18 chains to the place of beginning containing 73.62 acres being in Clackamas county, Oregon, be decreed to be the first lien upon said real property and superior in right to any other lien upon said land owned by the defendants or any of them; that said real property above described be sold in the manner provided by law and the proceeds of said sale be applied toward the payment of taxes, toward the costs of said sale, the costs and disbursements of this suit and the payment of such judgment as shall be entered herein in favor of the plaintiff, including attorney's fees and the balance if any paid into court for the benefit of whomsoever shall be decreed to be entitled thereto; that said defendants and each of them, and all persons claiming under them or any of them, be barred and foreclosed of all estate, right, title, claim, interest or equity of redemption in the said real property and every part thereof excepting the statutory right of redemption; that the plaintiff have personal judgment and execution against the defendants, Ella F. Taylor and Fred Taylor for any deficiency which may remain of plaintiff's judgment after exhaustion of all the proceeds of said sale properly applicable to the satisfaction of plaintiff's judgment; that the plaintiff or any other party to this suit may become a purchaser at said sale, and for such other and further relief as may be meet and equitable in the premises.

Each of said elections will begin at the hour of 8 o'clock a. m. and continue until 7 o'clock p. m. of said day.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. NOTICE is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Gladstone, Clackamas County, Oregon, will receive bids for the following improvement of Portland avenue in said city, to-wit:

Make all cuts and fills necessary to put said avenue on the established grade; construct a six foot board walk along each side of said avenue in accordance with the plans and specifications heretofore adopted by the common council of said city and now on file in the office of the City Recorder. Plans and specifications may be had upon application to the City Engineer or the Recorder. All bids must be in the hands of the Recorder by June 10, 1913, at 7:30 p. m. The council reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Dated, June 4, 1913. JOHN N. SIEVERS, Recorder.

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