

MR. HENRY PECK AND HIS FAMILY AFFAIRS

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HENRY JR. SAYS



WE AGREE WITH PAW HENRY PECK JR.

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CITY OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER.

AMERICA WILL GET its first practical experiments in the government ownership of railroads if the bill now pending before the house committee on postoffices and post roads passes through congress.

As the life of the average steel car is 15 years and the average cost of maintenance from \$1700 to \$3000 per year, the government officials believe they can save something out of the present charge of \$16,000 for each car annually.

The test is worth making, at any rate. Though the postmaster general sometime ago favored the government ownership of all rail and telephone and telegraph lines, the country is not yet prepared to take that much of a step along those lines.

Experiments, in general, cost money but if they lead to the collection of data that will afterwards prove of benefit to the government and that enables the heads of the departments to afterwards save money for the people of the country, they are worth the first cost and the time expended.

It would be interesting to the people to learn whether or not government ownership of this kind would pay. It would also be interesting to the department to learn just how much of a profit the railroads have been making off of the transportation of mail for the past 20 years.

Sometime ago the transcontinental lines threatened to cut out their fast

Politics Needs the Young Man, but He Must Play the Game Honestly

By Governor LEON R. TAYLOR of New Jersey, Youngest Governor in the United States



Photo by American Press Association.

POLITICS NEEDS THE YOUNG MAN. ONE OF HIS PRIME QUALIFICATIONS IS HIS FREEDOM FROM ENTANGLING ALLIANCES. HE HAS A CLEAN SLATE; HE ISN'T MIXED UP WITH A LOT OF THINGS AND PEOPLE LIKELY TO INTERFERE WITH HIS SERVICE TO THE STATE.

There's such a thing as being so conservative that you're afraid to move in any direction. You just stand still. That's the weakness of some of the safe and sane candidates.

I advise no young man to enter politics unless he is BURNING UP WITH PATRIOTISM OR HAS AN ASSURED INCOME. It costs too much to be a politician; not in money, but in time. After the end of this year I quit. I'm going back to the law, and for about ten years I'm going to work just as hard as I can.

Once you're in politics you have NO TIME FOR ANYTHING ELSE. You haven't inclination, either.

IF A YOUNG MAN CAN'T AFFORD TO STAY HONEST IN POLITICS HE CAN'T AFFORD TO STAY AT ALL.

The bosses will be good to him for awhile if he is obedient and asks no questions. But unless he has independence he will acquire such a malodorous reputation that the bosses will never dare to use him as a candidate for a big office.

mail trains from San Francisco to New York because of the talk that was going the rounds of federal plans to pay for mail by the foot instead of by the ounce or pound. The lines have placed through trains between the Pacific and the Atlantic coasts and have shortened the time between New York and San Francisco by one day.

With the power in the hands of the roads to cut out this fast transcontinental service, something ought to be done by the government that would give it a more complete control over its own mail lines and that would enable the officials to handle the roads with the view to getting the best results in the way of mail service for the whole people.

THE PROPOSED CHARTER for our baby sister city across the river is a work of art as charters go. One of the best charter authorities of Oregon had charge of the drawing of it and it any city ever had a charter where the people rule West Linn will have one after December 29, 1913.

The usual idea of politicians is "the people be damned" with enough wool pulled over the statement so the people will vote on and pass what they want, but West Linn's city charter committee's one idea seems to have been "the people must rule" and almost every page of the document gives the people power which very few cities enjoy.

PITY THE POOR RAILROAD. It is the real sufferer in the increased cost of living. With its vast amount of business and its tremendous working force, it has to face the prospects of increased wage scales and higher salaried employees.

About every so often, some distinguished member of the railroad fraternity comes before the public with his little wail of trouble that is threatening the corporations. He tells the people just how much, down to the fraction of a mill, that it costs him to run his own road, for instance, and the other proportionately. He goes into lengthy details.

It is a pitiful wail that the roads have the habit of distressing the people with about once in six or eight months. The cry of the corporations usually comes about the time that the various railroad commissions of the several states awake to the fact that the companies have been grafting from the people for the past 10 years or longer and proceed with measures that will shake them down on the exorbitant charges that they have been making.

There are cases of that kind in this state. The commission has taken the correct view when it does not lower rates to such an extent that the lines would go into bankruptcy but it also takes the correct view when a road is charging rates that are exorbitant when the amount of business and the actual transportation cost are taken into consideration.

But, the people are annually given this line of bunk from the corporation managers in order to pull the wool over the eyes of the masses and arouse public opinion against the reduction of charges, on the lines.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS: Real estate transfers filed with the county recorder Tuesday are as follows: W. A. Aloor and wife to Elizabeth Grumm lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 16, 17, 18, and 20 in block 5, Brightwood; \$10.

SELL OR TRADE: 2 acres all improved, 6-room house, good well, cemented; good family orchard; all fenced with woven wire fencing, \$2000 part cash, balance on long time or will trade for equal value in Oregon City property. DILLMAN & HOWLAND

east and section 30, township 2 south, range 2 east; \$1. Temple E. Dorr and wife to John J. Rupp, S. W. 1/4 section 8, all of S 1/2 S. W. 1/4 section 9, township 2 south, range 4 east; \$10.

JURY CONVICTS POSTAL ROBBERS

Morgen as a former prisoner in that institution. He said that Morgen had spent a year in the penitentiary under the name of Robinson on a charge of passing "bad" checks.

CITY STATISTICS

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FOR RENT

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L. AUSTIN, the tailor, for men and women. Suits made to your measure, alterations and refitting. Prices reasonable, Room 9, Barclay building.

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