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CITY OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER.

MERICA 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. In that bill, the department has asked the legislature of the country for \$100,000 to try the experiment for one year and to determine whether it would be cheaper for the government to own its cars or to lease them and pay the transportation costs for the mail as it has been doing.

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

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. It is, however, willing that the officials should spend a little money in making tests if they believe that the country can ultimately befall the helpless corporations, we something in the annual expense that is incurred by the postoffice depart ment and place that office on a self supporting basis. If the costs of the transportation of mail over the main lines of the roads is so great every year and the department heads believe that they can cut down this expense by the ownership of the steel cars that carry this mail, the experiment is worth the money that the bill provides should be spend whether it sustains this conten-

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 radroads have been making off of the transportation of mail for the past 20 years. Such data is worth any costs that the government sees fit to make, within reason, for whether it ends in the government control of its steel mail cars or not it will show the officials the actual cost of operation of such cars and may enable them to later cut down the charges that the roads have been making when they have bid for the federal contracts.

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

DOLITICS NEEDS THE YOUNG MAN. ONE OF HIS PRIME QUALIFICATIONS IS HIS FREE-DOM FROM ENTANGLING ALLIANCES. HE HAS A CLEAN SLATE; HE ISN'T MIXED UP WITH A LOT OF THINGS AND PEOPLE LIKELY TO IN-TERFERE WITH HIS SERVICE TO THE STATE. THEN HE IS IN THE MOVEMENT. HE HAS THE NEWER IDEALS, THE LESS SORDID AMBITIONS. HE HAS RASH IMPLUSES, BUT HE USUALLY STOPS TO THINK BEFORE HE ACTS.

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. Then maybe I'll have another

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 POLI-

TICS 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. The people wake up once in awhile, you know. And the BOSSES HAVE TO DECLARE FOR THE HONEST MAN not because they want him, but because they need him.

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. To the business man to whom time means money, this is an important feature. It means that the hurried business man can transact a greater amount of business between the points if he can save even one day on his mail time. The threat that the roads have made is one that the government has to take into consideration and which it, properly, did consider when it was made. Though there is no apparent reason why the people of the country should pay for the transportation of mail by the pound when it may occupy but a small part of the space in the car, the government id not at that time take any steps to straighten out the tangle.

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. If this scheme of the department will do it or will show how it can be done, it is a good one.

HE 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

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 peo ple power which very few cities enjoy.

West Linn will likely vote YES strong enough to insure its passage.

ITY 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 employes. President Bush of the Missouri Pacific railroad sounds the weird wail of his brethren in the business when he tells to the society of which he is a member the dire calamities that are about to

ternity 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. He complains of the high cost of living and the increase in wages. He says that little advances in the freight rates or the charge for passenger traffic will not be felt by the public but that they will save the poor old road from absolute ruin and complete bankruptcy. He explains this on the theory that the business the roads do is so great that the little increase which he says cannot be noticed by the travelling public brings in great revenues for the lines and guides them safely around the shoals and bars in the waters of bankruptcy.

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 exhorbitant charges that they have been making. The commissions never make these cuts without fully going into the business of the company and determining from the books and records just how much such a cut would influence the business. The authorities never yet have cut FLECHTNER-Born, to Mr. and Mrs. rates when those rates would ruin the business of any corporation. There are cases on record where roads are charging exorbitant rates for transportation both of freight and passengers and the commission never objects because the condition of the line would not permit the reduction of the rates.

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 foltract of land in section 6, township 3 Arson S. Cove to Sarah A. Cove, \$10. south, range 1 east, near the Pudding

Alfred P. Sneider and wife to Emma Johnson, lot 3 and 4, block 28, Bolton; \$100. George M. B. Jones to Corfix Sorenen and wife, 1 acres in N. E. corner

N. W. ¼ N. W. ¼ section 24, township south, range 2 east; \$800. Eugene Cumins and wife to B. F. Pond, N. W. ¼ N. W. ¼ section 17, and N. E. 4 N. E. 1-4 section 18, township 4 south, range 3 east; \$1.

section 6, township 6 south, range 3

W. A. Aloorn and wife to Elizabeth Grumm lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 16, 17, in block 5, Brightwood;

East Side Mill and Lumber pany to W. F. Douglas, E. 1/2 N. W. 1/2 S. E. 1/4 of section 2, township 2 south,

range 4 east; \$800. Elmer Jones to Jonathan G. Iddings and wife, S. E. corner S. 1/2 S. E. 14 section 22, township 5 south, range

Frances A. Atwood and wife to Rowland F. Walters, tract of lahd in Daniel Hathaways D. L. C.: \$10. George E. Waggoner and wife to Thomas Prince, tract of land in Daniel D. Thompkins D. L. C., in sections one-third interest in S. W. 1/4 N. E. 1/4 23, 34, 25, township 2 south, range 1

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east and section 30, township 2 south, range 2 east; \$1.

Temple E. Door and wife to John J. Rupp, S. W. ¼ section 8, all of S ½ S. W. ¼ section 9, township 2 south, range 4 east; \$10.

Charles A, Priesing and wife to Em-ma D. Tscharner tract of land near

Milwaukie; \$150.

The Molalla Land & Improvement company to L. W. Robbins and wife, lot 1, block 2 in Metzler & Hart's addition to Molla; \$10.

Joseph Anderegg to John Anderegg. S. ¼ S. E. ¼, section 1, township 2 south, range 3 east; \$3000.

Herman A. Lee and wife to Alizabeth Munder, lots 5 and 6, block 1, in

Lee's addition to Canby; \$343. Temple E. Dorr and wife to John J. Rupp, N. ¼ S. E. ¼ section 13, township 2 south, range 3 east and other tracts: \$10.

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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.

The two men expressed utmost contempt for the Oregon City police who arrested them. Morgen during the course of the trial, "Bliss told me that he was sore because h walked into the arms of some boob cops in a bum town."

Bliss and Morgen were arrested early on the morning of October 14 by Officers Cook and Woodward on a charge of vagrancy. It was not until the next day that they were connected with the crime. All through the course of the trial and during the time preceeding it, the two men stoutly maintained their innocence.

Chief of Police Ed Shaw, Officers Cock and Woodward, of Oregon City. and Ewald Leisman, of Willamette, were witnesses. Robert M. Rankin United States deputy district attorney, prosecuted the case and Elton Watkins and Colonel Lewis C. rigus represented the defendant.

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Is your house of life firm? When Henry Winstanley, famous English engineer, brought to completion what he thought was his best work, the Eddystone lighthouse, he stood aside and rejoiced in the labor

of his brains, "It is a worthy structure," he said aloud. "It will stand for ages. Oh, how I should like to be here in the fiercest storm that ever blew and see how the wind and sea should beat in

vain against my work!" The fierce storm came. Winstanley stood in his house of pride and watched the strife outside.

"It holds fast! It holds fast!" he cried But the winds and the rain and the

storm proved too much for the Eddystone lighthouse, and in its wreck it bore down to death the man who

built it. We build ourselves lighthouses of pride and power. We rear them in wealth and honor. They will last for

the ages, we believe. How we pride ourselves on our position, our riches. our standing in our communities! But we fail to found our lighthouses on the eternal verities of truth and honor and love. And the storm comes-the "fiercest storm that ever blew"-to all of us, and down come our lighthouses.

death and ruin. Other builders of other lighthouses

We go down with them, often to

follow us.

Their structures rear themselves against the heavens and totter and fall. Finally comes one man with the secret of laying a proper foundation.

The Eddystone lighthouse-not Win stanley's-still lights the coast of England for the mariner. Its powerful warning light tells of concealed rocks and shoals. By its beacon the sailor steers his vessel aright.

But no material warning it carries across the waters is stronger than the moral lesson it teaches of Winstanley. the builder who longed for "the fiercest storm that ever blew," that he might see how well his lighthouse should withstand it.

Sought After. "After you became wealthy," said the biographer, "you found yourself much sought after?"

"Yes," replied Dustin Stax, "by an investigating committee."-Washington

Especially. Moralist-The outsider who buys stocks is a gambler, pure and simple. Ticker-Especially simple.-Judge.

The Glass Snake, The slowworm is the snake which

country people tell you has the peculiar property of breaking itself into bits, each piece afterward surviving. The truth differs slightly from the legend. The slowworm is a timid creature and when first captured tightens all its muscles, thus reducing itself to a remarkably rigid state, in which condition it will no doubt snap like a dry twig; but, needless to say, only the upper and vital portions survive the ordeal.-London Globe.

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Dated November 12, 1913. CHARLES F. SPAGLA, Administrator. C. H. DYE, Attorney for Estate.

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