

He says that Mr. Furnish is a banker, and seeks to hand out to you the impression that there is something wrong, something a little off color, something censurable in that. I have never understood that it was dishonorable to be an honorable banker, or that it was discreditable to be a successful banker, and I wonder why Mr. Chamberlain should have mentioned the fact that Mr. Furnish is a banker. Now the fact is, that Mr. Furnish is a banker. He has not accumulated large wealth, but, I understand he has been fairly successful in the prosecution of his business affairs and it is notorious that his bank is one of the solid financial institutions of this state; in other words, he has made it a success. Mr. Chamberlain, now, was once a banker, and the difference between Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Furnish as bank-ers is this: While Mr. Furnish has been eminently successful as a banker and has made the institution with which he is connected a great success as a business venture and so conducted it that neither creditor nor depositor has ever lost a single dollar through it, the bank with which Mr. Chamberlain was associated as cashier and director, in the City of Albany, in this state, failed and became insolvent. I do not say that Mr. Chamberlain was the cause of its failure or to blame for its insolvency, but certain it is, he did not prevent its failure or provide against its insolvency. Now, it is certainly not discreditable to be a successful banker, and I do not know that it is necessarily discreditable to be a failure as a banker, but I am rather disposed to believe that if the people are to choose between a two-bankers they will select the man who was successful rather than the one who was a failure.

Mr. Chamberlain is pleased to sneer at the record made by Mr. Furnish as Deputy Marshal and as Sheriff of Umatilla County, saying: "If he made any record in either of those positions calculated to draw public attention to him as a man, I have yet to have that record pointed out to me. On the contrary, it has been charged that while serving in these capacities he laid the foundation of a fortune which has enabled him to become a part owner of a large banking institution." And he further adds, "If the charges there made against him by a portion of the local press of his county and by highly esteemed people who opposed his candidacy if the primaries is true, he intends by the use of money to make such a campaign as will debauch the politics of Oregon and bring them to a standard of degradation only equaled by that of Hanna, Platt, Quay and Croker."

Now, do you not think it would have been in far better taste in Mr. Chamberlain to have referred to others the task of such a character of campaign against his opponent? Furthermore, does it not strike you as grossly unfair, to say the least, in him to deal thus in insinuations? If he means to charge that Mr. Furnish received fees unlawfully while occupying either official position, to which he refers, or that he is conducting his campaign by the use of money corruptly, should he not be manly enough to make the charges definitely and specify the acts and conduct particularly of which he claims Mr. Furnish is or has been guilty? It seems strange that an honorable man would be content to shirk or skulk behind an "it has been charged," or, "if the charges which are made against him, etc., etc., be true." Why does he not come out like a man and say exactly what he means, if he means anything other than to deceive you? If he only means to deceive you by insinuations, is it a manly act on his part? If he does not mean to deceive you, but knows of some act or transaction on the part of Mr. Furnish which is dishonorable, why does he not charge it directly, rather than deal in innuendos and insinuations?

Now, Mr. Furnish has never been Governor of the State of Oregon or held any office in the State of Oregon whereby he could have in any manner influenced legislation or the amount of expenditures on the part of the state, and hence can in no wise be held responsible for any alleged extravagance in the adminis-