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## LET US TALK IT OVER

THE "RELIABLE" MAN.  
**H**ERE'S to the steadfast, reliable man,  
 The man with the tongue that's true,  
 Who won't promise to do any more than he can,  
 But who'll do what he says he'll do.  
 He may not be clever. He's often quite blunt,  
 Without either polish or air;  
 But, though it's not in him to "put up a front,"  
 When you need him he's always there.  
 So here's to the man on whom one can rely,  
 And here's to his lasting success!  
 May his species continue to multiply  
 And his shadow never grow less!  
 —Noble May.

**A**T THE THURSDAY evening meeting of the city council Councilman Lockhart announced that he was not taking orders from The Times. Thanks, Mr. Lockhart. The Times is pleased to have this public exoneration from any responsibility for your official acts. The Times was not aware, however, that it had issued orders to any of the city officials. In fact The Times is quite certain that it has not given any orders to anyone. That is not The Times way. The mission of The Times is to give the news and not to give orders. In performing its duty in publishing the news it may comment on current events and in the interest of the public good it may even make suggestions to fellow servants of the people but it never gives orders.

In its capacity as a disseminator of news The Times is pleased to give the widest possible publicity to Councilman Lockhart's announcement. It might be termed a new Declaration of Independence except for the fact that if no orders have been given it seems just a trifle foolish to say one is not taking orders. Councilman Lockhart does it bravely, however. Like a modern Sancho Panza he leaps into the arena to defy anyone to give him orders—except the Mayor.

He wants the world to know he is no rubber stamp—unless Mayor Straw has need of one. Good! Bravo Lockhart! One more thrust of your valiant spear and there will not be an order left—unless it is law and order, and if as you say "We are going to Hell fast," even that does not matter.

And that reminds me that the proceedings indicate that Councilman Lockhart was laboring under stress of mental excitement Thursday evening. First he announced that Marshfield in a financial way was rushing along at automobile pace to that place that is paved with good intentions. Then he proudly proclaimed he was not taking orders from The Times. He also stated he was not taking orders from Councilman Saehel who called his attention to the matter of signing the vouchers for city bills. Like Donna Julia who swearing she would ne'er consent, consented, Councilman Lockhart did sign the vouchers and as if desirous of helping us on toward that abysmal financial inferno he signed an extra voucher for a bill that the council had not authorized.

Honestly now, Mr. Lockhart, aren't you a trifle embarrassed at such an exhibition of boyish bravado. Is not the real cause of your grievance the fact that The Times would not take orders from you instead of giving orders. The Times did not think it necessary to tell everyone that it was not taking orders from Mr. Lockhart, but I told Mr. Lockhart so privately and he knows it. Possibly that is why he felt constrained to announce that he was not taking orders from The Times, but as The Times was not giving any orders it does not feel badly about it. When Mr. Lockhart requested The Times to suppress certain news I told him it could not be done, just as I told Mayor Straw and just as everyone has been told who made similar requests.

The Times confesses that Councilman Lockhart's conception of his official duties is a rather unusual one. It is not long since Mr. Lockhart announced to the council that he would be compelled to vote against a certain proposition because he had a friend whose property was involved.

Was Mr. Lockhart elected a member of the city council to represent the people of Marshfield or to represent his own interests and those of his friends?

Does Mr. Lockhart think the people of Marshfield are entitled to any consideration?

If not The Times thinks that Mr. Lockhart will find that he is very much mistaken.

As Chairman of the Finance Committee and as a business man Mr. Lockhart should realize that he is to some extent responsible to the people for the city's financial condition. He should know that Marshfield cannot continue to run into debt at the rate of several thousand dollars per year without disastrous results. The people are entitled to better treatment than this from the men they have honored with positions of prominence and trust.

It would be wise for Mr. Lockhart to look for orders from someone. His present course is taking him right to the front of the procession that is headed for the place that he says, "We are all going fast."

VOTE for N. C. Medley, Republican candidate for County Assessor. SOME more of that good chicken and coffee at Mother's tomorrow.

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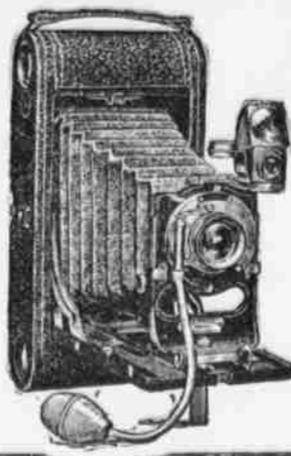
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(FROM THE OREGONIAN APRIL 29, 1908)  
 Preaches Against Hoppicking.  
 OREGON CITY, April 28.—(Special)—Rev. John M. Linden, pastor of the First Baptist church, has instituted a vigorous crusade against the members of his church picking hops, stating that it is encouraging the liquor interests. In a sermon Sunday night, before a crowded church, he said, "It requires a quickened conscience to crystallize action against hop-picking, which is part of the process of beer-making."

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