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GOOD EVENING.

Great is he who enjoys his
earthly as if it were plate,
and not less great is the man to
whom all his plate is no more
than earthenware.—Seneca.

GOV. WEST'S PLANS

G OVERNOR WEST has an-
nounced in very emphatic
terms that he will not be a
candidate for Governor again. It
is said he intends to retire to his
home at Cannon Beach and devote
himself to magazine work and in
preparation for work on the lyceum
stage.—Salem Statesman.

The Roseburg Review adds: "It
has been suspected for some time
that Governor West's spectacular
plays in Coos County, Baker County
and elsewhere were largely for the
purpose of gaining notoriety
abroad so that he could command a
high figure on the lecture platform
when his term is ended. This seems
to be verified by the paragraph
quoted above. Can it be that this
"paragon of virtue" is thus com-
mercializing the high office which
he holds?"

ADVERTISING

Old Grocer Griggs sold me some
figs and called them fresh and sweet;
but they were old and full of mold;
they were not fit to eat. I gave the
pigs those measly figs and e'en the
porkers barked; each smelted the
fruit with wrinkled snout, and
acted badly shook it. Then I told
Jones in casual tones about those
figs stale, and he told Brown, who
went through town distributing the
tale. Oh, Brown told Smith, and he,
forthwith, told Black and White and
Green, and they told Jinks, and he,
methinks, told ten or seventeen.
And so those figs I bought from
Griggs kicked up a famous fuss, and
people cried "That blamed old snide
will get no roln from us!" Now,
here my rede! Each crooked deed
gets just that kind of fam; each
little fraud is spread abroad, till
people boot your name. You cannot
beat a man or cheat, but that you
suffer worst; and every time you
sneak a dime, your fame's set back
a verst. Thus Grocer Griggs, by
selling figs unseemly and unfit,
made seven cents, but many cents
who dealt with him have quit.—
Walt Mason.

LOGANBERRY TO
HAVE BIG BOOM

Expert Declares Oregon Will
Export Ten Million Worth
Annually

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL-
LEGE, Corvallis, Or., Jan. 28.—"I
believe that the time will come
when we shall ship out of Oregon
ten million dollars worth of logan-
berries annually," said Professor C.
I. Lewis, horticulturist of the Oreg-
on Agricultural College. "This be-
lief is based on the excellent pro-
ducing, shipping and household
qualities of the fruit, taken in connection
with the great demand that exists in
Eastern markets. But the tremen-
dous possibilities of the loganberry
export trade cannot be reached until
the growers organize the industry
and develop co-operative marketing.
Just when that will be depends upon
the people of Oregon.

"I believe that the growers should
form associations at once and hold
a number of meetings between now
and next June for the purpose of in-
creasing the demand. The logan-
berry is well known in many of the
Eastern markets and I observe that
heavy demand always follows its
introduction.

"Some people say that the logan-
berry is going down with a slump
as have some other fruits, notably
the plum. Of course it may be,
if we standardize our product and
ship only high grade dried or can-
ned berries and fruit juices, and
then practice co-operative marketing
there would be no slump in this
berry. The output of the loganberry
will have a very close relation to
the standardization of loganberry
products.

"Capital must be interested in the
loganberry business, since factors
cannot be established until the plant-
ers are large enough to furnish a
big supply of berries. We are in a
transition period in Oregon between
shipping our all our fresh fruit and
developing by-product industries, and
not until our plantings are material-
ly increased can we develop the by-
products business as it should be
developed."

2,000,000 MOTOR CARS
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—There are
at present registered in the various
countries of the world nearly 2,000,000
motor vehicles, according to
statistics just compiled by the office
of the Secretary of State at New
York. In 1913 the total for United
States heads the list, having more
than twice as many automobiles as
Great Britain, the country which
comes next. The figures follow:
United States, 1,127,540; Great
Britain, 425,878; ascertained total
from various European countries,
273,511; estimated total from other
countries, 92,500; total, 1,919,789
registered cars.

DEBATE OVER
WATER WORKS

(Continued from Page One.)

city water works at some time or an-
other. This is the question for the
future of Marshfield. We all believe
we are going to have a big city on
Coos Bay in a few years. It has been
conservatively estimated that this city
will have a population of between
50,000 and 60,000 and some definite
move should be made for caring for
this population by providing suffi-
cient pure water and a modern sys-
tem.

Largely Selfish Interest.

"The operation of a water system
by private ownership is tinged with
a selfish interest which is not good
for the ultimate welfare of a city.
The people operating it are in it for
business and it is human nature in
dealing in a staple to secure the largest
revenue at the lowest cost of opera-
tion. In this case an absolute
necessity to every person is handled
for a profit. A municipal water sys-
tem deals in the business for the peo-
ple at the lowest rate possible.

"Today we are on the brink of a
great future. We are at its doorway
and now is the time to move. There
are plenty of lakes within a few miles
sufficient to provide water for a huge
city. A water system could be con-
structed from Golden Falls for \$250,-
000, according to the estimate of en-
gineers, and from Clear Lake for
\$291,000. The present system is sad-
ly lacking and absolutely inadequate
to take care of an increased popula-
tion.

Watershed Too Close.

"The city is growing close to the
outskirts of the present system's
watershed even now and there is lit-
tle use investing money in a water-
shed which will eventually be built
up with houses as the city grows.
The city will grow beyond it."

Mr. Liljeqvist spoke of the small
amount of taxation required for the
purchase of a water system for the
city compared to the benefits received
and that after the payments were
made the city could save enough in
interest to eventually get the system
for practically nothing.

District Attorney Liljeqvist pre-
sented many other good points in
favor of a water system and when
his time was up he was heartily
applauded.

Treadgold Is Opposed.

G. T. Treadgold of Bandon, was in-
troduced as the man who would take
up the cudgel against municipal own-
ership and he started right in to show
where he stood. He declared that he
agreed with his opponent on a good
many points, but stated that for the
sake of argument there were no as-
surances that Marshfield was going
to be a large city, but that he would
proceed on the theory that she was
going to grow.

"Other things are vital to the
health of a city besides water," he
asserted, "among them milk, food and
living quarters. Yet there is no move-
ment for the handling of any of these
features by municipal ownership.
The safety of the water for the pub-
lic is in the hands of the state rail-
road commission. The whole bug-
aboo lies in that word 'corporation.'"

City Employees Scored.

"It is well known that a city water
system conducted by a municipality
is not nearly so well conducted as a
privately owned system. City em-
ployees never attend to things in the
same thorough way that is demanded
of the employes of a corporation.
The Coos Bay Water company is bet-
ter able to run its water system than
the members of your council. Take
a privately owned street car service
and one operated by a city and you
will find which one gives you the
best service. You need the guid-
ance of outside capital and this is
attributed by the operation of utilities
by private corporations.

"What you have got to look out
for is the greatest good to the great-
est number without hurting anybody
in the community. When each in-
dividual is looked after we are all
looked after and nobody is injured.
Private ownership under proper regu-
lation is the only plan and Marshfield
can easily get along with the present
system until the city grows. The
future lies far away to figure on build-
ing a system at the present time to
care for an increased population."

Banjo Artist Play.

At this point, Messrs. Davis and
Lomb, the banjo artists who have been
in great demand at various functions
in the city, rendered several
selections and the seconds of the principal
speakers were given a chance to air
their views on municipal ownership.
Councilman Carl L. Albrecht was called
on to speak on the affirmative side.

"The first principle of civilization
is Christianity," he said, "and Chris-
tianity is the fellowship of one man for
another. The main part of the animal
in man is greed. If we love our
fellow men and co-operate as brothers
we can have a water system at no
more than the actual cost to the con-
sumer.

Twin City System.

"We cannot condemn the present
system because it is hooked up with
North Bend and arbitration is the
only in the way by which we can arrive
at a municipal system unless we build
a new one. Marshfield is large
enough to purchase or build a new
system. But I don't believe we should
spend any man out of business, even
Joe Bennett, although he would prob-
ably have enough left outside of the
water system. We should give a
fair deal and if we take the plant
over pay the owners what it is worth,
even the inflated value set upon the
property by the railroad commission.
It is even possible that it is the inflated
value it would pay for itself in the
next twenty years.

Marshfield Has Future.

"I believe that Marshfield has a
future, and if the city is not going
to grow, then the price set on the
watershed land is about seventy-five
times its actual value without count-

ing the timber on it. I believe that
men working for the city are quite
as honest as men working for corpora-
tions, which brings politics into the
matter, and that is not conducive to
the greatest good for the greatest
number."

Mr. Albrecht was applauded at
some length and W. U. Douglas was
called on for an expression of his
views on the negative side. He de-
clared that he was heartily in accord
with the negative side of the ques-
tion for three reasons.

"With prospect of a rapid growth,"
he said, "it will be unwise to build a
municipal plant. We have a system
at present which adequately fills our
needs. We don't know what we want
or how to manage a new plant.
There is nothing specific before this
meeting except to go ahead and buy
a plant. I couldn't take the affirma-
tive in this question without knowing
what we are going to get at.

In Slipshod Manner.

"If we did buy the water system it
would be in the hands of the council
and would be operated in a slipshod
manner as such utilities are always
operated by small cities. The council
would have control of it and it would
be a political proposition. There
would be need to create a commission
and keep the handling of the water
system out of politics. There would
be a fine chance for graft if we started
out to build our own plant on Coos
Bay. I couldn't advise you in the
matter, but am stating my views."

Bucket Is Remembered.

Toastmaster Peck, amid much
laughter, requested the audience to
sing "The Old Oak Bucket," and
after the song Mr. Treadgold was
given ten minutes in which to finish
in arguments. He did so in a lively
manner, emphasizing most of the
points brought out and answering
some of those presented by Carl Al-
brecht.

District Attorney Liljeqvist finish-
ed the debate with a whirlwind of
arguments in favor of municipal own-
ership, bringing out many more new
points and declaring that it was not
the job of any city to stand back
from its duty even if a corporation
had to be crushed. He said the own-
ers of a water system had no more
right to expect no competition than
any other line of business when it
mattered its brains and invested its
money in a community for profit.
He was accorded the loudest applause
of the evening.

Business Session Held.

A brief business session was held
at the close of the debate. Rev.
Bassford read a telegram from Salem
stating that Dr. Calvin S. White
would be unable to come on the date
he had been expected, but that he
might possibly get down to Coos Bay
some time in February and that he
would announce the date.

The evening came to a close with
the singing of "Should Auld Ac-
quaintance Be Forgotten."

JANUARY 28 IN HISTORY.

- 1760—Matthew Carey, pioneer
American journalist, born.
Died in 1839.
1846—Sikhs defeated the Brit-
ish in sanguinary battle
at Allwal.
1871—Paris capitulated to the
Germans.
1889—General strike of street
railway men in New York.
1895—President Cleveland ask-
ed authority of Congress
to issue gold bonds.
1909—Miguel Gomez inaugurat-
ed president of Cuba.
1913—Suffragette's storm Dub-
lin Castle.



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Banking Houses 61,493.17
Cash and Sight Exchange 291,170.72
Total \$1,049,422.81
Liabilities
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