

NEW POLICY NEEDED IN GOVERNMENT RAILWAY CONTROL

Helpfulness and Encouragement
Urged by Alfred P. Thom.

CREDIT MUST BE IMPROVED

Increase of Transportation Facilities
Necessary to Secure Relief From
High Cost of Living May Thus Be
Provided For by the Railroads.

Washington, Nov. 28.—A new policy of government railroad regulation, based on constructive principles of helpfulness and encouragement instead of upon principles of repression and punishment, was urged by Alfred P. Thom, counsel for the Railway Executives' Advisory Committee, the first witness on behalf of the railroads before the Newlands Joint Committee on Interstate Commerce, which has instituted a general inquiry into the problems of railroad regulation.

"It is proposed by the joint resolution of Congress," said Mr. Thom, "to go into a comprehensive study of the whole subject of transportation, to make a new assessment, after 20 years of experiment, of its history, its present conditions and its future needs. The railroads accept the view that regulation is a permanent and enduring part of government in America and that the first duty of the carriers is to the public. That duty is to afford reasonable facilities on reasonable terms and at reasonable rates, and this must be done before any private interests can be considered."

Certainty, Safety and Sufficiency. Mr. Thom contended that the real interest of the public is in being assured of certainty, safety and sufficiency of transportation facilities, rather than in rates. The first consideration of the public is to obtain transportation facilities. What the cost is, is in reality a second consideration, he said.

Mr. Thom proposed an increase of transportation facilities as a method of securing relief from the high cost of living. "There have been less than 1,000 miles of new railroad constructed in the United States during the past year," he said, "less than in any year since 1848, except the period of the Civil War, and yet the cost of living is daily advancing owing to a shortage of supplies which might be remedied by securing access to new areas of production."

Credit Must Be Improved.

"This leads to the consideration as to whether railroad credit is as good as the public interest requires. It is impossible for railroads to earn enough to supply the necessary new facilities from current revenue. They must be provided from credit. Investors cannot be coerced, but must be attracted."

Among the conditions affecting railroad credit which deter investors he mentioned the following:

"First, Railroad revenues are not controlled by investors, but are fixed and limited by governmental authority and not by one but by several governmental authorities, which do not recognize responsibility for assured results to investors and are uncoordinated."

"Second, Railroads cannot control and the government cannot and does not limit the expense account."

"Third, The present system of regulation is based on a policy of regulation and correction and not on a policy of helpfulness and encouragement."

"Fourth, The outstanding obligations of the railroads have already exceeded the financial rule of safety and involve a disproportionate amount of obligation bearing upon charges."

"Fifth, The investor must accept a subordinate obligation or security with no assurance of a surplus of earnings to support it."

"Sixth, Other competitive lines of investment present superior attractions."

"Seventh, The railroad business is largely controlled by political instead of business considerations."

Look Forward, Not Back.

"We may debate about what has caused the present conditions," said Mr. Thom, "but we cannot debate about what the people need. The President has taken the view that we must look forward in this matter and make a fresh assessment of circumstances in order to deal helpfully and intelligently with the problem. Abuses are no more prevalent in the railroad business today than in any other business humbly conducted. The great question now is whether the existing system of regulation gives the public reliable assurance of sufficient present and future railroad facilities."

"Those who oppose any change must make their appeal on the ground that the present systems assure the public of the continued adequacy of transportation facilities. If they do not, no argument based on the desirability of the present dual system of regulation will be accepted by public judgment. The question of 'states' rights' is not involved. If the regulation of transportation facilities privately owned should fall government ownership must follow, and then all power of the states over the railroads would disappear."

"Let us debate this question, then, not upon any mere theory or jealousy as to the distribution of governmental power, but upon the large issue of what the public interest requires in respect of the assurance of adequate transportation service."

Mrs. C. G. Copeland of Newport was visiting with relatives here yesterday.

County Judge Miller and John Winkler were passengers for Summit Monday.

Ed. Whitlaw arrived over from Salem, Friday evening to look after business interests here.

G. W. Byers returned from a business trip to Portland Thursday evening.

Wm. Matthews of the Newport News was a county seat visitor Saturday.

J. H. Greenhagen was a passenger for Mill City Saturday morning.

Mrs. L. M. Commons of Ona, and Mrs. Parthemer of Newport, visited at the Schwartz home this city Saturday.

Mrs. George King and daughter, Gladys, and son, Burl, of Oyster City were Toledo visitors Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. Ball departed Saturday morning for a several months' visit with her sister at Prescott, Arizona.

Mrs. J. J. Redfield returned from Newport Monday. Mr. Redfield is getting along nicely and will soon be home.

Merchant E. M. Fraizer of Orton was in the city yesterday, having returned Wednesday evening from a business trip to Portland.

Receiver G. R. Schenck of the J. B. Miller Logging Co., returned Friday evening from a business trip to Albany and Roseburg.

Mrs. C. E. Hawkins went to Newport last Friday evening to act as installing officer at the installation ceremonies held by the Women of Woodcraft in that city that evening.

J. H. Heller of Montana, formerly of Salem, has rented the J. F. Steele place north of town, and is now in possession of same. We are glad to welcome Mr. Heller to Lincoln county and wish him success.

A bill has been introduced by so-called "sportsmen" attacking commercial fishing in Columbia and Rogue rivers as being injurious to the "sporting fraternity." To hamper or kill an Oregon industry that employs thousands of workmen for the benefit of a few "sports" would be a black spot in the state's history.

Number 1 fir oars @ 8c. the foot; No. 60 Dover Sad Irons regular \$1.75 now \$1.10; No. 70 Asbestos Sad Irons reg. \$2.50, now \$1.75. Decapod for the machinist's hands 1 lb cans 20c.; Samoline for Silverware, Brass Goods, Automobiles, etc., 2 1/2 lb cans 30c.; Dri-foot for shoes, 15 and 25c. sizes; Orona cleans Aluminum, 15c.—Get our prices on Pennsylvania Vac Cup and Bar Circle Tires. Peterson Hdw. Co.

O. A. C. WOOD BIDS

The Oregon Agricultural College requests bids for furnishing of all or any part of the following wood supply.

1500 cords of Fir wanted and bids requested on 3500 cords of Fir. Additional, 80 to 100 cords of Oak 50 to 50 cords of Ash.

Coarse, split, sound wood only required and in four foot lengths (sawed ends preferred).

One not less than four inches in diameter and when over ten inches split.

Fir to be large and to be cut from trees not less than eight inches in diameter.

Delivery to be made and piled in racks in the wood yard on College Campus before October 1, 1917.

Please describe wood in bid, stating first or second growth, etc.

The College reserves the right to accept any part of the bids submitted and to reject any or all bids.

Sealed bids should be submitted and plainly marked on envelope "Wood Bids."

These will be opened in public in College Business Office at 4 P. M., Monday, February 5, 1917.

E. M. Duffy, Business Manager.

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Leaves Elk City, 7:30 a. m. Toledo, 9 a. m. Returning, leaves Newport 2:30 p. m.; Toledo 4:30 p. m. Every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

H. A. Norton, Captain.

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three good slightly level lots within four blocks of depot. Good building lots. Will S. Norwood, Corvallis.

WALDPORTER HAS A FEW THINGS TO SAY

Waldport, Oregon,
January 22nd, 1917.

Editor Lincoln County Leader,

Mr. Mitty reminds me of the popular conception of the month of March. He came in like a lion and went out like a lamb.

His last letter is all soft and cooing. He expresses his great love for our county court because they have taken the power of levying road taxes out of the hands of the people. I cannot criticize the county court for this because the remedy I would suggest could not be brought about because few of the districts would vote a high enough tax. It would be for each road district to levy a 10 mill tax each year for the purpose of building permanent rock road, let the settlers do the work, and let the non-resident hope-to-be-parasites foot the bill. I am very much opposed to building plank roads because they last only a short time at best and then you are back in the mud. Rock roads cost more but, when properly constructed, with a little repairing each year last indefinitely. There is no use to talk consolidated schools, cheese factories and other improvements as long as our roads are lakes of mud nine months of the year.

I have been studying for two weeks to get the point of Mr. Mitty's argument in regard to the milk proposition but without success. I may be thick-headed but I do not like to give up and I may get it yet.

Web, you poor, miserly, miserable, stingy, selfish, old reprobate. Tangeen has you chased up a tree, crushed under foot, cornered, and backed off the map. He has dug down underneath and discovered why you favor a county agriculturist.

Simple too. Just because you expect to invest a few cents and reap hundreds of dollars benefit. Shame on you to be so greedy. Evidently Tangeen believes in the motto, "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," and he is going to hold on to those few cents himself. He has more faith in the saying, "A penny saved is a penny earned," than in the one, "Penny wise, pound foolish." O Tangeen, you make me want to laugh.

Tangeen also takes a slap at the O A C because all its students do not succeed. They do not. I know one young fellow who took an electrical course and the last that I heard of him he was working in a hop yard. Another fellow took a mechanical course and is trying to farm. The only good crop he has ever had was one that the neighbors put in for him while he had sickness in the family. But the college is not to blame for these isolated cases when 95 per cent or more of the graduates do succeed. Some of them are just as Tangeen would be with a county agriculturist,—they do not make use of their opportunities.

I think that this is as much as can pass the censor at a time.

Yours sincerely,

Waldporter.

TOM SPILKINS DOES

NOT LOVE EVERYBODY

Fernachdum, Ore.,
Jan. 22, 1917.

Dear Editor;

I want to object to the lie-handed way your Newport correspondent criticizes me in his last letter. I didn't say I liked my wife but she likes me so people don't complain but compliment me. Furthermore I don't live in Siletz and I ain't no Indian or professional man like a lawyer or doctor but just a plane gentleman like himself.

It pines me to admit that I can't read his Indian jargon but "war mir da hundert dregt, blauff ar. Won ich dich net gadruffa het, heshet net gabruffa."

I guess Mr. Tangeen must have been making ruff wether last week for he said awl over the map in a kind of a shaky way just like his hedlite had been knocked off. Did you ever see a man try to pin a tail on a donkey when he wuz blind-folded. Well Mr Tangeen seems to pin the tale in the rong place.

Wuzn't it fine to see that Inglish contractors bid \$200 per shell lower than American contractors on 12 and 14 inch shells. It seems like reel true patriosim lays in the poketbook. Or korse if the government maid the shells we woodn't have anybody getting rich at making ammunition. It woodnt do at awl.

It seems funny to see everybody in Toledo slap each other on the back an tell em that prosper-

ity is just around the corner and that Toledo is bound to be a grate metropolis some day. It is just the same as living in hopes an hot air you mite say.

Yours lovingly
Tom Spilkins.

EVERYBODY BOOST

Dear Editor:—

I read Mr. Currey's letter in your last week's paper and agree with him in his views. When we stop knocking and push in an earnest and worthwhile manner we will really do something.

One of the strangest things about the town of Toledo is the disjointed interest taken in affairs in general. There are many versions given of a single tale, and 98 percent of them seem to be wrong. If you ask a man about any particular subject, such as a new road, a new bridge, or starting the mill, (which seems to be a pet subject of conversation) he generally criticizes everyone freely, gives much free advice and moves on, without helping matters out at all.

What is needed at present is less idle and pointless gossip about things and people, and more push and energy in civil life. Bitter criticisms and harsh words do no good; they help no one, and keep prosperity hovering discreetly in the background.

The fact is, if you can't be a booster and don't feel like taking an active part in cooperative movements, don't wield the everlasting hammer.

I'd not like to state that I loved everyone, myself, for some folks might not like it, but it's perfectly true that I hate no one. Come on, let's boost! If you can't do that, please don't knock at any rate.

I was pleased to read a letter from our well-known author and humorist, Mr. Tangeen, in your last paper. The delicate wit and sparkling and clean-cut deliverance used in these letters are very much appreciated by the reading public, I am sure. In this last effort Mr. Tangeen has well-nigh surpassed himself. America is famed for its wit and humor, and I am sincerely glad that Lincoln County has not been neglected in the apportionment of this national commodity.

As I have been accused of much undue "hallooing", I suppose I had better come to a peaceful and "frankly make-believing" close.

Yours "Insinuatingly",
Web.

A LETTER FROM C. C. CHAPMAN

To the Editor:

The city is competing with the farms for the young people of Oregon. Unless farm life is made more interesting and attractive, the lure of the bright lights will continue to draw more of the boys and girls of our state away from the wholesome country into the sordid congestion of the metropolis.

To help make agriculture more interesting to young people and farm life more attractive, there have been installed in many schools courses in agriculture, opening the mind to knowledge which transforms mere drudgery into enthusiasm.

Our Agricultural College, through its extension courses and the work of the county agriculturists, has been co-operating with the state superintendent of public instruction and the local school authorities to popularize scientific farming knowledge. While this educational work has resulted in better crops and more profit, that is less important than what it does for the young people.

This work is sustained by state appropriations. One of these appropriations has been cut out; the others are in jeopardy. The fathers and mothers of Oregon should make it known to their legislators that this work should not be sacrificed so long as it is possible to economize, and these agricultural education items will be eliminated unless legislators learn that these expenditures are of great benefit of the boys and girls of the state.

C. C. Chapman.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has this day filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Lincoln her Final Account as Administratrix of the estate of Thomas F. Lewis, Deceased, and that said Court has fixed Monday the 22d day of January, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day as the time, and the County Court Room in the County Court House in Toledo, in Lincoln County, Oregon, as the place for hearing said Final Account and all objections thereto.

Dated at Toledo, Oregon, December 18th, 1916.

Ella M. Baxter,

Administratrix of the Estate of Thomas F. Lewis, Deceased.

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Toledo, Oregon

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Somebody has twice broken into the school buildings and done considerable damage. Should this happen again we will endeavor to locate the guilty party, or parties, and prosecute them to the full extent of the law.

Signed,
School Board Dist. 2.

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