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Just Folks

by Edgar A. Guest

WINTER'S PASSING
A few more weeks of snow and sleet
And cranking wagons in the street,
A few more weeks of cold—and then
The robins will be here again,
And where the eavestrough drips and spills,
Will bloom a row of daffodils.

WHERE RESPONSIVENESS SAVED \$3,000,000
THE Portland Oregonian contends, by implication at least, that the way to reduce taxes in Oregon is to abolish the direct primary and return to the old boss rule-convention methods. Here is some of the Oregonian's reasoning on the subject:

Now that the taxpayer is finding it hard to pay he is beginning to look for ways of relief. There will be precious little relief so long as the public places its affairs in the hands of an officialdom that is "responsive to the public" when its method of responsiveness is to please this or that particular group or interest, demanding something for itself, so that in the end everybody gets what he wants. The accumulated result is staggering.

But let's see how that has worked out in real life. The most conspicuous recent tax effort in Oregon was the \$3,000,000 proposal for the Portland fair. The scheme was rejected by legislators who were "responsive" to the wishes of their-home folk. The legislature refused to cater to the desires of that "particular group or interest" asking for the three million dollar state tax. Now how would affairs have turned had our legislators been selected under the boss rule-convention system formerly in vogue? You know. You know that the cards would have been all arranged in advance and that the Julius Meier crowd would have put over their taxation plan without much trouble.

Where, then, is there merit in the contention that the direct primary increases taxes? Does the Oregonian mean that an office holder who must look the rate taxpayer right in the eye, as he does under the direct primary, will be less open to conviction than the boss-named office holder. "It ain't natural" to believe such things.

A ROTTEN DEAL

BEHOLD the case of the Pendleton postoffice! Perry Idleman, overseas veteran and former commander of the American Legion post at Pendleton, stood first in the civil service examination for appointment to the postmastership. He was turned down.

Lester B. Cronin, present postmaster, a republican appointed by Wilson, has a high record for efficiency and courtesy after sixteen years' service in the office, all but a year of it as assistant. He stood second in the examination. He was turned down.

Thomas Thompson, local republican warhorse, wealthy citizen with little experience to fit him for a postmastership, stood third in the examination. He was named for the job.

Why have civil service examinations at all? Since they are a farce, since politics not qualifications, is to be the test, why make a pretense of holding examinations?

Why wasn't the soldier who fought for his country overseas and who stood first on the list good enough for the place?

Why wasn't the republican postmaster whose work was eminently satisfactory to patrons of the office and whose efficiency has been demonstrated, good enough to remain on the job? He rose from the ranks. Why not reward postoffice employees who prove their efficiency by finally giving them appointment to the postmastership?

We rave and tear our hair about radicals and theorists and agitators. What and who does more harm to the moral ideals and civic standards of the people than politics and political hacks?—Oregon Journal.

PRO-BASEBALL GET TWO TWIRLERS FROM SCANDAL

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 8.—Fighting for places on the Detroit Tigers' pitching staff this season will be two men who unconsciously were among the causes of the colliery athletic scandal which already has resulted in disqualification of more than a score of university stars. These two men are Vernon "Slicker" Parks, the Western Conference's best pitcher when the University of Michigan nine, and Johnny Mohardt, Notre Dame's All-American halfback and baseball star.

Exposure of the football scandal over the Taylorville, Illinois-Carlinville, Illinois, football game in which Illinois and Notre Dame players were pitted against each other in the efforts of small towns to put over a big town betting coup, really dates back to the disqualification of "Slicker" Parks a year ago, according to several conference coaches.

For years there has been a gentleman's agreement among the baseball coaches, it is said, that they would not protest players who took part in summer semi-pro games in violation of the conference rules. Most of the coaches favored summer ball and consequently were willing to close their eyes to violations of the rule against it, so the story goes.

Parks, however, was not satisfied with playing on small semi-pro teams. Instead, he pitched for a team of the Pacific Coast league, a class AA organization, and even had a tryout with the Detroit Tigers. A certain coach decided this was carrying the matter too far, protested, and Parks was disqualified.

This was at the time the biggest turn out for the spring work.

ATHLETIC SCANDAL IN MOVIE COACHES. It caused a feeling among some coaches, it is said, that while no one violation of the rule were all right, it should not be broken too brazenly. They began to look around for other brazen violations of the rules.

Then Carlinville decided to clean up Taylorville by importing college players and betting heavily on them against the Taylorville home town team. Johnny Mohardt was the first man sought. Carlinville could not get Mohardt, but they did get a number of other Notre Dame stars.

The story of how Taylorville learned of the plan and defeated Carlinville at its own game by importing Illinois players is history, but it was because Carlinville wanted Mohardt that the affair was started and so Mohardt, even though innocent of any implication in the matter, was directly mixed up in the causes of the game which brought all the scandal.

Mohardt later admitted playing in other games, although denying that he received money, and then he signed with Detroit. Now the two stars whose names a short time ago were headlines in the papers, are obscure rookies fighting for a berth on a big league baseball team.

WOMAN'S FEDERATION TO ASK OPENING OF HOME

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 28.—(A.P.)—The State Federation of Women's Clubs, all women's organizations of the state, and the ladies of the state, will make an organized move for the reopening of the women's industrial home at Medical Lake, through the next legislature. The federation is to make this its main issue during the coming campaign.

The home was closed a year ago when the maintenance appropriation was vetoed by Governor Hart.

Each women's club of the state is to cooperate in the campaign for the reopening, through the appointment of committees which will seek to place all legislative candidates on record for the home, according to announcement by Mrs. J. W. Tancy, president of the board of directors for the home.

"People of the state have been educated now to the great need of the home," said Mrs. Tancy today. "When it was established it was little understood, but with its closing people began to realize the great good it was accomplishing in caring for women who needed just such care and vocational training as was offered there."

"The state-wide movement on the part of women's clubs, we believe, will awaken the legislature to the urgency of the need, and the necessary appropriation will be the result."

FROM THE PEOPLE

RATE ADVANCE DEFENDED

Salem, Oregon, Feb. 28, 1922.

Editor East Oregonian:

Having an abiding faith in the ultimate fairness and good, common sense of the people when the real truth is known to them, I wish to make the following statement concerning this Commission's recent order sustaining its former order allowing an increase in rates to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Under the present telephone rates Eastern Oregon cities and towns and farmers are still favored with lower rates than the cities and towns of Idaho or Eastern Washington of comparable size, and the increases there have been in existence since 1918 while the increases did not become effective in Oregon until March, 1921.

Our order gives point to what Theodore Roosevelt said to the California Commission twelve years ago at the beginning of public utility regulation in that state:

"Your first task will be easy. Elected as you will be under a movement responsive to the people and independent of the corporations, you will find it easy to reduce rates where they are too high, and you will find many rates too high. Your real task will come later when you have to do justice to the corporations and raise rates in spite of the public clamor to lower them. The test of public regulation will be the ability of public men to do that and to maintain popular confidence in doing it."

Far exceeding in importance any other question involved in present public discussions is the fundamental issue of regulation of public utilities as established by the people of this state as well as in the forty-seven other states, which have experienced a like

INCREASE IN TELEPHONE RATES, MINNESOTA AND OREGON BEING THE LAST TO FOLLOW THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN ESTABLISHING INCREASED TELEPHONE RATES IN NOVEMBER, 1918. THE COMMISSIONS OF THE LATTER STATES INSISTED ON BEING PERMITTED TO REGULATE TELEPHONE RATES WITHIN THE STATES MENTIONED AND, AS A RESULT, TELEPHONE RATES HAVE BEEN HELD DOWN DURING A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS WHILE ALL OTHER STATES EXPERIENCED A VERY SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE. IN MINNESOTA THE COMMISSION, ON FEBRUARY 9, 1921, DENIED AN INCREASE ON THE GROUND THAT INADEQUATE SERVICE WAS BEING RENDERED. AN APPEAL TO THE FEDERAL COURT WAS MADE, AND THAT COURT ON MARCH 17, 1921, OVERRULED THE MINNESOTA COMMISSION AND PERMITTED THE INCREASE, WHILE THE OREGON COMMISSION, ON FEBRUARY 28, 1921, APPRECIATING ITS RESPONSIBILITY TO DETERMINE THE ACCURACY OF THE REVENUE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES GENERALLY WITHIN THE STATE, TOOK RESPONSIBILITY HAVING BEEN SOLEMNLY PLACED UPON THE COMMISSION BY LAW, RATHER THAN SHIRK THIS DUTY, AS MANIFESTED BY THE RECORD, GRANTED INCREASE UNFINISHED BY ANY OTHER CONSIDERATION WHATSOEVER, WHICH EVEN NOW ALLOWS LESS THAN FOUR PER CENT RETURN ON THE CAPITAL LEGITIMATELY INVESTED IN THE SERVICE OF THE PUBLIC, THUS, IN EFFECT, COMPPELLING THE TELEPHONE COMPANY, SHOULD IT DESIRE A GREATER RETURN, TO REDUCE ITS OVERHEAD AND OPERATING EXPENSES.

An Appeal from this Commission's order to the Courts is provided for by law in the event anyone thinks entire justice has not been done. It should be borne in mind that capital invested in a regulated public utility differs vastly from that invested in private enterprises. The former is limited as to its earnings to the basis of a fair return upon the fair value of its property, while there is no restriction as to the amount of earnings of the latter. Further, private enterprises may make a higher rate of return during one year than a public utility would be permitted to earn in many years. If a utility is to be held down to a fair and reasonable return, does it not stand to reason that its earnings should be held up to that standard when neither in law nor equity can the Commission permit a utility to reimburse its patrons one year to pay sufficient rates to make up deficits occurring during another year?

The statement that a decline in rates might reasonably be expected with the general fall of prices is correct, provided rates had previously advanced with with advancing costs. This of it went through the war period without any increase in rates, and, as the record shows, at a great loss to the company, rates having advanced \$500,000 per annum. Further, this Commission's order was contingent upon the expenditure of five millions of dollars of new capital in this state. Approximately one-half millions has already been expended in new plant to take care of the growing needs of many communities. This new money is not received from the increased rates as is commonly supposed, for that would be manifestly unfair to the public, but is entirely new capital which comes from without the state.

Under my oath of office as a public official I can be governed by principles of equity and justice.

H. H. COREY,
Public Service Commission of Oregon.

28 YEARS AGO

(From the Daily East Oregonian, February 28, 1894.)
Max Bloch, brother-in-law of ex-

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Mayor Alexander, passed through Pendleton Tuesday night on his way to Portland.

John Nelson, son of William Nelson, of Pendleton, is now in Brooklyn, California, traveling with a theatrical troupe.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Schell departed Tuesday evening for Eugene, Oregon. Mr. Schell has been until recently in the employ of the Pendleton Electric Light and Power Company as trimmer and fireman. He owns a residence in Eugene, and finds it advantageous to go there to await an opening in a business way.

HARRY HESTER returned this morning from Okesdale, Wash., where he visited his family. John Hester, his father, will return to Pendleton again in the next few weeks. The snow up at Okesdale is still quite deep, and Pendleton weather compared with that of upper Washington localities, is very nearly perfect.

To win a race a Jockey doesn't put extra weight on the horse that helps him succeed

No man or woman who wants to succeed in the race of life can afford the handicap of headaches, insomnia, indigestion and debility. Nor can they afford to take anything that may keep up a continual irritation of the nervous system.

Yet this is what many people do who drink excessive amounts of tea or coffee. For tea and coffee contain caffeine, a substance that is sometimes very injurious. Many doctors say that caffeine raises the blood pressure, irritates the kidneys, and over-stimulates the entire nervous system. Also that it is especially bad for growing children, or for any one who has any tendency to nervousness or insomnia.

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