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Municipal Ownership

The growth of sentiment in favor of municipal ownership of public utilities is growing in every part of the country. In his recent speech at Stayton, Oregon, Governor Chamberlain came out squarely and plainly on this issue, using the following language:

"Franchise grabbing has gone on for such a length of time that the people have become accustomed to having valuable rights frittered away without just—and in most instances without any—compensation being paid, but the time has arrived when a halt has to be called upon legislating away the rights of the people without a full, adequate and complete consideration being paid. I strenuously oppose the granting of any perpetual franchise, and if limited franchises are given at all it ought to be done with strict limitations and for short periods only, and so that absolute control and supervision may be retained by the people themselves, and whatever franchises are granted ought to be taxed at what they are actually worth, so that the beneficiaries may be compelled to contribute a just proportion of the burden of government."

"BUT BETTER THAN ALL THIS IS THE PUBLIC OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF PUBLIC UTILITIES SO THAT THE STATE AND SEVERAL MUNICIPALITIES MAY UTILIZE THEM, NOT FOR PROFIT, BUT AT THE LOWEST RATES COMPATIBLE WITH THE PUBLIC GOOD."

It is true that there are some people who hold the old fashioned idea that "the earth and the fullness thereof" belong to private corporations, and among these may be mentioned James Withycombe, Republican candidate for governor, who said in his keynote speech, on opening his campaign at Corvallis:

"PUBLIC UTILITIES, I BELIEVE ARE BEST ADMINISTERED BY PRIVATE INTERESTS RATHER THAN BY PUBLIC SERVANTS, FOR IN THE LATTER CASE SELF-INTEREST, THE GREATEST OF INCENTIVES, IS LACKING AND THIEFLIKE AND UNBUSINESSLIKE METHODS WILL SURELY SOONER OR LATER PREVAIL."

"I believe that the people should reserve control over all public utility franchises to the extent necessary to insure the greatest efficiency of the public service at the least expense, subject only to the right of capital to be justly compensated for its investment. I must not be taken, however, to have a lack of regard for vested interests; our laws should and wisely do protect capital in its investment."

This talk of Withycombe smacks too much of the times gone by when it was the vogue to eulogize the "captains of industry," many of whom are now under indictment by the Roosevelt administration, if not actually in prison, for violation of the laws. This too acute regard for the welfare of capital is suspicious, to say the least; capital is able to take care of itself generally and it is the public interests that officials take a solemn oath to safeguard. This divergence of views marks a wide difference of opinion between George Chamberlain, a plain man of the people, and James Withycombe, who stands for the "vested rights" of private monopolies.

Jonathan Bourne, Bigot

The nomination of this man Jonathan Bourne for the high office of United States senator seems a hark back of the turbulent days of A. P. Allen. If we remember rightly, and we think we do, Mr. Bourne, as a Republican member of the legislature from Multnomah county, some years ago, refused to vote for Sol Hirsch for United States senator, after he had

received the caucus nomination of his party. The reason he gave for bolting his party at that time was that he "would not vote for a Jew." That was at a session of the legislature previous to the famous holdup wherein Mr. Bourne kept open house at Salem, where populists and free-silver members are said to have indulged in orgies during a 40-days' holdup of the legislature, that were not entirely compatible with the regulations of good society and the ethics of approved morality.

The principal point to be considered is whether Mr. Bourne's election will not mark a return to the disquieting times of race and religious prejudice. It is now an accepted fact that good citizenship should be the measure of a man, not the religious creed to which he subscribes or the accident of his nativity, which no man can control. In this country there should be no class or race distinction, no Jew or Gentile, no Catholic or Protestant, so far as affairs of government are concerned, and this view is so just and so generally accepted at this time that it would seem a mistake to elect to office a man possessed of the narrow religious bigotry exhibited by Mr. Bourne on the occasion referred to.

The figures taken from the record and printed in the GUARD show an interesting study in county commissioners' salaries. During the 1902-4 term Edwards received \$1301.57 and Hill \$755.90; during the 1904-6 Edwards drew \$1461.00 and Price \$1087.05. This showing indicates that Mr. Edwards is learning by experience how to increase his perquisite, and that Mr. Price is more alive to his own interests than his predecessor, Mr. Hill, although a novice as compared with his more experienced colleague, Edwards. The detailed figures tend to show, however, that Mr. Price is improving under the tutelage of the thrifty Edwards, inasmuch as he has been paying himself more salary monthly of late than when he was first inducted into office. The problem the taxpayers have to figure out is an interesting one—what will be Mr. Edwards' salary at the end of another four years' term, if re-elected, at the present rate of increase? They might also inquire where the law justifies any such salaries as those received by the commissioners, but that would probably be an impertinent question for people, who have nothing to do but pay the bills, to ask of officials who have nothing to do but to spend the money.

The candidacy of Hon. R. M. Veatch for state senator is being received with favor in every part of the county. During the twelve years that he represented the people in the legislature he stood for economy in expenditures and for the interests of the public against all corporation measures. The voters remember this record and it is doing much to rally to Mr. Veatch's support a large class of independent voters who realize that a good, strong man is needed in the upper branch of the legislature from Lane county. This movement is strengthened by the fact that there is no political significance in the choice of legislators this year, since the candidates of both parties have signed statement 1, pledging themselves to vote for the people's choice for United States senator. This being the situation it is up to the voters to choose the best men for legislators, those most thoroughly equipped for law making, and measured by this standard Hon. R. M. Veatch will certainly receive a very decided preference among the rank and file of all parties.

George W. Perkins, former vice president of the New York Life Insurance Company, according to a decision of the appellate division of the supreme court of New York, committed no crime when he contributed \$48,702.50 to the presidential campaign fund in 1904. It looks like this decision makes looting of trust funds for future political campaigns very easy. A man has a right to give from his own wealth for purposes outside of his business, but it is hard to see where he obtains the legal or moral right to lavishly contribute from other people's money, of which he may happen to be in control, for such purposes. If Mr. Per-

kins had a right to give \$50,000, why not \$500,000? Such a decision makes it imperative to pass laws strictly defining the responsibility of holders of trust funds.

Hon. J. D. Matlock has placed himself on record as one of the most earnest and consistent advocates of municipal ownership in this city. He has been plain and outspoken on this subject as on all others that concern the public welfare—he is not trimmer or a dodger, keeping his eyes glued on the weathervane of public opinion, but rather a man of firm opinions, possessing in a notable degree the courage of his honest convictions. Such a man as J. D. Matlock is needed in the office of state treasurer and we feel confident that the people of Lane county think so too. He pledges himself to stop the practice of loaning the state funds for private gain, and what he promises to do, it is certain he will do if elected.

The Junction City Times says the GUARD isn't very independent politically. Well, perhaps not this year—it's hard to be neutral when two strong men like Chamberlain and Geary heading one ticket against Bourne and Withycombe on the other side. Beyond that the GUARD has little interest in the state candidates—except that it believes J. D. Matlock, the only candidate from Lane county, should get a big vote at home. And after all our readers will find the GUARD independent enough, politically and otherwise, when occasion arises, but don't make the mistake that being independent means to be neutral and cowardly upon subjects where public opinion is divided.

This T. T. Geer, whose speeches are being printed in so many party organs of the state, is apparently the same man who is alleged to have sold appointive state offices to Sheriff Hy Plummer, of Polk county and others during his term of office; whose administration was so distasteful to his own party that a nomination was refused him by his state convention. A pretty politician to talk about honest government and criticize the acts of a governor like Geo. E. Chamberlain!

In today's GUARD are printed the opening chapters of a new serial story, "Hesper," by Hamlin Garland. In selecting Hesper we have been guided not only by our own judgment but by the opinions of competent reviewers who agree that it is the author's best story. An installment of "Hesper" will appear regularly in the Saturday GUARD and also in the weekly edition.

An open road to the Blue River mines is a better platform for Eugene than any political party has yet put out.

This rain was a mighty good thing—but sometimes old Oregon overdoes the thing in the matter of climate.

Eugene won the prize for its "Made in Oregon" exhibit over all competitors outside of Portland.

Don't vote straight—vote right! This advice holds good to Democrats and Republicans alike.

The campaign will be over in a week—good thing it hasn't bothered business very much.

There will never be a better time to provide for city parks in Eugene than now.

James Hayes, Farmer

The following editorial appearing in the Junction City Times, a Republican paper, edited by S. L. Moorhead, one of the most prominent Republicans of Lane county, shows in what high regard James Hayes, Democratic candidate for representative, is held among the townsmen and farmers of his own vicinity:

We were in error last week when we stated that I. N. Edwards was the only farmer on either ticket. James Hayes, one of the Democratic nominees, is a farmer and we cheerfully make the correction. Mr. Hayes is an honorable man and a good citizen, and we have no desire whatever to misrepresent him.

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Geo. E. Chamberlain.
SECRETARY OF STATE.
P. H. Sroat.
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J. D. Matlock.
SUPREME JUDGE.
T. G. Hailey.
ATTORNEY-GENERAL.
R. A. Miller.
STATE PRINTER.
J. Scott Taylor.

County.
STATE SENATOR.
R. M. Veatch.
REPRESENTATIVES.
L. R. Edmundson.
James Hayes.
J. J. Walton.
COUNTY CLERK.
J. C. Parker.
SHERIFF.
Fred Fisk.
COMMISSIONER.
S. M. Douglas.
SURVEYOR.
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CONSTABLE, EUGENE DISTRICT.
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Woodsawing

Have your wood sawed by a gasoline wood saw. It furnishes its own fuel and does not burn yours. See the point? Saws by a gauge. For prompt service ring up Red 1771 or call at 755 Perry street. W. E. BODDY

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Mill hands and yard men wanted, \$1.75 to \$2.50 per day.

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Geo. T. Hall & Son will pay the highest price for wool and mohair.
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Having sold my residence and must vacate same at an early date my household goods are for sale. Call at 734 Pearl Street.

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Willamette Valley Lumber Co.,
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Notice to Bidders

Notice is hereby given that the city council will receive sealed bids for street and alley improvement, and for the construction of sewers, up to 8 o'clock p. m. Monday, May 28, 1906, to-wit:

For the grading and graveling of the following streets:
Sixth street, from High to mill race.
Seventh street, from High to mill race.

Altherton avenue, from Fourteenth to Seventeenth street.
Fairmount boulevard, from south end of Columbia avenue to Walnut avenue, and Walnut avenue from Fairmount boulevard to East Eleventh street.

And the alley between Seventh and Eighth streets, from Park to Pearl.

For the construction of the following sewers:

Sewer in Eleventh street, from N.E. corner University Campus to Mill street sewer.

Sewer in alley between Willamette and Olive, from south line of Dorris Addition south 500 feet.

Sewer in alley between Seventh and Eighth streets, from Jefferson street sewer west to Monroe street.

Profiles, plans and specifications now on file with the city recorder.

Dated May 17th, 1906.

B. F. DORRIS,
Recorder.

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FOR SALE—Two acres, mostly bottom land, convenient to schools and university, new house of six rooms, chicken house, etc. Some fruit set out. \$1200. Owner, 733 East Eleventh street, Eugene.

FAIRM FOR SALE—A 147 acre farm for sale. Across the first Fall Creek bridge, 16 miles from Eugene. Part bottom land. Address Theodore Glaspey, Jasper, Oregon.

PIGS FOR SALE—A number of Poland China pigs for sale. Enquire at Mrs. Skipworth's dairy. tf

FOR SALE OR RENT—New 8-room modern house, with bath and pantry, plastered, good well water, berries, plenty of fruit and flowers. Address Box 122, city. j2

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Nine rooms, with bath and closet. 53 East Ninth street. All outside rooms. \$15 per month. Apply John Davies, 20 East Ninth street. tf

FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished rooms for rent in our new brick block at 67 East Ninth street. Building is equipped with electric lights, toilets, baths and all modern improvements. Geo. T. Hall & Son.

FOR RENT—A 11-room flat, newly arranged, papered and painted in brick on Ninth street, for less than \$1.50 a room per month, or separate to suit tenant. Enquire E. H. Ingham, 'phone Main 923.

MISCELLANEOUS

TENDERS ARE ASKED for the teaming of a certain complete sawmill, now lying on Lone Star ground, said mill to be removed to a certain point situated upon the mineral claim known as the "Jap." Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Address: Manager Treadwell Mining Co., Lucky Boy, postoffice. m30

RUGS WOVEN TO ORDER—From your old carpets. Prices reasonable and work guaranteed equal to best. Freight charges paid. Prompt execution of orders. Write today for particulars. A. L. Ferrington, Albany, Or. tf

WANTED—Girl for housework wanted by Mrs. Frissel at McKenzie Bridge. Apply to Mrs. Geo. Croger, 81 East Tenth street. tf

COOK WANTED—At the Hotel Sparks immediately. Write Dexter Sparks, Blue River, Oregon. tf

TIMBER LOCATIONS—Several good timber claims on lower Simlaw. Call on H. H. Fisk, Eugene, or address to Mapleton. m26d w

STEAM CLEANING—and pressing a specialty at 68 West Eighth street, next door to laundry. M. C. Hull, proprietor.

PURE WATER—Pure water from bed-rock wells. I can bore or drill one for you cheaply. Why not have the best water? Call on or address J. E. Kilborn, 219 Jefferson street, or C. E. Gardner, 1106 Villard avenue, Fairmount. Telephone Red 4734.

BOY WANTED—To work in dairy. One about 15 years old preferred. Enquire at Mrs. Skipworth's dairy. tf

MONEY TO LOAN—On real estate at low rates. Jesse G. Wells, attorney-at-law, room 6, 507 Willamette street, Eugene, Or.

WATCH LOST—Ladies' gold hunting case, "Emily" engraved inside case. Finder return to 333 East Thirtieth street or Guard office and get reward.

GIRL WANTED—Inquire at Mrs. A. W. Skipworth's dairy. tf

BICYCLE LOST—J. J. Rude lost his bicycle, a Columbia, last Friday. Finder please leave at Manhattan saloon and receive reward. tf

WANTED—The Guard loaned Vol. 15, contents "Lom-Mel," Werner edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica, to a party not remembered some time since. We will consider the return of the volume a great favor.

Fine Hall for Rent

The large hall over Newland's store, Ninth street, suitable for societies, for rent. Is 38x100 feet and can be partitioned to suit. Will be vacant June 1. Inquire of J. N. Davies at Eaton's book store.

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Wanted, 20 loggers, at \$2.25 to \$3.25 per day.

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