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OREGON ELECTRIC COMING TOWARD EUGENE

(Salem Statesman.)

The Oregon Electric, which has begun its surveys for its extension on south from Salem, is evidently doing the thing thoroughly. The surveying party which was started to work during the past week has already run several lines presumably with a view to getting the straightest track over the best grades. That was the first consideration in making the surveys for the line between Portland and Salem, and it is evident that the same policy will be pursued up the Willamette valley.

CITY SHOULD BUY THE WATER PLANT OF WILLAMETTE VALLEY CO.

Without any definite figures at hand relating to the cost and present value of the city water system, The Guard is inclined at this time to favor the acceptance of the Willamette Valley Company's proposition to the city. Even if the price asked, $160,000, should be somewhat high it would save the city the certainty of competition and the possibility of of long-drawn-out litigation. The entire situation would be cleared at once by the acceptance of the offer. The bonds could be issued immediately and would no doubt find a ready sale, with the removal of the present complications. Of the issue of $300,000, some $160,000 would remain with which to improve and extend the system and bring pure water in from a mountain source. Work could be commenced during the summer and employment given to a large number of men at a time when the general depression has made labor plentiful. It would help to keep things moving here in Eugene until such a time as conditions generally over the country become improved as it is quite certain will be the case by the end of the present year. Pure mountain water would prove a great boon to the city in every respect, and contribute greatly to the city's permanent growth and prosperity.

Another feature of the proposition that is worthy of special commendation is the acquiring the company's real property, including Skinner's butte, which should be transformed into a public park. This could be done with small expense, and if roadways and walks were constructed would soon become the chief attraction in our city of beautiful natural environments. The view from the butte is as beautiful as was ever painted on an artist's canvas, and its proximity to the centre of the city adds to its value as a public resort and place of recreation. In a few years, if it is properly cared for and improved, the city would not dispose of this single piece of real property for the price they are now asked for the entire holdings of the Willamette Valley Company.

Furthermore, the permanent settlement of the water question by this purchase would remove a matter of contention that has been the cause of a factional fight for several years past, and would allow our people to get closer together than ever before, in a united effort to build a larger and better city.

IMPROVEMENT WORK HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN

A stranger said to the editor of this paper only yesterday:

"Eugene and its surrounding country are very pretty, and you should have a beautiful city when it is properly improved."

This remark from an observing Eastern gentleman is worthy of more than passing attention. Some of our property owners are inclined to think we are improving too much, paving too many streets, and laying too much cement walk, and yet this stranger thinks we may have a beautiful city "when it is properly improved."

As a matter of fact we have only just started on the road cityward, have only just begun to improve. It will cost money and much of it to work over the overgrown country town into a real modern city that will attract the most desirable class of home seekers and investors, but that is what we have set out to do and there will be no turning back. Every dollar a property owner puts into pavement and like improvements increases values, and it is like investing money in the enlargement of business, the equipment of manufacturing plants or the development of a mine. When the intelligent discerning stranger can say without qualification "you have a beautiful city here," then we may feel that our hardest labor is over, and the goal has been reached. It will cost money and possibly call for increased tax levies at times, but in the end the compensation will be sure and ample.

Eugene is not heavily bonded for improvements, barring the expected $300,000 issue to be invested in a water system, which will not be a load upon the property owners because of the dividends that it will earn. There are other things that we need badly, chief among them being a city hall, which should be a modern building costing not less than $50,000. The finest cities have the largest bonded indebtedness because the money has been expended in public improvements, and if Eugene's people want to build a city here they must not hope to shirk the burden of labor and expense that growth and expansion calls for.

Regarding the Fulton resolution instructing the United States attorney-general to bring suit for the annullment of the Southern Pacific land grant, favorably reported in the house, Chairman Mondell of the committee on public lands says:

"It is the intention of the committee to draft a resolution separate from this one and to present it to the public should the present one be adopted, which will clearly indicate that no right to attack any claim to any of these lands shall be acquired by any person until at least a year after the final judgment of the court shall have been rendered. This is not to tie up these lands for a year, however. The expectation would be that within a year congress would take some action touching the rights of purchasers from the railroad companies with regard to the future disposition of the lands now held by the company, should the forfeiture be declared. The second resolution will be due notice to everybody that there shall be no authority to enter them and that no rights shall attach."

Maybe Japan's peaceful talk had something to do with the action of the house committee on appropriations in cutting the amount asked by the administration for fortifications to the extent of $30,000,000.

"Fighting Bob" Evans was making a noise like all right when he said: "We are ready at a moment's notice to begin target practice, go to sea and fight a battle, or continue this cruise."

Inasmuch as the vote on the bill for restoring "In God We Trust" to our coins was 255 to 5 in the house, the president is doubtless glad he said in advance he would not veto it.

The news of that students' riot at Ann Arbor would have seemed much more natural under a Russian date line. Such things are out of place in the United States.

Boss Murphy says Bourke Cochran is not a Democrat. Should Cochran say what he thinks Murphy is we fear it would be unprintable in a family paper.

Even Albany has begun to boost.

FOR ELECTRIC RAILWAYS

(Salem Statesman.)

The water-level grade of the Willamette valley offers untold inducements for the promoters of electric railways to reach out from Oregon's metropolis with their trunk lines in an endevor to secure the vast amount of traffic awaiting them as far south as Roseburg, if not farther; and there are exceptionally easy grades for lateral lines into the most fertile sections which are as yet but little developed. Who can tell what the change will be during the next decade?

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The Duchess of Westminster comes of a family noted for the beauty of its women and is herself one of the most beautiful connected with royalty in England. She was Miss Sheilah West, daughter of Mrs. Cornwallis West, and sister of the Duchess of Pless, both of whom are noted for their beauty. She was married to the Duke of Westminster soon after the South African war, and King Edward is generally credited with having brought about the match. The duchess is deeply interested in various charities in England.

A FIGHTING REPUBLICAN

(LaGrande Daily Observer, Rep.)

What Governor Chamberlain says regarding the Democracy of this state is not to be questioned. His public statement is to the effect that the only issue between the Democratic and Republican parties is their difference regarding Statement No. 1. As the Republicans made this law, in case all of the legislative candidates subscribed to Statement No. 1, there would be no occasion whatever for the Democrats to put out any ticket whatever. While it is a well-known fact that the Democratic press and the governor are playing politics in the extreme and that in Statement No. 1 lies their only chance, it does not seem to be taking any great chances in meeting them on their own ground regarding statement No. 1, especially when it is a well-known fact that this state is anywhere from 25,000 to 40,000 Republican. For 30 years it has not been considered possible to elect a Democratic congressman in this state, then why is it any more probable to send a Democratic United States senator for six years than it is to send a Democratic congressman for two years. Brethren, we cannot withstand to suggest that we all accepted Statement No. 1, which is based on the principles of voting direct for United States senator, and then go out and lick the enemy. It will be either Cake or Fulton against Chamberlain. Buckle on your armor, we can lick him with either candidate.

FOR STATEMENT NO. 1

(Union Scout, Rep.)

Of course the editor of this paper positively refuses to vote for any man for the legislature who will not subscribe to Statement No. 1. That is a purely Republican measure, sired and fostered by Republicans in a state that has been overwhelmingly Republican. Besides, it should be supported by all members of all parties so long as it remains on the statute books. There is still a greater principle involved: for years both great parties have advocated the election of United States senators by the popular vote. That is what Statement No. 1 is and what it means. Just so long as Statement No. 1 is carried out the people of Oregon can take a broadside shot at the United States senators. If it is adhered to it will not be long until other states will swing into line and before many years the people will own that which they long coveted—the privilege of choosing senators by direct vote.

THE PUBLIC AND PLAYS

There are few of the established playwrights who have not had a failure this season. Nine out of every ten of the plays produced have sunk into oblivion—and that because of their own dull weight.

Yet the sheer poor quality of the plays is an insufficient explanation. One must take into consideration also the fact that the General-Public-That-Pays has developed, or rather absorbed, ideas as to the real value of plays. "Sure-fire hokum," as the old-time stage managers used to call certain situations and dialogue that never failed to rouse the gallery, seems to have lost its appeal. The demand, evidently, is for something new, either in idea or treatment, and for a higher standard.—"The Players" in April Everybody's. [illegible]

EFFORT A FAILURE

(Harney County News, Rep.)

The fight to eliminate all adherents of Statement No. 1 from places of honor in the Republican party is not progressing to the full satisfaction of the would-be dictators. Even in Marion county we notice some of the champions of it refuse to be "eliminated."

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WANTED

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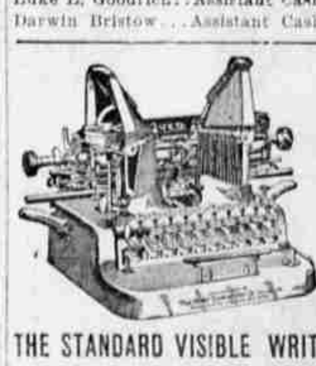

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