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ONE TELEPHONE SYSTEM OR TWO?

To grant a second telephone franchise or not to grant one is the issue before the city council.

The Business Men's League has taken the position that the Pacific States company be given thirty days to complete installation of their up-to-date system and give this community a good service.

That is a reasonable request. If in that time the service is not improved, the business men say grant another franchise.

The present monopoly says, well and good; we will try and convince you that we can give a good service in that time.

A great many business men and professional men are of the opinion that a second system will be a useless tax upon the community.

Lawyers, doctors, bankers, and most business men will have to keep up the expense of four telephones each—two in the places of business and two in their homes.

Two systems will mean more wires strung over our city, more poles erected, more tearing up of the streets.

But if we cannot get a first-class up-to-now system without competition, we suppose we will have to have it.

The proposed charter grants the new company sixteen months to install its plant, longer than the old company has been installing its new one.

The new charter allows the company four years free from taxes on its gross earnings. That seems a very favorable franchise.

If they would pay the city council about \$5000 for the franchise and a percentage of the gross earnings it would be worth while granting it.

They should also give an indemnity bond in case of failure to install their plant and failure to give reasonable good service.

This plan of giving away a franchise, free of taxes for four years, only for the fun of having so-called competition is not wise.

It is a telegraph and telephone franchise that may be sold for thousands of dollars as soon as granted.

The Journal can say for Mr. Dancy, the local manager, that in spite of criticism, he has built up the system and done his utmost to give this city a good service.

That it has not been a better service has annoyed him as much as it has anyone, and a thousand times as much as any customer.

There are two sides to the controversy: A second franchise may give us better service and it may not. The experiment may be worth trying and it may not. Many towns and cities that have had two systems have gone back to one.

It is an experiment that will cost someone a great deal of money that must be made back out of the community.

After giving the present company a full and fair trial on their new system, when fully installed, and it fails to give satisfaction, as they claim it will; a second franchise might be all right.

If the street car company were not giving good service it might be well to grant another franchise. But if they were doing all in their power to improve their service it would hardly be right.

A CALL FROM A NEIGHBOR.

(Albany Herald, Oct. 21.)  
The Woodmen are members of a good order.

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sympathy, the real neighborly qualities of life here find exemplification.

A member of the order honored in fraternal circles, Mr. Walter L. Tooze, last evening delivered an address to the Woodmen, said by those in attendance to be of exceptional interest.

It happens that only members of the order had the benefit of this address or, perhaps, owned special part in its immediate application.

But the Herald finds that interest is taken by the community in the speaker of the evening, Mr. Tooze, because of his prominence in the congressional contest.

For many years Mr. Tooze has been a campaigner for others, for the Republican ticket. If he pursues the same methods in his own campaign, a successful opponent need be a man of extraordinary tact, ability and energy.

Sound on the great principles of the party, a debater, progressive in later day economics, a man of trained mind, clean life, successful in business, an advocate of the square deal, friendly and with friends, who can deny that this is the type needed by this state in congress now and always?

Which of the candidates mentioned should be more acceptable and useful to Linn county if nominated and elected?

To this view, Mr. Tooze looks like the right man.

A WARM MINING DISTRICT.

The railroad edition of the Tonopah, Nevada, Journal of Commerce is a fine illustrated edition, showing the mineral locations, and future prospects of that wizard city of the desert. It is without doubt the greatest discovery of mineral wealth that has been made in half a century, and all the old miners who have not gone there are laying awake nights thinking how they can get into the camp. Three railroads are headed for the mines and the speculators have advertised it to the whole world. Address for copies E. B. Cushman, secretary board of trade.

CONSTITUTION CHANGING.

A notable and timely paper is that in the October Atlantic upon "Our Changing Constitution," by Alfred Pearce Dennis. Mr. Dennis by a startling roll-call of the recent extra-constitutional acts of the executive which have yet stood without contest or objection, shows that the constitution is actually in a state of change. His conclusion is especially important and suggestive.

"The constitution can be treated no longer as a written instrument defining the measure of American destiny, but rather as the sum of the political habits and convictions of the nation. Our political development has followed the course laid down by the rigid, written constitution, but the anchor of limitations is fixed in an element which is itself shifting and unstable. The old conflict between the unyielding law and the lying organism has resulted as it must always result in any expanding life, in a victory for organism. For the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life."

The constitutions of states and nations are growth, never at rest, forever changing, some parts dead or dying, other parts coming into life or expanding.

LARGEST CIVILIZED NATION.

The United States is by far the largest of all the civilized nations except Russia, which has about 130,000,000 inhabitants. The German empire has 56,000,000. Austria-Hungary 47,000,000, Japan 47,000,000, France 38,000,000, Italy 32,000,000 and Spain 18,000,000. China has 350,000,000, but she does not count in the calculation of this sort. Owing to the rapid growth of the United States the English language is now spoken by more persons than use any other civilized tongue.

Charles V said he spoke German to his horse, French to men, Italian to his lady friends, and Spanish to God. In his days, three and a half centuries ago, Spain was a land on which the sun never set. England was only a small spot on the map, and the English language held only a minor place in the civilized tongues.

Today 130,000,000 speak English, 100,000,000 speak Russian (for not all the people of the empire talk the national tongue), 75,000,000 use German, 70,000,000 employ Spanish, including the inhabitants of the Latin-American countries, and 40,000,000 speak French. Moreover, the lead for English is rapidly lengthening. Nearly two-thirds of all the people who speak the English tongue are in the United States—Lottie's Weekly.

The Southern Pacific Company is putting in a large turn-table at Glendale. It is constructed of steel, and a great improvement on the old one.

INSURANCE PAPER TRIES TO DEFEND

Som | of the Papers Sarcastic Paragraphs Given a Gentle Boost

Here are a few gems of thought from the Insurance Press, on life insurance, and the present investigation—a brief comment is attached to each:

"The yelping newspapers are eloquently silent on the matter of their own contribution to political campaigns."

What they gave was their own, not trust funds.

"Some men are willing to contribute more per annum to campaign funds than to an insurance fund for their families."

The investigation shows the terms are synonymous.

"October vies with June as the month of weddings. The next in importance to the marriage certificate is the insurance policy."

And marriage after all is not the greatest lottery.

"Protection is likely to once more become an agitated question in politics. This paper advocates a free trade in protection of families."

Great principle—only the presidents of the companies furnish the families, sons-in-law, too."

"Some autumn leaves turn red—doubtless blushing over the bareness of the trees. Your widow may turn pale over the bareness of your estate."

Especially if you thought you were insured.

"Where is the so-called autocratic power of the companies? They cannot insure a man without his consent. They cannot keep him without his consent. The man is the dictator first and last."

No, they can only keep the money he puts up, and kick for more.

"In the natural order of things a boy will become a man, but occasionally the boy later becomes a donkey by joining a fraternal order instead of a level premium company."

Or he may get softening of the brain and fall a prey to the McCalls and McCards and their ilk.

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Lucas County.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo,

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