

AGAINST PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

Views of a Prominent Chicagoan Through Observation in Europe.

"I have heard all over Europe that municipal ownership of street cars was unsatisfactory, and that has been my experience," said Dr. Emil G. Hirsch of Chicago after a three months' trip through England, France, Germany and Switzerland. "The municipal system in Frankfurt seems woefully slow and cumbersome to an American, but in Germany the employees are carefully trained for their positions. It would be difficult to imagine the result if their places were filled by men of the average American political henchman's type."

The eminent clergyman also came home with a distinctly unfavorable opinion of Germany's state railroad systems, which he declares far inferior to those found in England and the United States under private control. "The connections between the state lines are not good, and through trains do not often run," said he. "The sleeping car arrangements are about as much like ours as an old stagecoach is like an automobile. The fares are excessively high. The rolling stock is almost primitive, and accommodations for passengers are scanty. They are operated on a bureaucratic basis, as if the public existed for the railroad."—Public Service.

THE LIGHTS STAY OUT.

But as the City Owns and Operates Them No One Can be Punished.

The electric light plant of Jamestown, N. Y., has been frequently referred to as an example of a successful municipal plant, and it is certainly run more nearly on a commercial basis than almost any other municipal light plant in the world. It is therefore disheartening to read in the Jamestown Post that its service is far from satisfactory.

This paper states that "it has been quite common for the lights to go out soon after they are lighted, leaving the streets in darkness," a condition that continues all night, as not only is no one employed to make the rounds to see that the lights are in service, but there is not even a trouble man available to attend to the frequent outages reported by citizens and the police.

The Post holds this to be poor economy, "as street lights that burn are about as essential for the safety of the community as are policemen." Private companies are usually heavily penalized for such outages, but no way has been discovered for a city to penalize itself.

Bosses Versus the People.

A dispatch from San Francisco states that when Abraham Ruef, the San Francisco boss, was threatened with the indictments which later were found against him his supporters in the city government called upon 4,000 city employees to assemble to form an organization for his defense. As each employee was instructed to bring five friends, it was hoped that this force of 24,000 voters could be used to coerce and intimidate the prosecutors and jury. It is actual examples like this which show the possibilities of boss rule under municipal ownership, when the number of city employees would be far larger than under present conditions. It will always be found to be the boss and not the people who controls the "people's employees." The public pays their wages, but they work for the bosses, who get them their jobs.

Individual Versus Public Enterprise.

Individual enterprise will always enable private enterprise to work with greater economy than any government or municipality, while the interference of the latter almost always tends to check the progress of discovery and invention.—Hon. Charles N. Lawrence.

Pressing Sleeve Seams.

For pressing the seams of a sleeve procure a three-quarter round, short length of lumber. Pad it and cover with a piece of white ironing cloth. This furnishes a firm base for the pressing, which is utterly lacking in the customary broom handle.

Sofa Pillows.

The best sofa pillows are covered with waxed cotton. This is done by ironing the inside of the cover with a hot flatiron rubbed on a cloth well saturated with beeswax. When treated in this way it is impossible for small, elusive downs to work through.

Furniture Polish.

This is an excellent furniture polish where a bright surface is desired: Half a pint of alcohol, half an ounce each of resin and shellac powdered. Mix these with the alcohol, then add half a pint of linseed oil. Shake thoroughly before using.

One should never tamper with moles. It is unsafe and sometimes is followed by serious consequences. If any treatment is necessary go to a reliable physician for it.

Municipal Parcels Service.

The first year's working of the Manchester (England) tramways parcels service has resulted in a deficit of nearly \$20,000, according to the report of the manager. He also admits that the service cannot be made to pay unless there is a large increase in capital outlay (this sounds familiar) and that the employees have much longer hours than can be justified.

Government is best when it governs the least.—Jerome James.

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SPRING MODES IN N. Y.

The search for novelties is almost hopeless in any department of fashion and slight differences in cut or trimmings constitute the sole variety now in sight. Walking skirts will be somewhat longer, as the short skirt has been carried to such an extreme that a reaction must ensue. First-class dressmakers insist that plaits around the hips must be fitted with exceeding nicety which is an argument against ready-made skirts. Some prominent modistes are using the center plaits at back and front, which improves "the hang" and gives additional sweep to the lower edge. The incoming of skirt braid is quite probable, with the advent of the longer skirt.

Trimmings.

Simple tucks are seen on the larger proportion of new voiles, with perhaps a narrow fancy braid on the upper one, or an embroidered band in self-colors. Silk ruffles, so scant that they seem to be folds,

most. A smart Spring jacket has military frogs across the front, an ornamentation which always imparts a certain dashing air. A pretty bolero jacket is cut all in one, the sleeves very full and falling to the elbow in graceful ripples. "All over" lace, or braided material is suitable for this jacket—a style especially becoming to slender figures. Another smart jacket is trimmed with double loops of large cord covered with silk, four loops being placed together, two on each side of a double cord, passing over the shoulders and ending above the belt line at back and front. Straps hold the fullness in position just below the cord trimming giving a tight-fitting effect.

Longer Coats.

Among these is one called an Empire coat of medium length, quite loose, and with a broad lace collar, and three-quarter length sleeves, it presents a very dressy appearance. The long tourist coat cannot be displaced, it is too useful. Long pongee or linen coats will also be largely used for travelling, and when a stylish top coat is desired, the "Prince Chap" may be highly recommended.

Draping Brims Popular in Spring Consequently the mushroom shape is foremost, and trimmed



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are effective in pale hued wools, the silk exactly matching the stripe in color. A belt and sleeve facings in unison are a matter of course. Braiding (not flat) appears on any and all garments and a special advantage of this garniture is, that it can be done at home. Alternate bands of braiding on the dress material and any heavy lace, preferably Irish point or its imitation, is an elegant trimming for a voile suit jacket. Flat bands of Persian embroidery in varied widths are in high esteem, giving character to pale hued costumes or to white cashmere or broadcloth evening wraps. The lace appliques, with or without the addition of colored silk flowers, shown by James McCreery & Co., are a revelation and range from narrow bands to those at least a foot wide.

Spring Jackets.

The independent jacket shows no special novelty. Varieties of the pony coat and the Eton are upper-

with a profusion of white or purple lilacs, with a single large crimson rose and abundant foliage by way of contrast; the result is fascinating. White chip is most in demand for these flower-covered hats, the under brim lined with black taffeta, a stitched fold finishing the edge. Small toques and turbans are less expensive and more practical, and are trimmed with roses and ribbon. Shot taffeta ribbon in upright loops around a crown, or in a cluster at the left side, give a chic effect to both large or small hats. Cherries or red currants combined with crimson velvet evince the favor shown to crimson.

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- E. J. and M. C. Henry to Jeanette Peters, 40 acres, in sec. 23, t 9 s r 3 e, q c d 1
- J. M. Kitchen, et ux., to W. M. Malone, land in block 7, Thomas' add to Stayton, w d 1000
- Felix Bunce to E. M. Croisan, east half of lot 17, Sunnyside Fruit Farm No. 1, q c d 1
- Sarah E. Murphy to Emma M. Brown, land in block 39, Salem, w d 500
- Sarah E. Murphy to Frank M. Brown, land in block 39, Salem, w d 1
- Frank M. Brown, et ux., to Sarah E. Murphy, land in block 39, Salem 1
- C. J. Korinek to Frank M. Brown, land in block 39, Salem, w d 300
- A. A. Moore, et al., to Marshalltown State Bank, lot 8, Sunnyside No. 13, q c d 1000
- Marshalltown State Bank to J. L. Knight, et al., lot 8, Sunnyside Fruit Farm No. 13, w d 1200
- Martin Giesy, et ux., to Louis Wibert, land in block 4, Aurora, w d 50
- Will Semman, et ux., to F. C. Wiltsey, lots 1 and 2, block 2, Highland add to Salem, w d 500
- W. L. Knight, et al., to A. L. West, lot No. 8, Sunnyside Fruit Farm No. 13, w d ... 780
- T. K. Ford, et ux., to Hannah E. Purvine, lot 6, block 10, in University add to Salem, w d 1

Tried to Escape.

George Taylor, who is serving a three-year term in the penitentiary, very nearly escaped from that institution yesterday afternoon. Taylor procured a piece of steel and constructed a saw, cut one of the iron bars of the grating to the water flume and crawled through the hole, getting as far as 50 yards from the wall on the outside. He was discovered by the guards and captured.

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