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**ATTEMPT TO CREATE A DIVERSION**  
The policy of crucifying a corporation is conducted by "a mere reporter" that has been pursued for a year has accomplished nothing but prevent getting practical results in the way of improvements at the hands of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company and the Oregon Electric, to this city and its suburbs are that it is of more importance to the city that the company should be in service to Liberty, that

it should improve its service at the Fair Grounds, that it should build to Morningside, and that the Oregon Electric should extend south to Albany, than all the whims and theories of a "mere reporter." It may suit some persons to have corporations held up and roasted on general principles but no live progressive community is doing those things and getting any results. The "mere reporter" should not be blamed but those who are coaching and dictating his campaign should be unmasked, and made to stand in their true light as obstructionists to the progress and development of the city at a very critical time in its history.

This city wants a new passenger station and new freight depot from the Southern Pacific company. Shall we pursue the same tactics to secure it that have been pursued toward the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, and toward the Oregon Electric? Very well, turn the "mere reporter" loose and see what you will get. The Capital Journal holds no brief for any of these corporations. It has advertising contracts with some of them. But there is not a corporation in the world that has control of one line that goes into the editorial policy of The Capital Journal—and all the advertising done by all the corporations put together does not amount to as much as is spent by single firms in this city. Yet we are charged by "a mere reporter" with being bought by the corporation he is fighting. If he ever acquires any property in this city, if he ever has any taxes to pay here, if he ever builds a home here and has a payroll of \$1,000 to \$1,500 a month to meet out of his earnings, he may be worth listening to as a dictator of public policies for this community.

Those who wish to follow his guidance and leadership in public affairs are at liberty to do so. It is a free country. But corporations are managed by men who are like the rest of us. President Josselyn of the Portland General Electric, Mr. Talbot of the Oregon Electric, Mr. Welch of the Eugene and Eastern, Mr. O'Brien of the S. P. Co., are the best and most progressive and public spirited set of corporation offic-

**You Want to Help Boom This Town?**



you'll assist the editors in making the place.  
you'll patronize home industries including the printer.  
you'll subscribe for this paper and advertise in it.  
you'll see at our efforts for improvement.  
you'll order your job from some outsider.  
you'll borrow your neighbor's paper to read.  
**YOU OR DON'T YOU?**

als: it has ever been the good fortune of a state to have in its midst. Their local representatives may make mistakes, but a general campaign of crucifying will keep this city on the bleachers when it should be occupying the grand stand in the race for supremacy in the Willamette valley.

The Capital Journal has not engaged in the business of making franchises. It is busy trying to make a living at the newspaper business without trying to say how a street car company shall manage its business. Business men who want the city to prosper do not usually turn it over to a newspaper to manage for them, to say nothing about "a mere reporter." The diversion this city needs more than any other is the diversion of having all the big corporations spending as much money here as possible, employing as much labor as possible and boosting to make Salem a greater city.

**WENT BACK FOR PICTURE—THAT'S THE WOMAN OF IT**  
Seattle, Dec. 24.—Roused from his slumber to find smoke pouring into his room, R. H. Grant, a carpenter residing at the home of John McKinnin, proved himself a hero this morning by rushing to the second floor, dragging Mrs. M. O. McKinnin from her bed and carrying her to safety down the flaming stairway. The woman was almost suffocated with smoke and but for Grant's bravery would undoubtedly have burned to death. Grant put her through an open window into the arms of Ed Jones who had at that moment arrived on the scene.

Relieved by the fresh air, Mrs. McKinnin broke from restraining hands and rushed back into the house, saving a picture of her daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Green of Portland. Again she sought to rush back into the blazing house intent on rescuing a picture of a dead daughter but this time she was held by strong hands. The cause of the fire is unknown.

**SHOT IN THE BACK BY UNKNOWN ASSAILANT**  
Chicago, Dec. 24.—Jacob Geier is dying at St. Elizabeth's hospital, the victim of one of the most mysterious attempts at assassination ever brought to the notice of the police. Geier was entering his home early to day when a revolver report was heard and he fell with a bullet wound in his back. At the hospital Geier said he looked about him as he fell to the porch but could see no one. The police say it is probable that the bullet was fired from a window.

**Robbed Station Agent.**  
Spokane, Dec. 24.—It has just been learned that three masked bandits in cowboy garb held up and robbed the agent at Breville, Wash., on the Marcus division of the Great Northern railway a few nights ago. The storekeeper at the same place was also robbed of about \$100.

**Come Out And Join the Boosters' Band!**



Join the Boosters' Band and boost!  
Don't stay home and go to roost!  
Keep awake and make a spiel!  
Put your shoulder to the wheel!  
Try to help your town along!  
Boast it loud and boast it strong!  
Everybody lend a hand!  
Come and join the Boosters' Band!

**THE MARKETS**

**SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.**  
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 24.—Wheat—No. 1 California club, per cental, \$1.67 1/2 @ 1.70; California white milling, \$1.75 @ 1.80; northern bluestem, \$1.75 @ 1.80; off grades wheat, \$1.50 @ 1.60; Reds, \$1.62 1/2 @ 1.67 1/2.

Barley—Feed barley, \$1.42 1/2 @ 1.45; common to fair, \$1.35 @ 1.40; brewing at San Francisco nominal at \$1.45 @ 1.55; Chevalier, \$1.50 @ 1.60 according to quality.

Eggs—Per dozen, California fresh, including cases, extras, 50c; firsts, 49c; seconds, 37c; thirds, 25c; pullets selected, 46c; storage, extra, 30c; firsts 32 1/2c; seconds, 26 1/2c; Eastern storage, extra, 30c; firsts, 28c; seconds, 26c.

Butter—Per pound, California fresh, extras, 33 1/2c; firsts 30c; seconds, 25c; thirds, 20c; pickled, No. 1, 23 1/2c; storage, California extra, 29c; packing No. 1, 21 1/2c; India, extra, 23c.

New cheese—Per pound, California flats, fancy, 15c; firsts, 14c; seconds, 11 1/2c; California Young America fancy, 16 1/2c; firsts, 16c; Eastern New York Cheddars, fancy, 17c; Oregon flats, fancy, 14c; do. Young America, fancy, 16 1/2c; California storage, fancy, flats, 13c; Oregon flats, fancy, 14c; do. Young America, 15c.

Potatoes—Per cental, River Whites, (sacks) fancy, 75 @ 90c; poor, 50 @ 75c; Salinas Burbanks, \$1.25 @ 1.50; Oregon Burbanks, \$1.10 @ 1.25; Early Rose, (for seed) \$1.25 @ 1.30; sweet potatoes, per crate, \$1.25 @ 1.50; sacks, \$1 @ 1.25.

Onions—Per sack, 90c @ \$1.  
Oranges—Per box, Navels, standard, \$1.25 @ 2; choice, \$2 @ 2.50; fancy large sizes, higher; Tangerines, crates, 75c @ \$1; half orange boxes, \$1.25 @ 1.75.

**PORTLAND MARKETS**

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.  
Portland, Oregon, December 24.—Wheat—Bluestem, 96 @ 97c; club, 91c; No. 90 @ 91c; red Russian, 88c; 40-fold, 91c; valley, 91c.

Barley—Producers' prices: Feed, \$24 per ton; brewing, \$27.  
Oats—Producers' prices: No. 1 white, \$31 @ 31.50 per ton.

Flour—Patents, \$5.00 per barrel; rolled barley \$28 @ 29.  
Hay—Timothy, Willamette Valley, \$4.65; 1/2-sack graham, \$4.40; whole wheat, \$4.65; rye, \$5.50.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$26.50 per ton; middlings, \$33; shorts, country, \$30; city, \$30; U. S. mill chop, \$22; straights, \$4.05; exports, \$3.70; Valley, \$14 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$16 @ 17; clover, \$12; alfalfa, \$13; grain hay, \$12.50 @ \$13.

**Vegetables and Fruit.**  
Fresh Fruits—Apples, 50c @ \$1.50 box; pears, \$1 @ 1.25 per box; grapes 75 @ 50c per crate; quinces, \$1.00 @ 1.25 per box; cranberries, \$13.50 @ 14 per bbl.; Spanish Malaga grapes, \$6.50 @ 8.00 per barrel; huckleberries, 10 @ 15c per pound; per simons, \$1 @ 1.25.

Potatoes—Buying price, 75 @ 90c; per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2 @ 2 1/2c per pound; onions, \$1 per 100 pounds.

**Dairy and Country Produce.**  
Butter—City creamery, extras, 36 @ 37c; fancy outside creamery, 32 1/2 @ 35c per pound; store, 17 @ 20c.

Eggs—Oregon ranch 40 @ 45c; Eastern 30 @ 35c per dozen.  
Poultry—Hens, 13c per lb; spring 12 @ 13c; small, 13 @ 14c; mixed, 12 @ 12 1/2c; ducks, 14 @ 15 1/2c; geese 9 @ 10c; turkeys 16 @ 17 1/2c; dressed turkeys, nominal.

Cheese—Fancy cream swiss, 15c per pound; full cream triplets, 15c; full cream Young America, 16c.

Veal—Extra, 9 @ 9 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 7 @ 8c; heavy, 6c.

Pork—Fancy, 7 1/2c per pound; large, 6 1/2 @ 7c.

**Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.**  
Hops—1908, choice, 7 1/2 @ 8c; prime, 6 @ 7c; medium, 5 @ 6c per lb 1907, 2 @ 4c; 1906, 1 @ 1 1/2c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 10 @ 14c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 15 @ 16c.

Mohair—Choice, 18c per pound.  
Hides—Dry kip, No. 1, 13 @ 15c; dry calf, 16c per pound; salted hides, 6 @ 8c per pound; salted calfskin, 12 @ 13c per pound; green, 1c less.

**Local Wholesale Market.**  
Wheat, per bushel ..... 90 @ 95c  
Oats, per bushel ..... 45c  
Flour, hard wheat ..... \$5.00  
Flour, valley ..... \$4.25  
Mill feed, shorts ..... \$33.50  
Mill feed, bran ..... \$21.00  
Hops, 1908 crop ..... 7 @ 8 1/2c  
Hops, 1907 crop ..... 2 @ 3c  
Chittim bark ..... 3 @ 5  
Wool, coarse ..... 12c  
Wool, medium ..... 15c  
Mohair ..... 18c  
Hay, cheat ..... \$12 @ 13  
Hay, clover ..... \$11 @ 12  
Potatoes, bushel ..... 40 @ 45c  
Apples, bushel ..... 50c @ \$1.00  
Onions, per cwt ..... \$5 @ 90c  
Prunes, per pound ..... 1 1/4 @ 4 1/2c  
Cranberries, Howe's variety, ..... \$13.00  
Hbl. .... \$13.00

**Butter and Eggs.**  
Eggs, creamery ..... 40c  
Butter, creamery ..... 40c

**Holiday Shopping**  
Is Now On in Earnest

**TODAY Is the Last Business Day Before Christmas**

Do Your Shopping Early in the day if possible  
You can't find values at "regular stores" like we offer in every department

**OUR HOLIDAY GOODS**

Are marked at the same small margin of profit as all regular lines. There seems to be a disposition on the part of most customers this year to give practical presents and we believe it is the sensible thing to do.

In our immense stock of  
**Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes and Furnishing Goods**

Of all kinds you can certainly find suitable presents for your friends.

*Barnes' Cash Store*  
E. T. Barnes, Prop.

**Our Store Will Remain Open This Evening Until 9 O'clock**

Butter fat ..... 37c  
Cheese, twins ..... 14 1/2 @ 15c  
**Poultry.**  
Hens ..... 10c  
Broilers and fryers ..... 10c  
Turkeys, pound ..... 15c  
Ducks, pound ..... 10c  
Geese, pound ..... 8c  
**Livestock.**  
Steers (1100 to 1200 lbs.) ..... 3 1/2c  
Steers, under 1000 lbs. .... 3 @ 3 1/2c  
Cows ..... 2 @ 2 1/2c  
Hogs, fat ..... 5 1/2c  
Stock ..... 4c  
Sheep, wethers ..... 3c  
Ewes ..... 2 @ 2 1/2c  
Spring lambs ..... 3 1/2c  
Veal, according to quality ..... 5 @ 7c  
**Retail Market.**  
Flour, per sack ..... \$1.25  
Eastern Oregon ..... \$1.50  
Bran, per sack ..... .95c  
Shorts, per sack ..... \$1.35  
Wheat, per bu. .... \$1.05  
Oats, per bu. .... .50c  
Cheat, per ton ..... \$15.00  
Clover, per ton ..... \$13.00

**CAPTURED BURGLAR AND THEN SAT ON HIM**

Seattle, Dec. 24.—After a fierce struggle on the stairs of the Manhattan hotel at an early hour this morning, M. B. Roush overpowered Abe Myer, whom he says he caught in his room, and sat on him until the police arrived. Myer was lodged in the city jail charged with burglary.

**SAVED FROM DEATH BY INTELLIGENT DOG**

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Anaconda, Mont., Dec. 24.—That Alex. Glover, 72 years old, and one of Anaconda's earliest inhabitants, is alive today is entirely due to the faithfulness of his dog.

After dinner Wednesday night Glover left his cabin with his dog and walked a long distance to a tunnel on some mining property he and George Miles are working. Shortly after 11 o'clock that night Miles, who had fallen asleep on his cot, was awakened by the dog tugging at the blankets. Following the animal, Miles found Glover lying unconscious in the snow a short ways from the cabin. The old man's hands, feet and face were seriously frost-bitten. Had it not been for the dog he would have frozen to death.

H. Breithaupt, of Clackamas, is in the city.

**SEATTLE TO HAVE ANOTHER RAILROAD**

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Seattle, Dec. 24.—H. R. Williams, president of the Milwaukee road in Washington has just returned from a tour of inspection of the Milwaukee line between Seattle and Butte. He was gone about a week and comes back very enthusiastic over the progress made.

"Two-thirds of the Columbia river bridge is completed," said Mr. Williams, "and about 1,000 feet of the St. Paul tunnel through the mountainway is completed. All together there is not five miles of road un-

built to connect Seattle with Chicago. "The Milwaukee road will be running trains into Seattle long before July 1, but it will be over a green track, and we do not propose to inaugurate a passenger service until our track is broken in, and will afford the greatest comfort to travelers."

**CONFLICT IN LAWS MAY PREVENT VACCINATION**

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 24.—The Tacoma board of education is in a quandary in the matter of the enforcement of the state vaccination law. The board finds that if the law is enforced to the letter and all the children who have not been successfully vaccinated are excluded from the school, it will be violating another state law, providing for the compulsory attendance at school of all children between the ages of 8 and 17 years.

The law takes effect on January 4, and it is feared that many of the children will fail to show that they have been vaccinated by that time, either because of the opposition to the measure on the part of their parents or because the physicians believe them unfit physically to submit to the operation.

The conflicting provisions of the two laws will be brought to the attention of the legislature immediately after the convening of the lawmakers.

**Money No Good to Him.**

Seattle, Dec. 24.—Henry Bauer, 55 years old, died suddenly in the Lexington hotel last night a few minutes after he had applied for a room. A check for \$1500 was found in his possession.