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FOR A LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

One of the pending referendum measures that deserves approval by the voters is the proposed amendment to Section 8 of Article V of the state constitution, providing for the office of Lieutenant-Governor. Under the present arrangement, the secretary of state becomes governor when the chief executive dies, resigns or is unable to perform his duties, and at the same time continues to fill the office of secretary of state, having two votes in the deliberations of all boards and commissions and drawing two large salaries. The work of either one of these positions is sufficient to keep a man very busy, and when a double duty is imposed, the burden naturally falls upon clerks and secretaries in whose selection the people have had no voice. Besides this, the plan whereby one man may hold two lucrative positions and have the power of two constitutional officers, with all the patronage of the state at his command, is unwholesome and un-American.

The proposed amendment provides a plain and business like method of succession to the governorship by creating the office of lieutenant-governor, who shall also be presiding officer of the state senate and whose compensation shall be only \$5.00 per day when the legislature is actually in session. The lieutenant-governor must be chosen by the people at the same election as the governor, and must possess the same qualifications. In the event of a vacancy in the office of governor (except by the recall) or of the inability of the governor to act, the lieutenant-governor automatically becomes governor and serves for the remainder of the term or until disability be removed. In the event of the death, resignation or disability of both the governor and lieutenant-governor, the president pro tem of the senate becomes governor and the line of succession then goes to the speaker of the house.

er of the house. In no event does the secretary of state become governor or have any greater power than he ordinarily enjoys. The most powerful argument in favor of the proposed amendment is the provision whereby the lieutenant-governor shall be presiding officer and eliminating the permitting the people to choose this presiding officer and eliminating the biennial struggle for the senate organization, with its numerous trades, secret deals and shady political combinations.

The proposed amendment was carefully framed and submitted by the last legislature, and the interests of good government demand its passage. It is the second measure on the ballot, 362 X Yes.

CODDLING THE STUDENTS.

"Of the men who have been at Yale who have gone wrong in after life, a surprisingly large portion were boys who during their course here had some rule or regulation lightly relaxed in their favor for reasons that seemed good at the time. Of those who have made distinguished successes an equally large portion were boys who at one time or another took penalties for their mistakes which seemed to them hard and to their parents unjust."

Yale university has more complete records of its graduates and former students than almost any other college or university in the country. Certain of these records go back to the founding of the institution more than 200 years ago. Thus when such a statement as this is made it is recognized that carefully compiled statistics are back of the assertion.

The logical conclusion to draw is that the policy of coddling students which is in vogue in so many of our universities and schools does the boys no good. Immature boys have not the judgment to discriminate between the exceptions made in particular instances and the general rules which all must follow. They interpret leniency as weakness and think when an exception is made in their favor that for all time thereafter they are entitled to special consideration.

Grown men who ought to know better frequently make the same mistake. In fact only the highest type of mind is able to take favors and not be influenced by them in the general rule of conduct. With the immature, however, a steadily consistent attitude must be taken or discipline is ruined and when discipline is spoiled the very foundation of character is tottering, men in charge of prisoners, men in control of subordinates generally can have no better gift than instinctive knowledge of those who can be given special privileges and those who for their own sakes must be made to live up to every regulation.

WILL PROTECT BIRDS.

The birds of the air have found a friend in need in Mrs. Russell Sage, who has purchased Marsh Island, La., for a bird refuge, with the intention of making this a winter home for migratory birds of passage.

The island is 18 miles long and 9 miles wide at its broadest part and contains approximately 75,000 acres. It is populated by ducks, geese, herons and is the most important feeding ground in the south.

When it is remembered that 4,265,000 game birds were slaughtered in Louisiana alone during the killing season of 1909-1910 some idea is to be gained of the necessity of some means of protecting birds during the winter season, if they are not to become utterly extinct.

Marsh Island, it is thought, is also destined to play a great part in protecting the egrets, the birds whose plumage are worth their weight in gold. The Avery Island rookery, founded and protected for 20 years by Edward A. McIlhenny of Avery Island, La., will send part of its colony to Marsh Island, and it is estimated that in another 20 years, there will be 20,000 breeding pairs in this new bird reservation.

In dedicating this island to the birds of America, Mrs. Sage has done more in the interest of bird lore than any benefactor since the will of David Wilcox, provided funds for the financing of the Audubon society.

Fifty European scientists have come to this country to study the political campaign in 13 languages, not counting the one used by defeated candidates.

While progress has been made in nearly every other line of endeavor, no machine has been invented for spellbinding political audiences. It is still done by hand.

A New Jersey man is prevented from running for congress because his wife won't let him. Probably she insists that he shall do something useful.

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RANDOM THOUGHTS ON THE COLONEL.

By George Ade.

"Red" Murray didn't get a hit in the world's series last year, but came across with the hit, in the big series this year, that scored the Giant's first run.

Two old Brooklyn catchers, Bill Borgen and Lou Ritter, showed their big league training this season. Bill was a whale with the Baltimore team and Ritter caught every game played by the Utica New York state league champions.

Baseball loyalty of Harry Ackerman, the recently purchased Frank Chances stock in the Chicago Cubs, runs three ways from the deck. His home is in Cincinnati, but he is located in Pittsburgh, is a Pirate rooter and owns stock in the Cubs.

Becker Would Explain All.

New York, Oct. 18.—A promise to "explain everything" if his attorneys will allow him to testify was made to the newspaper men here this morning by Becker. Assistant District Attorney Jones says the defense will be forced to produce Becker's bank book if the accused is allowed to testify.

"I can show my innocence," Becker told the reporters, "and can prove that Rose was my stool pigeon. I was forced to use him to get inside information of gambling in order to do my full duty. The best evidence that I did not profit as head of the gambling squad is shown by the fact that I asked Waldo to remove me several times, because I knew the gamblers were trying to 'get me.'"

District Attorney Whitman is angry at the report that Former District Attorney Jerome is to testify for Becker.

The defense was dealt a big blow when the testimony of former District Attorney Jerome was ruled out.

Democratic College Men to Parade.

New York, Oct. 18.—What promises to be the biggest campaign parade the metropolis has seen since the famous "Sound Money" demonstrations in 1896 is scheduled for tomorrow, when the Woodrow Wilson College Men's League will march in procession down Fifth avenue. Candidates on the National and state tickets will head the line. More than 1000 students are expected to be brought in from Princeton alone, and Yale, Columbia and other colleges within a radius of one hundred miles or so of New York are also expected to participate. Other Democratic organizations will also have detachments in line.

Willparty who took umbrella by mistake at opera house last night, please return to Pauline Ledevie. 10-19-12.

SEA TALE TO BE PICTURED

Nothing is more thrilling than a story of a ship afire at sea. Here is one accurately and dramatically portrayed. All its horrors and heroisms are shown in a splendid two reel production to be shown at SHERIDAN'S MONDAY AND TUESDAY.

An old sea captain, a slave to liquor, is hired to sail the schooner "Joanna" with a cargo of gunpowder for a revolutionary project. A young man sniffs with him, against the advice of his sweetheart, who has a premonition of evil. When a few days out to sea, and while the young sailor is asleep, the skipper drinks until he is irresponsible. He goes into the powder room smoking his pipe. Soon he falls asleep and the pipe, dropping from his hand, ignites the powder. A deafening roar and the vessel is a mass of flames, leaving a wreck-strewn sea and a red glow in the sky to tell a waiting sweetheart the story of her lover's fate.

FEATURES AT ARCADE THEATRE. Change of Vaudeville Sunday.

Tomorrow an entire change of both pictures and vaudeville occurs at the Arcade. The picture program is all new and first class subjects and the vaudeville is the original Willard Hermand The Great & company, introducing Hindoo mysteries, etc., and presenting the season's sensation, ASHRAH, the mystery of gravity, combining the most startling disappearance of a human being ever presented, also the fire act or the human salamander. This is an all-feature program, and starts with the Sunday matinee.

Coming Monday and Tuesday, the big production of CALEB WEST in two reels and produced by the Reliance company, also an educational reel of pictures showing the different processes in the manufacture of chocolate. This is an extra reel and is given in addition to the regular program.

Oklahoma Choice Over Texas.

Dallas, Texas, Oct. 18.—With both teams in the pink of condition interest throughout a large section of the southwest centers today on tomorrow's football game between the University of Oklahoma and the University of Texas. The game is to be played at the state fair here and the city is already beginning to fill with the followers of both teams. Betting slightly favors the Oklahomans, not so much because of any developments of this year's playing, but because of the fact that the Norman school scored victories over the Texans last year and the year before. However, of the games played by the two universities the past twelve years' Texas has seven victories to her credit.

Accus'd of Larceny.

Providence, R. I., Oct. 18.—Alfred W. Quigg, who claims to be a brother,

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of former congressman Lemuel Ell Quigg of New York, was arraigned in court here today to stand trial on a charge of larceny. Quigg is accused of having stolen \$25,000 from J. Irving Davis, treasurer of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, who is now awaiting trial for alleged embezzlement of the funds of the order. It is alleged by the police that Quigg borrowed money from Davis, alleging that he was going to buy a newspaper in New York and never paid it back. The authorities are in possession of notes for \$34,000 purporting to have been signed by Quigg, and held by Davis.

Housemaids in Cleveland, O., have organized a union.