

### TALK OF THE TOWN

## A Great Parade

By Sells-Floto

A street parade, which will be a veritable horse fair is promised by the Great Sells-Floto Shows, which exhibit at Corvallis, Friday, May 21. The pageant will leave the grounds promptly at 10 o'clock on the day of the show and follow a line of march to be announced later.

## TONIGHT'S ATTRACTION

**Lots of Fun for Everybody at the Corvallis Opera House.**

That the Y. W. C. A. Girls' entertainment at the opera house tonight will be a big affair is an assured fact. The tickets are going fast and the various members are in the best of condition. The Y. W. C. A. girls have been working hard and faithful and it is only right that they should have the most liberal support.

## THE FUTURE OF HUGHES

### How His Strength With the People Has Decreased—The Defeat of His Policies by State Leaders.

### By Forsaking His Principles He Can Satisfy His Political Ambitions—Senate and Presidency Possible.

Hughes is concerned. Whatever he receives at the hands of the Republican party in future he must be in a position to demand. He has lost strength among the voters. He has been subjected to a series of important defeats in the last New York legislature. The psychology of defeat is no uncertain quantity. The public demands a winner. It demands a winner that keeps on winning. Cunning tongues are ever ready to insinuate that the man who is defeated was not sincere in his campaign.

New York city mayorality campaign. out into effect next year." Those were some of the influences that affected public opinion regarding the direct primary bill, and the combined influences were sufficient to give many a senator and assemblyman a reason for voting against the measure that would be acceptable to most of his constituents.

### Corporation Influence.

The attitude of many of the newspapers in opposing Hughes' measures in New York state, particularly in New York city, has been caused by corporation influences. He has regulated the operations of public service and allied corporations in a manner not to their liking. The public service commission has been a spear between the ribs of various street railway and railroad companies, etc. One New York city street railway company claims that it has had to file 2,000 reports with the commission since the board has been in existence. The Hughes insurance reform and banking reform measures have antagonized these interests and their powerful allies, such as fire insurance companies, etc. He has further attacked telephone and telegraph companies. All these interests have influence with political parties, and so with the legislature.

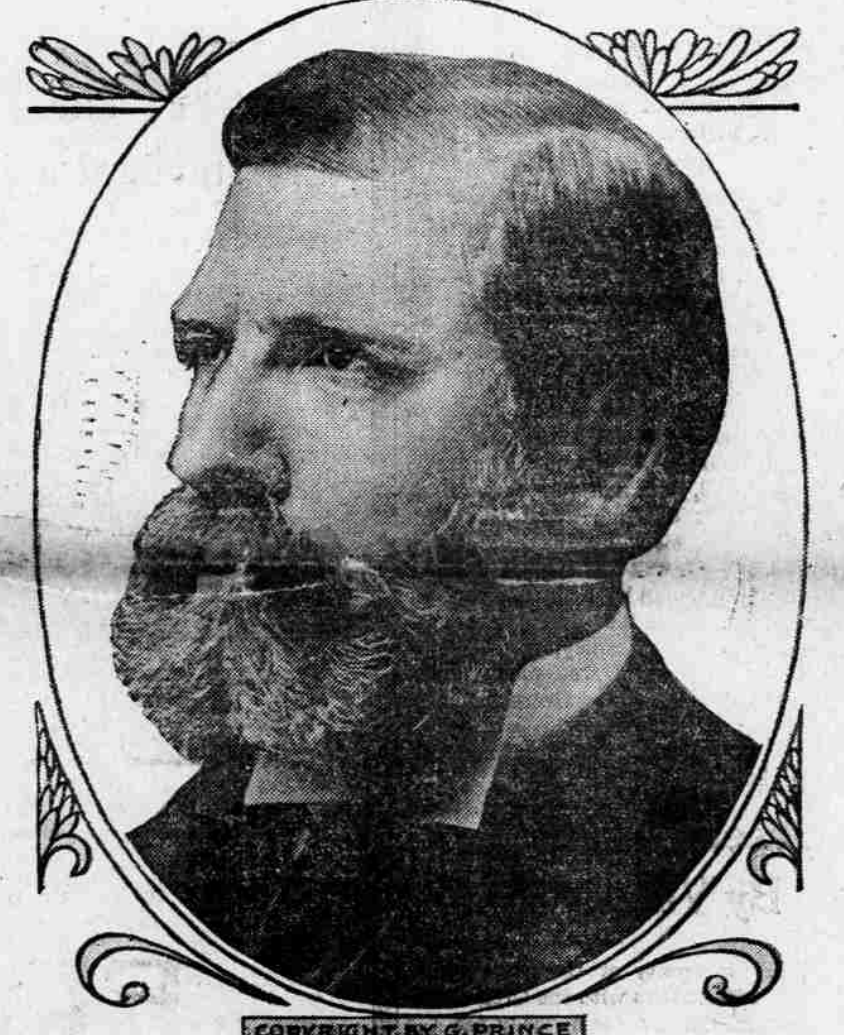
### A Fatal Compromise.

Probably the failure of his direct nominations campaign was inevitable when he decided to make his bill a compromise. It did not provide for simple pure direct primaries. It gave a preference to political organizations, unlike the Wisconsin and other plans. Resultant was the disapproval of various civic bodies that, however, supported the bill perfunctorily as at least a step in the right direction. The Republican and Democratic organizations joined in a common cause to defeat the direct primary bill, and when this was accomplished this bipartisan combination was maintained until several important measures affecting corporate interests were either defeated or emasculated by the devious process of amendment.

The great trouble with the governor's campaign for direct primaries, which has vitally affected his career, was that he offered the compromise himself instead of forcing his opponents to do so. Men who have voted for every reform measure the governor ever promulgated went on record against him on his direct primary bill; also last year the Hughes telephone and telegraph control bill received over thirty votes in the assembly. This year it got but four votes when first voted on and five the second time.

### Real Rulers of State and Country.

The business interests of this country control this country. The business men of the various states control the various states. The business men control political parties. When the governor of a state so conducts himself in office as to antagonize powerful business interests and to fill them with distrust of his policies he faces a finish fight for his political existence.



GOVERNOR CHARLES EVANS HUGHES.

### Importance of Newspaper Attitude.

But, still more important, most of the newspapers in the populous centers did not feature the news relating to the direct primary campaign. Thus the chief means Hughes had of reaching the great mass of the public lost much of the usefulness it once had. In fact, dozens of newspapers openly condemned his direct primary bill, while others went further and condemned the very principle of direct nominations itself.

The support of the New York Times and the New York Sun had previously been of vast aid to the governor. They circulate among large numbers of independent voters in the city and state. Their clientele is what should be termed high class. But during the last few months these two papers editorially have turned flatly against the governor on his biggest issues. Consequently they weakened his support among hundreds of Hughes voters.

If these commissions make reports adverse to the governor's views, will he resign himself to the inevitable, or will he have bills introduced to combat the organization leaders and to carry out his own recommendations? In other words, will he start another...

the state with the slogan, "Down with the bosses!" But the people refused to become aroused. While they had grasped the evils of betting on horse races in a moment the year before, they could not comprehend the full significance of Governor Hughes' arguments on direct primaries without considerable study. Direct primaries proved an academic issue that required more time for thought, if it were to be understood, than the average citizen could afford.

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### Encouraging Farming in Korea.

His majesty the emperor of Korea has announced his intention of proceeding to one of the imperial fields outside the east gate within a few days and going through the ceremony of tilling a small portion of land for the purpose of encouraging the people in the pursuit of agriculture.