Primary Law Advocated by Governor Hughes, Opposed by His Friends.

TOO COSTLY TO POOR MAN

Schurman Says Direct Primary Destroys Parties and Does Not Secure Nomination of the Best Candidates.

BY LLOYD F. LONERGAN. NEW YORK, Feb. 14 .- (Special.)-Governor Hughes' plan for an "Oregon primary law" attracts less and less favor

as the days go by. The most interesting feature that has developed has been the unstinted disapprobation which has been manifested by independents. In fact, men who have the Governor's unawerving allies for years have frankly announced their opposition to the proposed "reform.

Prominent in the list of men who have stated their disapproval are Jacob Gould Schurman, president of Cornell University; Seth Low, ex-Mayor of New York, and Nicholas Murray Butler, president

At the state convention last Fall Prest dent Schurman was offered the nomination for Governor. He declined, as he sed to stand in the way of his friend, Charles Evans Hughes.

### Opposed by His Best Friends.

Seth Low was one of the organizers of the Hughes League and a delegate-atconvention. He was one of the leaders in the movement to promote the Gov-

President Butler is one of the original Hughes men. In days gone by he has rendered valuable assistance to the Governor and has "backed him up" on nu-

None of these men are self-seeking politicians. The chances are very strong that none of them will ever aspire to of-Consequently their views on the matter, because of the utter lack of sel fish interest, are deserving of consider-

#### Kills Party, Says Schurman.

President Schurman has made public a long article over his own signature, in which he declares that direct nominations are the worst possible from sparty standpoint, and do not conduce to the selection of the best candidates. Ex-Mayor Low talks along the same line as does President Schurman and then points out that the direct primary law has been a sad failure in many

candidate under its conditions," he as-serts. "He is compelled to make one battle for the nomination and a second for the election. Then the so-called re-form places a premium upon the man who can invent a catch phrase or best appeal to the passions of the hour."

President Butler's remarks are fairly well covered in the statements made by two other gentlemen. ast year the Governor's crusade

against the racetracks aroused interest and enthusiasm. He had the people with him on that issue, Now the general sentiment is one of indifference.

## Party Boss Feels Public Pulse.

Abe Gruber, the smallest leader, with the largest Republican district in Manhattan, the Seventeenth, frankly says that he does not care personally what system is in vogue, but he believes the present plan works better in practice than any proposed substitute would. Gruber keeps in touch with the mem bers of his district, consults them as to nominations and all in all is a most sat-isfactory boss. One thing that proves this is that his rulership has not been

seriously disputed in a decade.
"For example, the machine men want John Doe named for Assemblyman, They are practically a unit in his favor. Well, I find that John Doe has aroused the ani-mosity of hundreds of independents, and that his selection might damage party success. So I turn John Doe down, Un-der direct primaries he would probably

## Oregon's Bad Example Feared.

The two worst blows to direct nomi-The two worst hows to direct homi-nations have been dealt by Oregon and Wisconsin. The case of Oregon particu-larly is ridiculous. There is a state that gave Taft a big majority and voted in a Republican Legislature. It beats me to sepunican Legislature. It beats me to understand under those circumstances why a Democrat should be sent to the United States Senate. Surely as a majority of the voters are Republicans they want a Republican to represent them.

"Then take Wisconnin. Under the old system of conventions, La Follette, an

independent, poor but popular, was ena-bled to beat the strongest kind of an opponent. Then along comes Stephenson and under direct primary rules gets a majority of the state for Senator by the

lavish use of money.
"I tell you the old way, when party leaders are compelled to sound sentiment before they go ahead, has many advantages. So far as I am concerned, it is a matter of indifference. I don't want to hold this job unless the people favor me. And I know I can win out one way as well as another.

## Roosevelt Cautions Delay.

State Chairman Timothy Woodruff, af-ter consulting with President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft, favors delay until the entire subject can be properly investigated.

"If we are to have direct nominations," he says, "I am personally in favor of the plan embodied in the bill which has been worked out by the committee of the Woung Republican Club of Brooklyn."

"There is so much testimony from Western states which have the direct primary law, to the effect that it is un-

primary law, to the effect that it is unsatisfactory, that I believe we should
thoroughly investigate the matter before
installing it here."

The Young Republican Club bill, to
which reference is made by Mr. Woodruff, would provide for a system of committees to be elected by the voters at
primary elections, including Assembly
District, Senate District, Congress District, etc., which would do away with all
conventions.

These committees would select the 'regular' ticket, which must be filed no less than 30 days before the nominating primary, and any other candidates would have ten days in which to make

their canvass. "In other words," said a politician who has studied the subject, "the organization as represented by the party committee would have a year in which to pelect its nominees, while opposing ele-

ments would be limited to ten days in ich to circulate nominating petitions. Why, the organization would have a bigger cinch than it has now."

No New York politician has dared to take a stand in favor of any legislation similar to Oregon's famous Statement

They fear what would happen if a stalwart Republican legislator like John Raines, for example, found himself pledged to vote for "Fingy" Conners, They also tremble when they think what would happen to "Fingy."

For our politicians are not so well trained as the men in Oregon seem to

#### GOOD JOBS FOR SENATORS

Desirable Committee Places to Be Filled by 61st Congress.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.-Many deirable committee places are to be filled in the Senate when the fist Congress as-Including the successor of Senator Knox, there will be 13 new Senators. The committee places of Senator Allison, of Iowa, also remain to be

The vacancy as chairman of the com-

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENT BECOMES ASSISTANT SEC-RETARY OF STATE.



WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 - (Spe cial.)-J. C. Loughlin, who has just been confirmed as Assistant Secretary of State, has been for a good many years a news-paper correspondent at Washing-More recently he was made secretary of the Commission to the Japanese Exposition. The postponement of the exposition led to his assignment to his present position. He is not expected to remain in it after March 4.

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appropriations caused by the death of Mr. Allison will be filled by Senator Hale, whose retirement as chair man of the committee on naval affairs will cause the promotion of Senator Per-kins to that place. The retirement of kins to that place. The retirement of Mr. Hemenway, Republican, and Mr. Teller, Democrat, will make vacancies in the committee on appropriations. Wet-more of Rhode Island, Dolliver of Iowa upon as candidates to succeed Mr. Hemenway, but the strong sentiment among Western Senators for a geographical distribution of such places will probably cult in the appointment of a Western

The most important committee during the extra session will be that on finance, which will be charged with considering the tariff bill when it comes from the House. Vacancies were made on the committee by the retirement of Senators

Senator Gallinger has declined an appointment on finance and the vacancies may be filled by Senators Lodge, Carter and Nelson, although McCumber and Clapp are also possibilities. Senator Teller's place may be given to Senator Clay, of Georgia.

## DEEP WATERWAY ON LAKES

Chicago-to-Buffalo Channel Via

Soo Will Be Asked.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.-A deep water WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—A deep water channel from Chicago to Buffalo, via the "Soo," is in contemplation. In a few days a measure will be introduced in Congress providing for the complete sur-vey, and, perhaps, for the construction of such a waterway.

That the plan is feasible is indicated by the fact that already there is a Cai-cago-to-Buffalo channel 21 feet deep, Con-tracts have already been let for the construction of a lock at the Soo which



That United States Send Aid to Struggling Liberia.

will accommodate three of the largest vessels on the Lakes at one time. The

### Scientific Tariff Desired.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 14.—Preparations for the National tariff convention, which for the National tarin convention, which meets here Tuesday, have ben completed. The convention will be the first held to promote a statistical and scientific basis for the tariff revision. The numerous speakers will be confined to 20-minute addresses and Issues not bearing directly upon the purpose of the convention will be prohibited.

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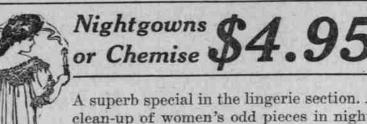
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NATION SHOULD LEND AID

United States Dutybound to Help Negro Colony in Africa-Other Nations Have Helped Colored Republic.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Indorsing the view of ex-Secretary Root that Liberta is an American colony, Booker T. Washingtonight declared that the situation in the African republic was serious and that the United States was in duty bound to render practical assistance to Liberia, which was established in 1819 by the United States Government and philanthropic individuals. Mr. Washington said:
"The present condition of Liberia is serious. There are about 40,000 civilized serious. There are about 40,000 civilized negroes who have emigrated from the United States, or are descendants of people who emigrated years ago. Back of these in the Hinterland are about 1,500,000

of uncivilized people.
"The present condition of Liberia, how-"The present condition of Liberia, how-ever, need not surprise anyone. In fact the surprise is that Liberia has main-tained itself as an independent nation for so long a period with almost no help from outside sources, except that which has been furnished by phlianthropic in-dividuals. Every European country which has planted a colony in Africa has apent millions of dollars in assisting their colonies. These European governments have also their best officials to supervise and guide their people until they have

gotten started.

"In the case of Liberia, a small body of people just out of slavery in this country, with no experience in govern-ment or the conduct of educational institutions or without responsibility for their own conduct, were sent to a foreign country and the responsibility placed upon them within a few years of building and maintaining a government. I do not believe the condition of Liberia is hopeless, but I do believe this Government owes, as Secretary Root says, a duty to the country. We have spent large sums of money and given some of our best officials to recoverable and build governcials to reorganize and build govern-ments in the Philippines, Hawaii, Cuba, Parto Rico and San Domingo and we carrainly owe an equal duty to Liberia.

"I believe and hope the United States will carry out the recommendation made to Congress by ex-Secretary Root and by President Roosevelt in the direction of lending practical influence in the sending of three Commissioners to Liberia as of three Commissioners to Liberia as

ONE KILLED, EIGHT HURT Kansas Passenger Train Jumps From Track.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 14.—One passenger was killed and eight others injured, some of them seriously, when three coaches of the Missouri Pacific Omaha and Kansas City passenger train No. 104 left the rails today at Union, a small station 40 miles south of here. A list of the casualties follows:

Amos McNamee, rural mail carrier; eadquarters at Omaha. M. E. Thomas, agent Twentleth Century Farmer, Omaha. Ossie Heston, Plattsmouth. C. Massy, Umadilla.

Gus King, South Omana.
C. J. W. Roe, Omaha.
Although the weather was intensely cold, the injured did not suffer greatly, being cared for in warm did not leave the track.

It is believed that none of the injured The wreck is said to have resulted from spreading rails. The engine and baggage car passed over the bad rails in safety, but the three coaches following left the

Storm Bowls Over Negro Church.

LARNED, Miss., Feb. 14.-A storm struck this place from the northwest, at 2 o'clock this afternoon, with terrific blowing down a negro church, killing Mrs. Richard Harris and Mrs. Maggie Bennett's child and injuring Maggie Bennett's child and injuring eight or nine persons. About 75 persons might afford a subject for disturbance of the markets. As these suppositions

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Tom G. Barnum, stockman, Union;
skull fractured against water tank; killed JAPANESE QUESTION CAUSED NO FLURRY.

> Iron and Steel Orders Held Up Pending Revision of Duties-Big Copper Production.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14. - The semistagnant stock market of last week reflected the growing torpor of the speculative spirit and the determination to await the clearer outlines of the business future before entering on further ness future before entering on further stock market commitments. A firm tone prevailed, however, from which it was inferred that owners of stocks were content to hold them. Such strength as last week's market showed was attributed largely to the demand from the bears to cover up the short commitments made the week before on the supposition that a pinch id the money market might follow the heavy money market might follow the heavy depletion of the cash reserves of the clearing-house banks and also that the

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covered their shorts and prices rose. The fiscal operations of the Government offer the only likely source of disturbance. As for the Japanese question, the rise in Japanese government bonds day after day while the discussion was in progress was taken as the truer index of the situation by the financial world. The final action of the California Legislature will be ac-

cepted as full confirmation of this The iron and steel business is assert-

ed by the leading trade authorities to be living in part on orders taken in November and December. Orders are November and December. Orders are held up pending the adoption of the re-vised duties on imports. Estimates of refined copper on hand published by the newly-organized Cop-per Producers' Association, showed a ess formidable surplus than rumors had indicated, but the January production was shown to be 22,000,000 pound

WARBEL-SEELY—Henry Warbel, city, 7; Maria B. Seely, 34. OTTERSON-JACOBSEN—Fred Otterson, eity 28; Lena Jacobsen, 26.

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Lents, Or. 25; Helen Franklin, 18.

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