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The shortest and surest way to live with honor in the world, is to be in reality what we would appear to be; all human virtues increase and strengthen themselves by the practice and experience of them .- Socrates.

WHY CLOSE THE LEGISLATIVE EYE

S THE LEGISLATURE at Salem as keen to investigate public officials as its concern over the Steiner episode would indicate? Does it want to engage in an investigation that will be a real investigation?

floor of the assembly to his accusers to investigate the accounts of the the state as a whole. asylum, and report during this sesoffice of state dairy and food com-

Why is the insane asylum affair the state. a proper matter for investigation. and the dairy and food commission- trel over such utilities seems fraught legislative probe? In his message, can be more effectively and economgraft at the asylum. The whole case be the result. against Dr. Steiner seems to be one . The argument that the work of chase of an automobile.

However, it is fitting Steiner, State Treasurer Steel and ply a question of the employment of had gone to other countries to learn ences be left out of it.

be probed, why not Bailey?

commissioner's office, and appointed would be enhanced by the addition a committee, but the senate balked of new duties and the widening of its on the plan. It gave as a reason scope of activity and usefulness. that the district attorney's office in

torney's office? Everybody knows No other city in the country, so far has traveled much in China and is that the district attorney's office as our search has gone, has a public will do nothing. Nobody expects it service commission of its own, based to yield results. Bailey himself upon the authority of a city charter. knows it will do nothing. It will The lower state commission in New merely occupy the time until it will York, which is urged as an example, be too late for the legislature to act is a state commission, and but for and then find some plausible reason purely local circumstances which do for inaction.

the dairy and food commissioner's pense, the whole state's utilities office under Mr. Bailey is a monu- could equally well be supervised by and Chinese culture. mental fraud. Every man in the one body. To draw a parallel belegislature knows it. They all know tween the situation as to traffic and Mr. Bailey is incompetent and that other utilities in New York City and something should be done to justify in Portland is absurd. the several thousand dollars' a year

that the office costs the taxpayers. In all fairness, how can the leginvestigate Balley? As a matter of mere consistency how can it refuse to insert the probe where it knows there is something to probe?

INSINCERE PROFESSIONS

through their presidents and long ago provided such a law. press bureaus, seek to convey state in the union; the presidents mination is reached. and executive officers on the one

can to prevent it.

out the country. The occasion for of the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville railway asking the commission to dismiss certain suits against the Published every evening (except Sunday) and railroad for failing to comply with ing. Fifth and Yambill streets, Portland, Or. fixing freight rates. The commission

> "The railroad companies in almost every rate case decided by this commission have brought suits against ns to set aside our orders, thereby putting the state to great expense, and taking the time of commissioners, which ought to be devoted to other important matters. The commission act means, if it means anything, that this commission has the\$.25 power, and must exercise the power, of making rates in a case properly brought before it. It was never intended by the act that every rate made by us should be a matter of litigation, and that we were right in fixing the rates as we did fix them is shown by the fact that in practically every case in the state courts. the order of the commission was sustained. This means that the litigation against us was either for delay or in order to annul and set aside the will of the general assembly as expressed in the commission act."

REGULATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

HAT THERE WILL be some legislation at this session looking toward the regulation, of the public utilities of the state For 10 days it has been much con- seems apparent. The need for such cerned with Dr. Steiner. Every day's regulation is everywhere admitted. news from Salem has been filled Railroads, interurban lines, express with varying features on that sub- and sleeping car companies are now ject. A resolution offering Dr. efficiently regulated by the state Steiner opportunity to reply on the railroad commission, and it is proposed to extend the jurisdiction of is understood to be dying a slow that body to cover street railways, death in a committee. Provision gas, electric light and power, telehas been made for a joint committee graph and telephone companies over

There is another proposition which sion. A committee has been pro- seeks to eliminate from state convided to investigate all other insti- trol all such utilities in cities which tutions, to report at the next session. choose to create separate local com-Why, with investigations as the fash- missions, for the obvious purpose of ion, does not the body investigate the enabling the creation of a Portland city public service commission and placing it beyond the jurisdiction of

The proposition to divide the coner's office not a fit subject for the with difficulties. That such control as acting governor, Mr. Bowerman leally administered by one body supreferred to the insane asylum as ported by the whole authority of buying supplies cheaper than any the state than by numerous separate other of the institutions. Mr. Bow- local tribunals which do not work erman on the floor of the senate has in harmony, either among themselves repeatedly stated that he makes no or with the state, is apparent. Concharge of graft against Dr. Steiner, flict and confusion will be inevit-Probably no member of the legisla- able and duplication of effort and ture has the slightest surmise of consequent loss of efficiency must

of possible extravagance in buying the railroad commission will be hamfittings for the superintendent's and pered by the addition of such jurisdoctor's residences, and in the pur- diction is not borne out by the ex- powers with their guards and escorts, perience of many other states, where the teachers, even the western printall public service corporations are square investigation of the asylum under one control and beneficent reto be made. As much is due Dr. sults have been obtained. It is sim- courts, and many of her young men Secretary of State Benson who ap- necessary expert assistance and a proved all the asylum purchases. As more rigorous procedure. Measured ences. But the country was so vast, much is due the people of the state. by development and population Ore-Let the investigation go on, and gon is a small state, and if the pub- each of the points of light from these let all political and factional influ- lie utilities of numerous other states many sources seemed to make no can be so successfully regulated in impression on the dimness of the But why close the legislative eye the public interest by the same trib- great empire. to the state dairy and food commis- unals which have jurisdiction over sioner? The deputies in that office transportation companies, there resigned, charging misapplication of would seem to be no reason why the funds by their chief as the reason. railroad commission of Oregon, com-The charges are neither indefinite, posed of capable men, with an ef- aries and their work. Yet now that nor trivial. The witnesses are not fective organization, should not be the stress has come, and China is difficult to find. If Steiner is to equally successful. Rather than tak- urging her sons forward in the great ing away from the effectiveness of The house resolved for such an the railroad commission, it would investigation of the dairy and food seem that its dignity and powers

On the other hand, the proposal Multnomah county was investigating. for a purely local city commission is But why leave it to the district at- an absolutely untried experiment, the late Lord Salisbury's second son, not exist here, such as the construc-Every man in the state knows that tion of subways at enormous ex-

INDUSTRIAL HAZARDS

islature investigate Steiner and not FFORT IS TO be made at Salem some of the brightest of her sons for legislation that will proto workmen for injuries sustained in industrial accidents.

throughout the country. Most Eu- est friend." ropean nations, including Germany, HE RAILROAD companies. Holland, Belgium, Austria and Italy to many who are ignorant of the

At present in Oregon, the only ian college and hospital at Canton; the impression that they do not recourse of the injured workman is the training work of President view regulation with disfavor, and to go to the courts. It is often a Hawks Pott near Shanghai; Presialso that they are being more or cruel process. If an important case dent Anderson's work at Suchow; less badly treated and imposed upon. years may result before there is a the work of the Methodists and of In this state there has never been final settlement of the issue. In the Christian church at Nanking; any adverse legislation. On the con- some of the states personal injury Boone college, Wuchang, under Prestrary, business investments of all cases have been known to drag their ident Jackson; the Methodist work kinds have been treated most consid- weary length over a period of nine under President Lowry in Peking, erately by the law-making body and or ten years. Reversals, rehearings, and that of Professor Sheffield at first installment of which he adby the people generally, yet we find appeals and the various processes Tungchow and the noble work of mitted candidly that he did not know the soldiers in the autumn of 1854, afexactly the same situation here as not infrequently continue until the exactly the same situation here as not infrequently continue until the Yale at Chungsha. And these, we is found in substantially every other plaintiff dies before a final deter- learn, do not exhaust the list.

hand asserting their belief in regu- In the Multnomah courts last year a national Chinese university on a ture that he did get to the near Sisters of Charity to attend to their the same officers and same railroads Each occupied the time of a judge to be a center of scientific and meon the other hand are doing all they and jury from two days to a week or chanical teaching, to be officered at ing the Pole could ever be made by war minister, bethought himself of his more. The public had to pay the the start with the best professors anybody. This latter statement, at friend, Florence Nightingale, and wrote A statement issued by the railroad cost of keeping the courts in mo- from the west. But these are to be least, a great many people will be- asking her to organize and take out a

the statement arose from a request interested party to the issue of industrial accidents.

> It is claimed that of the damages awarded for personal injuries, the plaintiffs receive only about 40 per cent, the remainder being dissipated in litigation. There was sent out of Oregon for liability insurance last lific teaching of the west. year \$178,000, of which \$70,000 came back. Of that returned, the

Manufacturers' association. Instead of collecting damages for injuries by the uncertain, costly and wasteful process of litigation, it should be regulated by a self-acting system administered outside the courts and at no expense: When in the process of his employment, the workman loses a hand, a leg or an eye the fact of what the compensation is to be and where the pay is to come from should be fixed and self regulative.

It is a plan about which it would seem that the only chance for difference of opinion is as to matters of detail and application. It is a subject to which the legislature can very well afford to address itself. The public can also afford to be interested, for it is paying a heavy price for the present system.

THE TRANSFORMATION OF CHINA

RANSFORMATION IS not too strong a word for the process going on at an ever hastening tening less. . rate in China at this time. No apology is needed for discussing this with us are but in their infancy.

her. But the sting lost some of its it in hogs at much lower prices. bitterness when her late antagonist

ern organization, the western spirit, profound mystery. Japan started in her race from the very wall of exclusion which she had built to shut out every western influence. Language, literature, science, religion, laws, warfare, manufactures, education, commerce, the very art of learning in the freshly opening world-everything, even the structure of her own political life. was utterly new. And in these few years she has risen to the headship of the east.

China had opened her doors to western influences many years before. The trader and the missionary, the ambassadors of western ing press, she had entertained. Her ambassadors were found at western their languages, their arts, and scithe population so uncountable that

From age to age she had lived unchanging and unchanged.

It has been too much the fashion to sneer at and belittle the missioneffort at development she finds in the missionary schools and colleges her best material.

America has been the leader in this work. Full credit is given her in the Outlook article two weeks ago by the Rev. Lord William Gascogne-Cecil. This writer and traveler is the author of the recent book entitled, "Changing China."

He heads his article thus-"We are face to face with one of those changes in the condition of the world the effect of which it is not very easy to exaggerate." He writes farther, "The young men, the thinking men, the coming men are no longer learned only in Chinese lore turned to the great west. They numbered by the hundreds. America has done more-she has sent vide automatic compensation has seen the splendid educational China will doubt that in this mat-There is agitation on this subject ter America has been China's great-

And the list follows, enlightening don, Upton Sinclair, and Norris. great work done. . The Presbyter-

will be housed.

terialism may be avoided which has, in Japan, developed from the scien-

This, then, is only one side of the transformation of China on other workmen received but \$15,000, ac- than in the arts, sciences, and mancording to the statement of Fletcher ufactures of the new world which Linn at this week's meeting of the are permeating and inspiring her ancient civilization.

A PLEA FOR MORE HOGS

ECTURING recently to the short meat animals, and dressed meats, produced in this region.

Mr. Lively said that the belief that meat animals cannot be successfully produced without corn is fallacious; that other grains and grasses that flourish here abundantly are as capa-

course at the O. A. C. a large num- a fair remuneration upon its investsubject here, for Oregon is China's ber of farmers show that they desire ment no such restraining action nearest neighbor, and her relations to learn and improve, and possibly could be maintained. such a talk may aid in bringing China is treading the same path about the desired result. It needs no hat was blazed by Japan, and in- argument to show that at prices pre- sonable limits regulate freight rates, spired by the same purpose. With vailing during many months past, and the railroad people must be getthat example her progress is yet running up to \$10.35 per hundred- ting the same impression. weight last September, hogs are a She herself suffered defeat at the very profitable stock to raise. For a man who keeps a few cows, there stroyed, her territory stripped from would be a large percentage of prof-

Under such circumstances; the conmet and conquered Russia. China tinued scarcity and the great imporrecognized that Japan drew her tations of hogs, pork and other meats power from western methods, west- into this favored region remains a

THE NEW WATER BIRD

worlds to conquer. Not conwith their spiral glides, and height records, they now propose to elements of strength." try how nearly they can come to drowning themselves, as a change. The flight made by Glenn H. Curtiss, rising from the waters of San tion fad. His case, however, as Diego bay, flying, and then coming thus reported, is only one of many again to rest quietly on the water, phibious aeropiane.

the same day Sommer flew 13 miles are probably right, but it does not from the Paris grounds with five follow that a man doing work that more new chapters have been turned most no nourishing food, or only one throughout, in his attempt to Tammanyin the records of the aviation art.

more than five years old.

heavy, it is true. But look at it as al cases. The average adult who has any schemes which he brings out for the price paid for an average stand- a day's work or any kind of activity ard of achievement in a field which shead of him needs a good, substanhas been striven for during centur- tial breakfast. The necessary heat for the future as well as stirring in its ies past without success. These men to keep the material human machine immediate effect. The stand staked their own individual lives going can be provided only by food and lost. They suffered, not as did fuel, and it is as foolish if rather ocratic party." They are fully aware the three hundred miners in the more refined for one to starve him- that nothing could so blight and shrivel Barnsley coal mine explosion, with self to death as to bring about his out having counted the cost, and as demise by gluttony. part of the struggle for livelihood in daily work.

out fear the call to self sacrificing duty-far from the hope of fame or

DAVID GRAHAM PHILLIPS

EW UNFORESEEN catastrophes are more pitiful than the sudden striking down of a strong young writer in the early ma-Chinese students in America may be that madman's pistol ends all this promise.

elists in the United States today institutions raised by Americans in most competent critics. His work is appreciation of her noble deeds. kindly and free from the bitterness which is an ingredient in the work she was the only

drawn on him the insane man's fire, ple than the heroine of the Crimea. a strange perversity of fate. Such a death can but appear to all of us ily drew Miss Nightingale's attention an unnecessary loss, by which the to the need for training educated women world is the poorer without any cor- to replace the "Sairy Gamps" and "Betsy Prigs." She set about to make responding gain.

Dr. Cook, who has been re-writing subject most carefully. the story of his trip north, in the gaged in hospital work when the Criwhether he got near the Pole or of indignation throughout England. The not, and was practically crazy while government had decided, at the outbreak mination is reached.

Now to this array of western far north, has now gained sufficient of the war, not to send out women nurses, as the class were so disreputation assurance to declare again in a lecture. The allies of that country had their commission of Indiana is fairly il- tion during the 200 or 300 days of replaced by Chinese teachers as fast lieve. Probably Peary did not know diers, as he believed her to be the "one diers, as he believed her to be the "one

cases, and thereby becomes a deeply ness can be found or instructed. did Cook; at least he arranged it class, the government being definite-Round the university will be grouped so that there could be no reliable ly committed to its steady prosecucolleges or hostels where the mis- confirmation. But let him have the tion and early completion. There sionary teachers and their students credit, and let Cook feel "the thump must be no let up of effort till there of success"; the Pole is really a So it is hoped that the bare ma- matter of very little importance.

COMMISSION CAN REGULATE RATES

of federal courts are establishing the doctrine that federal and state railroad commissions can regulate rates, and can reduce rates, if in the opinion of such commissions they are too high. The doctrine upheld in some decisions years ago that congress or a course farmer students at the state legislature cannot delegate O. A. C., Mr. D. O. Lively, man-this power to a commission is now. ager of the Portland stock- seldom if ever maintained. The ards, pertinently urged the raising only point the courts will consider in of more hogs, pointing out what passing upon an application to reought to be a potent inducement, the strain a freight reducing order is profitableness of doing so. Millions the reasonableness of the new rates of dollars, he said, are annually sent -whether they are such as would from the Pacific northwest into the not yield the rafiroad people a fair Missouri valley for hogs and other return on their investment, and amount to confiscation of their propwhich could be more economically erty. Even this, to give the railroads a standing in court, must be positively alleged and affirmatively shown.

Judges Bean, Gilbert and Wolverton held Friday, in the matter of rate reductions from Portland southble of producing meat animals as ward, that no right of the railroad corn, and at greater profit than can company had been invaded. That accrue in the corn states. This is the action of the commission must due largely to our mild climate mak- be presumed to have been fair and ing the expense of raising and fat- just to the railroad, and that unless it could show that in consequence of By attendance on the short winter such reductions it was deprived of

Gradually, but surely, people are learning that they can, within rea-

THE NO BREAKFAST FAD

DVOCATES OF THE no-breakfast fad will find no support in the report of causes of the late Paul Morton's sudden death, at an age when a man should be in the prime of life. One of his physicians used the term, "an unbalanced ration." And Mr. Morton's brother said: "Paul ate sparingly. For breakfast he would sometimes eat only a grapefruit. For luncheon he would eat a sliced orange and tent with risking their lives nibble at sweets. His diet was unbalanced, and his blood lacked the One would suppose that Paul Mor-

ton would have been the last man in the country to take up with a starvashowing that it is not wise or safe makes the first record of an am- to go to extremes in the matter of eating and drinking. Those who Add to this achievement that on insist that most people eat too much that still two exhausts vital forces should eat alsquare meal a day. There may be ize the state. These resolute Democrats The Wright success is not much people who can get along fairly well who have banded themselves together without any breakfast and next to to prevent Murphy from forcing an un-The toll of death has seemed no luncheon, but they are exception- be counted upon to block his way in

The senate committee on com- flance of the Tammany We call these aviators heroes of merce has approved the project of a not only for today, but for tomorrow. the air. They have won the title, 30 foot channel from the Willamette But their plane of service does not to the sea, and the Bourne amend- planation of the fury which this blow rank with those rescuers we read of ment appropriating \$250,000 for a few days ago, who contested for work thereon during the next year. the right to sacrifice themselves in If the amendment is accepted by the the recesses of the gas filled pas- house, as is probable, it is undersages of the obstructed mine shaft. stood that this project will hereaf-

is a 30 foot channel in the river and a 40 foot channel over the bar.

Senator Heyburn is another deaf and blind statesman. He says he NE AFTER another, decisions Idaho desire an amendment of the inal idea of an isthmian canal is now constitution providing for the pop- in danger of being entirely forgotten. It ular election of senators, and he crit- was to be a great highway of commerce icises the Idaho legislature for passing a memorial in favor of such an amendment. Yet Senator Heyburn may not be so blind and deaf as he the single fact of the Oregon's voyage seems. He may be aware that such a change in the manner of electing that our entire national conception of senators would preclude the possi- the canal, up to that year, is to be bility of his reelection.

> Having made a careful recount on its own motion, The Dalles finds that its population is 5714, instead of count is nearer correct than the ofto about the same extent.

Annuities for Teachers. From the Spectator.

Approval should be given the bill providing for creation of the Retirement Fund association and for granting annuities to retired teachers in the school districts in Oregon having more than 10,000 children of school age. In these est in faithful workers, emphasized by the best judgment of business men, the ties will be giving recognition to a class of public workers who are among the most faithful and most useful instru mentalities in the social order. Their occupation makes peculiar demands on their devotion to duty. If we honor the widow and the orphan and the disabled after it has sunk amidst the darkening members of society who bore the brunt we should remember that peace has her conflicts, and those who are in the line of struggle, to instill in the minds of the young that which will make them useful members of society, are performing a most notable and valuable service.

The basis of the proposed fund will be as follows: Contributions by teachers, \$1 a month for the first period of 10 years' service, \$2 a month for second years, and \$3 a month for the third 10 years; interest on a permanent fund of \$50,000, which shall be accumulated before any moneys contributed by teachers will be available for annuities; and spiders after each house cleaning start 2 per cent of the revenue from the irreducible state school fund apportioned to the district. Annuitants must qualify as follows: They must have years annuities have been paid teachers, and in this country 18 states provide for their aged and retired teachers.

New York Democratic Insurgents From the New York Evening Post.

The new Declaration of Independence at Albany goes beyond the question of it a determination to withstand Murphy legislation of, for and by Tammany It is this larger aspect of the revolu which makes it seem so full of promise these men have taken is well described by them as for "the welfare of the Demits fair prospects as proof that a Democratic legislature was to be completely under so brutal and stupid a domination as that of Murphy. And their deboss is good It is a sharp challenge to his pretensions from the very start; and the exin the face has aroused in Murphy lies in the fact that even his dull mind can perceive that not only is his bargain with the men behind Sheehan in danger of being dashed to the earth, but that all his plans for legislative chicanery are imperiled, and his very position as Tam-In this last case they obeyed with- ter come into the continuing contract many boss left wide open to attack.

SEVEN NOBLE WOMEN

Florence Nightingale.

To show that womankind may be Above that sex which her sup superior -Cowley.

Florence Nightingale, one of the noblest women of the present century, turity of his powers. The books of died less than six months ago, having These have David Graham Phillips have made celebrated her ninetieth birthday on friends for him over the English May 12 last. Notwithstanding his own have sent their sons to Tokio, and speaking world. Clean, wholesome, great sorrow occasioned by the death of more, they have sent their sons to strong, they have been read by thou- his father. King Edward VII., King the western universities. Already sands and approved. In a second George V sent the following telegram to Miss Nightingale: "On the occasion of your ninetleth birthday I offer you my heartfelt congratulations, and trust that In the school of the younger nov- you are in good health." And not only from the king, but from every part of the British realm, in fact from all parts to educate the Chinese. No one who David Graham Phillips would have of the world, this "veteran queen of been placed in the first rank by nurses" was made to feel the general

> No woman had more honors thrust upon her than had Florence Nightingale woman upon whom of some others, such as Jack Lon- the Order of Merit had been conferred and she was the second woman to re ceive the freedom of the city of London. It is a singular fatality that an No subject of the king was more tenimaginary bitterness should have derly enshrined in the hearts of the peo-The difficulty of procuring a suitable

nurse during an illness in her own famherself such a one, and visited hospitals both at home and abroad, studying the

In the dilemma, Sidney Herbert, the lustrative of the conditions through- the year devoted to the trial of these as men of the right standard of fit- much more about his bearings than woman in England" who had the train-

services. conditions were deplorable. the testing moment of her life. mettle she was made of. in which she battled with red tape and officialism to bring order out of chaos in the huge caravansary of suffering hu- Mexico, have sent exhibits to the fourth Kinglake. She was the lady-in-chief ac-Crimea where the soldiers lay, and in the execution of her task she brought cultural problems. some criticism upon her head, but she ! won the everlasting thanks of the sol-

Miss Nightingale spent a year and eight months in the Crimea, and not until peace was declared did she quit the scene of her heroic labors. And modest woman as she was, upon her return home she traveled under an assumed name to avoid a public ovation, and went quietly to her family at Lea Hurst.

Of her aid and comfort to the soldiers Francis Bennoch has beautifully said:

"Neglected, dying in despair.
They lay till woman came.
To scothe them with her gen them with her gentle care,

And feed life's flickering flame, When wounded sore, on fever's rack, Or cast away as slain, he called their fluttering spirits back, And gave them strength again.

People of all classes subscribed to a fund that amounted to more than \$200,-000 as a testimonial upon her return public sentiment. home, but instead of using this money for her own purposes, she endowed the Nightingale home, the pioneer of nurses' training schools. The remainder of her life was devoted to furthering the ple in all possible public matters is the

spread of hospital and nursing reform.

Miss Nightingale's devotion to humanity throughout the terrible Crimean war has been the admiration of the world for more than half a century, and future generations will rise up to bless her on account of her noble work in behalf suffering.

Tomorrow-Elizabeth Fry.

Fortifying the Canal

From the N. Y. Evening Post

President Tafts speech on the fertifi-

cation of the Panama canal shows how

even such a man as he is can be over come by the military obsession which has no evidence that the people of infects the air at Washington. The origa new triumph and pledge of peace; but suddenly it has become exclusively a part of our coast defenses, a military instrument, a thing to fight over. From from the Pacific in 1898 we are to infer thrown over, and that we are to think of it as simply a site for guns and the scene of battles. And how do the militarists meet the argument that the neutralization of the canal in peace and in war can be effectually guarded by sol-4880, as announced by the census emn international treaties Why, by bureau. In all probability the home cynically replying that such treaties are not worth the paper they are written on; that every nation, including our ficial count. Some other Oregon own, stands ready to violate its plightcities were presumably undercounted ed faith! Such is the view of human nature, such the idea of national honor, which militarism would make our daily food. It will next be telling us that every member of the Hague tribunal ought to have a knife in his and a revolver handy, so as to be fully 'prepared" when the throat cutting ind the shooting in the back begin.

Oregon's Chauvinistic Bourbons

From the Medford Mail-Tribune. distinguishing characteristic

narks the old-line machine politicians of Oregon-total inability to analyze pubic opinion and dense stupidity in learning lessons from previous blunders. Chauvinistic Bourtons, they continue the worship of the setting sun, long mists of oblivion.

Like the exiled nobility of the French evolution, they childishly and confiiently expect a restoration that will put them back at the pie counter, unable to comprehend the fact that the old order changeth, that out of the confusion and turmoil of an electorate seeking escape from the reign of corruption and privilege, a new order is rising, in which altruism replaces cynicism and the rule of the people the rule of the corporations.

Overwhelmed by repeated defeat, discredited again and again, these political anew weaving cobwebs of intrigue and obstruction only to be swept ruthlessly aside by the reform broom Jay Bowerman made his campaign for

taught 30 years; must have contributed governor upon abuse of Jonathan \$600 to the fund; those having years to bourne. The November election indicattheir credit may have these years count ed its popularity. And now Mr. Bowerby making up back dues, with 8 per man and his allies are making the hall cent compound interest. There are oth- of the capitol at Salem resound with er incidental regulations, but these are mere vituperation of the same kind. the more important. Analyzed careful- Why? Mr. Bourne is not an issue. But ly, it will clearly appear that compara- the politicians are rapidly making him tively little is asked from the state, one. In efforts to discredit popular gov-It is a very worthy measure and ernment, which is dear to the hearts should receive general indorsement. In of the people, they are making Mr. in Europe for many Bourne, whom the people do not care about, the leader of the people's cause. The more Mr. Bourne is attacked the

Neglect in stronger will he become. attention would destroy him, but to continually, without provocation, assail him, to make him a martyr for popular government, to give him undue and undeserved prominence, is to build up his only a possibility, but a probability.

So the myopic politicians defeat their own ends-and this glimpse of their tactics is sufficient to explain why captained by folly they always fight a los-

News Forecast of the Coming Week

Washington, Jan. 28 .- President Taft. Secretary Knox, Justice Day and other prominent public men who were intimately associated with the late president McKinley will be the speakers at the banquet to be given Monday night by the Ohio society of Washington to commemorate the birthday anniversary of the martyred president.

Schools, colleges, historical societies, ypographical unions, editorial associations and various other organizations in many parts of the country will unite Friday in paying honor to the memory of Horace Greeley. The occasion will be the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of the great editor.

The new British parliament will assemble Tuesday for the purpose swearing in the new members. One week later the session, which is expected to be one of the most momentous of recent years, will be formally opened by the king with a full state ceremony. A special election will be held Tues-

day in the city of St. Louis to decide upon the acceptance or rejection of the God has a bright example made of thee, | ing for the task. His letter crossed one new city charter. The most distinguishfrom Miss Nightingale, offering her ing feature of the charter is the provision placing the great majority of the When she reached the scene of war city officials and employes under the It was civil service. Only the mayor, comp-This troller, president of the board of as delicate, high-bred woman showed the sessors and members of the council will The manner remain as elective officers.

Nearly all of the states of the union, together with portions of Canada and manity has been eloquently told by national corn exposition, which will be opened in Columbus, Ohio, Monday and credited by the government with the continue for two weeks. In connection control of the nursing in all the hos- with the exposition there will be held pitals both on the Bosphorus and in the a number of notable conferences to discuss conservation, rural life and agri-

> Of interest to followers of sport and athletics will be the annual meetings in New York at the end of the week of the United States National Lawn Tennis association and the Intercollegiate Football Rules committee.

Popular Election of Senators. From the Birmingham Age-Herald.

The public service has not felt an imoulse equal to that which the senate will mpart if it forestalls public sentiment by passing a joint resolution for an amendment of the constitution permitting the states to provide for the direct election of United States senators. The indications are that the senate will pass the resolution and the house surely will and then the great reform will be fairly before the states for ratification. It has been an issue about ten years, but if it can now become a part of the constitution it will be a great reform quickly brought about by

More than ten years ago public sentiment turned against conventions, bosses and machines, and then it dawned on the people that direct action by the peotrue remedy for the ills that affect the body politics in this country. This sentiment has gone on gaining strength year by year, and if this winter senate meets public sentiment in this matter it will indeed be a great victory. the present congress does not do this the next congress will, for it is one of those revolutions that never go backward.