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course in order to defeat the La-Follette forces headed by Lieutenant Governor Morris, who is a candidate. Mr. Stephenson will throw his support to Governor McGovern.

Another United States Senator who will not seek reelection this fall is Senator Bradley of Kentucky. He announces that he is not physically able to bear the hardships of a campaign.

CHAMBERLAIN'S AMENDMENT

WASHINGTON news dispatch in yesterday's Journal says: In the printed hearings of the committee on commerce...

The Chamberlain amendment is an amendment to the house rivers and harbors bill. It provides for placing the north jetty at the mouth of the Columbia on a continuing contract basis.

So reported, it will certainly pass the senate, and be returned to the house for acceptance. No measure more vitally affects the Columbia river and the great Columbia basin...

With the expected legislation at Washington as embodied in the Chamberlain amendment and with dredging operations on the bar as a supplemental process, the Columbia river and the great trade and producing empire that it serves seem programmed for new and highly important development.

A PARABLE

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LOOKING AHEAD

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PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

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Extol not riches then, the toll of fools. The wise man's cumberance, if not some day an apt. To slacken virtue, and abate her edge. Than prompt her to do aught may merit praise.

THE Mellen DISCLOSURES

A GREAT exposure of financial corruption is in progress at Washington. Already a working alliance between Tammany Hall and the late J. P. Morgan, the then boss of the New Haven railroad, has been disclosed.

The present witness is Charles S. Mellen, former president of the New Haven, and Joseph W. Folk, counsel for the Interstate Commerce Commission, is the investigator. Mellen testified yesterday that \$11,000,000 of New Haven money had been spent by Mr. Morgan, that nobody knows how it was spent, that because of Morgan's domination of New Haven affairs, every director feared to ask him where the money went, and that when Mellen, as president, complained that there was no record as to the distribution of the sum and asked for a report, Morgan left the room in a huff.

Mellen also asserted that for the purposes of Morgan in the New Haven deals it was deemed necessary to secure changes in the Westchester franchises in New York City. Thomas F. Byrnes, former police inspector, was employed to deal with the "persons of influence" who could bring about these changes. Not less than \$1,200,000 of New Haven money was used in the operation.

Mr. Mellen issued due bills which found their way through Mr. Byrnes to the "persons of influence." The due bills were brought back to the New Haven offices and redeemed by Mr. Mellen. The payment was usually in small bills, after which Mr. Mellen would tear up the due bills and "see that they went down the sewer."

Even to the limited extent that it has proceeded, the exposure is a living proof of the financial crimes that have been committed by so-called "respectable financiers." Here is example of how the head of the greatest banking house in America was in league, through his man Mellen, with a Byrnes, how Byrnes was in league with the "persons of influence" in the government of New York, and how in the background were barons and captains of finance who were profiting from bribery of the officials and debauchery of the government of New York City.

This great bank president not only dealt through his underlings directly with Tammany Hall, but took \$11,000,000 of the money that belonged to the stockholders of the New Haven road, and without record, without satisfactory report, without anything to show where it went or what it was spent for, disposed of it in some mysterious way, the nature of which has for months, been the marvel of the financial and railroad world of America.

Moreover, by Mellen's testimony, the head of this great banking house dominated the affairs of the New Haven to the exclusion of all others. He ordered and was obeyed. He directed, and nobody dared disagree. They doubted sometimes, but they did not resist. In the end the New Haven road, with its 11,000 women among the holders of its securities, is on the verge of ruin, and the scandal in its affairs mounts to heaven.

Contemplating this testimony as it now appears; viewing in Colorado the debauchery of a state and the usurpation of the functions of government itself by the Rockefeller; remembering the working alliance between political corruption and financial corruption as disclosed in the Hughes insurance investigation, citizens of this Republic find themselves inquiring, what lawless tragedies of business have not been committed by the so-called "respectable financiers" of this country.

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In view of Pendleton's acquisition of the O.-W. R. & N. freight division, the East Oregonian accuses Pendletonians of getting ready to handle the new owners who will follow, and points to the opportunity for the investing builder. Tribute to Oregon meteorologically. In Newberg Graphic—"It was a glorious rain we had the few days ago. Now good old summer-time is here. Who would be an Oregonian during the month of June? This is the time of the full 12 months of the year."

Sweet Home Tribune: A short time ago S. R. Nothering, in digging a post hole on his farm, excavated a rock on which was inscribed the following: "Foot print. Just when or how this track was made is a puzzle which requires a scientist's solution. This impression is fully a quarter of an inch in depth." Gopher Valley correspondence. Sheriff Dan Sun: Stock-killing dogs are again rampant in New Orleans. No other dog owned by anyone in this valley. Mr. Furman had several dogs killed; Bramhall had a cow crippled, and a dead lamb was found in a vacant pasture. The dog was in the track which did the mischief.

Pointed Paragraphs

A fatted calf maketh a full stocking. Society weddings come under the head of fashionable ties. Some folks say what they want by pretending not to want it. Most of us can't afford a sorrow twice as far away as a blessing.

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