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CABINET, COMMISSION OR CORPORATION FORM

The state is you and your neighbor and your neighbor's neighbor, and so on, extended to the whole population— And the state's business is your business and your neighbor's business, and his neighbor's business, extended in like manner to all the people.

And there is no mystery about it— It is merely the commonwealth business of the whole people of the state—

And business methods should be applied throughout.

American cities have tried various kinds of the commission form of government, and the latest and most approved form is the one patterned after the modern American corporation, with the mayor in place of the president, the councilmen in place of the board of directors, and the employees responsible to department heads, who report to the mayor, who is responsible to the people, and who must have the ratification of the council and who must depend upon the council for new ordinances and municipal legislation generally.

That, in effect, is the form of state government in Illinois, with ten departments, forming a cabinet—

And it is the form in Washington—

Under which a reduction of 50 per cent of the general fund state tax levy has been made, and where a deficiency of over a million dollars has been wiped out and a surplus of nearly three-quarters of a million created.

In no other way can Oregon's state government be quickly and radically reformed and placed on an efficient and at the same time an economical footing.

Most of the candidates for nomination for the various offices promise to work for a reduction of the taxes; and there are various definite proposals made by some of them—

But the only candidate for the nomination for Governor who stands frankly and openly for the cabinet form of state government is George A. White. His whole campaign is being fought along this line. If we are to have an early adoption of this form of state government, giving economy and efficiency—if we are sincere about wanting economy and efficiency, and wanting it now, it would seem the part of wisdom to help nominate Mr. White.

A Russian 50,000,000-ruble note is now worth \$25. Cyphers can be added as needed in future issues to make a single note worth that much but the logical outcome would probably puzzle the star pupil in the class in analytical geometry.

Marshal Joffre participated in the Grant memorial ceremonies at the Hall of Fame at New York university Thursday and the fine appropriateness of his presence

because of his political views, until he committed suicide. One good worker, just now, is worth more to Russia than many good talkers.

Japan is sending a naval force to the Russian maritime provinces for the protection of Japanese fishermen, according to the foreign office at Tokio, though a writer in the Springfield Republican suggests that it might be more to the point to say that they are going to enforce the Japanese interpretation of concessions obtained from the Vladivostok government which is but a creature of Japan.

A scientific lecturer is speaking throughout the east on "The Possibilities of Los Angeles." Possibly referring to those who do not advertise. — Los Angeles Times. Who ever heard of a Los Angeles resident who does not advertise? They all do it, in one way or another—if no other way, by word of mouth, bragging on the wonderful climate.

Prof. Einstein declares without hesitation that the best living exponent of the theory of relativity is Prof. Arthur Stanley Eddington, professor of the Royal Astronomical society of England and director of the Cambridge observatory. But who, if anybody, is the man who can explain the theory so that the person of average intelligence and education can understand it?

The next exhibition of the radio ought to be an address broadcast by former President Wilson backing the Presidential aspirations of his California son-in-law, William Gibbs McAdoo. But, then, it is possible that Woodrow might deny its authenticity as he did the declaration in favor of Jimmie Cox for 1924. — Los Angeles Times.

The victory on Tuesday of Albert J. Beveridge over Harry S. New in the Indiana primaries, making Beveridge the Republican candidate for United States senator in the November election, has stirred the party to its foundations. The Bull Moose wing of the party backed Beveridge. There are plenty of members of this wing who think Beveridge is presidential timber, and they are even talking of 1924; not being willing to wait for 1928.

A remarkable career has ended in the death of Christopher A. Buckley, for 20 years famous as the blind beg of San Francisco. He was the manager of a theater when he became prominent in local Democratic politics but it was not until after he was totally blind that he became the undisputed party leader, a position that car-

ried with it the virtual dictatorship of the political fortunes of the city and its inhabitants. A remarkable memory served him in overcoming his physical handicap. His downfall was the result of revolt against his kind of rule rather than his personal failure. He outlived his time.

THE POPULAR DEMAND FOR PEACE

There is much ground for encouragement in the report by the Associated Press correspondents at Genoa of the growth in the conference of a more conciliatory spirit. With this is said to go a recognition both of the necessity of making practicable arrangements with Germany and Russia and of doing whatever can be done to prevent war and to clear the way for disarmament. It is even suggested, though this may be only an inference, that the French delegation has been so impressed by the strength of this current of opinion that Mr. Barthou desires to convey personally his impressions to Premier Poincare, and that this accounts for his plan of visiting Paris for the week end, a visit which at Paris is said not to have been suggested by the French government.

It is quite certain that in Europe there is a strong popular demand both for peace and for a lightening of the burden of armaments, a burden which is even heavier, and far more crushing, than before the war, when it was

FUTURE DATES

- May 4, 5 and 6—Cherish Cherrings.
- May 4, 5, 6—Junior play, "It Pays to Advertise," Willamette university.
- May 5 and 6, Friday and Saturday—Junior week-end festival, Willamette.
- May 6, Saturday—Al G Barnes circus.
- May 6, Saturday—Founders' Day celebration at Champan.
- May 6, Saturday—May day exercises at Monmouth Normal school.
- May 7, Sunday—Blossom day.
- May 10, Wednesday—Ride meet between Salem and Dallas clubs at Dallas.
- May 12, Friday—Concert by Mary Schults, violinist, Grand theatre.
- May 13, Saturday—Hospital banquet at Marion hotel, evening.
- May 13, Saturday—Junior week-end entertainment at O. A. C.
- May 14, Sunday—Hospital Sunday; kick-off of hospital fund campaign.
- May 15 to 17—Jinks' Prosperity week in Portland.
- May 19, Friday—Special recall election against public service commission.
- May 19, Friday—Primary election.
- May 19, Friday—Salem city primary election.
- May 19, Friday—Open house, steno department of high school.
- May 20, Saturday—Marion County school athletes meet.
- May 26 and 27, Friday and Saturday—May Festival, Greater Oregon Friday in army; living pictures Saturday night.
- June 2, Saturday—Automobile races at state fair grounds.
- June 5, Wednesday—Track meet, Willamette and Pacific University at Forest Grove.
- June 14, Wednesday—Flag Day.
- June 16, Friday—High school graduation.
- June 29-30, July 1—Convention of Oregon Fire Chiefs' association at Marshfield.
- July 2 and 4—Monday and Tuesday, State convention of Artisans at Woodburn.
- September 2, 3 and 4—Lakeview Round-up, Lakeview, Or.
- September 13, Wednesday—Oregon Methodist conference meets in Salem.
- September 21, 22 and 23—Fossiliferous round-up.
- September 25 to 30 inclusive—Oregon State Fair.
- November 7, Tuesday—General elec-

THREE LITTLE BEARS KEEP TRAINER BUYING NEW GLOVES



Whenever he gives these little brown bears their porridge, Eddie Trees hears some woman bystander remark, "Aren't they cute?" Eddie, who is one of the corps of trainers looking after the 1200 wild animal actors with the Al G. Barnes circus, coming to Salem, Saturday, May 6, is fond of Do, Re Mi—these are their names, y'know—and he agrees that they are cute, but all that doesn't detract from the annoyance he feels when Mi each time insists on taking a bite out

of his glove. Yet nothing seems to break Mi of the habit, so Eddie patiently buys and begs new relays of gloves. He three little bears have prominent parts in "Alice in Wonderland," the big fairyland fantasy, which opens the performances. They with dozens of Polar, Russian, grizzly, cinnamon and black bears, perform in the three steel girded arenas and on the two stages of the big show. All of the bears will be seen in the two-mile street parade, which inaugurates the circus day doings.

so serious that many observers felt it to make war inevitable. Big armies mean high taxes, and there is no European country which even on a genuine peace basis would not have quite as high a tax rate as the people could afford. Thus on general principles there is so powerful a support for any promising measure looking toward peace and disarmament that for any country to block such a movement will be perilous.

Even in Paris a change of attitude toward Lloyd George's project for a 10-years' truce is indicated, though it is still to be seen whether the French government will consent to include Germany among the countries which are to be safeguarded against aggression. For France, to insist on the right to invade Germany at will would of course make nonsense of the whole scheme, for on those terms there could be no

lar support for it, depend on its being a step toward disarmament, the chief obstacle to which Lloyd George himself has said to be the vast Russian army. Russia itself has offered to cooperate in a general movement for peace and disarmament, and has even negotiated with Poland, Estonia, and Latvia a treaty pledging all four powers to work for these ends.

To exclude Russia, therefore, would be to exclude the most hopeful support for the movement toward peace and demilitarization which Lloyd George is working for. Thus upon the success or failure of the Russian negotiations which are now reaching the critical point will probably depend the success or failure of the other great task of the conference, the compact against aggression as a step toward the reduction of the armaments with which Europe is now weighed down. So closely are these questions interlocked that it is easy to see how the widespread demand for disarmament and security strengthens the demand for an understanding with Russia.



Another Sleepless Night?

It's been a busy and fretful day. Brain fagged, nerves frayed and body exhausted—conscious that tomorrow is fraught with new trials and tribulations, he realizes the imperative need of a refreshing night's rest. Yet, he hesitates and dreads to go to bed lest he roll and toss throughout the night.



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Home Talent Plays

THE LAST BALLOON

The inside of a little hut, furnished with a few pieces of rough wooden furniture, with a big fireplace at one end, is the setting for this play. In the fireplace a pot is hung over a red paper fire. Nanette, a girl in a peasant's dress consisting of a full skirt, short-sleeved white blouse and close-fitting white cap, is sitting on the floor before the fire.

NANETTE: Oh, but it's hard to see the people going by to the great fair, while I sit here and mind the fire.

(The door opens slowly. Nanette jumps up. A young lady with a big shawl wrapped all around her comes in. In her hand she holds the strings of four bright balloons.)

NANETTE: O-o-o-h! You've been to the fair, I see.

THE STRANGER: Yes, I have and I seem to have lost my way. Could I stop here and rest a bit?

NANETTE: Surely, I will make you some coffee. The water is boiling.

THE STRANGER: I left my cart and donkey standing by the cross roads. Will you keep the balloons for me till I come back?

NANETTE: Oh, I'll be glad to—they're so lovely. (The stranger goes out, and Nanette ties the balloons to the back of a chair. As she is doing so, the door opens and a little boy in a ragged coat enters.)

BOY: Oh, Nanette! Nanette! Where did you get the big balloons? (He runs over, jerks one of the strings, and takes a balloon.)

NANETTE: Oh, you naughty Pierre! Give me the balloon this minute.

creature. You'll catch it for this. Put on some more water while I take off my bonnet, and be quick about it. (She goes out through a curtained doorway. Nanette stands on a chair and pulls down the other balloon. As she steps off the chair, she slips, falling on the balloon and breaking it. She sits on the floor, her head in her hands. The door opens and the strange lady enters.)

STRANGE LADY: What's the matter child?

NANETTE: The balloons. They are gone, all gone.

STRANGE LADY: Look at me, Nanette. (She throws off the shawl, and there stands a fairy in a lovely white costume with dainty wings.)

STRANGE LADY: You don't need to tell me, I know all that happened. Outside is a big balloon of shining silk waiting to carry you off to the land of happiness. Come Nanette, and take your shawl over, and take it with you. Inside it was a lovely cloak, which Nanette wraps around her shoulders. They go out.)

STEP-MOTHER: Nanette! Where is that girl! Nanette! (Outside is heard a peal of happy laughter. Then the curtain falls.)

ONE REEL YARNS

OLD ROVER

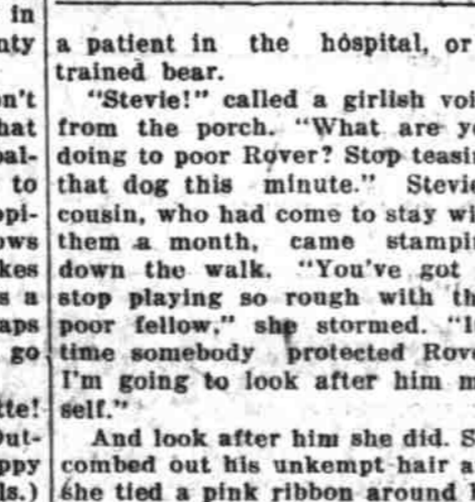
BOOM! Bang! roared Stevie. "Hey, Rover, you're a deader." He dug his hands into old Rover's thick fur and pulled him over on one side. The big dog lay obediently on the ground, not quite understanding in g the game. Stevie was playing war and he was the Americans; Rover was the enemy.

Stevie's games were confusing to Rover, who was sometimes a dashing race horse, sometimes a camel, sometimes a railway train,

a patient in the hospital, or a trained bear.

"Stevie!" called a girlish voice from the porch. "What are you doing to poor Rover? Stop teasing that dog this minute." Stevie's cousin, who had come to stay with them a month, came stamping down the walk. "You've got to stop playing so rough with that poor fellow," she stormed. "It's time somebody protected Rover. I'm going to look after him myself."

And look after him she did. She combed out his unkempt hair and she tied a pink ribbon around his neck. She taught him to trot along behind her when she walked down the street. She fed him chocolates and patted him and kept him out of Stevie's way.



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