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## HE PORTLAND OREGONIAN, in commenting

 Among other things it saysThe secret meeting in the office of a local corporation for the preparation of a slate was a gross blunder and a grave injustice to the delegates to the assembly.
This corporation slate endorsed by the assembly was headed by Jay Bowerman, a Southern Pacific attorney. and eminently satisfactory to the corporations. By virtue of a divided opposition, Jay Bowerman, assembly nominee for governor, is now republican nominee, the

The ascombly intended to "put the knife into Statement o. $1, "$ and Bowerman was selected as best qualified bly plans to murder the direct primary law.

Bowerman's previous record showed that he was an adept at butchering established institutions. Bowerman, as president of the senate, killed the three normal schools of the state. Who was so well qualified to kill Statement No. 1 as the normal school slayer?

Jay Bowerman's platform has been overwhelmingly repudiated by the republican party. What an absurdity it would be to elect as governor a man opposed to the principles of his party, a politician who seeks to restore to
power the political machine repeatedly smashed by the people, a wily schemer who received his own nomination by the employment of convention methods and manipu lations!

## ASSEMBLY WAS PACKED

$\mathrm{F}^{\text {ORMER Senator C. }} \overline{\mathrm{W} . \text { Hodson of Portland, in a com- }}$ F munication to the Oregon Journal, tells how the cherished and lamented "assembly" was "packed" for Bow"Then enemies of the direct primary law. He says: icism. When it was first announced there would be an open and free convention, many of us who had fought the good fight of years ago to overthrow the system which made office holding in Oregon a matter of personal fa
vor on the part of the man in control of the party ma chinery, were induced to participate. It became apparent before the work was completed, however, that delegations had been solicited and secured prior to the opening and the open meeting had absolutely no show of winning an indorsement. I do not say first class men were not chosen in each instance, but the method smacked too strongly of the old system. So, instead of being a help to those securing its indorsement, the assembly really acted as a handicap. No assembly can ever again succeed which brings in delegations pledged in advance. That practical politicians will ever consent to the holding of a convention npledged members seems now beyond possibility Yet Bowernan, leader, master and packer of the re pudiated assembly, comes before the people and asks an
endorsement of the assembly and its methods, and its purendorsement of the assembly and its me
poses, by his own election as governor.

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cone was arre The cone was candangesed was rastened. The cone was arrangeos so that the
meate after bellg lighted would be
protected trom the wind
A. Wing the needs of Medford is a building inspector. a tendency to a dangerous economy in materials, that may
spell future disaster, there is need of municipal regulation Other cities have learned by costly experience. Medford should learn from their experience, and not repeat their mistakes.
Contractors assert that they are foreed to follow the
plans dictated by owners. Walls plans dictated by owners. Walls have been and are being erected of insufficient strength to stand the necessar pressure.
Materials are being used, particularly in cement work which tests show are not suitable. Any responsible con
tractor knows this and will confirm it but his tractor knows
are overruled.
It has been found necessary in other cities to enfor building laws, and it is equally necessary in Medford. the saving effected on all the buildings by unsuitable ma terials.
$\mathbf{T}^{\mathrm{HE}}$ platform of the so-called progressives in New York ton has ever cooked up in the name of progressi Out of
an opposition that was predieated upon the maladministration of Taft and the rotten tariff legislation of his administration, comes gushings of sscophantic praise, eulo-
sizing him as the statesman the dammable Aldrich-Payne tariff bill as a legislative boon o mankind.
In the face of all this mush one might wonder what had query might go down in history with another celebrated inquiry as to the identity of the individual who struck What hope can
What hope can the people expect from a "reform" that wholly endorses and applauds the iniquitous measures that special interests 9 oppressed the people for the benefit of dorsement of Aldrich tariff be reform, there are reformers who would prefer to stand pat.

## BUILDING INSPECTION NEEDED.

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