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## Uulawful, Reactionary "Assembly" Will Cut No Figure in Politics

Judging from the tone of the organized farmers published sentiments and of the masses of the voters outside of pot-house politicians in the State, there is going be a tremendous jolt given to the supporters of the so called "Assembly" plan, which is nothing more nor less than a return to the vicious convention method that has been the cause of more graft and venality in politics than all other combined factors.

The entire nation knows the condition of Oregon, before the people of his state awoke to the iniquity of the thing and put it down for all time. Things political in this state were rotten. Men utterly unfit and unworthy, by means of the party bosses and the convention system, were forced in nomination, and elected on the plea of party fealty and solidarity of the party. In this way and by open and bold purchase, the highest offices in the state were bartered off, to men not fit to be so honored. That this is a fact can be shown by the prosecution of some of them by the government authorities, while others are still dodging shadows, if not realities, and fear arrest for their wrong doing.

Not to mention the question of venality in such matters, the convention system is wrong, because it makes boss rule supreme, and takes away from the people their inherent right to choose by ballot who shall serve them. In no other way can this be so effectively and honestly done as by means of the primary law.

In this matter, for right and justice, the people of Oregon were the pioneers of the Union, and in their footsteps have followed other commonwealths until sooner or later every State in the Union will be so blessed.

Such being the case, if we mistake not, the people Oregon are in no mood to take the reactionary step that will give us the boss-ruled convention.

It is patent that the primary law, Statement No 1., and all the reforms now on the statue books of Oregon, are there to stay and that reactionary and unlawful "assembly" will not be allowed to undo that work.

## Unprincipled Congressmen Fear Public Censure for Their Acts

Some of the "stand pat" Congressmen who have at last got their ear to the ground, and know a terrible storm of indignation is to sweep the country at the Congressional election this fall have suddenly concluded that their private affairs are urgent and henceforth will need their personal attention to such an extent they will be forced to decline to allow their names to come forward in the congressional race!

Others, not so wise, may conclude to run, but if they do they will be buried beyond all hopes of further political resurection!

Not only, Joe Cannon, but all that he represents, has got to go with him

The apologist for what he represents, and who has sided him in over-riding and defying public opinion must go with him no matter where he hails from, or whether or not he is a "good fellow,"

This is the people's battle against the interests, and by the power of their votes they can right the wrongs, and undo some of the wrong against them by a complacent if not downright venal congress!

For that reason it behoves every voter in every state of the Union to vote first for "insurgents" or progressives, if given such opportunity, and if such men are not or can not be in line for your votes, then use the same tactics as that employed by "the interests" to gain their enfarious ends, vote for the opposition, provided, of course, he represents what you stand for and desire.

"The party" cuts no figure with the political bosses and the trust cohorts and in this fight do your own thinking and vote as you think is the plain advice of The Examiner to its thousands of readers all over the Union!

## Stock Argument "Paternalism" By a Tool of the Interests

That man Smith, who by some means, broke into Congress from California opposes the Postoffice Bank bill! Why? Hear him:

He said that while he would oppose the bill, it was his opinion that the measure should be considered with great care. He confessed that, insofar as he had been able to give attention to the subject he had been led to believes that the measure "smacks largely paternalism," and he feared it would interfere with the development of individuality, which heretofore has been the great distinguishing feature of the United States.

"Smacks largely of paternalism!" Does he not know that "paternalism" which he decries, is the chief stock in trade of all "the interests" and that is what they fatten on at the expense of the entire public?

But, why should this man Smith, or others like him, fear to do for the poor and needy what they so gladly do for the rich, who do not need government assistance?

Thank God! all congressmen are not of the type of this man Smith and his king will be less in the near future in Congress!

On this question Senator Carter replied that postal banks were not an experiment, as they had been tried thoroughly in Great Britain and other European countries The bill did not, he said, propose to interfere with banking or to do more than furnish to the poor an opportunity to save their small pittances. They should be encouraged to save, he said but, the government should guarantee repayment.

For once, Carter is right!

## A Comparison of Prices Covering a Period of Only Three Years

A comparison of the retail price list published by the leading grocers of San Francisco in 1907, and those published this year, show that there is an increase of from 5 cents to 15 cents in the price of many staple articles. Three years ago pearl barley sold at 55 cents for ten pounds. Graham meal, which was 45 cents, has risen in price on the ten pounds to 50 cents. The leading brands of flour which sold at 35 cents for the ten pound sack, now cost the retail buyer from 45 to 50 cents.

The price of Mocca coffee has been raised from 35 cents per pound to 40 cents, and mustard, which was formerly 20 cents a bottle is marked at 25 cents. Olive oil has remained the same in prices as in 1907, except on certain brands, which sell for 10 cents more on each bottle. The three pound pail of lard, which was purchased three years ago for 55 cents, now costs the buyer 70 cents, and beans, which have sold for years at four pounds for 25 cents now 40 cents. The price of split peas on the ten pounds has been raised from 65 to 90 cents showing a 25 cent increase in cost. Bacon has been raised 2 cents on the pound and cheese 2½ cents.

With the report of increased prices in groceries comes the statement from the shoe dealers that the price on shoes is from 25 per cent to 30 per cent higher than in 1907.

A big Wall Street tankig concern, Fisk & Robinson, went down for over a million dollars last Tuesday. The concern had a lot of bonds as assets, but they were poor sellers, with result of failure.

The high cost of living indirectly caused the failure, according to Joseph Stanly Brown, manager of the New York office. He said that is was becoming more difficult avery day to sell bonds because of the high cost of living has driven investors to search securities that bring a higher income than that offered by bonds.

Chickens surely come home to roost. And the big fish, Morgan, Rockefeller are surely eating up the ittle ones.

Yet we must have party solidority and must not "muck-rate," in order to perpetuate such doings!

Do you believe it?

Two more coal mine disasters this week in which many lives were sacrificed by inhuman greed that fails to provide safety devices!

How much longer will this condition be tolerated by the free born American people? No other civilized country on earth but America would stand such terrible conditions longer than the shortest possible period to insure safety to human life. But here, greed makes dollars and property more valuable than the lives of our toiling millions.

On this topic there is a well-written and timely article in Pearson's Magazine for February

### Sitting on the Snakes.

"While in Paris last summer another girl and I went out to Versailles one afternoon," said a schoolteacher. "It was dusk when we reached the railway station, and, as there was no waiting room, we sat down on two crates that were out on the platform among a lot of others. We noticed that the station employees kept staring at us with a persistence that was annoying. Presently a man in a shabby uniform with a bucket on his arm approached us. He touched his cap deferentially and said in French, of course:

"'Mesdames, pray do not let me disturb you, but I am forced to open the boxes on which you are seated in order to feed the boa constrictor and other serpents that are within.'

"When we recovered from our fright we found we had been seated in the midst of a huge collection of snakes that had just arrived from their native jungles en route for the zoo near Versailles."—Exchange.

### Letter Perfect and Looked the Part.

An amateur theatrical company was recently arranging for the performance of a play which contained a rich variety of characters, says London Sketch. Owing to this fact little progress was made with the cast, a few members of the company making a dead set at principal positions, while minor characters were going a begging

One rather vacuous looking youth made himself particularly obstructive and brought down the wrath of a brother artist.

"In my opinion," exclaimed the latter, "young Jones must, in the interests of economy, take the part of Simkins the Fool!"

"Why economy?" demanded Mr. Jones indignantly.

"Well, you see, my dear fellow," was the quiet reply, "you won't need any touching up"

### The Sacrifice.

"A Kentucky couple," said Mrs. Simpkins, "got married a few days ago after a courtship which had lasted fifty years."

"I suppose," replied Mr. Simpkins, "the poor old man had become too feeble to hold out any longer."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Representative Bruleson, of Texas, one of the most promient Democrats in the House of Representatives, predicted that the next house will be Democratic by at least 100 majority.

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Secretary Lake Co. Tel. & Tel. Co.
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In the Matter of the Estate of S. T. Colvin, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administratrix of the Estate of S. T. Colvin, deceased, by the County Court, of Lake County, Oregon, and has qualified. Now, therefore all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present them, with proper vouchers, within six months from the date of the notice, to the undersigned adimnistratrix at the law office of W. Lair Thompson, in Lakeview, Lake County, Oregon

Dated this 15th day of January 1910. E. E. COLVIN
Administratrix of the Estate of S. T. Colvin deceased. 3W4



It strikes the Examiner that the Exposition business is being overdone. New York is to have one in 1913, and San Diego one in 1915. Now along comes San Francisco, drunk with the success of its Portola Fair and is disposed on that account to encroach upon the presreves of San Diego, and also hold an international exposition.

In this matter San Francisco will win, of course, as might makes right. But little San Diego is putting up a hard fight and the result will probably be two second rate shows on the Pacific, commemorating the opening of the Panama Canal.

The crocodile tears in that man Heyburn's eyes, by grace of something, Senator from Idaho, over the robbery that the widows and orphans would sustain by the enactment of legislation establishing United States postal savings banks was something fearful to behold! This diligent tool of the interests probably never saw a line of actual widows and orphans when a bank went bust with their little all gone beyond hope of recovery. Mr. Heyburn, you are a demoed humbug!

It is asserted that Wm M. Cake, chairman of the state republican committee will resign because he does not take kindly to the unlawful, assembly which is designed as the entering wedge to undo the primary law.

Boston Globe: When Colonel Roosevelt gets back from killing elephants in Africa will he be surprised to learn what the insurgents have been doing to the G. O. P elephant over here?

Galveston News: It would be interesting to know whether or not M. Paulhan, who rose 4,600 feet above Los Angeles in his airship, found the real estate agents as active at that altitude as lower down.

"Talk", said Uncle Ebon, "is sumpin' like rain A certain amount is welcome and necessary But dog gone a delulge"—Washington Star.