

The "Short Ballot."

By James Boyle.

The Democratic state officers who hold their commissions by virtue of election by the people, continue to stir up opposition against Gov. Cox's "short ballot" constitutional proposition which he induced the legislature to submit. This is very embarrassing to the Governor, for the reason that all reports from over the state agree that it is very unpopular and will be buried under an avalanche of votes. From becoming an ardent advocate of the short ballot, the Governor has become neutral—he now simply says that he favors the submission of the short ballot to the people because of the pledge of the Democratic party. Attorney-General Hogan and his Democratic colleagues who oppose the proposition, argue that the changing of the Food and Dairy Commissioner and of Clerk of the Supreme Court and of School Commissioner from elective to appointive officers, and the abolition of the Board of Public Works, constitute a sufficient carrying out of the pledge given not only by the Democratic party but by the Republican and the Progressive parties. Gov. Johnson, the Progressive governor of California, says that Ohio already has the "short ballot." Incidentally it may be remarked that there is good legal warrant for the claim that the appointment of the Clerk of the Supreme Court would be unconstitutional—that under the constitution that official must either be elected by the people at large or the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Franklin county must act as such Clerk.

The Governor has announced that he will refrain from discussing the short ballot proposition. But he has already committed himself to it, whatever position he may now take as a matter of policy. In his inaugural message he argued in favor of shortening the ballot as to state officers much further than has already been done as above indicated. He wanted—and still wants—the constitution amended so as to give the governor power to appoint the Attorney-General, the Secretary of State, the State Treasurer and the Auditor of State. So that Gov. Cox desires that the only state officers to be elected should be the Judges of the Supreme Court, the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor himself. In his inaugural message Gov. Cox said:

"An amendment to the constitution should be initiated making the positions of Secretary of State, Attorney-General, Treasurer, and Auditor executive departments to be filled through appointment by the governor. This would leave only the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Judges of the Supreme Court to be elected. The result would insure harmony of action in the state departments and center responsibility in the executive.

The several executive department heads could then act in an advisory capacity with the governor, as his cabinet."

Attorney-General Hogan declares that this would be placing dangerous power in the hands of the governor, and would make him the Buckeye Czar!

In taking the position he does in the above quotation from his inaugural, Gov. Cox is only consistent with his dominating theory of government—the concentration of all power, in the hands of the executive. He has become permeated with the philosophy of a new school of American politicians and economists who weigh and measure everything by the absolute standard of administrative and mechanical efficiency—and that alone. This philosophy takes no account of evils which experience demonstrates develop from its cast-iron application, and it shuts its eyes to the inevitable tendency of an all-powerful executive to become a self-willed despot. Gov. Cox argues that he needs a "cabinet" to support him, and that in order to secure this he must appoint the "cabinet." When he entered upon the duties of his office he proclaimed that he would regularly meet the other state officers at a "round table." So far as known, only one or two such meetings were held. It is reported that the other state officers felt that they had authority direct from the people which was just as valid as the Governor had, and they were not willing to sit quietly and humbly by and merely acquiesce in the dicta of the chief executive.

Members of the General Assembly who have enjoyed the privilege of conference with the Governor and thus have had an opportunity of knowing what was in his mind, say that he favored a "small" legislature—such as is now being urged by the "wet" interests—on the ground of efficiency. According to the Governor, efficiency can only be obtained by concentration of authority. That the extreme attitude of the Governor in subordinating everything to the exaltation of the executive, is opposed not only to "fundamental" democracy but to the "direct" democracy which he advocated on the stump last year, is an inconsistency which has been pointed out by prominent members and newspapers of his own party who have taken alarm at the tendencies of the present administration.

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Gettysburg.

Mrs. Amps Thumm is on an extended visit among relatives in Crawford county, Ill., to be gone a couple of months.

Mrs. Harry Hahn and daughter of Dayton, visiting here for several days last week, were joined by her husband last Saturday and spent Sunday here.

The M. E. conference of this district will be in session this week in Urbana. This means there will be some changes in M. E. pulpits and probably some in the circuits.

The State Fair is now numbered among the things in the past and without doubt the management furnished a grand exhibit of the products of the state, and while it was not up in number of attendants and gate receipts, it surely failed not in excellent exhibits. This community furnished its proper quota of the patronage. I think there must have been some there each day from here.

Mrs. L. Bigler spent Thursday at Greenville while the Doctor was inspecting the attractions of the State Fair.

The remains of Mrs. Mary Lukenbaugh were given interment in the Harris Creek cemetery last Thursday, funeral services conducted at the Dunker church nearby. She leaves her husband and two sisters, with a large circle of friends surviving her.

Mrs. Laura Palmer of Piqua spent Saturday and Sunday among friends here.

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Ryan of Versailles were visitors here Saturday evening.

Our schools began here today with Prof. Vonlightner as superintendent.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Miller have lived an unbroken married life in this place for fifty years in their quiet and unassuming way and it being apparent that the event would pass without notice if a celebration depended upon them, so the ladies of our M. E. church determined a celebration thereof, and accordingly sent requests to all the membership, from the beginning of their married life to the present, with a few special invitations to relatives and others to take notice of what was transpiring and meet in the parlors of our M. E. church on Saturday evening last where a suitable program and banquet was arranged. The auditorium was comfortably filled and the rendition of the program was the first in order, consisting of a devotional exercise, songs, and some excellent talks, mostly directed to the subjects of the occasion, or giving some reminiscences of their life. Without giving any undue prominence to any, will say Miss Mildred Moul, Revs. Roberts and Winkler and the groom of the married pair gave short talks appropriate to the occasion. At the close of this exercise adjournment was had to the lower room of the church where three long tables, filling

the entire length of the room, loaded with the choicest viands such as the progressive cooks of the church so well know how to prepare, and in which it seemed they vied with each other in making, everything the best possible. From what followed it seemed no one present had forgotten to bring a well-sharpened appetite with them for the occasion, but for all this there was plenty and to spare. Many more could have been served with what was provided, which only argues the liberality of these good ladies and who thus honored this long married couple. A few very appropriate and esteemed gifts were bestowed, for which Mr. and Mrs. Miller extended most cordial and heartfelt thanks to the donors, and besides they cordially and heartily thank the good ladies who organized and so successfully executed the undertaking. Upon a whole it was quite fitting, though the recipients of the honor unite in saying it was all beyond merit and had they been consulted whether it should be done, it would have been tabooed. The decorations were elegant and profuse.

Sept. 8.

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Our Trade with Canada.

The Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce at Washington reports that the value of exports from the United States to Canada has practically doubled in three years. In the fiscal year 1910 these exports were \$216,000,000; in 1913 they were \$415,000,000. What is especially notable is the increase in exports of manufactures. This class of products now composes about two-thirds of the merchandise sold to our northern neighbors, and the transactions are increasing rapidly. All this has come about under a tariff which Democrats have denounced as the sum of economic abominations. Our manufacturers will be fortunate if they do equally well in Canada under the terms of the new Democratic tariff law.—Troy Times.

READ OUR... CLUBBING OFFERS

Reunion.

Thursday, August 21, 1913, was another joyous day to the Skidmores and Coles, as they met at Forest Park for their eighth annual reunion. At noon we were called together to partake of as fine a dinner as could be wished for, and 157 answered to the call. In the afternoon 13 more came, making 170 present. Of this number 123 were descendants of Great-grandfather Samuel Cole, who was born in the state of New York in the year 1751. Four of his children's families were represented, namely, Sophia Cole Vanfleet, 5 descendants; Samuel Cole, 45 descendants; Martha Cole Skidmore, 56 descendants; Joseph Cole, 19 descendants.

There were 28 related by marriage, making 151 relatives present. Uncle Samuel Cole, aged 92, was the oldest person present, the next oldest being his brother Joseph, aged 89. Ida Lewella Skidmore, aged 2 months, was the youngest.

About 3 p.m. we were called together and ice cream was served, after which a short business session was held and officers for the ensuing year elected, to-wit: Wm. H. Cole, Pres.; B. F. Skidmore, Vice Pres.; Mary C. Cole, Sec'y-Treas. The next reunion is to be at Forest Park, August 20, 1914, when we hope to greet all again. During the past year there were three deaths—Mrs. Elizabeth Skidmore, Mrs. James Skidmore and infant son of E. Snell.

Mary C. Cole, Sec'y.

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Reunion.

The Bickel-Moyer reunion will be held at Forest Park on Sunday, September 14. Forest Park is situated midway between Union City and Greenville, along the O. & E. traction line; cars stop at the gate. This reunion includes everybody that wishes to come and have a good time.

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ROUND THE GLOBE

Amber is divided into 100 different kinds. Fowles versus Katz was the title of a legal case in England. Sixty-nine banks hold city funds of Chicago, totaling \$21,500,000.

Lyons, France, is trying to drive out cocaine fiends and to restrict sales. As a better exporting country, Australia now ranks second, Denmark being first.

Pittsburgh clubwomen have decided to abolish the latrine as a dangerous nuisance.

Operated much like a job printing press is a new rapid printing machine for photographs.

Esperanto is taught in some of the state supported schools in England, France and Germany.

All over the world oil fuel is gradually taking the place of coal and other less easily handled fuels.

A steamship line has agreed to carry free to England the first 2000 tons of cotton grown in South Africa.

An electric motor that gives warning when a mine roof begins to move has been invented by an Australian.

Brazil is to have the largest reservoir in the world after the dam at Fros, in the state of Ceara, is built.

A manufacturer of artistic furniture in Paris has just completed a chair the fore legs of which are of solid gold.

A Michigan knitting mill is making artificial silk from vegetable fiber and converting it into hosiery and underwear.

An electrical machine for cutting umbrella covers in a New York factory cuts 350 thicknesses of fabric at once.

As much as \$5,000 has been paid in South Africa for a male ostrich of a good strain and producing exceptionally fine feathers.

Dr. E. H. Swen of Washington predicts that the woman of the future will have a thick neck, broad shoulders and other masculine features.

The Germans are doing a great road building work in Africa, and at no distant date the possessions of that country in the dark continent will be in touch with each other by motor routes.

For cleaning floors a New York inventor has patented an electric machine which applies water to a floor and scrubs it as it is pushed forward and picks up the soiled water as it is drawn back.

In the stomach of a crocodile which was shot by Mr. Wells on the Merguau estate, Madras, were found a python thirteen feet long, two tobacco pipes, a number of pieces of whisky bottles and a pair of trousers.

Tan Teong, a Chinaman residing in Malay states, was recently fined \$20, with the alternative of three weeks' imprisonment, for selling his adopted baby girl for \$10 to buy a coffin in which to bury his wife.

Exports of American pianos have tripled in the last nine years. American pianos are popular in all parts of the world. In Mohammedan countries pianos are used to repeat portions of the Koran.

There is a good deal of vacuum cleaning done in France by large machines that go through the streets and clean houses and apartments by hose reaching to any floor. The individual vacuum cleaner is little known.

There is today in Paris a concherge who is reaping a small harvest of tips from visitors to an attic which a quarter of a century ago was tenanted by the present king or Serbia in the less palmy days of his pre-entership.

An officer of the United States navy has found that the power of a high speed vessel's propeller is increased about 10 per cent by placing ribs on the faces of its blades to decrease the partial vacuum that always occurs there.

Silk merchants of Tientsin, China have learned a lesson from the boozing of their shops during the revolution. The entrance to each shop now is narrow and the door made very heavy and plated with iron. The small street windows are protected by iron bars.

Miss Mary Blake of London was recently charged with "insulting behavior" in the Bow street court and fined \$5 "to be of good behavior for six months." Her offense consisted of insisting upon remaining with a woman prisoner who was being tried by men in a court full of men.

A dog in a bread pan, a woman with dirty fingers baking chocolate cakes, a woman chafing a half dressed baby and waiting on customers with her free arm were among the sights that greeted the Chicago council's subcommittee on health recently on a bactericidal inspection trip.

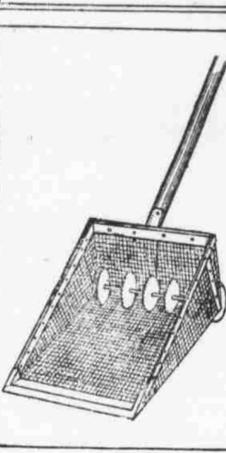
Dr. F. R. Bergins, the scientist who has been conducting experiments in producing artificial coal, has by employing a high temperature and a high pressure changed cellulose to peat in a few hours. The same change by the process employed by nature, he states, required 7,000,000 years.

Dr. Vincent Lorente, physician to the Spanish royal household, has returned home after completing a two months' study of methods employed in American institutions for the deaf and dumb. He was sent here by the queen of Spain to collect data regarding the education of Miss Helen Keller.

One of the world's great peppermint farms, consisting of 1,250 acres, is located near Saginaw, Mich. It is part of the prairie farm which nine years ago was largely covered with water. Since then it has been drained and dyked. The aromatic crop is worked up in two distilleries for the manufacture of peppermint oil.

HINTS FOR THE BUSY HOUSEWIFE

Ash Sifting Shovel With Cinder Crusher Attached.



An ingenious implement for sifting ashes is the ash sifting shovel designed by a New York man and shown herewith. As will be understood by the name, it performs two operations practically simultaneously. The scoop of the shovel, which is unusually capacious, is meshed and bound in iron strips. In the back is a series of sharp toothed wheels, projecting slightly through slots in the bottom of the scoop, so that when the latter is passed over a supporting surface the wheels revolve and cut the larger cinders into pieces small enough to fall through the mesh. Good coal will be too hard to break up in this way. Therefore as a man takes a shovelful of ashes from the heater he need only turn to an ash box with a strip on top, on which to operate the wheels, and pass the shovel across this once or twice.

Boiled Salad Dressing.

Four tablespoonfuls of sifted flour, four tablespoonfuls of sugar, one tablespoonful of mustard and one-quarter of a teaspoonful of tumeric powder. Mix the above with enough cold water to make a thick paste. Next stir in one egg, then add a cupful of boiling water in which one-half of a teaspoonful of black pepper has stood for five minutes and add one cupful of vinegar. Mix all and strain through a coarse muslin. Then add two cupfuls of milk. Put in a double boiler and cook until thick and creamy. Remove from the stove and add one and one-half teaspoonfuls of salt and butter the size of an egg. If too thick add more milk, or to make it more delicious add cream. This will make a quart of nice salad dressing.

Delicious Chicken Pie.

Stew two good sized chickens until tender with a small slice of bacon added and unless very fat a little butter and salt to season. When done remove all bones, then add the liquor to make it very juicy, with plenty of pepper and flour stirred in to thicken. Crust—Take one and a half cupfuls of good sour cream and half a cupful of butter, mix and add a cupful of lard, a little salt and one teaspoonful of soda. Flour to make a dough soft and easy to handle. Line a pan with half of the dough, pour in the chicken filling and cover with the remaining dough, leaving plenty of air holes. Bake one hour.

New Women of Persia.

Persian women are essentially feminine. They want our dress, our education, our freedom, our happiness. Dress, it will be observed, comes first in the catalogue of feminine wants, but a change of dress or coiffure seems essential to all revolutionary movements. In Teheran, in place of the Persian new woman now wears a small square of black net or woven horsehair. Her shoes have high heels. A European skirt has taken the place of the short skirt and narrow trousers. The head kerchief is being abandoned. One lady tried to introduce an outfit to take the place of the "chudidar," leaving the face heavily veiled. But it was too revolutionary even for Teheran, and after being mistaken for the ex-station in disguise the wearer reverted in disgust to more orthodox clothes. In her home the new woman offers cigarettes instead of the water pipe.—Moslem World.

Washington's Toast.

Washington's consideration for the feelings of others is well shown in the following story: It was just after the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, and the English general, in company with the French commander, Rochambeau, was dining with General Washington. According to custom, Rochambeau was asked for a toast, and in answer gave: "The United States." To which Washington responded: "The king of France." When it came the turn of Cornwallis that gentleman said simply: "The king." "Of England," Washington added, with a smile. "Keep him there, and I will drink him a full bumper," and, saying this, he filled his glass to overflowing.