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KILLED BY AMENDMENT.

For many years, the Senate has smothered or shelved House bills providing for the election of Senators directly by the people instead of through State Legislatures which are too often purchasable or susceptible to other improper influences, generally corporate. The proposition has been advocated in many State platforms and is undoubtedly supported by a heavy preponderance of public sentiment, but the "Millionaires' Club", a characterization often applied to the Senate and generally applicable, has always been distrustful of the people and disinclined to confer the power of directly choosing their Senatorial representatives upon them. It is much easier to buy or otherwise improperly influence a Legislature than the people of a State. Under direct elections, there wouldn't be so many millionaires in the Senate, nor so many practically direct representatives of "the interests", and there would be at least a chance that whenever the issue of people vs. interests came up, the former would hold a majority in the Senate, which has not been the case for many years.

A House bill providing for direct Senatorial elections appeared in the Senate during the present session. The "Millionaires' Club" did not dare, in the present status of public sentiment, to shelve it. Recourse was had to another method of killing the measure. It was loaded down with the so-called Sutherland amendment which was calculated to prejudice the Senators from the South against it, a design which has proved successful. That amendment placed the control of direct Senatorial elections in the hands of Congress; at present, the control is in the hands of the States. Under the amendment, Congress would dictate the dates, manner and places of elections; it might conform them to State conditions, or it might not. It might even change the suffrage qualifications, now obtaining in the several States.

It is better, much better, that the bill is defeated, rather than passed in its amended form.

Congressman Hill is very confident that the Canadian reciprocity agreement will pass the Senate before Saturday noon, and that, therefore, no extra session will be called. But if it should not be acted upon, there is now a virtual certainty that President Taft will call an extra session, having already fixed the date as during the first or second week of April.

The difficulty in the way of action is found in the other pressing measures which are pending, among them the Lorimer case, and the supply bills. A canvass of the Senate shows that 28 Democrats and 28 Republicans, among the latter the two Connecticut members, will vote for the agreement, with eight Republicans not sure but probably for the measure. There is practically no doubt of the agreement's acceptance if it can be brought to a vote.

During the House debate over the Greenwich court appointments, Chairman Banks of the House Judiciary committee, who is the Republican leader in the House, spoke of one of the remonstrants as "a struggling young lawyer who peddles milk in the morning and who spends his afternoons in a law office." The Stamford Advocate is "disposed to resent the slur", and says:

The man who becomes a member of the Bar through his own efforts—meaning the young man whose parents are unable to pay his way through a university and a law school but who nevertheless perseveres, and, while earning his own living, acquires an education and a training sufficient to qualify him for admission to the Bar—deserves the highest credit. He may be a rail-splitter, or a blacksmith, or a clerk in a country store, a worker in a machine-shop, or even a modest peddler of milk, but it is the man that counts. You need not seek outside the boundaries of this commonwealth to find that some of its greatest men began life in a modest way, and were obliged to earn their living at a time when other boys were spending their time more or less profitably in college. The man who pays his way through a professional education with money he has earned upon a milk wagon has far more reason to be proud of his achievement than one who, through the chances of fortune, is enabled to make his preparation in a college and law school. Usually too, he gives a better account of himself in the end, because he is made of the right sort of stuff.

Needless to say, the slur will hardly strengthen Judge Banks with "the common people". Such utterances often come back to "plague their inventors".

As may be recalled, there came from the summer capital at Beverly, Mass., last year, a letter written by President Taft's private secretary, in which it was stated that the President had withheld federal patronage from certain Senators and Congressmen, (Insurgents), but would discontinue that practice.

Senator Bourne of Oregon, who is the head of the new Progressive Republican League, incorporated that letter in a speech, Monday, and made it the text of what can only be interpreted as an attack upon President Taft and, incidentally, upon the Republican practice of using Federal officers to capture the control of national conventions, the method by which President Roosevelt practically dictated the nomination of Taft in 1908. Senator Bourne also attacked the practice of granting or withholding Federal patronage as a means of influencing the action of Senators and Representatives. He called it bribery in the one case, and intimidation in the other, and said that it indicated a deplorable and despicable subservience on the part of the legislative branch and a dangerous and demoralizing usurpation upon the part of the executive. Continuing, he said:

I would have as much respect for a common ward heeler who buys votes at the polls as for a President of the United States who uses his appointing power as a means of forcing or persuading members of Congress to determine or change their course of action. One transaction is as dishonest, as corrupt, and as depraving as the other, but the latter is more dangerous, more insidious, more pernicious than the former, because it strikes at the very foundation of free institutions, sets a precedent for corrupt methods in all official life and marks the beginning of dictatorship and decadence of the nation.

It may be that Senator Bourne was, in this way, preparing for the campaign of 1912—that the Progressive Republican League is planning to bar out the practice of capturing control of national conventions through the activities of Federal officials. He announced that he will introduce a corrupt practices act, and it may be that this is the method by which he hopes to curb the Federal power over the next Republican National convention.

GOVERNOR PAYS EULOGY TO THE YOUNGER EDWARDS

Tablet Unveiled to Distinguished Connecticut Churchman

New Haven, March 1.—Characterizing Jonathan Edwards, the younger, as the son of the first great man in American literature and a man who looked forward to a fuller and greater truth in religion, his excellency, Simeon E. Baldwin governor of Connecticut, delivered Monday evening a most glowing tribute to one of the most distinguished churchmen in the history of this city, at United church, where a tablet was unveiled in his memory. The tablet to Jonathan Edwards has been placed in the front part of the church, the inscription on it having been written by Gov. Baldwin. It was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reed Kimball of Waterbury, direct descendants of Dr. Edwards.

Gov. Baldwin's address, which was in the nature of a biographical sketch touching also upon the church history of New Haven about the time that Dr. Edwards entered the ministry, throws a new light on the work of the distinguished philologist, metaphysician and theologian who died while president of Union college. The governor opened his address by stating that Jonathan Edwards, the elder, was the first great man in American literature. He adopted a profession then adorned by few of his ancestors—the ministry, after graduating from Yale in 1720. His second son, bearing his father's name, was destined to follow him in a career singularly similar. Both the father and son became college presidents some time after their graduation from the universities.

Gov. Baldwin closed his address with a brilliant tribute to the distinguished pastor. That his theology was on a par with the theology of the late Dr. Munger is the opinion of the governor.

"He was a broad-minded and far-sighted man, looking for something higher and more real," concluded Governor Baldwin.

The service was presided over by the Rev. Mr. Von Ogden Vogt, assistant to the Rev. Mr. Robert C. Denison, who is ill at present and who was unable to attend the service last night. Prof. Porter of Yale university delivered the prayer.

The tablet, whose material, ornamentation and lettering was chosen with reference to the memorial art predominating in Dr. Edward's period, as well as to the architecture of the church, is inscribed in the following manner:

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Royal Welcome Planned for Hibernians' Chief

New Haven, March 1.—All the Ancient Order of Hibernian societies in New Haven had representatives at the meeting to arrange for the reception of National President James F. Regan of St. Paul, Minn., who comes to this city on a visit to the local branch of the order next Friday.

The meeting was called by James J. Dinnan, chairman of the local board. The nine divisions, three ladies' auxiliaries and the juvenile divisions were represented. Others present were State Secretary John J. McCarthy, State President of the Ladies' Auxiliary Miss Estelle Molloy; County Vice-President, Mrs. Foley; County Secretary, Mrs. T. J. White; County Secretary, William H. Burns.

Plans for the reception of National President Regan were discussed. Committees were appointed and every effort will be made to make the distinguished officer's visit here an auspicious one. He will probably be called upon to deliver an address Friday night together with other well-known speakers.

UNIFORM LAWS FOR WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Sealer Maroney Will Present Ordinance to New Haven Aldermen

New Haven, March 1.—Speaking yesterday of his recent trip to Washington, D. C., during which he attended the national convention of sealers of weights and measures, Edward J. Maroney, local sealer of weights and measures, said:

"The convention was held for the purpose of perfecting, if possible, a system of laws and a standardization of weights and measures throughout the United States. The men who attended the convention were chosen from the different parts of the country, one from each state, by the bureau of commerce and labor. There were 73 men present, including some shippers from various states.

"The matter of the standardization of weights of all crates, barrels and boxes received considerable attention. In Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island the weight of a barrel of potatoes is 172 pounds, while in New York state it is 174 pounds. These are what is known as mongrel weights. There should be in a potatoes either 150 pounds or 170 pounds, and to have laws passed in the various states making the weight uniform was one of the points brought forward.

"Representative Mann of Chicago," continued the speaker, "will introduce in Congress a measure providing that all crates boxes, barrels and packages, be marked on the outside with the weight of their contents or with their nuumerical contents. Uniform legislation with regard to loaves of bread was also considered by the convention. I have in my office an ordinance on this matter which is considered a very good one and one which I will have presented to the local board of aldermen for action. It concerns the size of the loaves of bread that are put out by the local bakers. I have communicated with State Representative Johnson of Manchester, who has already introduced a similar measure in the General Assembly of Connecticut, asking him to attach the provision to his bill so that it will become a state law. It is a fact that right here in New Haven there is a great discrepancy between the larger loaves of bread; in some cases there is as much as six ounces difference between them. A person receives more for his money by buying two five cent loaves of bread than by buying a ten cent loaf. It is to cure this discrepancy that there is need of a uniform law.

"The matter of meters, gas, water, electric and taximeters, was also dwelt on and it is proposed to place the care and supervision of these under the charge of the sealer of weights and measures. Dr. Stratton of Washington has communicated with Alderman Morrissey of this city, who some time ago presented a measure covering these matters to the local board of aldermen."

TIMES HAVE CHANGED

W. L. Douglass Interviewed—He No Longer Attends to Detail Work

(Brockton Times.)

Ex-Governor William L. Douglas recently became reminiscent while a Times reporter was calling on him at his plant office on Spark street.

"Yes, times have changed," he ventured. "When I started in this business many years ago I used to think I had to attend to every detail of it. I'd come in mornings and pore over every bit of my mail, then go out and be superintendent, then as like as not I'd take a hand at a foreman's job and, if a salesman called, I would find myself acting in the capacity of buyer. In short I had the idea that I was the only man in the factory who could look after the details. I rather enjoyed doing it. I thought that it was the only way to conduct the business.

"What a great change now. Why, if I attempted to attend to details today I would be worn out. I have systemized the work, putting departments on a basis where the man in charge can look after them. What I do now is hold every man responsible for the results in his department. I care little for his methods so long as the results are satisfactory. Everything is different than it used to be. The business is bigger. It's growing every day and it is only natural that I should apply different methods than I did a quarter of a century ago."

"How is it with the methods of those under you?" was suggested.

"Oh, it is different all the way through," the ex-governor continued. "Every man does his work differently and better."

"It has been written," interrupted the reporter, "that stenographers and employes are getting so they are giving floral tributes to the boss nowadays. How about that?"

"Well it isn't a common thing for me to find flowers on my desk," replied Mr. Douglas, "but occasionally someone leaves a bouquet for me upon my return home from a vacation or long business trip."

"Have you ever thought of reeiring, Mr. Douglas?" was the next question.

"Retiring! Me retire? Well I should say not," he promptly replied. "Do you suppose a man who has been in the harness as long as I have could retire? Why, I'd die if I attempted to relax to that extent.

"You may not realize it, but I enjoy my work better than anything else," he went on. "I like to hear the hum of industry about me. I might like to take a vacation once in a while, but that's different. Even then I long to get back within these four walls.

"I should dread to think of it if I had to retire. A man to give up business at my stage would fail in health rapidly, I am sure. He could not live as long as though he kept plugging away daily."

PENDING LIQUOR TRADE BILLS.

Five Which Are Specially Commended by the Prohibition Organ.

(From the Voter, February.)

Among the many bills introduced concerning the liquor traffic, there are at least five in which we are specially interested.

The first is H. B. No. 60, introduced by Rep. Magee of Watertown, to close saloons on "Good Friday" so called. Careful consideration will readily convince any man that the day observed to commemorate the crucifixion of our Lord ought to be free from anything that will mar its observance.

H. B. 607, introduced by Rep. Range of Guilford, to close saloons on Thanksgiving Day, is one that appeals to many hearts.

H. B. 195, introduced by Rep. Reed of Bethel, to forbid opening saloons before 6 a. m., is in the interest of the workingman and the community. In these days of shorter work hours it is surely unnecessary from every point of view for a saloon to be open at 5 a. m., as at present. New York and Massachusetts both forbid opening before 6 a. m.

H. B. 422, introduced by Rep. Carrier of Glastonbury gets after the speak-easy and the illicit dealer who fails to pay his license fee to the county but never fails to square himself with Uncle Sam in order to escape the heavy penalties imposed by the U. S. laws on those selling without having paid the federal tax. It may surprise many to learn that Connecticut has between 1,200 and 1,500 who pay this federal tax but fail to pay the state a cent for a license to do business. The house of ill-fame invariably provides itself with such a permit, and until the Federal government changes its policy, let Connecticut turn on the light and let the community know who the lawbreakers are.

H. B. 414, introduced by Rep. Beard of Huntington, provides for a general vote in all towns next October and such Towns or Counties forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating and spirituous liquors will be permanently relieved of voting on this question again.

STRICKEN WITH HEART FAILURE

Resting Comfortably at the Norwalk Hospital To-day.

(Norwalk Hour.)

Harry Grayham, of 228 Fairfield avenue, Bridgeport a well known civil engineer in that city, was stricken with an attack of heart trouble Saturday afternoon, as he was walking along Wall street, in front of William P. Beeers' stationery store, and as a result is now in the Norwalk Hospital, where he is resting comfortably to-day. Grayham suddenly reeled and began to sink slowly to the ground. He gripped the arm of Richard E. Bradley of New Haven, happened to be passing him. Mr. Bradley caught him and prevented his falling. A large crowd of people quickly gathered and a hurried call was sent for a physician. Grayham was unconscious. Dr. Walter Hitchcock arrived a little later. In the meantime Captain Thomas Hunt had secured a stretcher and Irving Reed and Oscar Waleure carried the stricken man to the police station. From here he was removed to the Norwalk hospital in George L. Lockwood's automobile. Nothing of a serious nature is expected to come out of the attack. For a time it was feared that the attack would be fatal, however. Grayham is forty years old, and his mother is Mrs. William Grayham of Dartmouth street, Boston.

Pastor Will Return Funds

Although Rev. Paul Stavrovsky, pastor of St. John's Baptist Greek Catholic church in Norwalk is among the missing and the church funds are depleted over $2,000, there will be no prosecution of the absent pastor, by an agreement, signed by the clergyman and church officials, he agrees to reimburse the church for the $2,000 in monthly payments. It is expressly stated in the agreement that he is not to be prosecuted unless he fails to make good.

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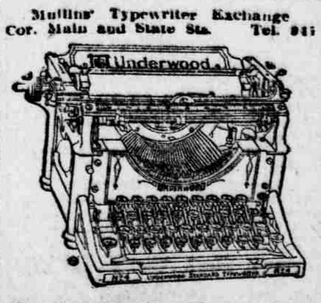

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