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GROUP GOVERNMENT.

We may always depend on Mr. Bryan for at least novelty in suggestion. His present proposal that the president resign, and, by moving up Mr. Marshall, he in turn to appoint Senator Harding as secretary of state and then resign himself, in order that the president-elect may at once become president in fact, is engaging for its simplicity, but may not bear out the purpose he has in view. The four months that clapse between election and inauguration is not too long a time in which to prepare for the duties the newly chosen president is to assume. He must be allowed some time for reflective contemplation, for consultation and determination of policies, a business that can not be carried on during the campaign, and which should be reasonably well established when he goes into office. That is one of the chief reasons for the setting of inauguration four months after election.

Another phase of the question is brought forward by a correspondent, who fancies the "parliamentary" system as affording the flexibility our government needs. Under this the defeated government would immediately retire, and the victors would take over power at once. Even that would only furnish relief in event of threat of calamity, which is not present nor a conceivable danger under our present system.

One of the remarkable and pleasing results of the election was the utter failure of appeals to groups. Trades unionists, farmers, women, and others were beseeched because of special interests to vote for Cox; Senator Harding emphatically declared against any approach to class government; the issue was -made very plain on this line, and the outcome is to be interpreted only as indicating lack of progress towards class consciousness or group governpurpose among the heterogeneous elements of our population holds great promise for the future, as it shows a desire on part of all to attain a common goal, regardless of racial or other divisions, evidences of a condition from which all are trying to get away.

Group government tends almost inevitably to class government. This is clearly shown by the experience of Germany, where groups in parliament reached their highest development, their sharpest delineation, as well as their most delicate subdivision. Group government has long been a familiar experience of France, although it has not been accentuated by the mtense factional discord that marked proceedings in Germany, where parliament was more of a debating society than an agency of government. Groups began to appear in the British parliament shortly before the end of the last century, but only since the war has this manifestation of class distinction assumed definite outline there. However, it has proceeded far enough to convince Americans of its undesir-

Mr. Bryan's plan is about as impractical as are most of his proposed panaceas for our political ills. This answer ought to meet the a piration for "parliamentary" government, for our present system provides amply for the expression of popular will, admits a change in the popular branch of the government every two years if sought by a sufficient number of voters, and in the executive in quadrennial periods under the same conditions. This is turning over rapidly enough to meet requirements of either political or industrial growth.

Future Relations With Japan.

Honeved words from Baron Shibusawa will not deceive Americans as to what really is involved in the issue between California and Japan, and which is now becoming a national issue. The federal government, at present negotiating a treaty with Japan, will surely recognize the sentiment of the Californians, as expressed in the adoption of the alien land law, and will also take note of the fact that generally Americans are inclined to support the people of the Pacific coast.

One of the remarkable traits of the Jap is that he does not seek to pioneer a country, but prefers to insert himself into one where prosperity is already established and where he can supplant his competitors by methods that are peculiarly Japanese. Eastern Siberia presents a magnificient field for the builder; Japan's surplus millions could well be employed there' in developing the resources of an admittedly rich region that only awaits enterprise. But that calls for a quality of which the Japanese has so far shown little sign, enterprise and

Five years ago Baron Shibusawa made a hasty trip to New York and returned directly to Tokio, from which point he sent out a tentative proposal that foreshadowed in a way the fate that overtook Shantung. It was that the United States should furnish the capital and Japan would supply the expert management, and between them the exploitation of China could be carried on with profit to both. This proposal, of course, did not attract any favorable response, but it does indicate the course of Japanese thought.

It seems quite likely now that Japanese exclusion will be insisted upon by treaty provision. Experience under the Root-Takahira

agreement was not satisfactory. While observing it in the letter the Japs avoided its spirit and pursued their penetration of California persistently. Senator Harding gave the Californians an unequivocal pledge on the point, while the action of President Wilson at Paris, where he shut out the Makino racial equality resolution, may be taken as an indication of how he views the situation. At any rate, the thought of Americans just now is in the direction of nationalism, and while they abate none of their devotion to the cause of hummanity, nor their willingness to share with their neighbors, they do feel justified in determining who is to be admitted into the intimacy of the household.

"Wilson Not a Quitter."

In sending a consolatory message to Governor Cox, Private Secretary Tumulty indulges in an expression that may call later on for a little discreet interpretation. "Woodrow Wilson is not'a quitter," says Mr. Tumulty, thereby implying perhaps many things. It is not expected he would abandon the fundamental principles of his cause, but as a rational man he might admit himself mistaken, to say the least, as to how his views and projects were regarded by the public. This does not require "quitting" in any sense; nor does it necessarily mean what Governor Cox conveys in his utter-

In spirit I am as proud as when the fight started. I would not retrace a single step nor yield a single jot in principle. It was a privilege to make the contest for the right

in face of overwhelming odds. Accepting the Cox view, the voters of America have started the country off on the wrong track. He may yet live to see how far he is mistaken in this, as he was in his estimate as to the turn the vote would take. The principle mostly concerned, that of peace on earth, has suffered nothing but has gained much through the defeat of Cox. Senator Harding and those who supported him are no less devoted to the cause of mankind than those who are numbered with the minority. It is unbecoming in the highest sense for the late candidate and the secretary of the president to insinuate that they, whose party scarcely exceeds the size and importance of a faction now, alone are right.

Woodrow Wilson is not a quitter; he has not been so accused by any. Yet we may confidently expect to hear from him some sort of admission that he may have misjudged his countrymen in his effort to do something which has turned out so disastrously for him and his supporters. "It's no disgrace to run when you am scared," and no man's reputation ever suffered severely because of his disclaimer of in-

Debs Must Stay in Prison.

According to word from Washington, Mr. Wilson does not contemplate pardoning Eugene V. Debs, now serving a term in prison at Atlanta, following his conviction on a charge of sedition. It would, says the president, be setting a bad precedent. In this regard he differs from his secretary of war, who went into the pardoning business on a wholesale scale about two years ago, when he liberated a battalion of slackers from the military prison at Fort Leavenworth. Many of these were surely entitled to clemency, because of the nature of their defense, but most of them were as culpable as Dehs, and deserved punishment fully as much.

Debs is in prison because he flouted the authority of the United States government in time of war; he was convicted of "attempting to cause insubordination, disloyalty, mutiny, or refusal of duty in the military or naval forces," of "attempting to obstruct the recruiting or enlistment service of the United States," and of uttering language tending to incite, provoke and encourage resistance to the United States and to promote the cause of the enemy."

In other words Debs undertook to destroy the government of the United States by crippling it in time of war. If he had had his way, we would have lost and Germany would have won. It is not easy for the lay mind, however, to draw the fine distinction that is necessary to distinguish Debs from the slackers who were caught up in the draft, but who refused to obey orders, preferring to serve in prison rather than in uniform. These too, except those, who actually had conscientious scruples against war, sought to destroy the government by crippling its effort at defense.

Patriots may extract a little comfort from the reflection that the president has at this late date inferentially rebuked the secretary of war for his order that liberated the "conscobs" indiscriminately.

When Harding Meets Obregon.

Arrangements for a conference between the presidents-elect of the United States and Mexico at or near Brownsville are said to be under way. Such a consultation may well be productive of considerable mutual benefit. Ten years of turmoil in Mexico seems to be coming to an end in the approaching inauguration of General Obregon, while the "watchful waiting" policy of the Wilson administration will hardly prevail under his successor. No good reason exists why the southern border of our land should not be as safe as that on the north, other than the disposition of our neighbors on the south. If Obregon is able to carry out his own program, he will restore industry, make property secure, and generally tranquilize Mexican politics. Should he accomplish this, he will do more than any of his numerous predecessors to restore good relations with the United States; at least he will remove much of occasion for strain. Senator Harding will undoubtedly meet General Obregon in a spirit of amity, and certainly will accord him courteous and even sympathetic attention as he states the case of his own country. And Obregon will find that the president-elect of the United States is a man of broad humanity, anxious to keep the peace, but" determined to maintain the dignity and preserve the rights of his government and its citizens. If the meeting is held as planned, it ought to do much towards bringing about the cettlement so sadly wanted.

We hope the teachers will come back again next year, and as a united body. But, we wish them well, whatever they decide to do.

France was willing a year ago to accept the Lodge reservations.

That landslide was going some when it caught

"Less talk and more action" will help much.

A Line O'Type or Two

After the Avalanche.

There in the twilight cold and gray, Lifeless, but beautiful, he lay, Still grasping in his hand of ice That banner with the strange device-"Peace! Progress! Prosperity:

IT was no secret that the democratic administration was unpopular, but did you realize that it was quite as bad as all that? The election of 1920 might be termed the Great Aversion.

THE only interesting statistics are those which are not obtainable. Frexample, it would be interesting to know how many votes in a presidential election represent a last-moment

change of mind. AND HOW THE LADIES VOTED. One of Them: "How did you vote on revi-

Another: "I didn't know anything about it but I voted for it, because I thought it wouldn't do any harm to revise anything."

"Well, I didn't know anything about it, lind., is 94. She attributes her long either, but I didn't vote for it, because I thought life, excellent health, and unusual Smith. As a matter of fact, allow Let us be fair to all the boys. either, but I didn't vote for it, because I thought they were doing too much revising."

A CHEERFUL time was had in Lockwood, A handbill announced: "Dinner and supper served by the Cemttery Association election

Far From the Madding Crowd. Sir: Did 71½ miles of desert today in five hours. Flat? No. Lumpy. Will rest here and study the many good points of Needles, and resume our investigation of the g. c. of C. on Sunday. If you have lots of time and are not

a bathroom bigot, never travel by railroad again.

Motoring is the life.

J. U. H. WHEN one is sequestered from the world one develops, reports Comrade Debs, "an aston-ishingly keen faculty for sensing things." Where-upon he predicts a socialist landslide in 1924. Really uncanny.

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED WITH THE

ZINTSMASTERS. (From the Marshall, Mich., Chronicle.) Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Zintsmaster have recently installed a private golf course of nine holes near their fine country home. The golf links are private and will be used by the family and friends. Next season the by the family and friends. Next season the Zintsmasters will issue membership cards for the season of 1921 with no charges whatever. They will keep several dozen golf clubs and balls on hand so their friends can play without purchasing these articles. Their home has several large rooms suitable for dancing, one being 18x27 feet, and are all connected with double openings, and have oak floors. They have recently installed a player piano; also a private electrilighting plant and automatic electric pump. Everything will be ready for enjoyment for the Zintsmasters and their many friends

ANOTHER fear that was disposed of was the fear that Mr. Harding, if elected, might have a democratic senate on his hands.

home brew (obeisances to riquarius)

yeast and things yeasty things that boil i time them with my big ben

i am napoleon bring up the cannon ogosh listen to the music of the brass band

hello cleopatra isn't it warm tonight let's crank up the old boat

blue elephants gorgeous blue elephants playing mandolinzh te spoke to m i knew him in afriker

footstepsh here and there this walk won't stay shtill i'm all right but the walk'ezh drunkazell

home brew doggoned shtuff's

St. Louis Post-Dispatch. A host in himself. AD in the Iowa City Press-Citizen: "Tomor-ow—See that Beautiful Looking Blonde, Lionel Barrymore, in her latest picture, 'The Master

"WOODROW WILSON is One Alumni."

Correspondence From Japan.

Tokyo, Oct. 6 .- Now cometh the Wrold Sunday School convention, to decide whether the Christian Japanese—not quite up to entrance requirements of the Land of the Free-is to be permitted to enter the Pearly Portals side by side with the immaculate soul of the Occi-dental, or be restricted to the tradesman's gate. But already Buddha has put the Evil Eye upon the godly assemblage; four hours before the time set for the formal opening of the great new tabernacle it was burned to the ground. One dear old lady delegate, however, absolved Buddha from all blame with the remark: "It was to be expected; the carpenters worked on

THE manager of the Hotel Pomeroy, Barbados, W. I., warns: "No cigarettes or cock-tails served to married ladies without husband's

Music Hint.

Sir: P. A. Scholes, in his "Listener's Guide to Music," revives two good laughs—thus: "A fugue is a piece in which the voices one by one come in and the people one by one go out.' Also he quotes from Sam'l Butler's Note Books: "I pleased Jones by saying that the hautbois was a clarinet with a cold in its head, and the bassoon the same with a cold in its chest." The cor anglais suffers slightly from both symptoms. Some ambitious composer, by judicious use of the more diseased instruments, could achieve the most rheumy musical effects, particularly if, a la Scriabin, he should have the atmosphere of the concert hall heavily charged with eucalyptus. E. PONTEFEX.

IS Mr. Harding still a private citizen, as Mr. Wilson reminded him, or does his election allow him a measure of liberty of speech be-

tween now and March 4? CONSIDERABLE MENTAL HAZARD. Sir: Are you interested in the fact that the No? Well, then, permit me to hazard the opin-ion that the persons who speak of areoplanes are the ones who in former days made men-tion of areated bread. CALCITROSUS.

"CONTEMPLATING young lady stenographer desires position from 9 to 12 a. m. Phone Uptown 1504-W."—New Orleans Times-Pica-

Is there anything you'd like to have her contemplate for you? THE TRAITOR VOTE.

Sir: As Mr. Cox predicted that every traitor in America would vote for Harding, it would seem from the size of the vote, as Artemus Ward said of Traitor's Gate, "that there was room for several middlin'-sized traitors to go EVEN landslides have their compensations. lonel Lewis escaped a close shave.

A CHANGE FROM LATIN ROOTS.

(From the Reedsburg, Wis., Free Press.) Miss Edna White resumed her school duties after a week's vacation for potato

WHEN do they count Mr. Harlan's votes? Or don't they?

Saving Gasoline.

A Parsons newspaper says the economy wave has hit that Kansas town. The young people are conserving gasoline by halting their automobiles in some quiet lane near town. This is a new definition of economy.—Topeka State Journal.

The Garter Record. The world's most efficient garter was the base ball magnate who suspended seven Sox at one time .- Cleveland Plain Dealer.

How to Keep Well By DR. W. A. EVANS

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HOW TO GROW OLD.

was 97 in September, 1920. She ascribes her long life to work and to to your article of September heredity. She comes of a long-lived 29, 1919, when you recorded the instock and she has three children each over 75. She always gets up In that article you stated matters at the were and now it seems that stock and she has three children each over 75. She always gets up to breakfast and after breakfast does some work, preferably in her garden. She eats what she pleases.

Cident about the riot.

In that article you stated matters automobile through the crowd and rescued the mayor making the impression that these two were the not alone has Mr. Van Deusen reconst only ones, when the truth is that invalid. According to her friend, tectives a Dr. Paine, under the influence of Danbaum refigious teaching she discovered Mr. Danbaum, driving his own and corrected her bad mental habits, car with Detectives A. C. Andersei developed charm. To her physical O. Toland and Van Deusen in the rear seat, drove through the mob attention. It is her habit to remain the counseled moderation in all n bed reading until noon, then to take a cool bath, dress, eat lunch, and enter on her life of mild activi-She does not come of long-

About 100 years ago, Hufeland, a Dr. A. W. Foreman is German physician, wrote a book but he has "lived 100." telling how to attain old age. In this book he says that Terentia, wife of Cicero, in spite of the many vicissitudes of her life, lived to be was domineering and tempestuous. stage at 112. She was on the stage to have lots of fun." 100 years. Galena Copiala, a dan-cer, lived to be very old. She performed before Pompey, danced probably, when she was 90 years A few years later she per-before Augustus. It may of age. formed be that births were not recorded

in that day. Hufeland, after investigating the ge of Bible characters, concluded that "the duration of life 3,000 years ago was about the same as due to difference in the way of a week and take part in boxing, reckoning.

cine" quotes Pythagoras, one of be harmful to me?" the great characters of ancient history, as having lived to extreme old age. He attributed this to moderation in eating and daily gymnastic exercises. In his book of advice REPLY.

1. (a) Wear a suspensory. (b) Getting married is the best cure.

2. No. Varicocele is of slight importance.

still being pursued by the mob, again placed the unconscious mayor Straight." Omaha, Nov. 5.—To the Editor in the auto and by round about of The Bee: So much recently has been said in the Omaha papers regarding the heroic work of Mr.

Charles H. Van Donard work of Mr. Omaha, Nov. 5 .- To the Editor Charles H. Van Deusen, newly ap-pointed Chief of Detectives, during brother, A. C. Andersen, has re-I publish a series of receipts for attaining old age. They come to me from various sources:

Mrs. H. Pettit of Wyoming, Ill., when Mayor Smith was so nearly killed, before a few brave men rushed to his rescue at the risk of their own lives. I believe in fair play and feel sure that forth in the little Blue Book, called the rescue at the risk of their own lives. I believe in fair play and feel sure that forth in the little Blue Book, called the rescue at the risk of their own lives. I believe in fair play and feel sure that forth in the little Blue Book, called the rescue at the risk of their own lives. I believe in fair play and feel sure that forth in the little Blue Book, called the rescue at the risk of their own lives.

life, excellent health, and unusual Smith. As a matter of fact, allow Let us be fair to all the boys, vigor to mental poise. In early life me to recount this unselfish deed There was enough honor for all in she was a pampered, ill-tempered and attention to duty by three details work and it is only to tectives and State Agent, Mr. B. F.

Mr. Danbaum, driving his own in your paper

he counseled moderation in all

But he added: "A man at 80 and beyond should reckon himself as having ceased to live." but he has "lived 100." He was one of 19 children, of whom 14 lived to be over 70. In his creed for long life there are four articles: "First, I was born right." He came of long-lived stock. "Second I always have been a hard worker. Third, I never permit myself to get

J. L. Hammett, who is in the 80s and very active, does not think his people were long-lived. His father died at 80 and his mother at 84. His grandfather (his father's father) died at 34. However, that was

Doesn't Need Operation. Sam writes: "1. What can be done to cure varicocele, besides an operation? 2. I am a member of a The apparent difference is nasium which I sttend three times Buck "Daws of Modern Med-possible that such exercising would



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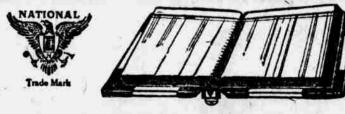
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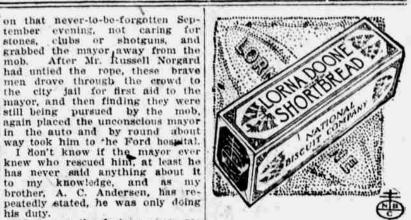
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