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An actress may not have a graceful form but she knows how to make up for it.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

From our Regular Correspondent.

The story of graft in the federal department here is spreading worse than yellow fever. It is stated that the charges sprung on the Geological survey will necessitate a thorough probing of that bureau and that the mere connection of some officials with a mining paper in the west, while admittedly improper will not be the most serious thing unearthed. The charges against the weather bureau are started in on an equally well founded partisan evidence to be "entirely absurd" and "capable of full substantiation." It is likely that both bureaus will receive the attention of the Keep Commission and how much turns up or how much remains hidden is a matter of the future. There remains yet the War, Navy and State Departments to be caught in the drag net and then the round of the departments will be complete. To be sure the State Department had a little scandal of its own some time back, but the charges in the Bowen-Loomis case were dismissed as unfounded and it has been considered a rather unsafe thing to criticize high state department officials since then. It is quite possible, however that if a thorough investigation of the departments were made some queer things might be turned up in the line of "visits to inspect consulates", and other relics of previous administrations. This is only thrown out as a suggestion. The Army and Navy have been singularly free from serious scandals, that of Capt. Carter, being the only time an engineer officer was ever known to go wrong; while the chances for graft in the navy are limited so far as the actual service is concerned though there are some phases of war-ship construction that might stand looking into.

The investigation in the Agricultural Department has taken a rest for the time being. Ex-Statistician Hyse has announced his intention of returning from England and this is taken as an evidence of his ignorance and honesty. He was severely censured by his friends in Washington for running away on the very eve of the investigation and it was believed to be at the personal instigation of the Secretary of Agriculture that he decided to return. A clever man would hardly have put himself in such a position for criticism and knowingly dishonest one would have stayed abroad once he got safely there. Meantime Secretary Wilson has announced his intention to forego a vacation this summer and to stay at home and clean up the investigation business this summer. There is comparatively little of the summer left for such a large job. It has apparently been proved by outside evidence that there was nothing wrong in the Bureau of Animal Industry in connection

with the meat label business, but there will probably be a number of disagreeable things unearthed when it comes to investigating the whole of the meat subject in the Department. It is claimed by some of the small competitors of the Beet Trust that they could not get meat inspectors assigned to their plants by the Department and were prevented therefore from using the Department's certificate label and put at a disadvantage especially in the export trade where such a label is a necessity. At the same time Dr. Salmon, the head of the Bureau of Animal Industry states that he was not given enough money to pay the meat inspectors. That the business of his bureau is now running \$6,000 to \$8,000 a month over its limit and if there is not some radical action taken by Congress he will not be able to carry on the inspection work next year.

That is just where the hitch has come between the executive departments and Congress and promises to raise considerable trouble at the coming session. The action of the Bureau of Animal Industry in running ahead of its appropriation is only a sample of what is going on very largely in all the departments. It is a practice bitterly resented by the legislative branch of the government and is one bound to cause trouble when the appropriation bills come up at the impending session.

The supporters of the administration are still busily explaining the attitude of the executive toward the coming reciprocity conference. This is a very sore subject both at the White House, temporarily installed at Oyster Bay, and in the various departments where the members of the cabinet preside. The fact is that the administration while pledged to reciprocity and tariff revision, has been badly snubbed by Congress on the subject of reciprocity treaties and is afraid of getting tangled up with an unofficial demonstration that however much it may believe and assert itself to be strictly non-partisan, is likely to develop a strong political bias before the last vote of thanks is rendered. The country decidedly needs both a scaling down of the tariff walls and a sensible arrangement with foreign countries on which reciprocity treaties could be negotiated. The matter is being delayed and put off and probably will not be touched till as late as possible in the coming session. But the movements of foreign countries in the line of discriminating duties makes it imperative that the situation shall be met in the near future, and it is simply a question of whether the highly protected interests will allow congress to make the necessary concessions of whether the country is going to be plunged into a commercial war with the rest of the world that will prove quite as costly in the end as the

armed fight in the far east has been.

Japan has notified this government, unofficially, of course, that she will do her utmost to discourage laborers from going to Panama. The same sort of resistance has been met in Italy and China, the other two countries where it was intended to advertise for laborers, and it looks now as though this country were going to be thrown back on the native labor supply for digging the big ditch between the two oceans.

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Miles Watts, the fortune teller, has an acre of corn that will yield forty bushels. It has been made with a hoe and never had a plow about it.—Taylorsville Scout.

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The world owes no man a living, but it owes every man an opportunity to make good.

Sam Jones' Centre Shot. News and Observer.

During the campaign of 1904 the Independents of the country who so love to balance their administration as to give neither party an advantage, congratulate the voters of Missouri and Illinois that they had an opportunity to vote for an honest and vigorous foe to graft and lawlessness in each State. They urged all Independents in Missouri to vote for Folk, "the Democratic Reformer," and in Illinois to vote for Deneen, "the Republican Reformer." Whether upon their advice or not, the voters elected Folk and Deneen, in Missouri, "the Democratic Reformer" has been busy. He put an end to the corrupt lobby that has infested Jefferson City, composed in part of Democrats, and has given the whole world a splendid object lesson of vigorous enforcement of the law, challenging the admiration of the men who believe that laws were made to be enforced, and receiving the hatred of the high-class gamblers and law breakers who think that they are at liberty to continue to violate laws that they do not like.

Folk has "made good" and shown that his vigorous prosecution of grafters in St. Louis was no "temporary spasm of virtue to get the Governorship," as his enemies declared, but proceeded from a conviction of duty that guides his public life. What about Deneen? In a recent address at the Baptist Chitauqua in Springfield a few days ago Sam Jones fired a centreshot when, after referring to sevier Governors, he said:

"Illinois also elected a mighty good Governor in Charles S. Deneen. By the way, what has become of him? I haven't heard from him since he was elected. Is he dead?"

Come to think of it, have you even so much as seen a reference to Governor Deneen since he was elected? What is he doing to justify the confidence of the people who put him in the same class with Folk? When Mayor Dunne was fighting against the monopoly in street car transportation in Chicago and urging municipal ownership, where was Deneen? He is a citizen of Chicago. The beef trust is a resident of Illinois and is daily robbing the people of Illinois and every other State in the Republic. What is Governor Deneen doing to protect the people from its rapacity? Legislation that increases the wealth of the few has disgraced Illinois, what is Governor Deneen doing to suppress it? What has he done anyhow? Is he dead—as a reformer?"

There are plenty of men who are zealous against wrong and earnest for right in their early political career who fall by the wayside when temptation comes. There have been from time immemorial candidates who make the people believe they are consumed with zeal to prosecute public enemies who begin to hobnob with the grafters and fellows who have

special privileges as soon as they are safely seated in office. Is Governor Deneen of that class?

Not many years ago a talented young lawyer in North Carolina, representing a district composed chiefly of farmers, made a campaign for the Legislature, mainly on the issue of establishing a Railroad Commission. His enthusiasm waned after the election, by time he reached Raleigh he was lukewarm, and when the time came to vote he made a buncombe speech, declaring that it had been the dream of his life to secure a railroad Commission, "but he must oppose this drastic bill that would confiscate private property." He returned home the attorney for a great railroad corporation, and the people's faith in him and in all public men was lessened. He never regained their confidence and his sell out cost him dearly.

The need of this day—and the people are about ready to quit being fooled by men who talk for reform and do nothing when elected—is public men in office who will be active, up and doing like Folk, and not men of good reputation like Deneen who are so quiet after election that they might as well be dead, or like those governors who talk vigorously for reform and after election are the real agents of trusts, railroads and other monopolies and seek to prevent any action "adverse to our interests", as the trust magnates put it.

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