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pride. It stands as the loaf of brear for the average man,
instead of the crumb. Independents Favor Independence
The progressive independent merchant in this country is
an execellent business man. ain excellent business man.
Hhat has come a long way since the cross-roads day of mer-
chandising -and the's given his customers an unexcelled
standard of service standard of service. He's met every form of compectition
with suceess. He's been prompt to adopt methooss and
equipment that marked an improvement over the old. He equipment that marked an improvement over the odd. He
reaiized that the best way to get new business and to kee
it is to give the public a better deal. The progressive independent doesn't want special favor
legislative or otherwise. He doesn't want the taw to ts te
in and burden his competitors-he's perfectly willing to
 Are You Incompetent?
How would you like a group of officelolders to tell yo
who can and who cannot act as administrator or executor
who can and who camnot act as administrator or executor of
your ctsate?
You wouldn't like it but under legislative measures pro posed in Oregon, that is exactly what would happen
Oregon citizens.
The proposals in Oregon illustrate the political trend The proposals in Oregon illustrate the political trend
restrict freedom of action of private citizens. Girowing po
itical control itical control of the individual is like an epidemic-
spreads from state to state, and from nation to nation. If the public (you and I) were fully avake to this insidi
ous undermining of personal rights in our own country, we would boot elected troublemakers high, wide and hand
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some. Oregon situation is just an incident in the growing
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trend. The public must awaken to the danger it trend. The pubtsic must awaken to the danger it faces, if it
wishes to retain even a semblance of the liberty and indi-
vidual choice of action vidual choice of action that our citizens have enjoyed in the
past.

## Centenarian Wisdom

and Los Angeles gave him a banquet, at which, his mind at

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had only one message for those present, and that it hai that human liberties were won in this country at heavy sacri fice of biood and fortune; Hhat liberty is easily lost; that w
must be ready to fight again if necessary to keep it; that w must never sulfer any man to arrog
ers of a kinu, emperor or tictator
At the banquet was Paul G. H Hoffman recallpalys. Speaking in New York recently, Mi. privately most of us thought he was living in a world ideas belonging wholly to the past... What did an old man's
warning have to do with us? Wee had inst fisithe warning have to do with us? We had just finisted making
the world safe for democracy "I have thought of that address a thousand times. The
old senator was not in his dotage. It was we who were blind. Do I need to ask you to think of the countries where I need to ask you to think of how seriously at this moment those liberties are in jeopardy in democratic countries?
"Why are they in jeojardy": Because of pressures opera ing against free cnterprise. Thiose pressures come from two
sources: First, those who are wrongly called economic planmers, but who have something in mind quite different


