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A FEW WORDS.

The people of Oregon should appoint a special day of thanksgiving and prayer because of the fact that Gov. Lord's special session has failed thus far to further disgrace this great state.

H. W. Corbett has been an active man in Oregon's affairs. At one time he was one of Oregon's senators. That was many years ago, when he was in his prime.

Now Mr. Corbett has reached seventy and more. He is no longer capacitated for business, much less to represent the constituency of a growing state.

There is some history attached to the Corbett candidacy for senator. Two years ago Boss Simon was turned down by his party.

Right now Republicans are discussing, all over the state, the principle of caucus rule. All admit that under certain circumstances it is an ideal way to settle party differences and selections, so that a solid, unified front may be presented to the enemy.

The people, however, have set their stamp of disapproval on both factions of the Republican party and propose to clean the slate and begin anew in an effort to produce harmony.

That is why this paper hopes for the election of a man like Hon. M. C. George. It believes that the election of such a man would do more to settle our unfortunate differences than anything that could be devised at present.

LIGHT EXCUSES.

The people of Oregon have been curious to know what Gov. Lord would present, in his message, as excuses for calling the special session. Their curiosity has been satisfied, but their gullibility was not properly sized up by the governor.

His chief reason for calling the twenty-day session is to stop expenses and to elect a United States senator. There are other reasons presented, but they are too flimsy to receive any consideration at all.

It Gov. Lord is honest in either of the important excuses he offers for

his action, if there is a particle of good sense in calling a legislature to gather a little more than ninety days before the regular session, this action should have been taken long ago.

Gov. Lord should have told the truth of the matter, and should have stated positively that the session was called to serve Joe Simon and to elect Hon. H. W. Corbett. This is unquestionably the facts.

The people can congratulate themselves, however, that the chances for the success of the Simon Corbett scheme have been reduced to a minimum. It is more than likely that a good, non-partisan Republican will be chosen, one who has steered clear of our party rows.

CAUCUS RULE.

Suppose that in the Oregon legislature there are forty six Republicans, enough to elect a Republican senator on joint ballot. Suppose again that there are two candidates in the field, one like Hon. M. C. George, going before the body on his merits, relying solely upon fair methods for his election.

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tion of the U.S. senate can go behind the actual vote of a legislature. The caucus may be, as most of them are, rotten to the core, but that matters not. The culprit cannot be punished. He has practiced "a little sharp work" but he holds his seat in what should be one of most honorable bodies of our great nation.

Senatorial caucuses have been very unsuccessful in Oregon. In 1895 and in 1897 they failed utterly in their purpose. This is discouraging, aside from the other bad features of such a plan, under the present circumstances, to nominate a senator.

Reports from Salem indicate that Hon. M. C. George is the leading compromise candidate. His election would insure great harmony, and would prove a splendid solution of our difficulties.

Mr. Mitchell's Albany letter sheds new light on the situation as it appeared at Salem nearly two years ago. At least, a majority of the people will gain information by reading the letter which appears in full in yesterday's Oregonian.

The Oregonian says in an editorial yesterday, referring to the much-talked-of candidacy of Mr. Mitchell for the United States senate, that "Mr. Mitchell, ex-senator, tells the public that he is not a candidate. He makes a virtue of necessity. This is a good philosophical spirit."

The Oregonian has "come down off its high horse and says that the caucus is not "over-spirited." There is no caucus to have any spirit, or anything else. It does not and will not exist. People of Oregon are tired of senatorial caucuses.

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PRESS COMMENT.

How many votes would H. W. Corbett receive for United States senator if his election depended on the popular vote of the people.—Roseburg Plaindealer.

Ex-Senator Corbett's election is not certain by any means. Both branches of the legislature were organized under a compromise. Mr. Corbett's partisans should hold themselves in a little yet a while. If they do not, they may be overwhelmingly embarrassed before the twenty days' term of the special session of the legislature expires.

The supporters of the candidacy of H. W. Corbett are employing the bull-dozing game of claiming the certainty of his election, in order to make the supposedly timid members think they must "get into the band wagon" or get run over by it. There is no sort of chance for Mr. Corbett's election, if those members who believe it would be an injustice and an outrage to their constituents and to their own reputations, will only vote

their honest sentiments. Let no one be scared or bull-dozed.—Salem Statesman.

The opponents of Mr. Corbett claim he is defeated, and his supporters admit it. There will have to be a new name brought forward. "Any old man" would be better for Oregon's interests and reputation. If some one must be elected from that faction, better Joseph Simon, or H. W. Scott, or Donald Mackay, or Henry Failing, or any one of a hundred whose names will suggest themselves in the roll of public men.

It is expected that the Oregon legislature, which convened yesterday in special session, will elect H. W. Corbett, a Portland banker, to the state's vacant seat in the United States senate. The Spokesman-Review has no approval for that spirit which would shut the door of public preferment against any honest class of American citizenship.

THE TRIALS OF THE TRAVELER.

Particularly Those of the Woman With a Family, a Bird Cage and a Bandbox.

The delayed train this morning was side-tracked and the passengers took breakfast at the Umatilla House, stopping for about twenty minutes. In the meantime the Spokane train arrived, and as it drew up at the hotel several became somewhat confused, and thinking it was their train boarded it as it pulled out.

If there is a time in a person's life when wise seem to desert them and the power to control one's self and stop and calculate fails, it is when traveling. No matter how experienced a traveler or how cool and collected we may be, the sight of a train when one is interested in their movements seems to "rattle" us, and we immediately begin to ask questions.

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TRIP THROUGH COLORADO.

A Few of Its Magnificent Views Mentioned in a Crude Manner by One Who Viewed Them.

At the close of the meeting of the National Editorial Association at Denver, which adjourned on Friday, September 9th, the newspaper people boarded a special train, composed of eleven coaches, and started for a tour of the wonderful sight-seeing state, Colorado. The first day was spent at Loveland, a place of about 2,000 inhabitants, situated fifty miles from Denver, on the Union Pacific, Denver & Gulf railroad.

Many on the second day took in the trip over the Loop, which was not so pleasant on account of the frigidness of the atmosphere as it would have been on a clearer day. On reaching the lunch station or half-way house, a snow storm was encountered, but it was fleeting, and by the time Silver Plume, at the end of the journey, was reached, the winding path of the snake-like road could be distinguished clearly for miles, and the wonderful meanderings of the famous Loop, were plain to be seen, crossing and re-crossing itself, until, like a crazy quilt, it gives up and quits the job when it finds a place large enough to deposit tourists, who by this time have no idea "where they are at" in trying to trace the road over which they came.

The loop trip was formerly considered the greatest one-day attraction the state affords; but within the past six months a formidable rival has made its appearance in the shape of the journey over the Colorado and Northwestern to Ward.

The hostess had decorated her parlors as only one of her good taste can, and served a lunch which was in keeping with the success of the afternoon's pleasures. These afternoons are calculated to awaken interest in the work of the society, as well as create good feeling and sociability between its members.

The Chief Burgess of Milesburg, Pa. says De Witt's Little Early Risers are the best pills he ever used in his family during forty years of house keeping. They cure constipation, sick headache and stomach and liver troubles. Small in size but great in results. Snipe-berger, named in honor of the civil

engineer who accomplished this thrilling elevation. Old camp Ward finally comes into view, 9,450 feet above sea level, and in coming over 26 1/2 miles of track we have been lifted 4,000 feet nearer the place where the skeptical are foolish enough to say editors will never go. Hastening, we will but mention the lunch here spread, although columns could be written and not do the subject justice, for evidently the ladies understood the usual diet of their guests (air) was almost too light in that atmosphere.

What shall be said of the following day's delights, when, having traveled in the night, we found ourselves in Colorado Springs, with Pike's Peak invitingly looming up in the distance, the Garden of the Gods near at hand and Cheyenne canyon, with its mysteries, among them a tempting dinner, but a new minute's ride from the depot. Oregon, as usual, was bound to see it all, and accordingly started early to reach "Pike's Peak or bust." Upon returning home they found that they were "busted", but not from a failure to reach the peak, as a future article will show.

Poster Party.

In connection with the regular meetings of the Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church, it has been the custom to frequently have an afternoon devoted principally to social converse, games, etc. Yesterday afternoon such a meeting was held at the home of Mrs. E. C. Pease, which was called a poster party. From the different magazines and newspapers she had culled a number of cuts used in advertising and familiar to everyone, that is, supposed to be so, until we attempt to tell what particular article they advertise, and then comes the tug of war. These had been tacked on the wall and the ladies spent part of the afternoon in guessing just what they call our attention to. Mrs. Geisendorfer has evidently been reading THE CHRONICLE for she succeeded in carrying away the two very pretty chocolate cups and saucers as a proof of her observing faculty. Mrs. Grey, who has not quite such good eyesight, but reads just the same, won the consolation prize.

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