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CONTEST IS UP TO COMMITTEE

The legislature has put the Hodgins-Kiddle contest up to a special committee of three. Just what this committee will do there is no telling. Committees are very important in legislation, sometimes they use them to chloroform a measure and put it to sleep.

We still believe that the failure to count all of the votes in the two counties will be one of the principal objections raised. Had this been done and Mr. Hodgins showed a majority it would have been harder for the senate to refuse consideration.

The supreme court of Idaho will never know exactly what they have done to Mr. Cruzon and the other newspaper men until they come up for re-election. "Technically they have stayed within their rights," says one attorney.

Jay Dobbins, the Wallowa sheep man, did not get worsted any in his skirmish with Game Warden Finley. While many may not agree with Mr. Dobbins he is to be admired for handling himself with remarkable grace and ability when pitted against a state official.

County Clerk Fields of Multnomah county has been the victim of a state house scheme to besmirch his character by suffering a charge of shortage in accounts. Fields was not short but had the state overpaid, and thus a man of integrity is forced to go into court to defend himself against an absolutely false charge.

It is said Mayor Rushlight of Portland is undecided whether he should run for a second term as chief executive of that city. He may be, but there are many people who have watched his administration who could quickly advise him the right course to pursue.

Watch the popularity of Senator Chamberlain grow dim as the different Democratic factions lay down upon him for support for their favorite sons. Chamberlain is an ideal winner when his party is in the minority. Now, let us see if he is big enough to handle the boys when they want something.

No doubt Bennie Olcott is sincere in his blue sky law, but the people turned it down, and as a man who yields to the wish of the people had not he ought to let the matter rest at that? Or does he wish to emulate the example of Governor West at the hanging bee, by insinuating the people did not know what they were doing?

The fight against the land shark is entirely too late. Oregon should have begun it five years ago. Many is the easterner who has been fleeced on an Oregon land deal, each of which has done the state an irreparable damage. Placing the land at the disposal of the actual settler at its first cost is the right plan to follow.

A communication sent to The Observer says in reference to public service corporations: "Why place them under the railroad commission? The water commission is the body to handle most of these corporations, for the greater part of them is water."

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From the interviews with J. P. Morgan published from time to time we gather that he must be some conversationalist. It reminds us of the days when James J. Jeffries occasionally gave out an interview in person.

Cussing the weather is the cheapest and easiest way to give off a little surplus energy. But why cuss the Grande Ronde weather. We need every flake of snow and every bit of blizzard we have had. Yes, we need it just as badly as we need sunshine in summer.

The occasional visitor to New York would just as soon take a chance with the criminal element as with the police.

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tle most of these corporations, for the greater part of them is water." Now, there might be good logic in this statement. In fact, La Follette was ninety per cent. right when he followed Jim Hill in an attack on the watered stock as the curse of business of the present day.

How would it be to abolish all the tariffs for revenue, and adopt the Russian plan, instead, of fixing everybody who criticises the government?

A woman voter in Washington fainted when she was asked her age. Voting is really a serious proposition.

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