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WEATHER.

Oregon, Washington, Idaho—Fair.

TONIGHT'S THE TIME!

When Astoria gets itself together tonight at the Astoria theatre and summarizes her real status, most people will be surprised at the scope of favorable conditions that belong to her of right, and the only marvel will arise from contemplation of the fact that she has temporized so long with opportunities instantly and always available. Overweening, outside influences have done much to retard and discourage her; she is not wholly to blame for her denial of benefits that should have been wrought long ago. Now she is to scan her own field, do her own work, start on her own initiative, compel recognition and enforce her own ends. She lacks nothing by way of natural and legal predicate; she has everything to win out on, if she will but take snap judgment and demand instead of ask.

Organization is the first needful thing; after that comes the real work. Once banded in a common purpose, the essential requisites may be programmed in importance and sequence, and put into the hands of live committees. Abandon red-tape, chuck diffidence, scout all interference, turn down the temporizers, put up a bold, honest, defiant front, and go after results. It has been done in other places that lacked half the natural, commercial advantages we possess. It can be done here, and what is more, it will be.

The man in Astoria who deprecates this policy of aggressive, strong-handed acquisition of things that belong to us, will do well to keep mum on the subject, and let the real acquisitive spirit of the community have full play for a while. Come out, everybody and come shouting for Astoria!

THE DYNAMITE COWARD.

That lowest of all low and cowardly criminals, the dynamite brute, is abroad in Portland. He is evidently working out reprisal on the street car company and attempting the ruin of its property, regardless of the innocent lives involved in his treacherous scheme of retaliation. It is to be hoped the police will follow the fend up, as they did the postal thieves of Sellwood, to the last scoundrel implicated, and put them where even dynamite will be ineffective. The criminal user of this agency, or its ilk, should be shot to death on the spot with the law's best award for the gun user!

TEN DAYS YET!

All Oregon is on the anxious seat as to what its legislature will do in the next ten days to recoup the frightful waste of the previous thirty. It looks "to a man up a tree," as if it would be necessary to order up the vital business of the people from the committee rooms, and, ignoring the calendar, debate the greater measures and pass them in the best order obtainable, casting superfluous stuff to the winds, and so redeem the session from hopeless barrenness.

Not in years has so little been accomplished at Salem. We do not know, nor do we care, where the fault lies; it is too bitterly plain for any mis-

understanding, that the work has been wretchedly misdirected and is in confusion and arrears.

There is a brief season in which to recoup and the only hope left is that the extraordinary responsibility will be met in some measure and that real good will come out of the mess. If the big and popular things demanded by the people at this session are ignored, crowded out, denied enactment, there will be some retroactive accounting with the men responsible for the failure which is beginning to take on the color and guise of deliberate, and inspired, purpose.

TO THE VERY END.

Colonel W. S. Roessler, in charge of the United States engineering Department, directing the work on the Columbia river jetties, enjoys, deservedly, the confidence of this whole section, as a man who does more with his brain and hand and less with his lips, in the great matters entrusted to him. The renewal of jetty work, under his sway, this year, backed, as it is, by generous and adequate Congressional appropriations, has the sanction and good will of all classes hereabout, who, until now, have looked askant at the yearly humbuggery that has gone before.

We believe, having heard Colonel Roessler avow his policy of never stopping the work until the system is completed, that he will carry it out, finally, and successfully, and we wish him every advantage possible in the undertaking, propitious weather, quiet seas, undelayed traffic in material, good labor service and all agencies that shall contribute to the achievement. It is one of the tremendous essentials of the Northwest, and we trust the last of interference and delay in the great premise, has been recorded.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

A seductive headline—"Golf in the South."

Astoria will be on parade tonight. Then comes the real work.

The small boy and the snow man are renewing old acquaintance in New York.

It's the man who can't behave that's always got a kick against the law and the way it is administered, in Astoria, as elsewhere.

Perhaps the Japanese have been reading about the Teddy bear and think it is some sort of an animal like the Russian bear.

Clatsop puts up an even hundred cases for circuit court review next Monday; with a beggarly minority of them on the criminal side.

There must be some good work, and a number of "lightning changes," up at Salem, during the next ten days if any good is to come out of the legislative Gideon.

Lest it be thought strange it is so difficult to find great statesmen to represent Rhode Island and New Jersey in the Senate, it must be remembered they have to be looked for in New Jersey and Rhode Island.

If Professor William A. Shepherd of Columbia University, in his tour of South America next summer, can attract numbers of the youth of the southern republics to our schools the Monroe doctrine, as well as some of our commercial advantages, will receive new force and encouragement.

The Japanese embassy at Washington has taken the pains to deny, and to condemn as ridiculous the statement that an ultimatum had been delivered to this government in the matter of the California school controversy. It was Mr. Richmond Pearson Hobson, who said it was so—that he had seen it. We are forced to conclude that Mr. Hobson's eyes are not good, nor his speech to be trusted implicitly.

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MANY POSSIBILITIES

Presidential Timber Plentiful in Republican Party.

BRYAN IS DEMOCRATIC HOPE

Vice President Fairbanks Has Most Perfect Organization, While Taft Has Support of Roosevelt, and Many Others Are Strong.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Although the pressure of Congressional duties rests rather heavy upon public men during the short session of a Congress, those who manage affairs and whose opinions have weight in the party councils are finding the time to discuss the relative merits of prospective candidates for the Presidential campaign of 1908. It is a significant fact that up to the present no name in connection with the Democratic side of the coming campaign is mentioned seriously save that of Mr. Bryan. This does not mean that other distinguished Democrats are void of ambition, or that the party has not available Presidential timber, but it does seem to indicate that by common consent the man who has twice made an unsuccessful race may stand a better chance of nomination under changed conditions and changed public opinion than any other man today prominent in the party.

In the Republican party there are quite a number of men whose qualifications are being carefully and seriously considered by leaders, and although the time for election is still in the future, by the process of elimination efforts are being made to centralize public opinion around some one man who may be found to stand head and shoulders above his peers. Upon whom choice may finally rest is a question that could not now be answered and probably will not be answered until the very eve of the convention. That President Roosevelt will do all within his power to assist in the selection of a man who will continue the policies brought into existence and given force and effect by the President, no one can doubt who understands the individuality and sincerity of Mr. Roosevelt. No matter how men may disagree with him, few are so bold as to charge the President with insincerity.

Therefore, it is reasonable to suppose that if the President can control the convention he would swing it for the one man in whom he has a confidence that nothing can shake—Secretary Taft. The only thing that may prevent the War Secretary from being a candidate would be a vacancy in the Supreme Court Justiceship. He is judicial in temperament and recently in an official statement admitted that there were certain objections to him that might make him unavailable as a Presidential candidate. If Chief Justice Fuller retires during the term of President Roosevelt, the probability is that Mr. Taft would accept this

place, as he looks upon it as a position worthy the ambition of any man in this country.

With the Secretary of War eliminated, it is difficult to see in what direction the President might turn for the kind of a man he would like to see as his successor. The talk that Mr. Roosevelt, himself, would again be a candidate, is idle.

Vice President Fairbanks, perhaps, up to this time, has the most perfect and effective organization. He is an avowed candidate, and his friends in all sections of the country are energetically at work. Although it is not admitted, there are several bureaus engaged in disseminating Fairbanks literature and otherwise keeping their candidate to the forefront. Mr. Fairbanks makes no secret of his ambition and his friends are in constant communication with his Washington headquarters. If the suggestion of one of the prominent Chicago papers, made within the last few days, should be carried out, Mr. Fairbanks would have opposition in his own state. This paper in a vigorous editorial called the attention to the policies of the present administration, to which it gives cordial approval, and declared that if these policies were to be perpetuated the one man who might be counted upon to do so was Senator Beveridge of Indiana. This paper declares that in the coming campaign the fight must be made on the issues as defined by Mr. Roosevelt, and not upon the personal qualities of any candidate, and upon this assumption it declares that the senior senator from Indiana is the ideal candidate.

In the list of those who may be designated as avowed candidates, the name of Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the Treasury, must be placed. Mr. Shaw retires from office March 3, and will then be at liberty to devote his time to the advancement of his own interests. In some of the Southern States Mr. Shaw is understood to be particularly strong and is said to have built upon an organization that is laboring to advance his interests. His strength in the South is said to lie chiefly in the Atlantic coast states. A thorn in the side of Mr. Shaw, however, is the candidacy of Governor Cummins of Iowa. Between him and Mr. Shaw and the other standpat tariff men of the party there has been a bitter struggle for several years. It is claimed by persons who profess to know the situation in Iowa that a divided delegation must inevitably go to the national convention.

If Judge Taft abandons his idea of going to the Supreme Court and becomes an active candidate, a similar outcome is likely in Ohio, where Senator Foraker will contest with Mr. Taft for the support of the Ohio delegates. Both Mr. Taft and Senator Foraker live in Cincinnati. The senator's stronghold is the southern part of the state, but Mr. Taft would find his supporters chiefly in the northern part and particularly in the lake region, where Representative Burton is one of the party leaders. Mr. Burton, however, is said to have Presidential ambitions and he might find something to his advantage in the Ohio situation if the Foraker and Taft factions get into a wrangle and find it necessary to agree upon some dark horse. Just at present Foraker, aided by Sen-

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