

SPECIAL SESSION IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY

THEIR VIEWS HAVE CHANGED

Special Session Now Is Favored

BY MANY PEOPLE

The Lewis and Clark Fair Is Bound Up With the Project.

There is a plainly marked reaction in favor of the special session. The movement had received a setback during the day when the opposition was having its lining, and many who ardently wished for the calling of the Legislature to meet in December feared it had gone aglimmering. But it is known today that some who opposed the idea are now happy they did so, and are quietly giving support where they had given opposition.

So nearly as the Journal has been able to learn the sentiment, the feeling is that the future of the Lewis and Clark Fair is bound up to great extent in the fate of the special session. Consensus of the views obtained by the Journal is:

If Oregon does not indicate accurately what amount is to be appropriated, then the other states will be slow to act, and Congress will perhaps permit the matter to drag along without much of an appropriation and perhaps not give any. Congress meets in December and the Legislature of Coast states in January. Oregon must dispose of the matter soon or see no help coming from outside, which would mean failure.

THE PORTLAND INTEREST, TOO.

The feeling locally is that there should be a special session, to settle the Lewis and Clark matter, to make sure and safe the operation of the initiative and referendum, and insure flat salary reform and to enact into statute the Portland charter. This last appears to be a real and a pressing necessity, according to men who are closely informed upon the Portland city situation. It is being claimed that the new charter must be secured before improvements may be made in the police force, that the streets cannot be properly attended to prior to the passage of the new charter by the Legislature, that bridges will remain unlooked after, and that in general there will be no attention of the many deplorable conditions in the city until the new charter shall have been made law by the State Legislature.

There is more probability of a special session today than there has been during the earlier days of the week, though it is yet an open question.

THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

There is doubt in the minds of many persons competent to judge that the initiative and referendum will be effective prior to the enactment of statutory law compelling it. The Journal has learned that eminent lawyers believe that the law of mandamus is such as to make it possible for state officials to nullify the initiative and referendum if they choose so to do.

Probably there is no doubt that the law of mandamus is that it applies only when ministerial duty shall have been specifically defined and placed in the function of particular officials. The amendment to the Constitution adopted by popular vote last June provides that, pending statutory legislation on the subject, existing law shall apply. But the difficulty, as seen by many lawyers, is that, were it attempted to compel recognition of the law, the state officials could plead that no specific law had been enacted, and be culpable for no neglect of duty in the premises.

A HYPOTHETICAL CASE.

"Presume," said a well known legal authority, "it were attempted to force flat salaries, and the secretary of state were to plead that he is bound by no law to assist in enforcing the initiative, could he be compelled? Perhaps he could, but who knows it until it has been passed upon by the Supreme Court. As a matter of fact, the whole question is in doubt, with all due respect to the opinions of those who have pronounced upon the subject."

"It all goes to the question of the special session, too, for an extra session could dispose of it beyond cavil."

NO NEW DREDGE

But Columbia Will Be Cleaned Out Anyway.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Thousands for dredging but not one cent for new machinery is the gist of the report of the chief engineer rendered yesterday regarding the Columbia River and its navigation by deep-sea shipping. While the work of improving the mouth of the river will be carried forward without hitch, no new dredge will be built now.

HEAVY INSURERS.

It is a well-known fact that all men of affairs carry large amount of insurance in the Equitable Life. They know that there are other companies, but they also know that there is none as good as the Equitable.

WILL BE NOTABLE SOCIAL EVENT AT THE CAPITAL.



SENORITA ADELINE ALVAREZ CALDERON

The social debut of Senorita Adeline Alvarez Calderon, daughter of the Peruvian Minister, will be a notable event at the capital. She is the only debutante in the diplomatic contingent this year, which adds to the importance of the event. She is 18 years old, beautiful and vivacious.

WILL BURN WHITE MAN AT THE STAKE

Negro Murderer Already Cremated and White Companion Will Follow the Same Route.

MEMPHIS, Nov. 1.—A long distance telephone message from Sardis, Miss., says a negro implicated in the murder of Edwin Jackson and a prominent lumberman, Charles Roselle, was burned at the stake last night in the presence of 1,000 people. Brog has also been captured. He is a white man. They will burn him also, establishing the first record of a Caucasian having been burned at the stake in this state. Brog was implicated in the murder.

GIANT FEEDER

Glacier That Sends Water to Three Oceans.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 1.—Two hundred square miles of solid ice, slowly melting and furnishing the first waters of the Columbia River, has been discovered by Rev. James Outram, a Scotch mountain climber, who for the past three months has been stalking about the high hills of the Canadian Northwest. The giant glacier is on the slope of Columbia Mountain and is the largest in this section of the country. From this one glacier water flows into three different oceans, the Pacific, Atlantic and Arctic.

MAC GET OFF

Man Has Confessed He Killed Willie Nickell.

CHEYENNE, Nov. 1.—Arguments for the new trial of Tom Horn, the convicted murderer of Willie Nickell because he was hired to do so by the cattle barons, are delayed because the defense is working to substantiate a confession it claims to have obtained from a man whose name is not given out.

A DESERVED FATE.

PIERRE, Neb., Nov. 1.—Gottlieb Niedergand, who killed his divorced wife, her father, wounded his wife's mother and criminally assaulted Lena Bruyer, was this morning found guilty, and sentenced to death.

REDMOND GOES HOME.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—John Redmond, the Irish leader, sailed for England yesterday. Dillon and Davitt will remain in this country until Christmas.

HE WAS MAD

Myror Tom Johnson Smashed a By-lander Yesterday.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 1.—If William Myloraine carries out his threat, Mayor Tom Johnson will be arrested for assault. During the course of a political argument in the public square yesterday afternoon the Mayor struck Myloraine in the face with his clenched hand. A sensation followed. No blood was drawn, but the insulted man left the scene declaring he would have Johnson arrested. Johnson claims to have overheard the man he struck calling him a liar.

A GREAT WORK

Vienna Physicians Are on Their Way to Frisco.

SALT LAKE, Nov. 1.—Dr. Adolph Lorenz and the surgeons who came with him from Vienna will leave here this afternoon for San Francisco, after performing four successful operations for relief from congenital hip disease. There were many heart-rending scenes at the Holy Cross Hospital where the anxious parents were beseeching the noted physicians to make their little ones walk.

ENGLISH COAL.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—There is a report on the London "Change" that J. P. Morgan is negotiating for the purchase of the Staffordshire coal fields. The price asked is several million pounds.

CABLE OPEN.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The first message over the British Imperial Pacific Cable was received at Buckingham Palace yesterday.

PROMOTERS OF THE BIG FAIR

Ask Money From Neighboring States.

NEW COMMITTEES

Board of Women Managers Will Be Appointed by President Corbett.

Women's clubs are to be organized throughout the state to assist the Board of Women Managers of the Lewis and Clark Fair in their work of handling the business of the fair in connection with matters pertaining to women. Space will be set apart in the exposition for exhibits from every county in the state, and all the county commissioners are invited to participate. President Corbett will communicate with the governors of neighboring states to recommend to their legislatures appropriations for the fair, in the assurance of a \$500,000 appropriation by Oregon.

This was decided on at a meeting of the directors of the Lewis and Clark Fair Board of Directors, held late yesterday afternoon, at which there were present H. W. Corbett, Adolphe Wolfe, A. L. Mills, Samuel Connel, P. L. Willis, W. D. Wheelwright, George W. Bates, A. H. Devers, W. S. Fenton, Charles E. Ladd, Leo Brille and Rufus Mallory, J. H. Raley, of Astoria; J. M. Church, of LaGrande; B. Van Dusen, of Astoria, and J. C. Cooper.

DISCUSS APPROPRIATION.

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NEW COMMITTEES.

Amendments were introduced reducing the number of standing committees from 24 to 14. The new committees are as follows:

- A committee on finance and supplies. Five members.
- A committee on ways and means. Seven members.
- A committee on concessions and privileges. Five members.
- A committee on exhibits, transportation, rules and regulations. Five members.
- A committee on press and publicity. Three members.
- A committee on grounds and buildings. Seven members.
- A committee on ceremonies, music and fine arts. Five members.
- A committee on legislation. Fifteen members.
- A committee on agriculture. Five members.
- A committee on mines and mining. Five members.
- A committee on manufactures and liberal arts. Seven members.
- A committee on fish and fisheries. Three members.
- A committee on history, ethnology and education. Five members.
- A committee on amusements. Three members.
- An advisory committee. Twenty-five members.

WOMAN MANAGERS.

According to the reorganized laws the president is empowered to appoint a board of women managers, who should report to the committee on ceremonies, music and fine arts. This board is to manage all the affairs of the exposition pertaining to women. It is understood that auxiliary clubs of women will be formed in every county of the state.

WOMEN FOUGHT FOR MOLINEUX

Today's New York Court Scene.

WERE THROWN OUT

The Defense Plays Strong Card and Fights With the Enemy's Weapons.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—Women fought for places in the court room where Molineux is being tried this morning. An extra large squad of police was called to keep them out, but they wrangled with the officers until many had to be forcibly prevented from entering the room. It is estimated that five times the capacity of the auditorium sought admittance.

Molineux went to the stand for cross-examination, but was dismissed after having been asked a few curt questions by the state. He retained the cool, frank appearance that was such a winning card in yesterday's sensational developments. From all that can be ascertained outside the railing he has made a favorable impression on the jury.

A STRONG DEFENSE.

After the prisoner was sent from the stand the defense played another strong card and fought the prosecution with its own weapons. Marcellus Gumpel, the famous California handwriting expert, was called and gave evidence that the handwriting of Molineux and that on the poison package were not the same. He explained differences and told why it was impossible for the two to be in any way identified with one another. There were features in each, he said, that could not be produced by the same hand. He told of various trials that have occurred on the Pacific Slope and of things that have been proven regarding writing and efforts to disguise the same. His testimony created a deep impression and is believed to have offset that of the witnesses on hand-writing introduced by the prosecution several days ago.

N. D. Howell, another handwriting expert from California, followed Gumpel and swore positively that the writing on the poison packet was not in the hand of the prisoner.

MAN MISSING

Caker City Contractor Has Taken Long Hike.

BAKER CITY, Nov. 1.—Although the authorities have not the least idea where to find H. P. Nichols they hold a warrant for his arrest. Mrs. O. V. Motley, a resident of Cove, is the complainant and alleges that she paid the missing man \$500 for the construction of and material used in two cottages recently erected. He cashed the check and skipped out. Now the missing firm from which the lumber was secured comes and files a lien upon the cottages to secure payment. Mrs. Motley, having paid Nichols, is struggling and has caused a warrant to be issued.

REBELS WIN

Venezuelan Forces Routed at San Mateo Today.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—Dispatches that have been received here from the Island of Curacao say that the Venezuelan forces under General Gomez, near San Mateo, have been routed by the insurgents, both sides losing heavily.

ARION TO GIVE GRAND BALL

The Arion announces its first great annual ball to take place on Friday, November 28, at Arion Hall. It will be given under the patronage of the ladies of the society.

This is rather a new departure for the Arion, but one to be commended. The artistic and well arranged concerts of this organization have become fixed events in the social world of our city, and we believe that the annual balls, which will be inaugurated this year, will gain the same enjoyable distinction and add to the prominence of the Arion society.

GIVEN HONORS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—London dispatches carry the information that a number of Boer war generals have been named in rank as a reward for their services. Lord Methuen is given the rank of Knight of the Grand Cross of the Bath. Kitchener is given Companion of the Bath. French and Hamilton are made lieutenant-generals. Kekewich and Prumer are made honorary major-generals. There are other honors bestowed.

RIOTING IN PORTO RICO.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Nov. 1.—Rioting is still going on here over the political situation. One man was killed yesterday and there is every evidence that other serious results will follow. The populace is in a ferment.

WALLA WALLA MAY LOSE SEWER

It Is Menace to Another Town.

THE COURT MAY ACT

Without Outlet to Drainage System the City Would Soon Become Cesspool.

(Journal Special Service.)

WALLA WALLA, Nov. 1.—There is danger here of the sewer system of the city being shut off because of lack of an outlet. At the time the sewer was constructed the Blalock Fruit Company contracted to handle the sewage for garden purposes. In order to do this the effluent matter is spread out over many acres of ground just below College Place, a suburb of Walla Walla. Now the people of College Place are complaining that the use of such sewage for the purpose to which it is being put is endangering their health. They have petitioned the City of Walla Walla to discontinue the service and in the event the petition is ignored they may bring an injunction suit. If the injunction should be granted Walla Walla would be without an outlet for its sewers, and the city would within 24 hours become a giant cesspool, so foul that it could not be inhabited. There is much comment on the strained situation.

SURE TO WIN

Democratic Chairman Cable Makes a Forecast Today.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—Chairman Benjamin Cable of the Democratic congressional committee today announced that while he did not look for anything like an overwhelming victory in the coming elections he expected them to result in a comfortable working majority for the Democrats. A lead of 20 is about what he expects. The greatest Republican successes are expected in the states of Wyoming, Idaho, Washington, Montana, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Maine, Minnesota, New Hampshire and North Dakota. He believes Lord will be defeated in California and says the Democrats will win in New York by a small margin.

THE OTHER SIDE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—Chairman Babcock of the Republican congressional committee said this afternoon that the Republican party, at the close of the coming elections, would have a working majority of at least 20. This is the minimum, he says. The Republicans expect to carry the Central West and the Mountain districts as well as the Pacific Coast states. In the tetractite districts he claims the Republicans will win with ease. Odell will carry New York by 40,000 he avers.

AFTER TURKEY.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Late last night the President and a party, including Root, Cortelyou and Rixey, left this city for Manassas, Va., where some time will be spent in shooting wild turkey. The party will return to Washington Monday. A special train was used.

POOR GIRL TO WED A BRITISH NOBLEMAN.



Besides departing from all aristocratic precedents by going upon the stage, the Earl of Rosslyn, who is in this country, has shown himself to be unlike his fellow British noblemen by becoming engaged to an American girl without a fortune. She is Miss Beatrice Stimpson, a daughter of the theatrical profession. The happy pair will marry around Christmas time.

SPECIAL MEN ARE SHUT OUT

The Strike Commission Bars Reporters.

ONLY A FEW CAN GO

Staff of the Big Dailies Must Remain Above Ground While Others Deive.

WILKESBARRE, Nov. 1.—When the members of the strike adjustment commission go down into the mines to make examinations in future they will be accompanied only by members of the local press and the great press associations. This means that the vast corps of special representatives that has been sent out by the larger dailies will have to remain above ground and await the return of those connected with the investigation. This arrangement was made this morning by Commissioner Watkins, and has caused general disappointment. It is believed to have been the result of a consultation held by the members of the commission last night. Too many newspaper men in their train had a tendency to hamper the movements of the commissioners and an army of lateness has rendered miners reticent when questioned.

The members of the arbitration commission arrived here at an early hour this morning. They were in an aggressive mood. They will return this evening to Scranton and remain there over Sunday, Spaulding will celebrate mass at St. Paul's Cathedral in that city. All members of the board will be in attendance. Either Sunday night or Monday they will leave for Hazleton, where they will spend several days in the mines.

MAGNATES RE APPEAR.

They were met at the depot here today by a large delegation of railway officials, who endeavored to show them courtesies, but were received with cold politeness. It is evident the commissioners are determined not to embarrass themselves by becoming too friendly with the money power.

A number of operators came to meet them and gave them to understand that a wage increase could not be permitted in some of the sections where the mine shafts were deep and being operated at very great expense. Increases in the pay of workmen there would compel the closing of the mines. It was claimed. Although the depot was in plain sight of the headquarters of President Mitchell and his staff, there was not a member of the union there to meet the arbitrators. This is taken as a sign that Mitchell and his men are determined not to appear as attempting to cast influence in their favor by personal attentions showered upon the commission.

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