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**A PLEA FOR AN EXTRA SESSION.**

The Salem Journal is still earnestly urging that Governor Pennoyer call a special session of the legislature to make an appropriation for a portage at The Dalles. It contends, and very justly as we think that there is not the least possible show for an appropriation from the national government for the work. Railroad building is a new departure which congressional attachment to precedent is not likely to adopt. Holman's hostility to any new items of expenditure and a democratic congress anxious to make a record for economy, stand in the way. The republican senate is committed to a canal and locks partly completed. Senator Mitchell is championing a boat railroad scheme in the senate and Binger Hermann a portage railroad in the house. Senator Dolph is urging a liberal appropriation for the lower river. Paul Mohr has got the ear of members of the house committee and the Union Pacific influence is at work everywhere—all these conspiring circumstances and conflicting combinations reduce the chances of an appropriation to a moral impossibility. Meanwhile difficulties have arisen in connection with the vicious pilot service at the mouth of the Columbia. The last legislature put the business in the hands of the Union Pacific taking it from the pilot trust of Astoria. The hope that the corporate interests of the Union Pacific, being identical with those of the state, would be sufficient to secure good service, was delusive. Scores of vessels during the fall and winter remained outside the bar for days and weeks for lack of tugs to tow them in, and tens of thousands of dollars were lost in consequence to the people of the state, apart from the immense damage done to the commerce of the Columbia river. If this state of affairs continue over another season it will do so at a loss to producers and shippers of a probable half a million dollars. Again, an appropriation is needed for the world's fair if Oregon is not going to be the laughing stock of the whole nation. It is perfectly evident that no adequate amount can be raised by voluntary subscription by those who are liberal enough to contribute. Nor should it be, as the exhibit would be a benefit to every inhabitant of the state, and the state should therefore bear the burden of it. But apart from the world's fair we have a conjunction of circumstances in the necessities of the Dalles portage and the pilot service that make a demand for an extra session of the legislature, with an occasion as great as perhaps ever occurred in any state in the union. An expense of \$20,000 to \$50,000 incurred in effecting these measures would save to the producers of three states an easy half million dollars. Will Governor Pennoyer be equal to the occasion?

**AFTER THE RING'S SCALP.**

Unless we greatly mistake the meaning of words there is trouble ahead for the chronic office seekers and perpetual office holders of this county. The democratic club of Hood River, a large and respectable body of independent democrats, held a meeting on January 30, at which a series of resolutions was drafted and endorsed "expressive of their views and wishes in connection with the present status of democratic affairs in The Dalles, and the immediate requirements of our party in Wasco county." The second of these resolutions reads thus: "Resolved, That the powers that be, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are allied with the office seekers." The third resolution says: "This club from its numerical strength and standing will certainly make itself felt in the future councils and conduct of the democratic party in Wasco county." These resolutions can have only one meaning. The club is sick of ring rule and chronic office seekers and office holders in the democratic party of "The Dalles and Wasco county." The resolutions are strictly confined to the club's "views and wishes" in connection with home affairs. There is no thought of national affairs in the reference to the "powers that be" and no reference to national or even state affairs in any of the resolutions. In this respect the resolutions are clear and distinct and no other

grammatical construction can possibly be put upon them. The club is after the ring's scalp and they make no secret of it. The CHRONICLE therefore heartily echoes the sentiments of our democratic contemporary the Wasco Sun when it says of the resolutions: "They please us immensely." The resolutions please the CHRONICLE immensely. They manifest a sturdy independence and manly assertion of the rights of American citizenship that are highly commendable. But they do more than this. They warn the "ring," the "bosses," the "mutual admiration society" of The Dalles, a set of office holding barneales who have parceled out and held in possession every lucrative office in Wasco county for the last score of years that their doom has come and that the Hood River club will "certainly make itself felt" in demanding a thorough reformation. More power to the elbow of the Hood River club; it will have the sympathy and cooperation of every independent voter in Wasco county.

A free trade contemporary copies with approval the following from the Cathlamet Gazette: "Times will be dull and money scarce until our people wake up to the fact that the importation of eggs from Nebraska and beef and butter from Iowa drains our ready cash and leaves us poorer after each shipment." But of course we would get rich if we "drained our ready cash" to pay for free lumber from Canada and free wool from Australia and free manufactures from England and continental Europe. It's a poor rule that won't fit both cases.

**Recent Discoveries Almost Equal Leadville's in Its Best Days.**

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 4.—The excitement at Creede, Colo., on the Rio Grande railway, is intense. People are flocking from all parts of the country and a large city of rough board houses has sprung up in a short time. The mines are something wonderful and almost equal those of Leadville in its best days. David H. Moffat today was offered \$1,000,000 by an English company to bond the Holy Moses mine at Creede, but refused to do so. Since the first prospect hole was started at Creede, nine months ago, there has been \$3,000,000 worth of ore taken from the mines there, although everything is new and undeveloped as yet. Today L. Z. Dickson, Henry R. Wolcott, of Denver, Mr. Ward, of New York, and Jake Saunders, of Leadville, purchased a two-thirds interest in the Last Chance at Creede for \$100,000. This mine is shipping ninety tons of ore a day, which averages \$160 per ton.

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**Valuable Deposit.**

One of the most remarkable of all deposits of silver is at the Broken Hill mines in Australia. At that place the precious metal is found lying in an enormous lode. It has been suggested by Mr. George Sutherland that this great deposit of silver was left by a large salt lake that has now disappeared, but tracks of whose former existence are clearly to be seen.

According to this interesting theory, the salt lake was formed of imprisoned ocean water, a large quantity of which was caught in a basin between ranges of hills when Australia was lifted out of the sea. This water gradually leaked and was evaporated away, leaving deposits of the mineral and other matter that it had held in solution.

If this view is correct, the great store of silver at Broken Hill is a rich gift bestowed by the sea upon the land; but man has discovered the precious deposit, and seized it in his capacity of the lord of the earth.—Youth's Companion.

**Why a Blue Rose is Impossible.**

A florist makes the assertion that a blue rose is among the impossibilities, but, while an explanation of this curious fact may be equally impossible, he fails to mention a very interesting law which governs the colorings of all flowers. A knowledge of this law would save many flower growers hours of unavailing and foolish hope. The law is simply this: The three colors—red, blue and yellow—never all appear in the same species of flowers; any two may exist, but never the third. Thus we have the red and yellow roses, but no blue; red and blue verbenas, but no yellow; yellow and blue in the various members of the viola family (as pansies, for instance), but no red; red and yellow gladioli, but no blue, and so on.—St. Louis Republic.

**The Pimpernel.**

The common pimpernel, "poor man's weather glass," has the disadvantage of being a native plant and has been almost completely expelled from our flower gardens in favor of exotics, which are rarer but lack much of being as pretty. The pimpernel is a charming little flower, which opens about 8 in the morning and closes late in the afternoon, but has the remarkable peculiarity of indicating a coming shower by shutting up its petals. For this reason, if for no other, it deserves encouragement, and would appropriately take the place of some of the ugly tulips and other imported flowers now so popular.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

**Invention of the Fire Engine.**

Toward the close of the Seventeenth century M. Duperrier in France, Herr Leupold in Germany and Mr. Newsham in England introduced almost simultaneously fire engines having an air chamber, which rendered the stream of water continuous and uniform. In addition to this these engines were equipped with flexible leather hose, invented by Jan Van der Heide and his brother, and which was first put into practical use in Amsterdam in the year 1673.—Detroit Free Press.

**TOO FOND OF HIMSELF.**

So Much Interested in the Fair Passenger That He Paid Double.

A pretty young woman, dressed in the height of fashion, got into one of the Fifth Avenue "busses" the other day to drive up to Central park. Some of these busses still run on the old "bobtail" system, that is, they have no conductors to collect the fare, and passengers must themselves drop their nickels into a box at the end of the conveyance. The driver is supplied with a quantity of small coin to make change for passengers who have not the exact fare. As this handsome young woman took out her purse, several men bent forward expectantly for the privilege of passing her coin up to the box for her. Ignoring their readiness, she made her way up to the box herself and dropped a dime into it.

Then she waited for her change. No change came, however. She looked at the box anxiously, evidently thinking that perhaps she needed to pull out a handle or press a button somewhere in order to see her change fall out, but all she saw was a little sign, "Put the exact fare in the box." The men whom she had overlooked only grinned. She appealed to the driver for change. He told her he could not open the box, but that if she would wait until another passenger got aboard she could have his nickel instead of his dropping it in the box.

Pretty soon a typical "chappie," with monocle and English covert coat much too large for him, stepped into the bus and offered the driver ten cents to be changed into two nickels. The driver explained to him the predicament the young lady was in and asked him to give her one of the nickels.

"Certainly, with all the pleasure in the world," said the young fellow, as with a "ain't-I-just-in-it" smile he raised his hat, bowed profusely to the young woman and dropped a nickel into her little gloved hand. He beamed into her eyes as he did so in a way that evidently embarrassed her, but he grinned wider at her blush and looked around at the others as if to say, "Watch me mash her the first time." Then with a jaunty air he dropped the other nickel in the box.

Then several men snorted and the young fellow, looked up surprised to see what they were laughing at. He could not help seeing that he was the object of their mirth. He could not understand it at first, but pretty soon it struck him that he had got rid of two nickels for one ride. Then he blushed up to the roots of his hair, got very hot indeed and went out on the roof to cool off.—New York Tribune.

**Funny Incidents at Marriage Services.**

Some funny stories are told about the marriage service in the Isle of Man. One of them relates how an old man, brought rather unwillingly to the altar, could not be induced to repeat the responses. "My good man," at length exclaimed the clergyman, "I really cannot marry you unless you do as you are told." But the man remained silent. At this unexpected hitch the bride lost all patience with her future spouse and burst out with, "Go on. Say it after him just the same as if you was mackin him." The same difficulty occurred in another case. The clergyman, after explaining what was necessary and going over the responses several times, without the smallest effect, stopped in dismay, whereupon the bridegroom encouraged him with, "Go ahead, pass'n, go ahead! You'r doin' bravely." Upon another occasion it was, strangely enough, the woman who could not be prevailed upon to speak. When the clergyman remonstrated with her, she indignantly replied: "Your father married me twice before, and he wasn't axin me any of them impudent questions at all."—London Saturday Review.

**Kind of Jurors Preferred.**

Criminal court lawyers always like to have their cases on the first two or three days of the term if possible. The reason is that the jurors in many instances are fresh and green at the work of listening to evidence, and invariably show more sympathy for the persons on trial than they have after they have sat for a couple of weeks.

Jurors in the general sessions court are chosen to try cases for a month. Every term there are always some who have never been in the court before, while of course others have had plenty of experience and are adamant. So the young lawyer at the beginning of the month dwells on the sympathetic side of his case and resorts to all tricks, such as bringing the weeping wife into court, and tells the juries of the terrible results of a term in state prison.—New York Times.

**Asbestos and India Rubber.**

The use of asbestos in connection with india rubber is now practiced in various directions. Asbestos and india rubber woven sheeting, for instance, consists of asbestos woven cloth, coated on both sides with india rubber and then vulcanized. It is used as a substitute for the asbestos millboard for packing for steam joints and in other situations where it is desired to resist both heat and moisture, while affording a high degree of elasticity. Asbestos and india rubber woven washers are also made, and asbestos and india rubber woven tape, for making steam and water joints.—India Rubber World.

**People Who Dislike Bats.**

There is a very strong dislike to the bat among the peasants of South Germany. A feeling of disgust and fear takes possession of the farmer who finds bats in his chimney, not only because he believes the creatures will feed upon his pork that hangs in the smoke, but because bats are regarded as unlucky and bring poverty and misfortune.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Archibald Forbes, the war correspondent, has two elaborate equipments—one for hot and the other for cold regions—and passports for every country on the globe.

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