

EVERAL days before the senate failed to ratify the peace
treaty the Portland Oregonian expressing disgust over the Lodge proposals said that the reservation proposed $t$

## fragile switch."

Yesterday the Oregonian expressed the editorial view that "the worst that can be said of it (the amendment of article 10) is that it would delay action by this country until congress had
voted." The candid view of the Oregonian was given when it spoke of the "fragile switch"; it is now talking politics.
A simple glance at the reading of article 10 and at the Lodge reservation will prove the po
league covenant is as follows
Artcle 10 . The members of the league undertake to respect and preserve
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upon the means by which this obiligation Ehall be fultineo
The foregoing is a clear cut declaration that the league mem ers will stand together against any aggressor nation. It ggression by such a league. It would preserve the world peace
Now here is the article 10 amendment as contained in the
Lodge resolutions:


 Even a shall by act or Joint resolution so provide
Even boy reading this amendment can discern that takes the very life out of the League of Nations plan. It chicanery by any nation that wishes to work such methods. It is an attempt to restore America to an isolated position, something hat cannot be done.
A league covenant after the Lodge specifications would be worse than a "fragible switch." It would be so much stuff for
he waste basket.
The Portland Oregonian was a good champion of the league nd and let politics ride where it may.

## WHAT'S THE PROGRAM

(5)VERNOR OLCOTT has called a special session of the legislature for the announced reason that the workmen general situation permits of speculation as to other subjects he general situation permits of speculation as other subject ious measures they desire on the ballot next fall and it will be heaper to have the legislature submit these measures than to circulate initiative petitions. The legislators can accomplish some good for Oregon if the special session is marked by a spirit of service to the


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