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NO REPRESENTATIVE of the eastern Oregon gold fields had the nerve to even ask the state legislature for a mining school appropriation.

"WHAT shall we do with our prunes?" asks a Salem paper in a distressed editorial. Feed them to your and the Portland hogs; fatten them for the political slaughter.

JUDGING by reports published in the Portland papers, employees of the late legislature are a lot of petty larcenists, who stole everything in sight at the close of the session.

YESTERDAY the house of the Idaho legislature, in committee of the whole, favorably reported the bill for the taxation of mines. It provides that the net output of a mine shall be taken as the value of the property for the purpose of assessment.

CORBETT'S "card of thanks" to the men who voted for him from first to last would be really amusing, were it not for the fact that there is a ring of the pathetic in this childish old man's wail over what is perhaps his last political defeat. His charge of corruption against the Mitchell men is, of course, the result of chagrin and an effort to detract attention from his own methods.

THE legislature passed the bill attaching that portion of Union county known as "the Panhandle" to Baker county. It is not known at this writing whether or not the measure has received executive approval. A movement was reported last week to be on foot at Union to send a delegation of citizens to Salem for the purpose of trying to induce the governor to veto the measure.

SENATOR STEWART, of Nevada, from the committee on mines and mining, has reported a substitute for the mining bill heretofore introduced by himself. The substitute prohibits any person from locating a mining claim, lode or placer, for any other person, corporation or association. The substitute also authorizes the purchase from the government of land believed to contain oil, at the price of \$2.50 per acre.

THERE are two classes of men in every mining camp that every mining camp would be better off without. Members of one class are designated as claim hogs. They arrive in a district early and stake off all available vacant ground, do no work and hold their claims through the medium of relocation, hoping to sell to some neighbor who needs the ground. The other class hangs around, watches the movements of busy miners and when they neglect to comply with some technical requirement of the law, hastens to jump the claim involved, hoping to acquire title to the property or else be bought off by the rightful owners. Both should be suppressed.

IN THE Sunday Morning Oregonian is a two column eulogy on George Daniels, of the New York Central, for his wonderful advertising of Oregon, and samples are given of his "most striking advertisements." The "most striking" of these

is the one headed, "In Oregon." It is a verbatim reproduction of one of Colonel Donan's "flyers," published last spring by the O. R. & N., and all the rest are rehashes of the same series of squibs written by the Colonel for that road. Portland papers paid no attention to this splendid work when issued right there at home, but when it comes all the way from New York, stolen, they are thrown into extacies of intellectual delight. Comment is unnecessary.

THE news of the election of J. H. Mitchell to the United States senate was received here with almost universal approval. Mayor Robbins at once wired his congratulations. To a MINER representative he stated that, as a democrat, he heartily endorsed the action of the ten democrats in the legislature who voted for Mitchell. His reason for this attitude, of course, is that he holds his citizenship above narrow partisan fealty, and recognizes in Senator Mitchell an intellectual giant, splendidly equipped in experience and the knowledge of statecraft to creditably and ably represent Oregon in the national legislature, and also a man of unblemished public and private character. Numerous other citizens sent messages to Mr. Mitchell expressing their personal pleasure over his election, and congratulating the state on account of this fortunate outcome of the senatorial deadlock.

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1:30 p. m.	Ar. . . . . Clifford . . . . . Lv	8:00 a. m.
3:40 p. m.	Lv. . . . . Clifford . . . . . Ar	7:30 a. m.
7:10 p. m.	Ar. . . . . Austin . . . . . Lv	5:00 a. m.

Connecting at Astin with stages for Canyon City and interior points.

4:40 p. m.	Lv. . . . . Clifford . . . . . Ar	7:30 a. m.
5:00 p. m.	Ar. . . . . Bonanza . . . . . Lv	6:30 a. m.

Connecting at Bonanza with stages for Pyx, Robinsonville, Worley, Virginia, Don Juan and Belcher mines.

SUMPTER-GRANITE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. . . . . Sumpter . . . . . Ar	10:00 a. m.
4:30 p. m.	Ar. . . . . Granite . . . . . Lv	7:00 a. m.

Livery at Granite to North Fork, Red Boy, Banquette and adjacent mines.

SUMPTER-BOURNE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. . . . . Sumpter . . . . . Ar	9:30 a. m.
1:00 p. m.	Ar. . . . . Bourne . . . . . Lv	8:00 a. m.
1:30 p. m.	Ar. . . . . Columbia . . . . . Lv	7:30 a. m.

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