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A LITTLE POLITICAL HISTORY.

Oregon has always been the seat of bitter factional political fights, and the two factions of the Republican party are today as equally balanced as when they held the Hayes-Tilden presidential contest in suspension with Cronin's electoral vote. The state legislature has been deadlocked several times over the senatorship and the session of 1899 was made abortive by entire failure to organize. The state convention leading up to the election of last June reopened the factional bitterness and warfare by refusing to renominate Governor Geer while giving all his associates in the Republican state administration a second term. Geer had vetoed a charter for the city of Portland that was to give the Mitchell faction complete control of the city government and his retirement was decreed in the most autocratic manner. The first result was the election of a Democratic governor for four years.

Governor Geer and his friends not only struck back at the Mitchell faction by helping elect Chamberlain governor, but they sprung Geer as a petition candidate for the United States senate. His name went on the Australian ballot under the Mays act passed at the preceding session by the Mitchell faction for the purpose of heading off the re-election of Senator Joseph Simon, Junior Senator from Oregon, whose term expires next March. The Republican state convention had failed to nominate a candidate for the senate, and Geer's name going on the ballot was a surprise to them. In spite of their covert opposition Geer received about fifteen thousand majority over the Democratic nominee and can honestly claim to be the nominee by the people, although the vote was largely secured by trading with the Democrats for local offices as was natural.

As soon as the result of the June election in Oregon became known, Chamberlain being the only Democrat elected governor in a western state, the Republican state chairman, W. F. Matthews, was appointed U. S. Marshal for Oregon at the behest of the Mitchell faction. No one man was so directly responsible for the disruption of the Republican party, and yet he was promptly appointed to the fattest office on the Pacific coast. He remained state chairman, and soon manifested pernicious partisanship in demanding the removal of faithful and competent employes in the Portland postoffice. His demands were rejected by Postmaster Croasman, to whose faction Matthews had belonged and was assistant postmaster, and particularly all the business men of Portland, including nearly every Republican of both factions, sustained Croasman's position, and demanded his retention as postmaster. But Matthews was still state chairman, and was federal marshal at the same time, in clear violation of the law. He dictated the appointment of a new man for postmaster, ex-State Senator F. A. Bancroft, a corporation lobbyist, who it is understood will interpose no objections to such appointments as "Jack" Matthews may suggest. It is generally believed that this offensive course on the part of the Mitchell faction has weakened its chances of success in the convention of 1904.

CAUCUS SENTIMENT GROWING.

The Journal's fight for a straight, unqualified Republican caucus is gaining ground. It is stated Mr. Fulton and his friends were in consultation recently to secure that very identical thing.

A caucus that is participated in by all Republicans, without any signed agreement of any description, is good enough to elect a presiding officer for any legislature or any congress of the United States.

The seventy-two Republicans are all in honor bound equally, by the customary American practice and the uniform practice of the Republican party to go into voluntary caucus and nominate a senatorial candidate.

What excuse can any Republican render for not going into such a caucus? All the Marion county members agreed to go into a caucus. Do they prefer to have a senator named on a private, secret deal to naming one in frank, open, fair and unpurchasable conference of their peers?

Because others have done wrong in the past is not a good excuse. Because others have made mistakes in the past, need they repeat them? Is it not time to return to the more honorable methods of the best states?

These are some of the many reasons why caucus sentiment is growing. The question is squarely, shall the legislature or outside influences name the senator? A majority caucus would force the legislature to reach an honest choice.

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JOURNAL X-RAYS.

Independence will hold a mass meeting to establish an improvement league.

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The 17 Geer men in the legislature propose to do the "standpatter" act, and have a voice in the final choice of a senator.

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Any bill to issue bonds, create a new office or give away some money can be delivered from the legislature without a forceps.

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By all means, put dear old doty Dosch in charge of the whole $500,000 for the Portland fair. He is a splendid type of political genius to scatter the hard-earned money of the taxpayers.

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Some of the senators who fought hardest against McGinn's resolution to give each senator a clerk, were first to avail themselves of the delightful privilege of making a selection.

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It is said to be a solemn fact that under trust operations it is almost impossible to get a good cigar to smoke, and the only first-class cigars made today are those made by local factories and large concerns not yet in the trust. These are the words of a newspaper man who has been a lifelong smoker.

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Brownsville Times: The advice of C. H. S. Wood, Democratic candidate before the legislature for United States senator, that the Democratic members vote for Geer, has caused a commotion among the Democratic press of the state. Some strong language is being used in condemnation of Wood's advice.

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Two normal schools are plenty for Oregon. Then make all institutions of higher education as nearly self supporting as possible. It is not charity to maintain colleges at the expense of the taxpayer, where the children of the well-to-do get what other people have to pay for. But that is too sane a proposition to find lodgment in the brain of an ordinary legislator, and it is the ordinaries who run the machine.

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An old farmer sent his son to an academy to study Latin. Not being satisfied with the course of the young hopeful, he recalled him from school, and, placing him by the side of a cart one day, thus addressed him: "Now, Joseph, here is a fork and there is a heap of manure and a cart; what do you call them in Latin?" "Forkibus, cartibus et manuribus," said Joseph. "Well, now," said the old man, "if you don't take that forkibus and pitch that manuribus into that cartibus, I'll break your lazy backibus." He went to work.

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FLAT SALARY LAW CAN'T BE DODGED

Issue Will Be Squarely Met by Progressive Republicans.

Representative Kay, of Marion, has introduced a bill to place state officers upon a flat salary. The bill allows:

To the governor, $5000.
To the secretary of state, $5000.
To the state treasurer, $5000.
To the attorney-general, $3000.
To the chief justice, $4500.
To each two associate justices, $4000.

It is known also that a bill is to be offered soon naming a salary for the superintendent of public schools, and there has been passed by Senator Mulkey a constitutional amendment placing the state printer upon a flat salary.

Figures have been compiled showing the expense of operating under the existing system of paying minimum salaries named in the constitution, plus fees and emoluments for service upon the various boards that have been created by legislative enactment. These figures indicate that the several state offices have cost:

For governor, salaries	$ 4,250
Annual appropriations, executive department	6,950
For superintendent of public schools, salaries	2,500
Annual appropriations	5,327
For state treasurer, salaries	5,312
Appropriation for clerks	2,900
For secretary of state, salaries	2,850
Fees, estimated per year from records	14,643
Appropriation for clerical service	8,984
Fees turned over to treasurer	4,135
For state printer, 1898-1899	53,164
For state printing, 1901-1902	72,260

In these items appear many that must be allowed under the flat salary law, such as clerk hire private secretary of the governor and others. It is alleged, however, that a saving of $50,000 can be effected by the adoption of salaries for all state officials over present expense.

The above figures are taken from The Journal of last spring, and were published over and over, and became the main subject of controversy in the campaign in which Mr. Furnish was defeated for governor, and Mr. Chamberlain was elected.

The Journal employed a legal expert of this city to compile these figures from the public records and challenged investigation of them. The Republican managers tried to ignore the presentation, and make the campaign without committing themselves even to their own platform, but Mr. Chamberlain forced the fight and whipped Mr. Fulton in his lame defense of the present system of paying state officials.

The matter will now become a straight, square, s.and-up-and-fight-it-out, and no one can dodge the issue, as the salary bill is presented by a staunch and vigorous young Republican, who believes in this reform as a business proposition.

This Republican legislature will have no excuse for adjourning without enacting a flat salary law, and requiring all fees to be put into the treasury.

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