

Senatorial Mystery Stands

No Enthusiasm For Present Candidates

This Session May Have to Choose Two Senators Before Adjournment

Several Opinions as to the Condition of Senator Mitchell at Washington

The senatorial contest in Oregon has not materially changed by developments of the past week. The great sticking point is that there is very little real public sentiment back of any candidate for the place. Mr. Fulton has more enthusiasm among members of the lobby at Salem than any other candidate, but the mass of the people in the county are singularly indifferent. If Geer had been nominated in the convention, and had made a canvass of the state on national issues, he would have been but one half of the opening of the contest, and would have ended it. If Mr. Geer had had his name on the Australian ballot, by petition, had gone out and made a canvass for national Republican principles, and for direct election of senators by vote of the people, he would have been elected the first ballot. But the Republican did not take advantage of the law, and no Republican made a canvass before the people, and therefore there is not a particle of enthusiasm among the people for any now mentioned for the office. It is a dark-horse lottery that is as open to one man as to another.

A Caucus Indispensable.
Out of all this complication a Republican caucus is absolutely necessary and indispensable to bring the party into a rightful relation with itself, and eliminate personalities.

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Should there be no improvement in the situation, and the vacancy in the senatorial outlook here would be entirely changed. In a political way the perspective is most interesting, and perhaps would present the most complicated situation ever witnessed in this state.

It is generally conceded that no election of senator will occur here until the last of the session, but should it be necessary to elect two senators, the results might be expedited in a manner surprising to the suspected "dark horses," who are now considered the most likely winner of the contest.

Congressman Moody Quoted.
Regarding Senator Mitchell's condition, Congressman Malcolm Moody told a friend at the time he was here attending the funeral of Congressman Tongue, that the opinion had been expressed in the national capital that on account of the complication of diseases with which Mr. Mitchell is afflicted, it was feared he could not survive three months longer. By a great many the press dispatch of his illness was consequently not unexpected.

BUREAU BILL WAS KILLED

Sentiment is it Was Not Treated Right

Burleigh's Witty Reply to Eddy of Tillamook

There is a general feeling that the Bureau of Information bill was unfairly jumped onto and disposed of under pressure of the majority. The charge of corruption against Representative Burleigh is not endorsed to any extent whatever.

Burleigh and Eddy are two of the most capable free lances in the house and there was general enjoyment of their encounter. It added to the general gaiety of the situation.

Mr. Eddy, during the discussion, inquired if the gentleman from Wallawa was voting on all questions according to the wishes of his constituents.

The reply was: "I certainly am." "Then why do you not vote for T. T. Geer for senator?" "Even in that I am voting in behalf of my constituents, and if I were a Republican I certainly would vote for T. T. Geer."

(Applause from the Geer faction.)

TO EXTEND ITS SCOPE

Marconi System to Encircle the Globe

London, Feb. 7.—The Marconi Company has applied to the courts to extend the purposes of the corporation to cover recent developments. In its petition it says it wants to extend entirely around the world. It also hopes to apply its system to heating and traction. It mentions its purpose to publish daily newspapers on ocean steamers.

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NOMINATE BY DIRECT VOTE

Croisan Bill Will Win Out

Analysis of Vote in the Senate

The Direct Nomination Friends Will Fight

The most important roll call taken at this session was Friday on the Croisan Direct Primary law in the senate. There was not a majority against the bill, but by the absence of Mr. Fulton it was lost by a vote of 15 to 14.

As this is a historical reform measure in Oregon politics, and at the request of many people, we give the vote on the bill—Senate bill No. 24:

CARTER.	CROISAN.
DALY.	FARRAR.
HOBSON.	HOWE.
HUNT.	M'GINN.
MILLER.	MULKEY.
PIERCE.	SMITH.
SWEET.	WILLIAMSON.
MR. PRESIDENT—15.	

Those Voting Against.

Those voting against the bill were as follows:	Booth.
Dimmick.	Holman.
Johnston.	Kuykendall.
Marsters.	Mays.
Myers.	Rand.
Smith, of Mult.	Smith, of Yamhill.
Steinwer.	Wade.
Wehrum—14.	

As there were 15 votes necessary to the passage of the bill, it was declared lost, but an effort will be made Monday to reconsider the vote on the bill, as some voted under misapprehension, as Senator Marsters made the statement on the floor of the senate that it was "a bill in the interest of the political rounder and sharp politician," when exactly the contrary is the truth and the purpose of the bill. It is a noticeable fact that the author of the Mays law for direct nomination of senators, voted against the bill, and Mr. Fulton dodged the vote.

If the bill is killed in the senate and ever reaches a vote in the house it will pass by an almost unanimous vote. It is an absolutely non-partisan measure, and yet it maintains the identity of political organizations. No man who is willing to go to the people direct for a nomination should oppose this bill. It is the greatest political reform for the overthrow of machine politics that has ever come before the people, and will prevail.

The Pope Is Weak

Rome, Feb. 7.—The Pope yesterday had a fainting spell prior to the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the death of Pius the Ninth. He insisted on carrying out his part of the program, although the Entourage wished to postpone the function. He appeared in the chapel looking unusually pale and feeble.

Having Hard Time

Berlin, Feb. 7.—The Crown Princess Louise has been notified that won't be allowed to reside in Italy, Switzerland or any other country without a certificate of legitimate emigration. The Saxon government refuses to grant this. Her present whereabouts are unknown.

SATURDAY TELEGRAMS.

(By Scripps's News Ass'n.)
Ohio, Western Pennsylvania and Indiana bituminous miners have made settlement on a basis of 14 per cent advance in wages, which will go into effect in 20 other states.
The Chicago elevator employees strike is spreading to all large buildings of that character, which are idle.
Ringer Hermann has arrived in Portland from Washington.

A RACY DEBATE IN CONGRESS

Sulzer and Littlefield Lock Horns

Anti-trust Bill is the Cause of the Controversy

Sidney New South Wales Destroyed by Fire

Washington, Feb. 7.—In the senate Morgan moved to take up the resolution calling upon the secretary of the navy for reports of the recent Colombian insurrection. Hale objected, and a spirited colloquy ensued. It was finally referred to the committee on naval affairs, of which Hale is chairman, hence is a victory for him.

The house took up the consideration of Littlefield's anti-trust bill. Several amendments, which would

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WITHERS IS VERY LOW

Ex-Convict Who Shot Him Located

Lyons' Relatives Held the Brave Sheriff

While the Ex-Convict Employed His Revolver at Him

Eugene, Feb. 7.—Withers has been removed to Hale's, 20 miles from Eugene, and 10 miles from the scene of the shooting. He was very low this morning, with alarming sinking spells, and a fatal result is feared.

Ellis Lyons was seen at Lorane Friday, 20 miles southeasterly of the place of shooting, and 10 miles west of the railroad at Cottage Grove.

Eugene, Or., Feb. 7.—The shooting

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