## Editorial Page of The Salem Capital Journal

THE CAPITAL JOURNAL


T $T$ U" do before his term expires is causing considerable more guess-
ing, and, besides, some real earnest thought, especially among the many candidutes for ofrce. He has expressed his prefer-
ence for Dr. Smith for the governor's office, but what he will do in the matter of senator is a de batable question question with some, Not tong ago we heard the governor say, mam loyal to
Chamberlain, and always have been. There is no misunderstanding or quarrol betwecn us., We see no reason to doubt the gov-
ernor's word, and, therefore, believe he will stand solidy for the renomiation of Chamberlain. From present indications there will be no contest, so far as the Democrats are concerned for the nomination for U. S. senator. This means George E. Chamberlain will, in all probability, be the Democratic nominee.

Aswerning a commmination from Portund offrialas son: cerning certain street railway franchises, the Rairoad
Commission refers the writers thereof to the laws of 1911 Commission refers the writers thereof to the laws of 1911
concerning pubtic utilities and the power of city councils to regulate them. A desultory examination of the law suggests to build us a new and commodious depot, and possibly to compel the company to erect the same., Sulem has borne patiently with
the railrond in the matter of a depot, and the time has arrived when patience in the matter of a depot has ceased to be a vir-
Salem's depot is the worst on the line between Portland and Ashland. It is not only the worst, but is just rotten. It is small, illy arranged, dirty and a disgrace to civilization. Salem has asked repentedy that a docent depot be built here, and it has
asked in vain. Its requests will continue to be ignored until it uses force to get what patience and leniency has so long failed to accomplish. It is possible the
commission may open the way force the company to build a depot here that is not a disgrace to the city.

## "Every municipality shall have power -

such modifications, and and public utlisty,by ordinance,or otherwise equipment, facilities or plant or service within said municipality as shall be reasonable and necessary in the interest of the tions and extensions, the time within which they must be compieted, and all conditions under which they must be constructed, subject to review by the com mission, as provided in this see${ }^{\text {tion. }}$ (3)
an a penalty for non-compliance with the the provisions hereof
"(4) The power and authority granted in this section shall the contrary, notwithstanding."
villa fighting for mexico

IT has been conceded for some time that the news from MexiEnglish or American, is back of the reports, vilu been held up as one of the worst kind of monsters, but a ferent light. He is aman of flerce methods, sometimes cruel, but at heart a patriot, if his statements are to be believed. He
"Should General Carranza become president he would receive my support, and I would obey his commands, As proof of my
loyalty and as evidence that I have no ambition to become preai: dent, I would leave the country if he ordered me to do so. TI have never been in anything but the fullest necord with Generail Carranaa. a never had any personal ambition to reach
high office. I am a fighting man only, and I am fighting for the liberation of my country, not to elevate myself. I am only a

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ldier under command of my chief, and I shall obey him, what This shows matrin be
different opinion of the man so persistently held out as a red handed murderer. If he will carry out the program he indicates, the sooner he is victorious, and runs Huerta out the bet er for Mexico and the world.

F WAS MOVED ALMOST TO FRENZY F. SMITH, in a communication in the Oregon Journal Wed-
nesday, takes the newspapers to taks for using poor Eng-
lish and evidently feels pretty badly about it He object to "split infinitives" and to numerous other. things. He
ys d'the writer, a few years ago, almost in frenzy, asked a eteran in modern journalism, a man of refinement and liter-
ry culture why his paper permitted the atrocity of split infinary culure why his paper permitted the atrocity of split infin-
itives." This shows that Mr. Smith feels deeply the mistreatment of the English language, and is rather a fanatic as a pur
ist. He seems to overlook the fact that the English laguage is a live, neems a deado noen and that it that thill growing. If it was
not it would be a dead language. It is acquiring new words not it would be a dead language. It is acquiring new words
eevery day, and it is hanging forms of expresion. It has been
the rule that a sentence should the rule that a sentence should not be ended with a preposition.
Yet that is getting to be common, so much so, that it bids fair If Mre. Smith will goo back to the birth time of the English
In laguage, as it first appeared in swadding clothes, with Chaucer
as its wet nurse, and compare the language of thase days with
that of the present, he will get some idea of the immensity of
$\square$ ditched." After all, is it not better to split infinitives ocacsion
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