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CHILDS PLAY IS SPECIAL SESSION ATTEMPTED

THREE COUNCILMEN PERSIST IN STAND OF OPEN OBSTRUCTION TO BUSINESS.

FILLIBUSTER WORKS WELL WOULD BE COSTLY ACTION

With Only Two Progressive Councilmen Present, Obstructionists Manage to Block Routine Legislation that had been Ordered Done by the Council's Previous Action.

Adhering to their well-defined policy of obstruction to money-saving legislation and once more resorting to peculiar tactics in their effort to increase the tax-payers' burden by refusing to do their part in the council's effort to close a contract for very low city printing rates, Councilmen Monroe, Orvis and Logsdon last evening indulged in another child's play fiasco when the city printing contract came up for final settlement.

Taking advantage of a council meeting at which the obstructionists were in the majority, the three councilmen mentioned, succeeded in again blocking legislation that will save dollars and cents to the taxpayers.

At a recent meeting the Evening Observer's bid of one cent per line for city printing was accepted, when Mayor F. L. Meyers cast the deciding vote in a tie, and the natural consequence of that vote was entering into a contract between the city with the Observer to do the city printing the remainder of the year at cent per line. There is no recourse in this action, as the council as a whole had accepted the Observer bid, and the subsequent contract is provided for by charter.

Start Filibuster Tactics.

No sooner had the resolution ordering the contract entered into in compliance with the charter come up for final passage, than the three obstructionists commenced a child's play filibuster that for the time at least, carried its purpose. The resolution was read the first time entire and second time by title only, when the first squabble came up. Councilman Andrews and Sheak moved and seconded a motion that the resolution be read third time entire and placed on its final passage. Monroe, Orvis and Logsdon filibustered and killed the motion. Councilman Sheak then moved that the resolution be referred to the judiciary committee, but when the vote was taken, the motion was killed. It appears the only purpose of the obstructionists was to have the document thrown in the waste basket for every avenue of procedure but one had been effectively blocked. Resorting to chart provisions, Mayor Meyers ordered the resolution read a third time and placed on final passage, but the resolution was given its death blow, even though Councilman Logsdon made a miscue. Claiming he did not understand the motion he inadvertently voted favorably on the passage of the ordinance, but a majority was lacking, even then. He changed his vote to "no" immediately afterwards.

Monroe Makes Statement.

When called to task by the mayor for the repeated refusals to vote either yes or no, and for the distasteful filibustering that was stalling routine work of the council, and "making jackasses" of the council as the mayor affirmed, Councilman Monroe arose to assert he "refused to be forced into anything." With a showing of heat, brought on by the persistent dilly dally on the part of the three, the mayor stoutly denied any councilman was being forced, but merely asked to do his duty as a councilman on routine matters. At this point an adjournment was taken and the contract is still unsigned though the council had by previous action or-

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CONFIRMATION OF CHIEF JUSTICE NOMINATION MAY BE NECESSARY.

IS RUMORED

Confirm Pending Nomination for Chief Justice is Rumored in Capitol Circles Today, but Little Credence Given it on Account of High Expense Account Entailed by Proposed Action.

Beverly, July 7.—That the senate may be called in a special session to confirm a nomination for a new chief justice of the Supreme court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Chief Justice Fuller, is rumored here today. The report declares that President Taft is considering action immediately in order that the court may rehear the famous tobacco and oil trust cases this fall, but no official statement regarding the reported session, has been issued.

Would Be Costly.

Many doubt the authority for the rumor as it would be extremely costly to recall the senate for this specific purpose. The expense entailed by such action would reach \$60,000 and this is taken by many to mean that the rumor is without foundation.

HAPPY ELKS ARE ON THEIR WAY

PALATIAL TRAIN REACHES THE CITY ON PERFECT TIME.

Determined to Bring Convention to Portland in 1912.

Hilarious, happy, flaunting banners, and stamped over all with "Portland, 1912," 150 jovial members of the antlered herd of Elks, passed through La Grande at 10:30 this morning and were augmented in number by one, when Alternate Delegate J. H. Peare became one of the tourists going to Detroit, Mich., to attend the national convention of Elks, and to bring back, if possible, the convention in 1912. Aside from the Elks of Portland there were delegates from Seattle, Olympia, Tacoma and an entire pullman of Eastern Washington Elks.

Attorney Gus C. Moser, delegate from the Portland lodge, is in charge of the delegation of happy Elks. Many ladies are included in the party. Promises for an elegant and palatial train were fully carried out for Traveling Passenger Agent Jack O'Neill had a veritable palace on wheels. At Pocatello, the train picks up two more elegant pullmans, carrying Montana and Idaho Elks.

A liberal number of local Elks were on hand to receive the train at the La Grande depot.

HANG CASADY SEPT. 2.

Canyon City Deputy Sheriff will Hang for the Murder of Ollie Snyder.

Canyon City, July 7.—The court today set September 5 as the date for the execution of Deputy Sheriff Casady, who with five others, are convicted of lynching Ollie Snyder. Casady captured Snyder and was returning him to Heppner to face a murder charge for killing a man by the name of Green, when Green's friends killed Snyder. Casady will be taken to Salem tomorrow.



EX-GOVERNOR JOSEPH W. FOLK OF MISSOURI.

Doer of monumental tasks in political Reform, who delivers his famed address, "Awakening of Conscience" at the Chautauqua tonight.

STATESMAN FOLK HERE TO DELIVER FAMOUS LECTURE BEFORE THE CHAUTAUQUA

All Eastern Oregon, and the state, and sister states, too, are eyeing La Grande today because Ex-Governor Joseph W. Folk of Missouri, is here to deliver his famous address at the Chautauqua grounds tonight. "Awakening of Conscience" is the title of this masterpiece, and this is the first time the lecture has been delivered in Oregon. People are here from Baker City, North Powder, Union, Cove, Elgin, Joseph, Wallowa and Enterprise, and a special train of Pendleton people will reach here this evening to be present when the lecture commences at 8 o'clock. A band concert precedes the lecture.

Statesman Comes This Morning.

The man who is the central figure of all the Chautauqua, arrived this morning from the East. He was met at the depot by a delegation of prominent La Grande people, and immediately left in an automobile for the Chautauqua grounds, under escort of Secretary George T. Cochran of the Chautauqua association. He spent nearly the entire day there, and enjoyed a luncheon given by the Chautauqua association at the noon hour. Late in the day he returned to his apartments in the Foley. During his stay at the Chautauqua he was the central figure of attraction as hundreds were introduced to him. He is a character in politics that has commanded attention not only over the entire United States but over the entire civilized country. He has accomplished wonders in political reform, and his address tonight will have a color of politics, reform and philosophy.

Musical Day Also.

With another day of excellent weather, Lyle Tuesday Musical day was no less attractive than the others, and this afternoon classical music prevailed. Doctor Buchanan was also on the program this afternoon. The musical treat was composed of well-rendered numbers. The programs for today and Friday follow:

Thursday, July 7.

9:30 to 11:30 a. m.—Domestic Science—classes and demonstrations.
10:00 to 11:00 a. m.—Prof. Cordley, lecture.

Noon.

1:30 p. m.—Round Table.

2:30 p. m.—Concert under direction of Lyle Tuesday Musicals.

7:00 to 8:00 p. m.—Concert by the band.

8:00 p. m.—Lecture, "The Era of Conscience," Hon. J. M. Folk, former governor of Missouri.

Friday, July 8.

9:30 to 11:30 a. m.—Domestic Science, classes and demonstrations.
a. m.—Prof. Cordley, lecture.

Noon.

1:30 p. m.—Round Table.

2:30 p. m.—Lecture demonstration.

"The Home Sanitarium." Dr. Lena K. Sadler, assisted by the trained nurse.
4:00 p. m.—Demonstration, "Accidents and Emergencies, or What to do Until the Doctor Comes," by the entire company.

7:00 to 8:00 p. m.—Concert by the band.

8:00 p. m.—Lecture "Americanitis, or the High Pressure Life," (or Lessons from Nature, illustrated lecture) —Dr. Wm. Sadler.

WATER LITIGATION STARTS.

Trouble Over Irrigation Rights in Powder River Comes to Court.

Kelsey and Davis, two men of North Powder, represented by Attorney T. H. Crawford of this city, and James Pilcher, Carnes brothers, Mr. Welsh and Ben E. Evans, also of North Powder, and represented by Cochran & Cochran, are in litigation over water rights in Powder river. Many of the defendants were in the city today making arrangements for filing answer to the suit filed with the circuit court this week. The case promises to be an important one in Union county riparian history.

Cow Wrecks Train.

Pendleton, July 6.—An obstreperous cow was responsible for a train wreck on the Blue Mountain hill, just east of Weston, last evening. Washington division train No. 7, coming up the mountain with double header engines, was the ill-fated train and the Staggs farm on Dry creek was the scene of the accident.

A cow which happened to be on the track disputed the right of way with the double headed train, with the result that the cow was run down and that the front engine was ditched. Soon after the news reached this city the Walla Walla train was sent out and the passengers were transferred around the wreck. The second engine was uncoupled from the one that was ditched so that it was able to back into Walla Walla, while its passengers were transferred to the Walla Walla train which backed into Pendleton, delivering the passengers four hours late.

The track has now been cleared and the regular train service resumed. When the news of the accident reached Weston there was a general run for automobiles and rigs of various sorts. The Weston passengers, including the young ladies' band, which had been to Pasco for the Fourth, were taken in by the conveyances thus furnished.

Garment Workers Strike.

New York, July 7.—Fifty thousand members of the Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, struck this afternoon

BALLINGER WILL VISIT OREGON PICTURE MEN TO SHOW FIGHT

CONGRESSMAN ELLIS BRINGS TIDINGS OF HOPE FOR OREGON.

LOCAL STRUGGLE WILL MARK NATION-WIDE WAR AGAINST FIGHT PICTURES

ENTERTAINS HIGH HOPES JEFFRIES NERVOUS WRECK

Without Going into Details of the Situation Congressman Ellis Affirms that the Secretary is Coming to Oregon to do What he Can to Bring Some of the Irrigation Appropriations to this State.

Corbett and Cornell Say White Man Suffered Terrible Attack of Nervous Frustration at Noon on Day of the Battle—Many Governors Openly Avow they will Join Fight Against The Pending Fight Pictures.

Secretary of the Interior Richard A. Ballinger is coming to Oregon immediately to assist in swinging a million or more dollars to irrigation purposes on unfinished Oregon projects, according to Congressman Russell Ellis, the Pendleton solon, who passed through La Grande this morning with his family enroute home from Washington, where he has spent the entire winter while attending the recently adjourned session of congress. With friends crowding around him, he found it difficult to explain the exact status of the embroglio in which the irrigation fund is now in, but he did find time to assert that the secretary of the interior had promised to come to Oregon soon, and do all he could to swing some of the irrigation appropriations to complete the unfinished projects in Oregon. Mr. Ellis and Congressman Hawley recently held a conference with the secretary and it is said that much good resulted from the conference. Judging from the optimistic view taken on the matter by Congressman Ellis, there are bright hopes for liberal apportionments to this state, even though it seemed for a time that Oregon was to be cut off without a cent. Mr. Ellis will remain in Pendleton until the secretary reaches there, and he will escort Mr. Ballinger over the Umatilla project.

Minus His Beard.

Only intimate friends of the solon recognized him at first. He is still "shy" his flowing beard and really presents a more "congressional" appearance without it. His presence soon leaked out however, and the Pendleton lawmaker was quickly surrounded by friends.

ACCIDENT MAY BE SERIOUS

FEARED MRS. ALLEN WILL NOT RECOVER COMPLETELY.

Victim of Upset Last Night in a Critical Condition.

Mrs. E. W. P. Allen is in a critical condition today and is threatened with spinal afflictions of a permanent character as the result of an upset by a carryall returning from the Chautauqua grounds last evening. The passengers were thrown from the rig with much force, but Mrs. Allen was the only person to sustain serious injuries. She was badly cut about the head, and today it appears that her spine is injured. She can neither stand nor sit down, and while it is yet too early to state definitely, it is greatly feared she will never recover fully from the injuries. The passengers state that the driver crossed to the wrong side of the bridge between the city and the river, and the rig keeled over.

Crops Drying Up.

Washington, July 7.—Unirrigated crops in Montana are dried up, according to reclamation reports.

New York, July 7.—Thos Lubin, the millionaire moving picture magnate, said today that the moving picture company has spent nearly a quarter of a million dollars, perfecting the pictures of the Jeffries-Johnson fight, and they will not submit to cities and states barring the pictures without testing the laws. "We have spent too much money not to make a legal fight to display the pictures," said Lubin.

Many Governors Against Pictures.

Boston, July 7.—Many governors will aid in the suppression of the fight motion pictures. William Shaw, secretary of the Christian Endeavor, sent a number of telegrams yesterday to governors. So far, he has the following replies:

Mann, Virginia, "Am opposed to the exhibition and will join in a movement against."

Ansel, South Carolina, "Will join the governors recommending prohibition of the pictures."

Pothier, Rhode Island, "It is not customary for a governor to interfere with regulations of towns and cities." Donaghey, Ark., "Will gladly co-operate in the movement."

Fernalde, Maine, "Glad to assist in prohibiting the pictures."

Spry, Utah, "The prohibition of the pictures impractical."

Norris Montana "The Montana law cannot prohibit the pictures."

Warner, Mich., "The Michigan laws do prohibit."

Jeffries a Nervous Wreck.

San Francisco, July 7.—Both Doc Cornell and Corbett, Jeffries' trainer, say the fighter had a nervous collapse three days before the fight and that he was a nervous wreck before he entered the ring. Cornell said, "Jeffries suffered a nervous breakdown in the rub shortly before noon on the day of the fight. He showed symptoms three days before." Local writers who watched Jeff, agree that he was gone before he entered the ropes to get licked. They say that the talk of his being the hope of the white race is responsible.

TRACT RECORDS BROKEN

Isolated Lands Sell for More than Ten Dollars During Sale Today.

All records for high prices for isolated tracts were broken this morning at the land office when 40 acres on the Hill road between Lostine and Enterprise sold for \$10.50 to C. B. Williamson of Lostine. The bidding was most spirited and went farther than any similar sale in the history of the land office. Attorney Dan Boyd was the opponent bidder but cried "enough" when the bidding went to \$10.50. The customary price is between \$1.25 and \$1.50. The land is said to be very poor in nature, notwithstanding the enormous price. Another instance of rapid bidding resulted in Chas. V. Brown paying \$5.98 for 40 acres near the tract mentioned above.

The sales conducted yesterday, today and slated for tomorrow, involve the sale of 2,000 acres of land, and moneyed men of Wallowa county are congregated here to participate.