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State Legislature Now In Session

Salem.—Everything was in readiness for the convening of the Twenty-eighth General Assembly of Oregon Monday morning. Secretary of State Olcott, as custodian of the capitol, had the senate and house chambers and committee rooms renovated and put in ship-shape. The name of each member, his district and county, appears on each desk, the drawers of which were bulging with stationery and other paraphernalia which Oregon furnishes her lawmakers. Both the senate and the house convened at 10 o'clock.

Ben Selling, of Multnomah county, won the speakership fight in the house of representatives. He defeated Allen S. Eaton, of Lane county, by a vote of 37 to 22. On motion of Eaton, after a result was announced, the election of Selling was made unanimous by viva voce vote.

Will G. Hare, of Hillsboro, placed the name of Selling before the house. When Temporary Speaker S. B. Huston recognized him, Hare declared the demand of the state for a business administration forbade any bombastic presentations, but he admitted that the legislature has been in disrepute, and that the time has come for the representatives of the people to win back their lost respect.

The nomination of Eaton was presented by Dana H. Allen, of Marion county. He declared Eaton to be the dean of the present session, having been returned by his constituents five times. "If a man's worth is judged by his enemies," he said, "Mr. Eaton is a great man indeed."

No Contest in Senate.

It required barely eight minutes for the senate to perfect a temporary organization and take a recess to allow time for the committee on credentials to prepare a report.

The senate was called to order by Senator W. D. Wood of Washington county, the dean of the senate, and the temporary organization was completed, the necessary committees appointed and a recess taken.

There was no contest in the senate, and only one name was placed in nomination, yet Senator Dimick and Senator Kellaher refused to vote for Thompson and cast their ballots for Senator Wood of Washington county. Senator Thompson also cast his complimentary vote for Wood.

Deviating from the usual procedure, the two democratic senators, Garland of Linn and Strayer of Baker, joined in on the organization and did not place one of themselves in nomination for the presidency.

Dr. Withycombe Takes Office.

Dr. James Withycombe was inaugurated Tuesday, taking the oath at a joint session of the two houses. The oath was administered by Chief Justice Moore.

The ceremonies were simple. A brass band played, but no street parade marred the accustomed decorum of Salem's thoroughfares.

Neither was there an inaugural ball. The incoming governor vetoed that detail. It was his first use of that prerogative.

Members of the legislature had planned on having the inauguration Monday, so all the preliminaries would be out of the way and the session could get down to actual business early Tuesday. But they did not care to upset the arrangements that already had been made.

Governor West did not read his message in person. Printed copies were placed on the desks of members. Immediately after his inauguration Governor Withycombe read his message.

Of prospective legislation chief interest centered in a proposed excise law to make effective the prohibition act passed by the people at the last election. A draft recommended by the committee of one hundred, which directed the recent prohibition campaign, prohibits the sale of liquor by drugstores and restaurants, as well as saloons. Hotel men of Portland announced that they would try to get this modified to permit the serving of liquor with meals in large hotels.

Chapin Gets Pardon From Governor.

Salem.—W. H. Chapin, convicted of larceny by bailee in Portland for appropriation to his own use of \$3500 belonging to Marion Annie Grace, was given a full pardon by Governor West, who executed the instrument upon receiving a bond, signed by Chapin's friends, guaranteeing that he would make restitution.

Type Setting Machine for the Journal

All arrangements have been made for the installation of a type setting machine in the Journal office.

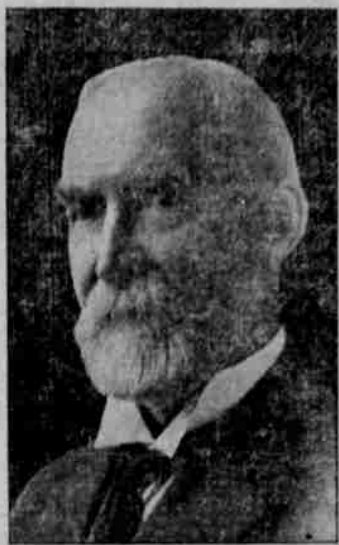
The need for this machine has been felt for a long time and the increasing volume of business justifies its installation. It will enable us to get up a greater amount of type than has been possible to set by hand and will give the Journal an entire new dress of which we and our readers may well be proud.

The demands of our readers and the spirit in which they and the local business people are supporting the Journal justifies the investment. Other improvements will be made as fast as the paper's support will warrant.

We are firmly of the opinion that Prineville and the community are entitled to a first-class paper and it is our intention to deliver the goods.

and the new court has been hard at work all week.

Overturf is a man of ability, having been connected with various large concerns that have been active in the handling of timber lands near Bend for several years.



Governor Withycombe

The court felt that the west side of the county was entitled to representation.

County Court Inspects Roads

The county court made a trip last Friday and Saturday through the Millican country looking over various county roads. They inspected seven roads that are at present private but for which petitions have been presented asking that they be made county highways.

The party returned by way of Bend where all the county charges were visited and investigations made as to their condition. The trip was made in company with Sheriff Knox who drove his own car. H. J. Overturf accompanied the court to Prineville Sunday and took his oath of office Monday morning.

Slaughter Sale Proving Great Success

The Prineville Mercantile Company's sale is an immense success.



County Commissioner H. J. Overturf



County Commissioner J. F. Blanchard



Sheriff E. B. Knox

H. J. Overturf Appointed Commissioner

The county court last Friday appointed J. E. Adamson to succeed T. M. Balfour as janitor at the courthouse. The change was made Monday morning of this week.

Judge Springer and Commissioner Blanchard appointed H. J. Overturf of Bend to take the place of Commissioner Brown on the county board. The new commissioner assumed his duties Monday morning

sentation. "The fact that some two-thirds the voting population of the county and more than one-half its wealth resides in the west half of what is now Crook county makes the appointment of a west side man the only fair course," the court stated, "and in casting about for a man to fill the place, there seemed no one better qualified or more popular than Mr. Overturf."

Homestead

I can locate you on a homestead situated on the upper Deschutes river, containing 30 acres of river bottom land and 50 acres good yellow pine timber, remaining 80 very good quality bench land. Inquire Journal office. 9 10

Not only are the owners of this establishment well pleased with the results, but the people in general are even more pleased at being able to obtain the values offered. Six clerks are constantly on the jump taking care of the business. A great many dollars have been kept in the town by the bargains offered by these people. If you have not already done so, it will pay you to go in and look over the stock offered. Goods and prices are both on the square.

Sell your vegetables to Maddux & Company. 1-7

Prineville Getting Ready for Stockmen

The third annual meeting of the Cattle and Horse Raisers' Association of Oregon which will be held in this city next month is perhaps the most important meeting of its kind for Prineville.

The first meeting was held at Baker in 1913. At this time a permanent organization was perfected and the meeting place for last year was chosen. The second meeting was held at Pendleton and was attended, among others from this part of the state, by J. F. Blanchard and E. T. Slayton of this city. Through the work of these gentlemen the meeting for 1915 was secured for Prineville.

As this is essentially a stock country and this association, statewide in its scope, is for the purpose of promoting the stock industry, a more important meeting can hardly be imagined for Prineville. It is the business of the residents of Prineville and the surrounding country to make every preparation for the entertainment of the several hundred delegates from all parts of the state.

Committees who have the matter of entertainment in hand report splendid support and, no doubt, by the date of the opening of the three days' session which is February 9, all details will be arranged. The delegates will be met at Redmond by automobiles and motor trucks and conveyed to Prineville and a banquet is being arranged for them. The meeting closes on February 11.

Fourth Annual Irrigation Congress

The Fourth Annual Irrigation Congress closed a most successful session in Portland Saturday night.

A tax of one-half mill for irrigation was recommended by the congress for action by the legislature. Some of the delegates considered other plans of financing the various irrigation projects of the state, but the tax levy was decided upon.

The matter of where the \$450,000 federal money for this state is to be spent was left with the reclamation service without a recommendation.

Officers elected for the next year are: Asa B. Thomson of Echo, president; Fred N. Wallace of Laidlaw, secretary; J. W. Brewer of Redmond, John Rigby of Vale, and A. M. Crawford of Salem vice-presidents.

Gold Discoveries on the Deschutes

The Portland Journal, under date of last Saturday, published a sensational story concerning gold discoveries on the Deschutes in the vicinity of Lower Bridge. From the best sources we find that there has been a strip of land two or three miles wide and six or more miles long filed upon as gold claims.

The filings are made by local people largely in the name of a Portland association who plan to work the mines.

All who have been at Lower Bridge and at other points along the Deschutes in that vicinity will remember the strata of black sand in the banks of that stream. In these sands the gold is found, together with some silver, platinum and traces of radium, it is said. Considering the nature of the deposits, it is hardly probable that the extent of the formation is as great as is hoped by the locators.

Call and subscribe now for the Semi-Weekly and Sunday Oregon Journal, just the thing for busy farmers. 1-8 RAY V. COSTABLE, Agent.

Recommendations by the Governor

Hon. James Withycombe was inaugurated as governor of Oregon on Tuesday. In his initial address to the legislative bodies of the state the governor recommends that the legislature set a record for brevity, especially in the number of laws passed. Urges a short sane session, with a few good laws.

Would have several elective offices made appointive; recommends the consolidation of various commissions and bureaus and suggests that a committee be appointed to make a survey of the best way to centralize the state government and report in 1917.

Would abolish continuing appropriations, except for state educational institutions, and would place all state receipts in the general fund in charge of the state treasurer.

Recommends that efforts to economize should not stop with the state, but extend to the counties. Of every \$100 taxes, \$12.50 goes to the state and \$37.50 to the county, therefore the county administration costs the taxpayers three times as much as the state. The legislature should save at least \$20,000 in its own expense of operation this session.

Recommends anti-liquor regulations that can be enforced; wants the governor to have the power to remove officers who do not enforce the prohibition laws; favors a substantial appropriation for investigation by special agents.

Recommends a one-half mill state tax for road purposes and the use of the automobile license fund for the same purpose.

Would evolve a rational state mortgage credit system and memorialize congress to take action on the rural credit banking laws.

Recommends that a non-salaried committee of seven business men see what can be done to establish new industries. Unreasonable restrictions on commercial activities should be frowned on.

Would encourage the normal schools.

Recommends that from the sale of lands in the Tumalo project set the money aside for future irrigation aid under state supervision.

With one exception, the state institutions are in good shape. The exception is the penitentiary. There is not enough work to keep the men in physical trim. They should work on roads or manufacture something not made by free labor. Because youths and hardened criminals are not segregated, the state is conducting a school of crime, as the novices imbibe the spirit of the veteran crooks.

The exaggerated leniency to prisoners in the past will not be repeated. A more sparing use of the pardoning power will have a salutary effect. Only in exceptional circumstances will sentences be set aside or modified.

Portland Cattle Market.

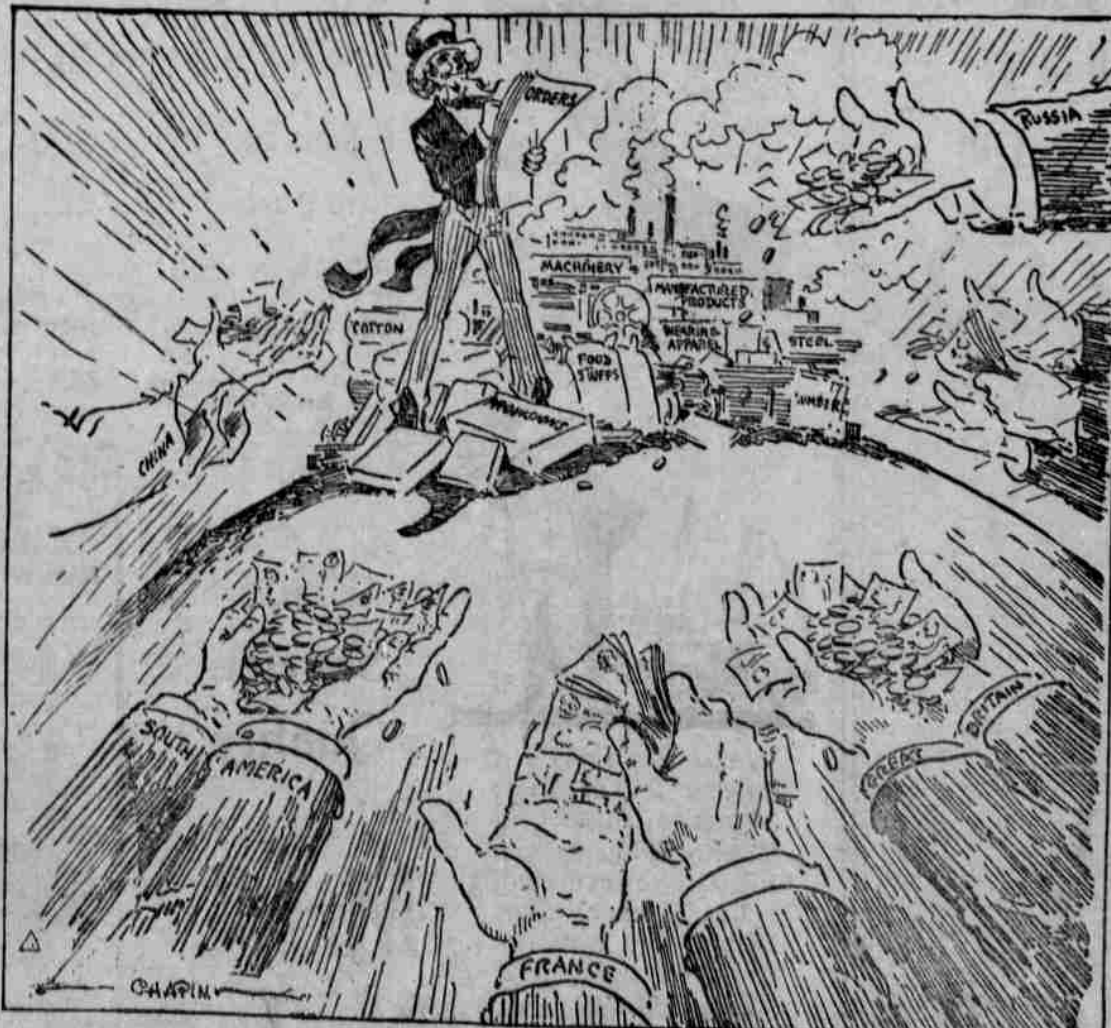
In the cattle market at North Portland this week Harold Baldwin topped the market Monday, receiving \$7 85 for steers. C. J. Johnson sold at \$7.65. Since Monday the market has been lower because of more cattle and a poorer grade in many instances.

Cofoid & Mace shipped four and a half cars of cattle, a half car of hogs and three cars of sheep to Seattle this week, arriving at that point Tuesday evening.

For Sale

Three sound, gentle horses, weight 1200 each. Also other stock. Owner going East. Address Robert Barney, box 526, Prineville. 1-14

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA.



—Chapin in 'St. Louis Republic.