

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Senatorial Question Blocks Legislation—Additional Notes on Another Page.

The rump house was organized last Thursday afternoon with 31 members present and Smith of Marion made temporary speaker and Benson of Josephine permanent speaker.

Roll call showed the following 31 members present, including Gratke and Haener (dems):

- Benson Marsh
Bridges Merrill
Brown Misener
Chapman Mitchell
Cann Nosler
Crawford Palm
Gratke Rigby
Hurdane Smith (Marion)
Loge Somers
Lopez Stanley
Ludson Thomas
Manning Thompson
Mannings Vaughn
Mannings Veness
Mannings Wagner

The above-named members were sworn in by Chief Justice Moore.

The Benson supporters tried to prevent Davis from occupying speaker's chair but they saw it wouldn't do and resisted.

Hon. Geo. H. Williams of Portland gave as his opinion that house could not organize without two-thirds of members elected.

The representatives who are opposed to organizing rule and Senator Mitchell are as follows:

- Barkley Kruse
Bayer Lee
Bourne Maxwell
Buckman McAllister
Blyden Munkers
Craig Ogle
Davis (Umatilla) Povey
Davis (Multnomah) Riddle
Egerton Schmidlein
Gentry Smith (Lane)
Hill Svindseth
Hildgren U'Ren
Hill Whitaker
Lawler Yokum
Jones

The senate adjourned on Friday till Monday. The Benson house adjourned on Saturday till Monday but the Davis house held short session on Sunday.

Veness has introduced a bill in the Benson house providing for a board of equal commissioners for the locks at Oregon City.

The Oregonian calls the Benson crowd of 31 members the "rump house" while the Statesman calls the Davis body of 31 members the "rump house."

SALEM, Jan. 27.—Mitchell is now making a last-ditch fight. Last night he appeared before the caucus of the house and stated his position on a joint convention. He wants 40 members.

An imminent breaking up of the Benson house has greatly frightened him. He determined that it shall be held together, at all hazards, till next Tuesday.

He was careful to point out to the caucus that the federal statutes say that a joint convention shall consist of "members of the legislature."

In his opinion 45 members of the house and one member of the senate would constitute a joint convention.

The belief is now quite prevalent in Salem that Mitchell is beaten. Today John P. Ward, one of Mitchell's confidential advisers, made a call on Jonathan Bourne.

The Benson house pretended to carry on business today with 29 members, two less than a majority. Misener of Crook withdrew immediately after the opening roll-call, just as he said he would, and Lake, republican, of Benton and Lincoln, retired soon after the opening of the session.

Veness of Polk has presented to the house a bill making it unlawful to charge more than 25 cents per ton for freight or 5 cents for each passenger for passage of steamboats and other craft through the locks at Oregon City.

The number of bills introduced into the Senate is 170; in the Benson house 100.

CARUS.

Sowing winter oats was the order of the day last Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Kalbfleisch lost a good horse last week; this makes the second one. Joe Brown and Postmaster Cooper each have a horse sick with the staggers.

Miss Morris stopped to visit his sister, Edwin Howard, on his way to Eugene, where he will work this summer.

R. Scheubel and family have been pretty sick but are now recovering.

C. Spangler is circulating a paper to secure subscription work to grade down the Spangler hill and is meeting with good success.

Cassidy and Baker are getting along nicely with their contract of clearing out dead timber in the road between P. O. and the church.

The basket social of M. E. church last evening under the management of H. O. Inskip was a grand success, netting \$12, which was given to the minister on this circuit.

The South Carus Lyceum is progressing finely and it decided last Saturday evening that Washington was a greater man than Lincoln. It will wrestle next week with "the needle and the plow."

Jan. 24. GRANGER. Fire insurance—F. E. Donaldson.

STAFFORD.

More rain, more rest. We'll rest then. The Melcher outfit are moving their household goods from our neighborhood. Some remark—good riddance to bad rubbish—but as a correspondent we withhold further remarks.

Ed. Cook is making a logging road up the Tualatin mountain to Polifka's woods. Logging from there will soon commence. Grain sown in December is beginning to look green.

Who says apples? We do, and we are going to have a crop of them this year, and don't you forget it.

J. Q. Gage spent the latter part of the week in Oregon City.

Quite a number of the ladies of this district visited the school the past week and were well pleased with the way it was managed by Miss Francis.

Grubbing stumps is all the style here at present. Anyone that is not grubbing is not in style at all.

Jan. 24. LENGTHY.

RURAL DELL.

Owing to the good weather during the past few days some of the farmers in this locality plowed where the ground was dry enough.

Rev. Thos. Donaldson has sold a piece of land to Albert Spagle of Needy. It is rumored that Mr. Spagle intends to build a house on his property and get him a frow.

Albert Moshberger was over towards Hubbard on last Sunday for some unusual reason.

Thos. Ogle has been splitting some pickets for a new fence.

Chas. Bigelow who has been having a very severe time during the past summer months with kidney trouble, ventured out the other day and sawed about half a cord of wood.

Mr. Eymann has been splitting rails to fence his farm as he intends to get some goats in the spring.

Mr. Kilo returned home the other day from Portland where he has been working for a short time.

Jan. 18. DEW DROP.

MEADOWBROOK.

Lovely weather. Grangers are contemplating making garden soon if this nice spell should continue.

All honor to the boys at Salem who are making the gallant fight for reform. School closes next Friday, the 29th, at west Canyon Creek and at the Geo. Ball academy.

Several of our young people are attending the series of Phrenological lectures at Colton schoolhouse at 7 p. m. each Saturday, by Prof. Wilson.

H. E. Carr has rented several acres of plow land of David Robeson for the season.

Preston (Doc) Pendleton has purchased a farm at Mulino and will move there next autumn.

Mrs. Wm. Baker has been quite ill for several weeks and is not yet out of danger. As soon as his wife recovers her health Mr. Baker intends to move on to the property of G. J. Trullinger, one mile east of Meadowbrook, the old Jack Cutting D. L. C., better known as "the old mill claim," where he will log for Trullinger Bros. saw mill and send the logs down Milk Creek to the mill.

Miss Jessie Robeson has just recovered from a serious illness.

Grandma Robeson is quite sick this week.

Miss Laura Wright is also on the sick this week.

January 23. ANTI HANNA.

REDLAND.

Everybody sick and business at a stand still.

Miss Jane Noyer of Meadowbrook was visiting at Linn's mill the past week.

Miss Milda Linn was visiting friends at Currinsville during last week.

D. H. Mosher is going to school at district No. 75. Go it Harry.

Miss Cora Leek is working at Elyville. G. E. Davis of Beaver Creek was in our burg Tuesday.

C. Sprague went to see his old girl Sunday. Come again Sam, you are all right.

Mr. Hermann of Beaver Creek has been engaged to teach the spring term of school at district No. 21.

Snow fell three inches deep here Monday.

The Redland literary and debating society met as usual last Saturday evening. The hall was well filled, and a very interesting program was rendered as follows: Recitations by J. Mosher, D. H. Mosher and O. Behyner; song by Miss May Henery; after which new officers were elected. L. Funk was chosen president, H. D. Johnson, vice-president, O. Behyner, secretary, Miss Maud Stone, treasurer and D. C. Richardson, editor. The question for debate was, "Resolved, That the Condition of the Laboring Classes has been Improved by Introduction of Machinery."

The judges decided in favor of the affirmative. The question for next debate is, "Resolved, That Water is more destructive than Fire."

Jan. 27. ENGINEER.

Received at Charman & Son's a large invoice of wall paper, latest and prettiest designs.

MULINO.

A taffy party was given by Frank Albright at the residence of J. W. Critser, on Friday night last. A good time was enjoyed by all present. Some of the young people think taffy is very hard to get out of their hair.

We hear from good authority that a gentleman representing a tile and pottery company spent a few days here lately, investigating the chances for starting here. After careful inspection and examination of the clay, he pronounced it of excellent quality, and as the supply is unlimited, we may in the near future have a tile and pottery works in our village. The gentleman intends to return again soon and perhaps make final arrangements for starting up here.

When questioned as to the capacity the works would be, he answered our company will employ at least 200 men. We wonder if the Oarus correspondent thinks this looks like merely a newspaper boom. Those who have allowed their business talent to become congested (by what they call hard times) had better awake from their sleep of lethargy and they will soon drift behind.

For business and enterprise we are bound to grow—even in Oregon.

Frank Mulvaney and William January are slashing and clearing a lumber yard for the new sawmill.

Several teams are engaged hauling flour from the roller mills. This flour is being shipped by boat to Portland.

C. T. Howard, proprietor of the roller mills, made a flying business trip to Oregon City last Thursday.

Samuel Mulvaney and Geo. Albright are cleaning out the newly surveyed street.

January 25th. Nrr.

MACKSBURG.

Hurrah, we are all up and coming in spite of mud and sickness.

We are glad to hear the sick are about all O. K. again.

We had a No. 1 dance at Scramlin's hall last Saturday night; tip-top music and a supper that you read about. Those that didn't attend missed half of their lives. We hope it will happen again soon.

John Harms has a sick horse.

D. Harms became dad of another big girl last week.

Mr. Daly has improved his hop yard by digging out some oak trees.

I am sorry to say my partner has flour the track since the other county was heard from. I am sorry he misrepresented the ring, but he lives in the backwoods and is so green that he don't know gold from brass, so the ring will have to excuse him. The ring was badly mistaken in guessing the chicken that wrote the humbug, but nevertheless, we wish the ring good luck.

P. Weismandel has returned to our burg as happy as a June bug.

A. Klebe has his hop yard in good order for another crop.

The dog on first street has gone calm, so there is no more danger.

C. Corenz has sold his place to J. R. Abbott.

If I can keep on the track I may appear again, if not, I wish you all good luck.

January 25th. MIKE SNEEZER.

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Elder Crabtree reached here last Sunday. He sent his hat around through the attentive audience for a collection, but he got less than nothing, for he even lost his hat, some son of Belial having on the sly exchanged his shabby old one for the elder's. The parson couldn't get the slouchy thing on his big head and had to leave bareheaded. Well, we couldn't stand that and chipped in for another hat.

Though we, as a community, are young in years, a surprising amount of aristocracy has developed among us. One would think that some of the ornery folks here were of all human stocks the most select, when, if the truth was known, many of them are the offspring of chicken and horse thieves or Botany Bay convicts. There is, for instance, Billy Socks, who is so "stuck up" that he will wear nothing but patched overalls and won't wash his shirt more than once a month.

A widow has begun a libel suit against the proprietor of the Wild Cat. In the last issue he referred to the lady as a "Japanese flour-sack" because she wears white dresses cut in the chrysanthemum style. Her lawyer has placed before the unlucky editor the alternative of either marrying the widow or paying \$25,000 damages.

Felix Airtight is so short of feed for his stock that he talks of going to the valley for a grass widow, as he thinks that would be far preferable to no feed at all.

P. S. I've just died of the grip and buried myself last week. Vale. S.

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