

SAME OLD STORY

No Change in the Senatorial Contest at Salem.

DEMOCRATS NOW FOR INMAN

Minority Republicans Still Dallying With Herrmann—Steady Corbett Policy Begins to Tell.

SALEM, Feb. 13.—If there is any change in the senatorial fight, it is not at all visible on the surface. The Democrats are now for Mr. Inman, and will stay with him until further notice. The minority opposition is at present Mr. Herrmann, and so far as the rank and file know, they will vote for him tomorrow. The Corbett forces are for Mr. Corbett and know exactly what they are going to do tomorrow, and the next day and the next. Herein lies the great strength of the Corbett campaign. His supporters are pursuing a steady and consistent policy and the opposition is not. It is a remarkable thing that every man who votes for Mr. Corbett on the first day has voted for him on every ballot since, and the accessions have been steadily loyal. The opposition has made one error in thinking that the Corbett vote were not well in standing steadfast by him, and that they could be shaken and scattered at some time in the contest. Now they have found out that the Democrats are beginning to talk about the duty of the Legislature to elect before final adjournment. The Corbett people agree to this and declare that the man to elect above all others is Mr. Corbett.

A wild rumor found general circulation in the lobbies this morning that the Republican opposition had decided to unite with the Democrats at noon in support of Senator Inman. The rumor, however, is credited, but as an advertisement of the willingness of the minority to combine with the Democrats to defeat Mr. Corbett, it was significant.

DEMOCRATS VOTE FOR INMAN.

They Change Their Support to Multnomah Senator.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 13.—The only feature of the joint convention today was the withdrawal of William Smith as a candidate for Senator, and the transfer of the solid body of Democratic votes to Senator Inman, of Multnomah. The trail for the new course of Democracy had been blazed yesterday, when three Democrats declined longer to support Senator Smith, and expressed their preference for Mr. Inman. Mr. Smith was not at all selfish, and had been ready at any time to get out of the way of any other deserving Democrat; but the Democratic management feared that the procedure of switching some votes might be lost to Mr. Mitchell. This grievous mischance did not happen.

Before the balloting began today Representative Whitney, chairman of the Democratic caucus, arose and said: "We have been balloting for United States Senator for many days, and our forces have stood solidly for one man. I am directed by Hon. William Smith, of Baker, to withdraw his name as candidate for United States Senator. Mr. Smith will not be our candidate for today."

Mr. Whitney gave no indication of what the Democrats intended to do, and there was a little gossip around the hall to the effect that they were at last going to Mitchell; but they did not. The second name on the roll is Representative Allen, of Clatsop, and when his name was called he responded with "R. D. Inman," and all the other Democrats followed suit, except Mr. Inman himself. He voted for W. E. Robertson, of Portland. This is the first time, by the way, that Senator Smith has had a choice of vote. He has heretofore remained silent when his name was called.

Senator Booth led off for Blinger Herrmann and all the opposition followed. Representative Roberts, however, abstained, and voted for George H. Williams. Representative Hemenway, who is sick, was the only absentee.

The result today was: Blinger Herrmann, 22; George H. Williams, 12; R. D. Inman, 23; W. E. Robertson, 1; Absent, 1.

Other Deadlocks.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 13.—The vote on Senator today showed no material change, resulting as follows: Mantle, 23; MacGinnis, 25; Frank, 21; Conrad, 2; Toole, 1.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 13.—The following vote was taken on United States Senator today: Allen, 61; W. H. Thompson, 51; George A. Curtis, 23; D. E. Thompson, 23; McKeljohn, 21; Halmer, 5; Hinshaw, 14; Kinkaid, 4; Martin, 3; Rosewater, 14; Scattering, 8.

Nine ballots were taken, and the result was as follows: D. E. Thompson made a gain of three votes over last night. The other changes were unimportant.

IN THE SENATE.

Each Business Done—One Measure Recalled.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 13.—The Senate was called to order at 10 A. M. Senator Hunt introduced a bill regulating street railroads in Portland. The bill was read three times and passed.

Senate bill No. 34, by Stalner, to correct the description of the boundary of Wheeler County, was passed.

Senate bill No. 34, by Booth, to protect hotel and boarding-house keepers, was passed.

By Smith, of Multnomah, relating to escheated estates.

By Smith, of Multnomah, to create the office of Clerk in Justice's Court in Portland.

By Williamson, to fix the salary of the District Attorney of the Seventh district.

NO HOLIDAY AT SALEM

FEBRUARY 22 WILL BE WORK DAY FOR LEGISLATURE.

Proceedings Likely to Be as Usual, Because the Session Ends on That Date.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 13.—Washington's birthday (February 22) is a legal holiday, but it is not a Legislative holiday unless the Legislature by specific act chooses to make it so; and obviously one Legislature cannot be another of observance of the day. Therefore, any assumption that the present session is in any way obliged to suspend proceedings one week from next Friday has no basis in fact.

IN THE HOUSE.

Was a Busy Day—A Number of Bills Passed.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 13.—The Chief Clerk of the House enacting committee again opened the morning session of the House with prayer, in the absence of any of the members. The session was opened at 10 o'clock, and the House met at 10:15. The first order of business was the reading of the report of the committee on the bill to amend the charter of Sherwood, was passed.

Senate bill No. 17, by Inman, to create the office of County Auditor of Multnomah County, was passed.

Senate bill No. 35, by Daly, to determine the official ballot, was made a special order for tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

The Senate voted to reconsider the vote by which it defeated Senate bill No. 16, this forenoon, and the bill was again put on final passage, and was passed by a vote of 17 to 10.

Senate bill No. 21, by Sweek, to amend the charter of Sherwood, was passed.

Senate bill No. 21, by Williamson, to fix the salary of prosecuting attorney in the Multnomah judicial district, was passed.

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FOUGHT OVER AGAIN

Anti-Railroad Debate in the Oregon House.

Measure Which Would Increase Liability of Railroads for Injuries to Employees Failed of Passage.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 13.—The anti-railroad agitation dies hard. The matter was fought out all over again in the House today, when several follow-servant measures came up for consideration. The fight, so far as its leadership was concerned, took exactly the same lines as heretofore, and the result was the same.

House bill No. 9, by Poorman, fixing liability of railroad corporations for injuries to employees, was the first to come up for special order.

Representative Poorman, who is an old railroad conductor, explained the purpose of the bill. "It is but justice to the innocent employee who is hurt through the act of a fellow employee," he said.

Senator Kuykendall seems to have considerable trouble in getting one of his bills passed. He is not a little disturbed over his difficulty. The bill in question is Senate bill No. 17, to reduce the number of copies of session laws, reports, etc., to be printed.

Senator Kuykendall stated that his bill had not yet been printed and in view of the fact that later and longer bills are being printed, he thought he would ask that the clerk be instructed to learn the reason for delay.

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FAVORABLE CAUCUS.

Disinterested Public Opinion on Senator in Coos County.

At this writing the deadlock at Salem still continues. Mr. Corbett, the leading candidate, has not enough votes to elect, and the scattered opposition shows no disposition to unite upon any one. The two houses meet in joint session and vote, and the Senators file back to their end of the Capitol to wait until time for the next session of the caucus.

The periodical recurrence of just such situations is extremely exasperating. Whatever may have been the object of the caucus, it is a waste of time and money, and the people have a right to expect that the Legislature will perform the duty with the least possible delay consistent with good government.

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THE JOINT ELECTION COMMITTEE TODAY DEBATED TO ACCEPT A SUBSTITUTE DIRECT PRIMARY BILL BY MORGAN TO APPLY ONLY TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

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The street-car vestibule measure, introduced by Representative Heltemper, has been nervously and recommended for passage. An amendment is that street-car companies shall provide their cars with vestibules during the months of November, December, January, February and March, such as will afford reasonable protection to motormen and conductors from wind, snow and rain.

The bill by Representative Heltemper to constitute Vancouver avenue a county road from the north line of North street to the north line of the northern city boundary, has for its object the keeping of the roadway in good repair, so as to make a good road all the way to the Columbia River. It is stated that the city has not taken care of this part of the avenue, which is in bad shape, and the county would not do so, because it did not have authority. The bill has not yet been reported on.

The other night several citizens of Sellwood appeared before the Multnomah Board of Public Works in the matter of street-car fares. The Oregon City electric line charges 10 cents from Sellwood to Portland, and it was desired that a provision be inserted in the charter requiring no greater charge than 5 cents. No other street-car line charges a higher sum. After consultation it was thought best to introduce a special bill making the fare for a continuous trip in any one general direction. This was done by Senator Hunt this morning.

The bill was put through three readings in the Senate under suspension of the rules and passed without opposition. It underwent the same rapid movement in the House, and now awaits the Governor's action. The bill provides that no street railway company shall charge more than 5 cents for one continuous trip between points within the corporate limits of Portland, and fixes as a penalty a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$100 for each violation of the act. The bill passed both houses by unanimous vote.

Mulkey's dog tax bill seems to have been defeated on the ground that it would be unconstitutional. Nearly every member who has voted against it stated that he favored the principle involved, but believed it unconstitutional because it is a bill for raising revenue, and should originate in the House of Representatives.

In the House today Whitney of Linn asked that the committee on counties be relieved from further consideration of Senate bill 125, relating to a boundary line between Linn and Lane Counties. Harris of Lane inquired what object the member from Linn had in view. "So we can pass the bill," was the prompt response.

Smith of Marion interposed objection to taking up business out of the regular order. The motion of Whitney was defeated, and the committee on counties still keeps the Linn-Lane boundary bill within its grip.

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