

ADJOURN IN 30 DAYS

Speaker Mills Favors Short Session.

WANTS TO SAVE STATE MONEY

Committee Appointments Will Be Announced During Recess—T. B. Kay, His Opponent, Will Be Treated Liberally.

A. L. Mills, who was yesterday morning elected Speaker of the House at Salem, returned to Portland yesterday afternoon for a short rest and to attend the annual meeting of the board of directors of the First National Bank, which takes place this morning at 11 o'clock.

The new Speaker has not as yet had time to make up his committee appointments, and will not make any attempt to announce his selections until Monday next. He has hardly had time to recover his breath after the close and exciting fight over the Speakership, and therefore did not like to make any announcement as to what course he would pursue.

"I am afraid," he said, "that they would catch me at it. But he continued, "I was watching the members yesterday as they leaned back and read their papers, while I stood up and watched what was going on. I think that when any one of them gets too comfortable will call him to the chair while I rest a little."

"What are you going to do with your opponent, Mr. Kay, of Marion?" Mr. Mills was asked. "I am going to treat him like a gentleman," said the Speaker, smiling back at the question.

It was suggested that Lieutenant-Governor-elect Oost, of Washington, had appointed his principal opponent chairman of the committee on judiciary at Olympia. "Following out the precedent, do you think Mr. Kay will be chairman of the committee on ways and means or of appropriations?"

"I had not thought of it," replied Mr. Mills, looking at the blue ring a little in front of him. "To tell the truth," he continued, "I have no definite idea as to whom I will announce the principal committee, or any of them. I want to consult with my friends in the House and listen to what recommendations they may have to offer."

Mr. Mills will return to Salem this afternoon at 4 o'clock to be present at the opening of the Wednesday morning session.

ROB MT. TABOR POSTOFFICE. Crackmen Blow Open Safe and Take \$85 in Cash. Safecrackers blew open the Mount Tabor postoffice safe in Brubaker, Normandin & Co.'s store yesterday morning. Eighty-five dollars was taken.

PRAISE FOR POSTOFFICE

H. B. HALL SAYS NEW STRUCTURE WILL BE FINE ONE.

ACTORS BRING SUIT.

James Keane Appears as Defendant in an Action for Back Salary.

James Keane, who several months ago appeared as a star at Cordray's Theater in productions of "Fabio Roman" and "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," is now on and while the plaintiffs in this suit may be able to ride on the train to San Francisco at their own expense, they propose to see Keane paraded in the city.

There is an old theatrical saying, "It is very cold in Winter and the walking is good in June." The Winter season is now on and while the plaintiffs in this suit may be able to ride on the train to San Francisco at their own expense, they propose to see Keane paraded in the city.

Keane invoked this rule against his discharged employers. They objected, claiming that where they had received a final discharge on two weeks' notice they were entitled to full pay for the final week of their engagement.

DID SHE WED TOO SOON? Divorce Case Reveals Story of Marriage in Haste. It is a close question whether Almira J. McLaughlin is really entitled to this name and is the legal wife of W. H. McLaughlin, or whether she is still Almira J. Jenkins, the divorced wife of Thomas Jenkins.

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ARREST BRITISHER SKIPPER. Captain McDonald Charged With Violation of Immigration Laws. While preparing to sail, Captain James McDonald, of the British ship Hampton, was arrested yesterday on information filed in the United States Court charging him with a violation of the immigration laws.

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The Meier & Frank's Store Great Clearance Sale. The premier bargain event of the business year—Every article, a few contract goods alone excepted, in the greatest stock of high-grade merchandise on the Pacific Coast being offered at a great reduction from the regular selling price.

In Portland's Leading Cloak Store. January cloak and suit selling is exceeding our fondest expectations—Serving more women with satisfactory ready-to-wear apparel than ever before in our history because we provide the greatest assortments and the best values in garments particular women want.

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Drug Sundries. Clearance Sale Men's Clothing. Radical Clearance Sale reductions on our entire stock of Men's Suits, Overcoats, Raincoats, Trousers, Etc.—We are very anxious to clean out every Winter garment in stock this month and have made prices accordingly—Styles and materials the very best—Ready-made clothing the equal of custom-made garments—2d Floor.

Clearance Sale of Handkerchiefs. Clearance Sale of Knit Underwear. Clearance Sale of Ribbons--Gloves. Clearance Sale of Wash Goods. 5000 yards of fancy Dotted Swisses for, yd. 13c Plain Colored Silk Organdies, all the leading shades, great special value, yd. 21c