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THE VOTE IS UNCHANGED

Almost One-Third of the Members of the Legislature Were Absent Yesterday.

Measures to Change the Time of General Elections and to Add More Institutions Defeated.

Salem, Jan. 26.—Special) - Thirtyfour votes would have elected a United States senator at today's session of the legislature. On Friday evening many of the members of both houses left the capital for their homes, and the washouts that have occurred prevented a large number of the legislators from returning to this city. As a result the ballot for United States senator was

| uninteresting. It resulted as foll | į |
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| C. W. Fulton | |
| C. E. S. Wood (dem.)1 | į |
| T. T. Geer | |
| H. L. Pittock | |
| A. L. Mills | į |
| E. M. Brannick | į |
| W. D. Penton | |
| L. T. Barron | į |
| William Ladd | |
| J. B. Clelland | 1 |
| T. B. Wilcox |) |
| A. S. Bradley | 1 |
| M. C. George | 1 |
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Twenty-four members were absent or paired and only 66 were present. A majority of those present would have been

The situation shows little hange so far as the vote is concerned, but it is known that the Fulton forces have been augumented during the recess end ing this morning. It is probable that the Astoria man will have more than 40 votes before Thursday, and by Saturday his election can be looked for.

There is a rumor that the Scott forces, which are represented by H. L. Pittock, will throw their support to T. B. Wilcox, the Portland flouring mill man, before the week is over. It is assured that Mr. Scott has no earthly chance of election, and the whisper is going around that Wilcox vill be substituted for him. Hodson of Multuomah today voted for Wilcox, which may have some significance.

WILL NOT CHANGE THE

OF GENERAL ELECTIONS

House Defeats Measure With That End In View and One for New

State Institutions. Salem, Jan. 26 .- Both houses of the legislature were in session this aftersoon and transacted considerable business. The senate adopted a joint memorial asking congress to sall a convention for the purpose of adding an amendment to the federal constitution providing for the election of senators

by direct vote of the people. The principal feature of the business of the house was the defeat of a resolution for a constitutional amendment changing the time of general elections from June to November, and the defeat of a resolution for an amendment authorizing the establishment of asylums and educational institutions away from the capital.

Shelley of Lane introduced a resolution asking the state of Washington to make a larger appropriation than \$100,-000 for the Lewis and Clark fair.

POOR PLACE FOR SICK PEOPLE.

Bellevue Hospital Short on Nurses and Long on Stimulants.

New York, Jan. 26.-Official investi- in commercial disturbances. gation is to be made of charges against the nurse training system in Bellevue hospital made by John Santa Rosa a male nurse, who resigned and in an affidavit said that men nurses were in the habit of giving powerful injectious of strychnine to dying patients in order to prolong their lives until after in attendance. The alleged object of of "laying out" the bodies. Other grave

irregularities are also charged. The nurses made general denial of Rosa's charges, but say their work is joo hard. One nurse, they assert, sometimes has from 16 to 25 patients to take care of during the night, and these patients have to be watched closely.

UNPOPULAR IN ENGLAND.

Germany Thought to Desire Strife Between America and England.

New York, Jan. 26 .- The Angio-Gernan alliance becomes more upopular

from London to the Tribune. Rightly or wrongly, the feeling is growing that the Berlin government is doing its best to involve England in a quarrel with America. It is difficult to say what will be the outcome of the San Carlos incident. . Henry Norman, who is one of the ablest critics of foreign affairs that although the Monroe doctrine has been formally recognized by Great Britain it has not bee recognized by Germany, and as nobody who follows the German opinion closely doubts for a HOUSE KILLS RESOLUTIONS moment that a misunderstanding bemoment that a misunderstanding bebe very far from being a matter of sorrow in Germany, it wa sa master stroke of diplomacy for the kaiser to invelgle the British government into this alliance for joint action within the sphere of the Monroe doctrine.

> AVER THEY ARE BETTER THAN JACK RABBITS

Utah Legislature Condemns Salt Lake Paper for Unkindly Reference to Members.

Sait Lake, Jan. 26,-The lower hous of the legislature today made formal objection to its members being compared to jack rabbits. The objection was in the form of a set of resolutions censuring the Salt Lake Telegram, which published an article saying that if the San Pete county members chang ed places with jack rabbits, the legislature would be strengthened by the presence of the substitutes.

NO CHANGE AT OLYMPIA.

Little Probability of a Break in the Vote for Senator.

Olympia, Jan. 26-The one ballot cast today on the senatorial question showed no change, and there are no indications tonight of any break in the vote temorrow. The ballot today, which

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| | Ankeny |
| | Preston 43 |
| | Wilson |
| | Allen 6 |
| | Turner (dem.)21 |
| | Absent 7 |
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PETTUS RE-ELECTED.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 26.-Edward W. Pettus was re-elected United States senator from Alabama today by the legislature in joint session

TRANS-ATLANTIC LINER ASHORE ON WELSH COAST

Vessel Believed to Be the Shenandoah Wrecked Fifteen Miles From Holyhead, Wales,

Holyhead, Wales, Jan. 26.-An Amerlcan liner, name unknown, is reported probe it to the bottom." ashore off Aberfrave point, 15 miles south of here. Seventeen of the crew have come ashore in their own boats. They report that the vesses is a total wreck. It is stated that the remainder Replies, "Play Ball," to Those Who of the crew are unable to get ashore

ed that there are no passengers aboard.

owing to the heavy seas. It is report

LIKELY THE SHENANDOAH. New York, Jan. 26 .- It is very improbable that any vessel of the American line of steamers is ashore at Aberfrave point. It is not improbable that the vessel is the Cheapspeake & Ohio for printing the document. Quay ab-Steamship company's steamer Shenandoah, which left Newport News January 13.

PRICE OF SILVER DOWN

TO LOW RECORD POINT

New Ratio Established by Philippine Government Is \$2.61 for One Dollar in Gold.

Mantla. Jan. 26.-The decline in the value of silver has forced the Philip- sular appropriation bill was passed. pine government to lower the official rate. The new ratio is \$2.61 for \$1 in gold, the lowest official rate ever de- ice was ruled out of order, and the declared. It represents heavy loss to the insular treasury, and commercial houses fear that further declines will result

FLOODS ARE SUBSIDING.

Upper Willamette Still Very High, But Danger Is Past.

Portland, Jan. 26,-Reports from the upper Willamette valley and southern of the policy of the government toward the close of period of duty of the nurses Oregon indicate that the floods are sub- Indians. A resolution was adopted callsiding and that railroad traffic, which ing on the postmaster general for the this procedure was to shirk the duty has been blocked for three days, has correspondence in the Indianola (Miss.) been resumed.

The upper Willamette river is still very high, but the danger is past.

DIED IN CHURCH.

Elizabeth, N. J., Jan. 26.-While the services were in progress in the Christ Episcopal church here yesterday the congregation was startled on hearing a loud mean and seeing John Rowland Moorewood, one of the oldest communicants, fall back in his pew. He died in the vestibule of the church a few resentatives from this state to work for minutes later. Heart disease was the the omnibus statehood bill.

Mr. Moorewood was in his 82rd year increasing the penalties for highway and came to Elizabeth over a quarter robbery; also a house bill which re

SENSATION AT HEARING

in the house of commons, points out Philip Doblin Retracts His Allegation That Quigg Offered Money to Lessler.

Lessler Will Call Additional Wit nesses-Quigg's Attorney Charges Foul Plot to Ruin Him.

Washington, Jan. 26.-Philip Doblin, who testified before the house commithe had approached Representative Lesmoney to influence Lessler's vote on the sumbarine bill, made the astounding high region. statement before the committee today wanted to retract his statement that Quigg had tendered a bribe to him. Members of the committee looked at each other in amazement as Doblin went on with his statement.

Doblin was rigidly cross-examined by every member of the committee, but he persisted in saying that he was telling the truth, and adhered to his de- free of charge. nials. When Doblin left the stand the committee's program, which contem plated calling Dr. W. B. Kerr to the stand, was abandoned, and it went into secret session. Some of the members, in view of the remarkable development favored dropping the investigation, but others urged that it be continued.

It is understood that Lessler asked that he be permitted to make a statement, and said that he had another witness he would call, whereupon the committee decided to meet again at 16:20 in the morning.

Representative Lessler was present in the committee room when Doblin gave his testimony. He expressed surprise at Doblin's retraction, but would say nothing

Delaney Nicoll, attorney for Mr. Quigg, when interrupted in the crossexamination of Doblin, said:

"I consider that the wickedest and foulest plot against the integrity of my client, a former member of the house has been revealed in this committee today, and I want to prove it here, entailing consequences which every one of you must see happen, and I want to

QUAY DEMANDS VOTE

ON STATEHOOD BILL

Complain That He Is Confiscatlng Senate's Time.

Washington, Jan. 26.-In the senate today Quay, in charge of the omnibus statehood bill, insisted on its consideration to the exclusion of other bills. When Platt of New York attempted to call up committee report providing jected. Hale thereupon thereupon declared that Quay was confiscating the time of the senate. The latter replied calmly that this could be obviated by

allowing a vote upon the statehood bill. The resolution offered by Morgan of Alabama questioning the credentials of Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge d'affaires, who signed, with Secretary Hay, the canal treaty, caused the senate to go into executive session. At its conclusion the diplomatic and con-The Lodge amendment providing for a reorganization of the consular serv-

IN THE HOUSE.

bate thereby was cut off.

Washington, Jan. 26 .- The house to day made a new record in the matter of appropriation bills. The military academy bill was passed without a single word of debate. The Indian bill, which followed, was not completed today, as Burton (Rep.) of Ohio made a long speech on it in general criticism postoffice case.

REFERENDUM FOR THE CITIES OF WASHINGTON

New Bill Passed Requires Councils to Submit Franchise Matters to the Voters.

Olympia, Jan. 26.-The senate today adopted a memorial petitioning congress to pass and instructing the rep-

The house passed an amendatory bill every day, according to a dispatch of a century ago, from Pittsfield, Mass, quires a city council, upon the petition of 15 percent of the electors, to refer to the voters of the city any grants or enewals of franchises or disposition of property owned by the city.

COURT WILL PROTECT THE COAL CONSUMERS

fesues Injunction Restricting Combin From Fixing Minimum Price for Fuel at Detroit,

Detroit, Jan. 26.-The circuit court the Detroit Coal exchange, an organization of 30 local coni dealers.

The injunction restrains the exchange from acting as an organization to fix a minimum price at which coal shall

WORK OF STRIKE COMMISSION Philadelphia Jan. 26.-The attention of the anthracite coal strike commission was today directed to the claim tee on naval affairs on Saturday that and charges of the independent operators, the first case being that of G. R. sler of New York with an offer of Markle & Co., whose collieries are located in and about Jeddo, in the Le- • the British naval officers at La •

Gertrude Martin, a professional nurse that he made statements on Saturday in the employ of the company, and which were not true, and that he Frank Walk, a general storekeeper at Jeldo, were among the most important witnesses. Miss Martin was a good witness for the company. She told of the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Markle to care for the sick employes, and stated that where cases of necessity were discovered the patients were furnished with medicines and nourishing food

MAHER KNOCKED OUT.

Lasts Two Rounds Before Joe Choynski at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia Jan. 26.- Peter Maher was knocked out by Joe Choynski in the second round of what was scheduled to be a six-round bout at the Washington Sporting club tonight.

TELEGRAPHER DEAD.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 26.-Abner R. Pippitt, night wire chief and electrician | had not come to Mr. Bowen from the of the Western Union Telegraph company in Kansas City, formerly assist- ever, such unofficial information as has ant chief operator of that company in St. Louis, and later superintendent of the telegraph of the Cotton Belt railroad, is dead at his home in this city.

BLOCKADE IS TO BE RAISED

Foreign War Vessels to Withdraw From Venezuelan Coast on Next Wednesday.

MR. BOWEN MAKES PROPOSAL

Agrees for Venezuela That Powers Shall Receive 30 Percent of the Customs Receipts From Two Ports.

Guayra informing him that the

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· blockade will be released next ·

Washington, Jan. 26,-There is no information in Washington to justify the positive statement contained in the Caracas dispatch that the Venezuela blockade will be raised Wednesday.

BOWEN MAKES PROPOSAL.

Agrees to Give Powers Thirty Percent of Customs Receipts.

Washington, Jan. 26.-The AssociatedPress has been informed that Mr. Bowen, acting for Venezuela, in return for the raising of the blockade, pledges 30 percent of the receipts of Porto Cabello and La Guayra, the same to be

collected by the joint commission. Up to the close of the lay formal notice of the acceptance of the proposition representatives of the allies here. Howreached Mr. Bowen confirmed him in the belief that the pending controversy

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