

TO INVESTIGATE BOODLE STORY

Senate Adopts Resolution Providing for Committee to Look into Alleged Corruption Fund Raised by Liquor Interests for New Legislation in Their Behalf.

(By Frank E. Perkins.)
 Salem, Or., Jan. 23.—Persistent circulation of the rumor that the liquor interests have raised a corruption fund to be expended in securing the passage of the Jayne house bill, thus virtually repealing the local option law, has resulted in an action by the senate this afternoon tending to safeguard the legislature against unjust comment.

The following resolution was introduced by Haines and referred to the proper committee:

Whereas, it is a matter of common report, widely circulated prior to the twenty-third legislative session, that money would be used by the liquor interests of the state to secure revision or repeal of the local option law, provided such could not be accomplished by legal means; and

Whereas, the circulation of this rumor has continued since the legislature convened, finally assuming the definite form that a bribery or corruption fund has been raised; and

Whereas, whether or not there be any truth in these reports, their circulation tends to cast a taint on the deliberations of this legislative assembly and may unjustly place under suspicion members honestly favoring the house bill introduced by Representative Jayne, which has for its object the modification of the local option law; therefore be it

Resolved, That the president of the senate is hereby authorized to appoint a committee of two members to not in conjunction with a committee of three to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives to endeavor to determine whether or not such reports are well grounded, future action by both senate and house to depend on the nature of the report made by this joint committee.

A dead silence followed the introduction of the resolution. Senator Pierce rose to second the motion but his action was rendered unnecessary by the chair ordering it referred to a committee.

COUNTY ASSESSORS IN SESSION HERE

B. D. Sigler of Portland Has Been Chosen as the Temporary Chairman.

NEARLY ENTIRE STATE HAS REPRESENTATION

Many Important Subjects Will Be Discussed by the Men Who Levy Taxes.

Assessors of Oregon are in convention this afternoon in the county court-room, where they were called to order by J. H. Morton of Union county, at whose instance they assembled. This afternoon temporary organization was effected, and the various assessors who are attending devoted the time to becoming acquainted with each other. Numerous subjects were discussed informally, and ideas were exchanged regarding recommendation to the legislature of amendments to statutes regulating the assessment of property and levying of taxes in Oregon. Tomorrow papers are to be read by several assessors and discussion will follow.

It appears to be certain that the question of assessing at approximately the actual cash value, instead of the prevailing low valuations, will be debated at length, and that the question of uniform assessment by the different counties will also be raised.

In the forenoon a number of assessors called at the office of B. D. Sigler, assessor of this county, and went over the ground to be covered during the convention, which will continue for several days.

B. D. Sigler of Portland was chosen as temporary chairman and J. F. Nelson of Clackamas county as secretary. An adjournment was taken at 2:15 this afternoon to 10 o'clock tomorrow forenoon.

The most important discussions will arise over the assessment of railway property and the discovery and assessment of intangible property. C. F. Strain of Clatsop county, J. S. Corneilus of Clatsop county, "Poll Taxation and Exemptions," D. B. McNight of Linn county, "Organization of an Assessor's Office," B. D. Sigler of Portland; "Extension of the Tax Roll," Peter Applegate of Jackson county; "Uniform Assessments Throughout the State," George H. Wilcox of Washington county.

"Discovery and Assessment of Intangible Property," C. F. Strain of Clatsop county; "The paper to be read for him by G. W. Staley of Douglas county.

"Mining Property Assessment," W. H. Fallon, Josephine county.

"Railway Taxes," A. T. Laws, Columbia county.

"Flat Salaries," G. W. Staley, Douglas county.

There are present today: W. S. Connor, Morrow county; F. G. Rice, Marion; E. L. Baker, Clatsop; A. T. Laws, Columbia; G. W. Staley, Douglas; James F. Nelson, Clackamas; J. H. Morton, Union; A. S. Stogdale, Wasco; C. E. Graves, Polk; B. McNight, Clatsop; C. F. Feela, Sherman; and A. J. Shelton, Gilliam.

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WILLIAM H. GALVANI LIMNS ANOTHER SCENE

For the White Czar, the Day of Judgment is Close at Hand.

Discussing the latest news from the war in the orient today, William H. Galvani recalled an interesting prediction made some months ago.

In an article I contributed to The Journal printed on January 8, 1907, a month before Japan opened her first fire on the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, he says, "I stated that, should Russia enter into the prospective struggle for the possession of Manchuria and Korea, she would soon find her ports blockaded, her fleets destroyed, her fortresses reduced, her treasury empty, invasion of Russia from without, and revolution and chaos from within."

"Nothing has ever been so completely fulfilled as this summary of what was coming. And why? Simply because any other outcome, to any one familiar with actual Russia, would have been an impossibility.

In this great tragedy, however, the general revolt, now taking place in that unhappy land, is the most serious of all the misfortunes that have ever overtaken Russia. It began with the Decembrist revolt in 1825, when Nicholas II assumed the government of that empire. From that time the shrouding spirit of rebellion has never left the long suffering people of Russia. But it required the present disastrous war to bring about the conflagration. With the beginning of the terrible defeats the bureaucracy began to realize the possibility of what was about to come. Hence their sham play with the amnisty and hints of abolishing of the odious passport system; but these and many other

EASIER FEELING EXISTS IN RUSSIA TONIGHT

(Journal Special Service.)
 St. Petersburg, Jan. 23.—It is reported the czar left Tsarskoye Selo for Gatchina or Peterhoff. An easier feeling prevails this evening. The palace square, which resembled a vast bivouac. Enormous crowds are parading the sidewalks and sounds of cavalry are up and down the Nevsky Prospekt.

M. Pobedonosteff, procurer general of the holy synod, is seriously ill.

UNCLE GEORGE HAS MANY WELL WISHERS

Bailiff Humphrey of the Federal Court Celebrates Anniversary of His Birth.

George Humphrey, bailiff of the United States court, is celebrating the seventy-second anniversary of his birth today.

"Uncle George," as he is familiarly known, has had a most interesting career, and his 72 years residence in this state is replete with adventure.

He was born at Steubenville, O., January 23, 1833, and while yet a child his parents moved to Iowa. May 2, 1845, he started overland for Oregon in command of a train consisting of 57 wagons, 72 men and a corresponding number of women and children. On account of the troublesome character of the Indians on the plains at that time every wagon train reaching a certain zone of danger was placed under a semi-military organization, and June 30, 1845, Mr. Humphrey was appointed a captain of the company by authority of the commander of the headquarters of the post junction. The train arrived at The Dalles October 5, 1845, without serious mishap, and since then Mr. Humphrey has taken an active interest in the political affairs of this state.

He was in the sheriff's office at Albany, Linn county, as sheriff and deputy, for 15 years, and has been connected with the United States marshal's office during the past 15 years.

It is believed there is no man in Oregon more familiar with the conditions of the state than Mr. Humphrey. The positions he has held have given him intimate acquaintance with people from all sections and in addition he possesses a remarkable memory for persons and events.

INDIAN KINGS HIMSELF.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
 Pendleton, Or., Jan. 23.—David Wolf, 25 years old, an Indian on the Umatilla reservation, hanged himself in a cell at the agency school Sunday. He was drunk when placed in confinement the night before. He made a noose of a large silk handkerchief, tied one end to the grating above the cell door and slowly strangled to death.

Strip Gold.

Latvian Brono Gulnise, the world-wide gold strip miner, remains the owner of all his gold, and look for the signature of E. W. Grove, Esq.

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ST. PATRICK'S KENNEDY.

The mission at St. Patrick's church opened yesterday with a successful meeting. This evening at 7:30 o'clock Rev. P. J. Mulconney will speak on "Sin and its Consequences." All are invited.

WORK ON CELILO CANAL HAS BEEN COMMENCED

Contractors Nelson & White are placing men along the route of the Celilo portage road and work is being inaugurated on the line. The earth work has been sub-let to Contractor Allen, and the wood work, culverts and cattle guards to J. B. Thilston of Portland. Messrs. Allen and Johnson have been engaged in construction work on the Dufur road.

A. J. McMillan, state engineer for the portage road, who is in Portland today, said:

"The work has been commenced at different places along the line. The driving at Celilo will begin this week."

POWELL TAKES ANOTHER STEP

A favorable report to the United States senate was made today on the nomination of Cader Powell of Portland, to be marshal for Alaska.

COCKRELL STILL LEADS

(Journal Special Service.)
 Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 23.—The 18th joint ballot for United States senator today resulted: Cockrell, 58; Nield, 5; Kerens, 5; Pettigrew, 1.

NOTICE!

Auction, 2 p. m., 7 p. m.—Must Vacate February 1—
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