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## SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COUNCIL

Adopts Measures for the Protection of the City's Health.

### FULTON IS HEALTH OFFICER

Appointed to Carry Out the Provisions of New Ordinance—New Cannery Site Approved.

At the special meeting of the city council held yesterday afternoon in the council chamber, all the members of the council were present with the exception of Councilman McGregor, who was unavoidably detained from the meeting. Auditor Nelson read the call for the special meeting, which provided for the consideration of three special matters: First, to consider the matter of the health of the city; second, to consider the tax levy for 1897; third, to consider the application of the Union Fishermen's Co-operative Packing Co. for a permit to construct a wharf with buildings on the waterfront of the city west of the Washington cannery property.

After some argument, under suspension of the rules, the following amendment to Ordinance No. 2216, was unanimously passed:

An Ordinance to Amend Section 1, of Ordinance No. 1786, entitled, "An Ordinance to Protect the Public Health, and to Prevent the Spread of Dangerous or Contagious Diseases."

The City of Astoria Does Ordain as Follows:

Sec. 1.—That Section 1, of Ordinance No. 1786, entitled, "An Ordinance to protect the public health, and to prevent the spread of contagious or dangerous diseases," which was approved January 1st, 1895, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows, to-wit:

Sec. 1.—There shall be a Board of Health, which shall consist of the mayor, or in his absence the President of the Council, who shall be ex-officio president of the board, and the committee on health and police, and the city physician, if there be one. The city physician shall be a regular physician of the city; he shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval of a majority of the council, and shall hold his office at the pleasure of the common council. He may be removed by the mayor for incompetency, or for neglect of duty.

After the passage of the ordinance the mayor signed it at once, and immediately appointed Dr. A. L. Fulton as city physician and health officer. The council promptly approved the mayor's appointment, and Dr. Fulton will at once make a careful investigation of the condition of the health of the city. Nothing was done with the matter in the second clause of the call for the special meeting.

Under suspension of the rules a special ordinance was passed granting permission to the Fishermen's Co-operative Packing Company to erect certain wharves and buildings on the waterfront of the city at Smith's Point.

**HENRY WATTERSON**  
Makes a Record in Another Characteristic Speech.

New York, January 20.—The 24th annual banquet of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation was held in the banquet hall of the Waldorf tonight. The principal speaker of the evening was Henry Watterson, who responded to the toast, "When Uncle Sam Was Young."

The Southern Journalist's address teemed with the wit and flowers of rhetoric that have done as much to make him famous as the profundity of his logic. He began with a comparison of the condition of a century ago with the present, making playful allusions to the popular fads and vices of the day. After a rather flippant discussion of the universal peace idea, he said, more seriously:

"There are dangers and dangers; and those that menace the republic when its titular sultan was young are not those that menace it now. We are a nation of institutions. We are a nation of institutions. The lion across our path was the institution of African slavery. We survived it. The wolf at our door is the institution of professional anarchy. We shall survive that, too. We have had our new birth of freedom; but, before we can come out of the fiery ordeal a perfect nation, we must have a new birth of morals. It is for you, gentlemen, to set the pace."

He refuted the idea that corporations are a thing to be condemned or feared, if justice and equity control their actions, "but," said he, "if the conditions of the nation's wealth go on burgeoning with their riches, the delusion that when the danger line is reached they can buy an election, it is only a question of time when the hordes of disorder will sweep over the barriers that now restrain them."

**ANOTHER RECEIVERSHIP.**  
Chicago, January 20.—The Metropolitan West Side Elevated Road is in the

hands of a receiver. A bill to foreclose the mortgage protecting an issue of \$15,000,000 of bonds was filed in the federal court this afternoon and Judge Showalter appointed Dickerson McAllister, chief engineer of the road, as receiver.

The bill was brought by Adrian Iselin, Jr. and George G. Haven, to whom the bond mortgage, as trustees, was made by the company on August 1, 1892. The bill was a simple statement of default in a portion of last August's interest account, and the charge that the road could be unable to meet the February interest. The answer of the road admitted the charge of being \$77,900 in default on the August interest and unable to pay the February interest due in a few days.

**NOTED TOUGH KILLED.**  
Tom McKay, a Half-breed, Gets into Trouble and is Shot.

Klamath Falls, January 20.—Tom McKay, a noted character in this section, was shot and instantly killed by Newt Gordon, town marshal, about 4 o'clock this morning.

Gordon and Charles D. Wilson, a saloon keeper, were standing in front of the Linkville Hotel when McKay, who was intoxicated, accused Wilson of talking about his family. He started for Wilson, saying he would cut his gizzard out, striking Wilson and knocking him over against the building. McKay then started after Gordon, who drew his revolver, telling McKay to stop. After repeated warnings to stop McKay attempted to strike Gordon, when the latter fired, severing the spinal cord in the neck and killing McKay instantly. McKay was a large, powerful man, and when drinking was dangerous. He was a half-breed, and half brother of Donald and Dr. William McKay, well known in Eastern Oregon. Gordon gave himself up to the sheriff.

**HARRIS, OF KANSAS.**

Topeka, January 20.—Wm. A. Harris, of Linwood, was nominated for United States senator in the Populist caucus tonight on the twenty-fifth ballot. Both houses will meet in joint session next Tuesday at noon formally to elect him United States senator.

Harris is 34 years old and a native of Virginia. He came to Kansas in 1875 and was a Democrat until 1890. During the past twenty years he has been a Populist congressman-at-large, and held that place until 1894, when he was defeated by Congressman Blue, the present Republican incumbent.

**INTERESTING LEGAL POINT.**

Portland, January 20.—An interesting question has arisen in regard to the pardon issued today to George Betz, alias John Bingham, by Governor Lord. Betz was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for burglary, but he is wanted in Chicago on a charge of murdering Gus Cullander there in November, 1894, and a detective is now here to take him to Chicago. Betz' attorney has sworn out a writ of habeas corpus and it will come up tomorrow.

Betz' case is now before the supreme court on appeal and he claims that Gov. Lord has no right to pardon him as he has not yet been convicted.

**FOUR STARVING INDIA.**

San Francisco, January 20.—Telegrams have been sent by the citizens' committee to the governors of Washington, Oregon, Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa asking people of those states to unite with California in sending a shipload of grain to the starving people of India.

**PLATT IS SENATOR.**

Hartford, January 20.—In the joint session the legislature ratified the election of Orville H. Platt as United States senator to succeed himself.

**TRAP FISHING.**

An Open Letter to Governor John R. Rogers.

Iiwaco, Wash., Jan. 15, 1897.  
To John R. Rogers, Governor of the State of Washington—Dear Sir: I have just finished reading your message, and I wish to inform you on trap fishing, as it seems your information comes from Gov. Penney, whom you quote. Now, sir, any man who knows a thing about trap fishing, knows the law prescribes the size of the mesh, in the gear, which allows the small fish to pass through anywhere, and other kinds of fish caught are turned out of the pound net unhurt. Of course, Penney would bowl at fish traps. Why? Because all the traps are on the Washington side. There are not fifteen fish traps on the Oregon side, while Washington has in the Columbia river 406; and by means of these traps the citizens of Washington caught about half as many fish as did Oregon's gill net fleet of 2,000 boats. The number of gill net boats fishing on the Washington side are: Pacific county, A. P. Co., 42; McGowan, 6. This is a correct statement of gill nets on the Columbia river, Washington side. The reason there are no more is that Sand Island is in the way of fishing with gill nets from Iiwaco or vicinity for several miles. Baker's bay is not

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## A "RUMP" HOUSE TO BE ORGANIZED

At Salem Today by Those Who Are Opposed to a Further Blockade.

### THE OBSTRUCTING POPULISTS

Must Go, or Give Way to Those Who Want to Transact the Business of the People.

Salem, January 20.—It is the purpose of the Benson men, supported by Senator Mitchell, to attempt to organize the house tomorrow at 2 o'clock. It is claimed that no force will be used. The Benson men held a protracted caucus tonight, at which the opinions on the situation obtained by Senator Mitchell from Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, and Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, were discussed at length.

The chances are that there will be a majority present at 2 o'clock; if so, the design is to go on and attempt to reconsider the action by which Davis was chosen temporary speaker. If this is ruled out of order (and it doubtless will be), they will then set up a rump organization. They will insist that the action by which Davis was elected speaker can be reconsidered by thirty-one, or more members and they will elect a speaker for the purpose of taking his place. If Davis refuses to vacate, they will place the new temporary speaker, who may or may not be Benson, at the side of Davis, and they will proceed to organize permanently, despite the protest Davis will no doubt make, and recognizing their own speaker only as authority, will proceed to business.

A correspondent of the Associated Press asked Senator Mitchell tonight if he was willing to express an opinion as to the legislative power of the house to organize and transact business with a less number present and qualified than two-thirds of all the members elect to the house. He answered as follows:

"While perhaps it is a delicate thing for me to state an opinion, considering the position I hold as the nominee of the Republicans for United States senator, I regard the question as one absolutely free from doubt, and as having been well settled by numerous legislative and judicial adjudications. I am clearly of the opinion that a majority of those elected to the house has a perfect right to organize the house permanently, and that such house when so organized, provided there are present two thirds of such majority, or two-thirds of the number actually present and duly qualified, whether the majority, or more than a majority, have a perfect right, not only to cast the vote of the house for senator, but also a perfect right to transact any and all legislative business pertaining to the house of representatives. In order that I might be fortified in this opinion by the very highest authority in the United States senate on this subject, I yesterday morning wired the Hon. George F. Hoar, chairman of the Judiciary committee of the United States senate, and I received today Senator Hoar's answer. It will be seen that Senator Hoar confirms the view I have stated."

Senator Mitchell's telegram was as follows: "The legislation of the state of Oregon provides as follows: First, the senate shall consist of thirty, and the house of representatives of sixty members; second, two-thirds of each house shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may meet, adjourn from day to day, and compel the attendance of absent members. Can the house organize permanently, a majority only being present, and can such house elect a senator and lawfully do other legislative business, provided two thirds of such majority are present? Thirty-one Republicans and four Democrats, being all the Democrats in the house, thirty-five in all, are now present in the house ready to organize; while nineteen Populists, being all the Populist members of the house, and six bolting Republicans, refuse to come in and be sworn. While we believe the house has a perfect right to permanently organize, providing thirty-one of such members will constitute a quorum to enable the house, not only to elect a senator, but transact any and all legislative business, in order to avoid any possible friction, the majority has been patiently waiting in hope of securing the presence of two-thirds of all the members elected to the house before organizing. Any suggestion or advice you are willing to give for use here will be gratefully appreciated."

Senator Hoar answered as follows: "I think two-thirds of the number actually qualified make a good legislative quorum. If only thirty-five qualify they may organize and lawfully do business. The same question and principle was settled in the national house and senate in the time of the rebellion."

**NO HOUSE YET.**

Special to the Astorian.  
Salem, Or., January 20.—One-fourth of the regular session of the legislature has passed and the house has not yet

organized. The house simply met today and adjourned until tomorrow.

**TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION.**

New Salmon Fishing Law to Be Passed at Salem.

Special to the Astorian.

Salem, January 20.—The principal feature of the afternoon session in the senate was the introduction by Senator Geener of a joint resolution amending the state constitution so that the governor may veto any item in the general appropriation bill without vetoing the entire bill, as is now the case. Senator Harmon's bill to regulate salmon fishing in the Rogue River fixes the close season from April 15 to June 1st, and from August 15 to September 15. It makes it unlawful for any one to take salmon with a trap or wheel of any kind. It also restrains the use of seines at any point above the mouth of the Illinois river. A penalty of not less than \$25 and not more than \$500 fine, or not less than ten days or more than six months imprisonment, is provided for violation of its provisions.

**MURDERER'S LYNCHED.**

Special to the Astorian.  
Amity City, La., January 20.—Three negro murderers are dead. Arch Joiner and Johnson, who at the last moment confessed their guilt of killing the Cotton family, and Gus Williams, alias Morrissey, who shot and killed his young wife. A mob took them from the jail this morning and hanged them to a tree. They tried to burn one of the negroes at the stake, but the wood being wet the attempt was abandoned and the negroes were hanged.

**THE UNION PACIFIC.**

New York, January 20.—It is understood that the government directors of the Union Pacific will meet Friday, at the office of the receivers in this city, to consider the question of instituting foreclosure proceedings. It is reported that G. H. Patrick, government director of the Union Pacific, left Omaha this morning to attend the meeting of the government directors in New York, Friday, at the office of the receivers. Attorney General Harmon, who arrived here this afternoon, is also expected to be present at the meeting.

**IDAHO CONTROVERSY.**

Boise, Idaho, January 20.—The Populists today voted for J. W. Ballentine, of Blaine. He got 23 votes on the first ballot, and 26 on the second; Debois 28 on both. J. C. Rogers, Populist, got 11 Democratic votes on the first ballot and Geo. J. Lewis, Populist, 14 on the second.

**DESTRUCTIVE EARTHQUAKE.**

Athens, January 20.—An earthquake has occurred at Delvino, Turkish province. Several villages, mostly inhabited by Christians, have been destroyed. It is feared many people have perished.

**NO DAKOTA SENATOR.**

Pierre, S. D., January 20.—In the first joint ballot today there was no senatorial choice. Pickler held his party vote. The Populist candidates played for position with Kyle in the lead.

**JONES, IN ARKANSAS.**

Little Rock, Ark., January 20.—The joint session of the legislature today ratified the election of J. K. Jones to the United States senate.

**HANSBROUGH ELECTED.**

Bismarck, N. D., January 20.—The two houses of the legislature at noon today declared Hansbrough United States senator elect.

## LOTS OF FUN IN WASHINGTON

Legislators in Joint Session Have a Good Time Trying to Elect.

### NO CHOICE YET BEEN MADE

Three Ballots Taken and Squire Losing Ground, While Turner is Gaining.—Dorr Makes Laughter.

Olympia, January 20.—Three ballots were taken today in the first joint session of the legislature held for the purpose of selecting a successor to Senator Squire, but no election resulted. There were numerous changes from the informal ballot taken in separate session yesterday, principally in the vote for the principal features of the day were the development of Senator Squire's weakness and the increasing strength of Judge Turner. The balloting also showed that Speaker Cline is gradually making headway and promises to unite the Populist vote.

The balloting occurred in the most perfunctory manner, without the slightest evidence of excitement, all the members seeming to anticipate that no candidate could receive enough votes to take him dangerously near the goal. The good humor of the members was shown by the hearty laughter which Senator Dorr, Republican, occasioned after the second ballot, by proposing that A. A. Squire, who had been receiving a complimentary vote of the twenty-six Republicans, be made the unanimous choice of the legislature, as he had more votes than any other candidate.

Governor Rogers received one vote and M. M. Godman, a prominent Democrat and lawyer of Dayton, was given two votes and lost one while the various Populist candidates moved up and down.

First ballot—Turner, 19; Squire, 2; Cline, 12; Baker, 7; Daniels, 13; Denny, 26; Rader, 6; Davis, 5; Winsor, 9; Newell, 1; Range, 1; McCrady, 1; Westcott, 1; Andrews, 1; Foss, 1; Witt, 1; Canton, 1.

The second ballot was as follows: Denny, 26; Turner, 19; Cline, 12; Daniels, 12; Davis, 11; Winsor, 9; Baker, 7; Rader, 5; Squire, 2; Range, 1; scattering, 6.

Third ballot—Denny, 26; Turner, 21; Cline, 15; Daniels, 12; Davis, 9; Winsor, 9; Baker, 5; Rader, 4; Andrews, 2; Squire, 2; scattering, 4.

Hansen, of King, and Davis, of Snohomish, Populists, voted for Turner in the third ballot. This was the only important change.

**THE MARKETS.**

Liverpool, January 20.—Wheat—spot, quiet; demand, poor; No. 2 red spring, 6s 10d; No. 1 California, 7s 1d.

Hops—At London, Pacific coast, 4s. S an Francisco, January 20.—Hops—7@10c for fair to choice, and 11@12c for fancy.

**FAIRBANKS IN INDIANA.**

Indianapolis, January 20.—The two houses of the general assembly met in joint session and verified the election of C. W. Fairbanks as senator.

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