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If lake does not desire to enter the joint senatorial convention then it will require but 45 to elect.

Honor is that Jonathan Bourne is about to give up his effort to capture the speakership and that he will go home. His mother's bequest of \$60,000 must be exhausted.

The Oregonian is out of humor because it has heard that Mitchell has blank transportation for friends over the railroad. Well, now the Oregonian knows how the opponents of Mr. Dolph felt two years ago.

Section 48 sub-division 6 of Deady Code provides that every office shall become vacant when the officer elect refuses or neglects to take his oath of office. That has happened with 29 members elect to the last legislature. They have had since June last to do so, and they have been in Salem for more than 20 days, simple time for attending to that formality. They both refuse and neglect. Let Governor Lord issue writs for special elections to fill the vacancies.

I believe we have some good pure men in our legislative halls, but they are in the minority and are therefore powerless.—Other side, Yes, "some" is a good word. When it is noted that populists absolutely refuse to attend so as to perform the functions of office to which they were chosen, it is quite apparent why the organ quoted above could not say "all." Jonathan Bourne boasted that he had \$60,000, which he would spend, but that he would sit in the speakers chair. How close can that \$60,000 and purity associate?

The analysis of the defeat of Dubois in Idaho, by the St. Louis Globe-Democrat has its counterpart in Oregon—while the principal of legislative majorities as announced by Hoar of Massachusetts is undoubtedly sound, it does not appear to have contributed to the success of the majority in the house. Again when the crucial test came and Mr. Mitchell proved that he was a republican while Dubois, Teller, Mantle and Carter deserted their party, certain of those who had received favors, turned against the Oregon senator and became his most bitter and uncompromising enemies. When Mitchell remained true to his party and true to the best interests of his state and the nation, they lurk in the dark to compass his defeat by treachery, chicanery and bribery.

These notifications were served to-night, but they were treated lightly by the members, who say the Benson men have no authority to bring them in for the reason that they never qualified. Correspondence to Astorian. This is written of the members elected to the house, who are now obstructing business. If they are not amenable to the processes of the house, then they are not legislators, and there are not 60 members and 40 are not a quorum, but a less number. If it is still held that forty are required, then the several counties should hold special elections and send up men who will assure of special. Will the governor order the special elections?

The Oregonian greatly magnifies every chance meeting on the street of a republican with Jonathan Bourne, but never can know or tell of the hours spent in the president of the senate's private office by Jonathan and Jos. Simon.

If there have been doubts as to the truth of the statement so often made by the Oregonian, when its republicanism was called in question, that it was not a party paper, there should be doubts no longer. Its declaration in answer to a query as to its position on the tariff question, shows a straddle that covers all political platforms but the republican. McKinley must radically modify his views on this question—place them more in harmony with those of Bryan, Cleveland, and Oregonian if he wishes to secure the endorsement of the leading self-styled, non-partisan, paper of the Northwest. The arbitration of the Oregonian with the populists in the effort to block all legislation at Salem unless in the interest of the populists as claimed in their published manifesto, and in the interest of the Simon faction, satisfies the people of Oregon as to the politics of the Oregonian. Its political filly in the future judging from its present position will be a hodge podge composed of Simonans, demo-pop traders and other anti-republican inconsistencies. Republicans smarting under its inexcusable effort, commencing with June canvass and the present legislative hold-up to disrupt the party in the interest of a corrupt faction, will no longer accept its leadership or submit to its dictation. Recognized as an enemy, its power to injure will be reduced to a minimum. Republicans in Oregon, although burdened by this old man of the sea, has manfully and successfully struggled for life and against foes without and Judas within, has won the victory and now when relieved of this burden of selfishness will have no fears for the future.

SOME EVILS TO SHUN.

The minority of populists and free-silverites are still successfully holding up the legislature at Salem. And it is but truth to say that by intimidation and false reasoning, doubts have been planted in the minds of several republicans till they too are shirking duty and the responsibility attaching thereto. But what evils are to result.

If the senate refuses to recognize the organization of the house but continues to hold communication with Davis minority there can be no appropriation bills passed. In that event the machinery of government will be greatly if not fatally deranged. The penitentiary will have to be abandoned. The insane patients will have to be sent home. The court will have to adjourn. Society is protected by these three institutions. It may be urged that an appropriation is not essential for the administration of those departments of government. Secretary of state can issue warrants for supplies, salaries and the like just as now. There are two replies to this. The secretary is a stickler for forms and may hold that he has no authority for drawing warrants. Then there is an uncertainty hanging about such paper and it will be taken with reluctance and at a discount. But suppose warrants are not drawn but all transactions are carried on vouchers. Such claims would be put in at exaggerated figures and the expenses of carrying on the government would be augmented at least 25 per cent. The interest account, too, will be no small item.

Again, suppose a system of warrants or vouchers is adopted the levying of taxes will go on and at the end of two years there will be in the vaults of the state treasurer more than a million of dollars, a sum so large that its withdrawal from the channels of trade will greatly devalue business. There may be some who think that it appropriation bills are not passed we will have no bills to pay. Let no man deceive himself. We either pay legitimately for the administration of government or we submit to the collection of a greater tax by anarchy. There is no escape. Republicans are endeavoring with might and main to overcome the obstructionists but a corrupt combination exists between a few selfish and scheming men who have heretofore been in the republican party and Jonathan Bourne, that is used to vex, annoy and if possible influence republican representatives to desert their organization.

A CUT IN SALARIES.

Senator Gorvan has introduced a bill in the senate making unjust discrimination in reducing the salaries of the county officers. The bill fixes the salaries in this county as follows:

County Clerk.....\$1,200

" " one deputy..... 600

Recorder..... 1,000

" " one deputy..... 500

Sheriff..... 1,500

" " one deputy..... 600

Treasurer..... 500

Compare this with the salaries allowed to the same officers in Multnomah county where the

County Judge gets.....\$2,500

County Clerk..... 3,000

" " 1st deputy..... 1,800

" " 2d, 3d 4th, dep..... 1,200

Circuit Court Clerk..... 3,500

" " 1st deputy..... 1,800

" " other dep. each..... 1,200

Recorder..... 3,000

" " deputies each..... 1,500

Sheriff..... 4,000

" " 1st deputy..... 1,800

" " the others each..... 1,200

Treasurer..... 1,800

Now why officers should receive so much more pay in Multnomah than here, is not plain. A man can do no more than employ all his time. The difficult questions to handle here are the same as in that county. Either the salaries in Multnomah county are much too high or in ours much too low.

Then fair dealing has not been doled out our officers. The clerk is cut \$1,000. So is the sheriff. The county treasurer is shaved from \$600 to \$500, notwithstanding he has to devote his his whole time to the duties of his office. The county judge is not disturbed. The injustice to the clerk is seen when it is stated that the clerk aid must be employed by the clerk from his own salary. Mr. Goodin kept a third employee during his last term and paid for the assistance from his own income. Mr. Imbrie will have to do the same so that if his salary is cut to \$1,200, poverty will be the station at which he gets off.

It is probable that our officers would not complain if a uniform reduction were made. They may not if the Gowen bill is enacted, yet they would have reason for a vigorous protest.

POLITICAL KINDNESS.

To the Editor: The bolstering puff of the Salem correspondent of the Oregonian to the contrary, notwithstanding, permit me to say that joint senator Patterson will have an uphill job when he attempts to justify himself before the republicans of Washington county for entering into the Simon-Bourne combine to secure control of the lower house of the present legislature. He as well as the other members from this county are under pledges to secure if possible much needed legislation. They are using every effort to redeem those pledges. It is to be regretted that his efforts are not in accordance with theirs.

Republicans of Washington county

who are proud to recognize him as a man of more than average intelligence are prospecting for his motive.

As the only probable explanation must come from Jos. Simon or Jonathan Bourne, there is but little probability that his anxious constituents will be any the wiser for the investigation.

The avowed reason for the dead lock on the part of the populists, as given in their manifesto, to their political friends of the state is to force an organization that will insure populist legislation. That of Joseph Simon contingent with which joint Senator Patterson, now appears to be identified, is to defeat Mr. Mitchell for the United States Senate. The fact of the combine is an indication that the Simon part of this unnatural alliance is fully convinced that this is the only way his election can be prevented. Legislation in the interest of economy is to be sacrificed at the dictation of a combination of factions of every shade of opinion, by a hold-up that the wishes of the republicans of Oregon may be defeated.

This may be good politics for the populist contingent, but is the basest treachery to the republican party on the part of Simon and his misguided following. There is no surprise expressed at Mr. Patterson's course from the fact that when in Hillsboro soon after the hold-up commenced, he freely denounced it as an effort on the part of the populists and democrats to secure the control of the house, which property belonged to the republican majority.

There is no question that the action of Mr. Hughes, Thompson, Hudson and Marsh in this matter is almost universally endorsed by the republicans of Washington county. That of Mr. Patterson is as universally condemned.

REPUBLICAN.

THE DEFEAT OF DUBOIS.

The defeat of Senator Dubois, of Idaho, in his endeavor to secure reelection brings out two traits in human nature with considerable prominence—the disposition of men of all parties to resent interference from the outside in their local affairs, and the absence of anything like gratitude in politics. A week or more ago Senator Jones, of Arkansas, chairman of the Democratic National committee appealed to the democratic members of the Idaho legislature to vote for Dubois, but all of the democrats except one or two not only rejected this counsel, but denounced it as a "violation of the constitution of the United States, and a crime against free institutions." As the silver republican vote in the legislature was comparatively small, Dubois' only chance of election depended on the votes of the democrats, but Jones' interference turned all the democrats against Dubois who had any desire to favor him, and some of these going to the populists gave the senatorship to Helfield.

In regard to past favors were of any value as a working force in politics Dubois would have been trimmer than re-elected. He did more to create a bolt in the republican party in 1896 and to bring the silver issue squarely to the front than any other man except Teller. He was one of the four republicans—Teller, Mantle and Carter being the others—who voted with the democrats against the attempt of the republicans to take up the Dingley tariff and revenue bill in the senate; as a protest against the republicans' refusal to make any concessions to silver. Thus these four placed their attachment to silver above their devotion to the tariff, and announced that their support of the party's presidential ticket was conditional on the party's "recognition" of silver. As the party indignantly and emphatically declined the convention to make any such surrender, Teller, Dubois and a score of others bolted, and joined the coalition which subsequently put up Bryan.

One other human attribute besides those mentioned is revealed by the vote which defeated Dubois. While gratitude is usually absent in politics, its antithesis hate is generally present if it exists at all. The silver democrats whom Dubois helped in the canvass forgot this favor, but the solitary gold republican in the legislature recollected very distinctly that Dubois betrayed his party, and that republican voted against him. Moreover, he did this knowing that his vote would elect a man who is probably more unsound on the finance question even than Dubois, for with the populists regard for free silver is only a sham. They are against "redemption money" of all sorts, and want unlimited greenbacks. Indeed, the psychological phrases of the Idaho contest are more interesting than its purely partisan aspects. Helfield's election Dubois' defeat adds to the number of the populists in the senate and reduces the number of the nondescripts, but it leaves the aggregate strength of the elements opposed to the republican party unchanged.—Globe-Democrat.

POLITICAL MORALS AND MORALS.

They have a bribery investigation at Olympia as an aftermath of the senatorial election. This question was put to Senator Squire: "Did you give or offer any member of the legislature any money, or did you pay their board or expenses?" The senator answered: "No, sir, I did not. I would cut off my right arm first." Seeing that Jonathan Bourne's right arm is still dangling at his side the public knows that his code of political morals is not the same as that of the Washington politician.

THE SALEM MUDDLE PLAINLY STATED.

To the Editor: The situation here has become so serious taking into consideration the best interests of the people, that I deem it my duty as your representative to endeavor to make plain to my constituents my position in the matter.

On the 11th of January, 60 members of this house occupied their seats and effected a temporary organization by electing J. N. Davis, a republican, temporary chairman, and Ralph Moody temporary clerk. On January 12th the day following temporary organization over 20 members failed to respond to roll call. These absent members were composed of all political faith. However, in this connection it is only fair to state that only a small number of republicans, less than one-fourth absent themselves, while three-fourths of the populists and democrats went to make up the number of absentees. Up to the present time these men have not appeared upon the floor of this house in the role of legislators.

They have not even taken the oath of office. They have not performed any of the duties for which they were elected. On January 21st in unison with a majority of the members elected to this house I assisted in a permanent organization of the house. Whether or not this organization is legal, I leave to judicial minds. Not having been given a seat in the Oregon senate, I have failed to imbibe any of the qualities of mind that go to make up a constitutional lawyer, and I leave that question to those who have been more lucky.

The question I took into consideration when determining my action upon that matter was this: "Has a minority a right to accomplish by their absence that which they could not accomplish by their presence?" I felt that the common rule "that majority should rule" maintained the negative and I acted accordingly.

I am striving to redeem the pledges made to the people in the June campaign. I favored economy then, I favor it now. I favored the abolition of useless commissions and I still maintained that position. I am here, ready to do the business for which I was elected and promise you that I shall be in my seat at every roll call until the time for which I was elected shall have expired, pay or no pay.

In regard to the senatorial question I said in the June campaign that I would support Senator Mitchell for reelection. The men who voted for me understood that. He has certainly done nothing since then to weaken his position among republicans. His support of McKinley during the November campaign certainly absolved no republican who had promised to support him from the fulfillment of his pledge. What other act of his then would absolve a republican who had agreed to support him now?

I assisted in the drawing of a call for a caucus on the senatorial matter and secured a part of the signatures to that call. Forty-seven republicans one more than enough to elect, subscribed to that call and Mr. Mitchell received the vote of every member of that caucus. I am in favor of party regularity and expect to abide the decision of that caucus until released from my pledge.

Senator Mitchell has made a gallant fight for party regularity against odds. On the floor of this house, men who boasted when they came here that they were republicans with a handle to their name are seen every day conversing with populists and democrats to prevent the transaction of business. Jos. Simon gurganted on the day after the organization of the so-called 'Benson House' that if Mr. Davis was allowed to take the chair and adjourn on an hour not in conflict with our house that faith would be kept. Ye Gods and little fishes, has it come to pass that Jos. Simon has the power to guarantee pledges of good faith for the populists? My friends if it has come to pass that a republican in order to be called a "sound money" man has to hob-knob with democrats and populists, I am ready to resign my seat.

H. S. HUDSON.

President McKinley has appointed Russell A. Alger of Michigan, to be secretary of war, John D. Long, of Mass., to be secretary of the Navy and James Wilson of Iowa secretary of Agriculture. Long is a true Yankee, being descendant from Puritan ancestors. Wilson is a Scotchman, though he came to America when a boy.

THE OREGON LEGISLATURE.

The sentiment of the people is with the members of the house who have taken their seats and are trying to proceed with business. The state is in sore need of economical legislation, and the taxpayers demand it. The bolters who imagine they are executing a neat parliamentary trick and are skylarking about the capitol are committing a crime against the people of Oregon. It is a serious situation and demands vigorous treatment. If any reasonable construction of law can be applied to legalize the actions of the house as organized it should be done.

The example set by the illustrious Thomas B. Reed, when he counted a quorum in congress, is a good one to follow. He held that a quorum consisted of a majority of the "qualified members." In congress a majority is a quorum. In the Oregon legislature under the constitution two-

thirds of the members constitute a quorum. Under Speaker Reed's ruling then two-thirds of the "qualified members" is a good quorum. Mr. Benson rules the same way, and he will probably be sustained. If the bolters are members they can be compelled to attend, but as they are clearly not members, having refused to be sworn in as such, they cannot, under Speaker Reed's rulings, be counted so as to prevent a quorum. It is not reasonable that a minority, by refusing to accept the office to which they were elected, could legally hold up the majority who are sworn in, and a vigorous application of Speaker Reed's policy would settle the difficulty.

The house has proceeded under this view of the situation. As soon as the senate plucks up courage to break away from political bosses and recognize the house, the Oregon legislature can go on passing some useful legislation.—Albany Herald.

The Roseburg train robbery emphasizes again the necessity for making such hold-ups hazardous. It seems in this instance that a resolute conductor and brakeman armed with shot guns might have, by getting off from the rear platform, had some amusement. The freeman seems to have been a person of good judgment. He got off his train and did the proper thing, when he went forward and brought assistance. Express messengers and every one else ought to have guns with them and an abundance of ammunition. But we all moralize when the highwayman is at a distance. Perhaps some of us would push our hands into the air too.

Mr. McKinley's opposition to the great expenditure which is to be made for the inauguration ball in this period when there is so much destitution in the world is considerable and wise. It is just what was expected of a man of his fine sensibilities and ardent sympathies. Nevertheless, the expenditure will probably be made. The expression of opposition to the expenditure, however, shows that there is much "democratic simplicity" of the best quality in the make-up of the President elect.

SENATOR HUGHES OF THIS COUNTY HAS A RESOLUTION ALREADY WRITTEN TO ADJOURN SINE DIE AND COME HOME, WHICH HE WILL OFFER, THE MOMENT HE CAN GET THE PLEDGE OF ENOUGH VOTES TO ADOPT IT. SENATOR HUGHES' POSITION ON THIS AND ALL HIS OTHER POLITICS IS ENDORSED BY HIS CONSTITUENTS.

BOUNTY FOR BEET SUGAR.

Now that the beet-sugar industry is somewhat agitating our people it is more than probable that a general feeling favorable to paying a state bounty on sugar manufactured within our borders may be developed. If the matter comes before our legislature it will do well to guard the legislation allowing a bounty paid to beet sugar manufacturers. Such a law should follow that of Nebraska which provides that the minimum price paid for beets of average quality shall be \$5 per ton.

THE HYMN COMMENCING

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Y. P. S. C. E.

The sixteenth anniversary of the Y. P. S. C. E. organization was observed by the Congregational and the Christian societies of Hillsboro last Sunday evening by a union meeting. The services were held at the Christian church, and were led by Mrs. Gates, of the Congregational society. In addition to the discussion of the union topic, several interesting papers were read and short talks given by various ones. The choirs of the two societies rendered some good musical selections.

The county president desires the name of the president and the Cor. Sec. of each society in the county, and give time of meeting. Also please write news items from your society and let us know how each organization is prospering. Anything from the Juniors will be welcome.

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Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, this 1st day of February, 1897. A. B. CALPIN, County Treasurer.

SHERIFF'S SALE ON FORECLOSURE.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION and decree and order of sale issued by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of Edward Constable plaintiff, and against W. L. Tower, Ellen Tower, H. B. Boring and H. E. Edwards defendants, for the sum of \$25.00, costs, and for the further sum of \$475.00, U. S. gold coin, with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent, per annum, from the 27th day of March, 1897, at the south door of the Court House, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m., of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described real property, to-wit:

Lot No 5 of the Five Oaks subdivision containing 1.56 acres. All situate in Washington County Oregon to satisfy the heretofore named same, and for the costs and expenses of said sale.

Said property will be sold subject to redemption, as per a state of Oregon. Witness my hand this 21st day of January, 1897.

W. D. BRADFORD, Sheriff of Washington County, State of Oregon.

E. B. R. Sappington, Deputy. T. H. Tongue, Atty for Plaintiff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION, I issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of Louis Anicker and Gustav John Anicker for the sum of \$40.00, costs, U. S. gold coin, with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, from the 25th day of November 1896, and for the costs and expenses of said sale and said writ:

Now, therefore, by virtue and in pursuance of said judgment, decree and order of sale, I did on Monday the 31st day of January 1897, duly levy upon the real estate and interest therein of the above named defendant and on the 25th day of November 1896 or which he has since acquired in or to the following described real property, I will on Monday the 8th day of February 1897, at the south door of the Court House, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following-described real property to-wit:

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in probate on the 18th day of January 1897, issued letters testamentary on the estate of Thomas B. Reed, late of Washington County Oregon, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to me at my residence in Hillsboro, Oregon, within six months from this date for allowance and payment. Persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are notified to make immediate payment.

Executed at the estate of W. E. and Testament of Thomas J. Reed, deceased. 30

George W. Reed.

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