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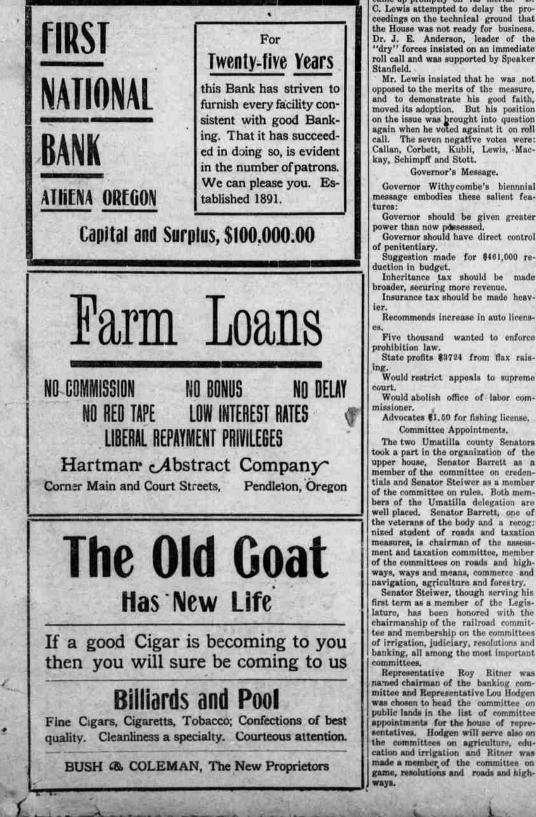
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## THE LEGISLATURE **GETS RAPID START**

#### **BOTH HOUSES ARE IN HARMONY**

Umatilla County Delegation Receive Important Assign-

ments on Committees.

In both Senate and House the presiding officers were elected Monday, desk clerks were chosen and all details for organization completed. More auspicious for a successful session even than this business-like expedition was the fact that there was not so much as a ripple of inharmony.

In the senate, Gus C. Moser of Multnomah was elected president by unanimous vote,. All five of the democratic senators voted for him and two of them, Garland and Baldwin, seconded his nomination.

In the House, Robert N. Stanfield of Umatilla was elected Speaker without a dissenting voice after he had been nominated by Louis E. Bean of Lane, his opponent for the position up to Sunday night.

Mr. Bean spoke highly of Mr. Stan-Mr. bean spore highly of Mr. Stan-field in his nominating address. He praised the legislative record of Mr. Stanfield and spoke warmly of his qualifications for the high office of Speaker. The generous tribute made a pronounced impression on the House. By the time the unanimous vote 100 Mr. Stanfield was announced it seemed as if all the members of the House were old friends.

In the Senate five bills were intro-duced before final adjournment for the day at \* o'clock. The House adjourned at 4:05.

Before they adjourned the issue of prohibition had been put up to both houses, and they had faced the issue squarely. It came through the intro-duction in the senate by Eddy, of Douglas, of a joint memorial petition-

ing Congress to pass a bill pending to make the District of Columbia dry. make the District of Columna dry. This memorial was brought to imme-diate vote on suspension of the rules after Senator Eddy had explained that he desired its passage that day because the dry bill in quetsion was to be con-sidered in the United States Senate the desired in the United States Senate the day following. With this explanation of the reason for rushing it through, not a senator voted against it. There were two absentees, Senators Bingham and Olson and 28 voted

It had to wait in the House until the organization was completed. The rules were suspended and the question came up promptly on its merits. D. C. Lewis attempted to delay the pro-ceedings on the technical ground that the House was not ready for business. Dr. J. E. Anderson, leader of the "dry" forces insisted on an immediate roll call and was supported by Snakker roll call and was supported by Speaker

Mr. Lewis insisted that he was not opposed to the merits of the measure, and to demonstrate his good faith, moved its adoption. But his position



YOU SHOULD WORRY, WOODROWN

#### (Portland Eastern Argus)

RADICAL CHANGES MADE

ership one of the most modern and effi-

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cient schools in Eastern Oregon will

23 Years Ago. [From the Press of Jan. 12 1894] 

A gentle chinook played havoc the beautiful Wednesday, conseque thy the roads are in dilapidated condition.

Mr. Fred L. Helfrich, the new shoe maker, has arrived and is now at work in Pat Maxwell's old stand.

be the result. The school has a place and a warm welcome for every one. D. W. Jarvis was recently elected secretary of the State Teachers' Reading circle.

Milton Swaggart and Miss Sarah Corporan were married at Vansycle one day last week.

It is reported that nine calves were two ago and sold in Pendleton. The heads were cut off, it is said, to prevent detection by the ear marks.

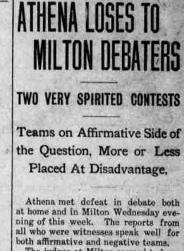
Last Sunday through the courtesy of Geo. Froome, the band boys were treated to a sleigh ride,

At the meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of this city the old board of directors were elected. President C. A. Barrett declined the re-nomination for president, and Clark Walter was elected president, H. C. Stratton, vice president; L. D. Lively At the regular monthly meeting of the city council Monday evening, Coun-cilman Littlejohn acted as Mayor in the absence of Mayor Watta

W. M. Freeman, formerly editor of

Miss Lou Smith arrived from Cali-

Watta and Rogers are overstocked-



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both affirmative and negative teams. The judges at Milton seemed to have some difficulty in making up their minds as to whom to give their votes. But after some delay the result showed two.votes for Milton and one for Athe-na. Evidently, Florence McLennan and Edna McAlexander gave them a rub for their victory. But for a slight misunderstanding on the part of one of misunderstanding on the part of one of the judges as to the cost as proposed by the Athena team, he afterward stated that he would have had to cast his vote for Athena. Our team re-turned from Milton early in the evening feeling good over the showing they had made despite the loss of the judg-es' vote. Superintendent Paul John-son of Walla Walla county, said: "It was one of Walls walls county, said: "It was one of the best and closest high school debates I ever heard." And Professor Post, who accompanied the team to Milton, avowed that Miss Me-Lennan's rebuttal was one of the best ever offered in his hearing, in a debate of like nature. The debate in the Athena school au-

itorium was a contest from start to fin-ish, the adversary excelling more in ish, the adversary excelling more in manner of presentation rather than in content of subject matter. Henry Koepke, the leader for the local team, made the speech of the evening, by showing his ability in coming back in his final speech with good rebuttal ar-gument to show that the negative had not met them on the vital issues of the question of Compulsory Health In-surance. IN M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOL Mr. W, C. Emmel, superintendent of h Methodist Sunday school, is lead-n; in making radical changes in the sc ool, and no doubt through his leadsurance.

surance. The affirmative had the unpopular side of the question as was stated by the judges, and it is this fact, coupled with a winsome way of presentation on the part of the visitors, that lost the debate to the local team. Miss Keen did effective work in showing the strong preventive characteristics in the Health bill while the leading de-bate for the negative was presented by bits of the megative miss Steen, of

ce Su day evening, January 21, with four "Is entitled: "Joseph in the Land "Egypt." Beautiful pipe organ music will accompany the pictures. The Epworth League room will be opened the second speaker, Miss Steen, of Milton.

Milton. High praise is due the local teams for the display of individuality in pre-paration of material for the contest, which was easily demonstrated by the Into the auditorium to accommodate a large crowd. No seats will be reserved for this service. The new Bluebird five reel feature, "The Right to Be Happy," will be screened later. This picture attracted immense crowds in Portland throughout Christmas week. No admission will be charged, but a speakers both at Athena and Milton. While victory has fallen to the Milton High school, there is still the consola-tion that the value received from the silver offering will be taken at each I conflict has been all that it could be service. for the victors.

Service, Preaching services will be held next Sunday at 11 a, m. and 7:39 p, m. The morning topic is: "What About the Athena Boy and Girl Crop?" The evening topic: "The Prayer That Reaches God." Superintendents J. D. Harrah of Adams; Gilbert C. Wood, of Ferndale, and G. R. Robinson, of Weston, con-stituted the judges for the Athena de-bate. After the contest refreshments were sorved in a pleasing manner by



**BEING WELL ATTENDED** 

The evangelistic meetings at the Baptist church are attracting large crowds. Each evening there are those who are coming forward to accept

Christ as their personal Savior. Edgar L. Mills, the evangelist, is doing good work and interest and attendance is on the increase. The booster choir rendered a splendid pro-gram last Friday evening and every eat in the church was occupied. They are now practicing for another program which will be given soon and announced

later from the pulpit. The all day services last Sunday at-tracted splendid crowds and the dinner at noon in the basement of the church was one of the enjoyable features of the day. These all day services are being planned again for this Sunday and you are asked to come prepared and stay the entire day. During this campaign the meetings commence each evening at 7:30 prompt with an en-thusiastic song service. Sundays at 11 a. m., 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.

the absence of Mayor Watts. Councilman Barrett, of the Street

City Council Proceedings.

kay, Schimpff and Stott. Governor's Message. Governor Withycombe's biennnial nessage embodies these salient fea-Governor should be given greater traffic. power than now possessed. Governor should have direct control of penitentiary. Suggestion made for \$461,000 reduction in budget. Inheritance tax should be made broader, securing more revenue. Insurance tax should be made heav Recommends increase in auto licens Five thousand wanted to enforce prohibition law. State profits \$3724 from flax raising. Would restrict appeals to supreme allowed: W. E. Dobson, salary, City of Athena, interest, E. A. Zerba, Treas. Would abolish office of labor commissioner Mill Co., lights Advocates \$1.50 for fishing license. Tum-a-Lum Co., lumber Committee Appointments. Coomans & Carstens, shop work 2,00 The two Umatilla county Senators J. F. Wright, feed took a part in the organization of the upper house, Senator Barrett as a Burke & Son, cartage B. B. Richards, salary member of the committee on creden-tials and Senator Steiwer as a member of the committee on rules. Both mem-bers of the Umatilla delegation are Rebekah Installation. well placed. Senator Barrett, one of the veterans of the body and a recog: of Mignonette Rebekah Lodge, the fol-lowing officers were installed by Mrs. W. W. McPherson, District Deputy N. G., Mrs. Bessie Schrimpf; V. G. mensures, is chairman of the assess-ment and taxation committee, member of the committees on roads and high-ways, ways and means, commerce and navigation, agriculture and forestry. Senator Steiwer, though serving his first term as a member of the Legis-lature, has been honored with the chairmanship of the railroad commit-tee and membership on the committees of the Canada and the serving his comment. The serving his first term as a member of the Legis-lature, has been honored with the chairmanship of the railroad commit-tee and membership on the committees of the committees of the tages and the serving his the serving his mande Mansfield R. and L. S. of N. G., Mrs. Virginia Watta and Miss Ma-mie Sheard; R. and L. S. of V. G., Mrs. Ethel Zerba; and Miss Ada Detee and membership on the committees mie S of irrigation, judiciary, resolutions and banking, all among the most important Free committees. Representative Roy Ritner was named chairman of the banking com-mittee and Representative Lou Hodgen was chosen to head the committee on public lands in the list of committee anticipation of the house of several New Library Books. The following new Rental Books are on the shelves at the local library: made a member of the committee on game, resolutions and roads and high-

favorable progress in securing releases | Taylor, primary teacher in the Athena to closed streets and alleys, with the exception of the alley in Block 10, Railroad Addition, at which point there appeared to be some delay, and public schools, were united in wedlock Sunday. fornia last week and will make Athena her future home. Miss Smith is a stenon motion, the Marshal was instructed to cause said alley to be opened to ographer and is employed in E. De-Peatt's law office. Treasurer E. A. Zerba rendered a report for the month of December and The Ordinance Committee was in

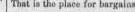
Treasurer E. A. report for the month of December and an annual report for the year 1816. Standing warrants, \$15.60. The an-nual report showed receipts for the year of \$13,136.72, and disburaements of \$12,454,59, leaving a balance on accompanied by the intimation that Pendleton was to be the location. The following bills were read and

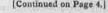
Committee, reported that he had made the Freewater Herald, and Miss Irene

Scribbier's Notes .- J. B. Saylor was \$ 85.00 recently quite seriously hurt by a vic-ious cow. It seems he was unaware of the puglilistic tendencies of the pug-- 360,00 401.00 the puginatic tendencies of the pug-nacious brute, and while milking, she kieked him on the nose with her "clov-en hoof." Mr. Saylor, tho' slightly disfigured, is still in the ring, and ex-pects soon to visit his Athena friends. Should any of them meet a stranger with a freeh any thek where his any li 74.00 26,20 8.75 1.50 27.00

Should any of them meet a stranger with a fresh cow track where his small-er should be, they will know by this paragraph who it is. The foot race between Taylor and Davis was a howing success. The re-sult is that Taylor is still the champion sprinter of Eastern Oregon. The race was whosed by a large created comwas witnessed by a large crowd com-posed principally of church members and others who did not belong to any religious organization. During the day the betting had been even but just before the race, odds were offered or Davis. Taylor appeared nervous. His breath was coming in short pants. The contestants were appropriately arrayed in abbreviated costume, Taylor exhibiting a grand display of soup bones that should have been seen to be appreciated. Taken in the altogether, it was a combination hard to beat.

A bunting party composed of the following well known sportsmen: Capt. was chosen to head the committee on public lands in the list of committee appointments for the house of repre-sentatives. Hodgen will serve also on the committees on agriculture, edu-cation and irrigation and Ritner was made a member of the committee on committees on agriculture, edu-cation and irrigation and Ritner was made a member of the committee on committees on agriculture, edu-cation and irrigation and Ritner was made a member of the committee on committees on agriculture, edu-cation and irrigation and Ritner was made a member of the committee on committees on agriculture, edu-cation and irrigation and Ritner was made a member of the committee on committees on agriculture, edu-cation and irrigation and Ritner was made a member of the committee on committees on agriculture, edu-committees on agriculture, edu-cation agricult former quarters, which have been re-stored, since the first of the year. the express purpose of making a record as deer slayers.







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