

## THE PETITION HAS ARRIVED

### Taxpayers' League Files Document in Governor's Office

## WANT A SPECIAL SESSION

### Sixty-Three Signatures And Supplement by a Special Letter

### URGES NECESSITY OF SPECIAL LEGISLATION UPON CENTENNIAL AND PORTLAND CHARTER—SPECULATION AS TO WHAT GOVERNOR WILL DECIDE.

The long looked for petition from the Taxpayers' League urging the Governor to call a special session of the Legislature was received at the office of the State Executive yesterday bearing the signatures of sixty-two business and influential men of Portland and more or less importance. The petition was supplemented by a separate communication from A. L. Mills, president of the League, and J. N. Teal, secretary, in which was set forth numerous reasons why a special session should be called. Among the most important of these reasons cited the communication states in substance that: "Even though the Attorney General has rendered an opinion in which he concludes that no legislation is necessary to make the Initiative and Referendum Amendment to the Constitution, there might be a difference of opinion as to this," but, as the Governor must be guided to a greater or less extent by this, they do not continue to press this point upon his consideration as a reason for calling a special session. In respect to legislation for the aid of the Lewis and Clark Exposition they set forth that it is their belief that: "In order to make the proposed fair a successful celebration of the great event it is intended to commemorate, it can be local in neither character, management or financial support, and must be, as it is intended to be, a memorial to the great explorers and to all our pioneers." And, with Congress meeting early in December and the Legislatures of the neighboring states early in January, they represent that the directors of the centennial should know as soon as possible what Oregon intends to do in order to present the matter in the most favorable light to these various bodies.

The third reason given is in regard to the importance of a speedy enactment of the Portland charter and they have no doubt but every member of the Legislature, if they were informed as to the necessity of prompt action being taken in the matter, would not hesitate to grant the relief sought.

They also refer to the subject of the election of a United States Senator at a special session, which is provided for by the Statutes of the United States. The Constitution provides that a special session should be limited to 20 days and they reason that, as the time fixed for balloting for United States Senator is the second Tuesday after the organization of that body, this matter would not interfere with the legislation required if a special session were called to convene on a Wednesday, as thirteen days would have elapsed before any ballot could be taken, which would be ample time to complete all needed legislation.

The Governor's attention is especially called to the fact that all the signatures upon the petition represented the most prominent and influential business men of Portland, which should have great weight in the matter of arriving at a definite decision of the question.

There has been much speculation, since it became known that this petition would be presented, as to what view of the matter Governor Geer took. While here the Governor positively refused to be interviewed upon the subject, and would commit himself neither one way nor the other, and now, since he is paying a visit to his father, at Cove, Oregon, it is impossible to obtain an expression from him, and it is doubtful if he would care to make a statement until he is ready to render his final decision in the matter.

Since it is pretty generally known that it was Governor Geer's desire to have the Initiative and Referendum amendment put into effect as soon as possible, and that the opinion rendered by Attorney General Blackburn at the operative upon its provisions of the polls according to the provisions of the Constitution, has dispelled all the doubts from his mind which he may have previously entertained, one of the principal reasons for calling a special session was removed.

The principal argument which has heretofore been advanced in favor of the calling of a special session was that, if these matters, which have been represented as being vitally important, were allowed to wait the regular session of the Legislature, the minds of the legislators would be so thoroughly occupied with politics in relation to the election of a United States Senator, would be utilized to further the interests of some of the candidates and fall prey of corrupt legislation.

It was represented that a special session would be free from all political entanglements, and that these matters, upon which special legislation is desired, would receive the undivided, unbiased and unprejudiced attention of every member and would be acted upon promptly, but, since it has been

shown that, under the United States Statutes, a United States Senator may be elected during a special session of the Legislature, the matter of calling a special session does not think this would interfere as the important work could be completed before the time for balloting for United States Senator arrived, if the session was convened upon a Wednesday.

As to what weight these matters have with Governor Geer in deciding the question remains to be seen. The petition in full, together with the names of all who attached their signatures thereto, follows:

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 23, 1922.

To the Hon. T. T. Geer, Governor of the State of Oregon:

"Sir:—The undersigned, citizens and taxpayers of the State of Oregon, residing in Multnomah County, in said State, respectfully represent that after having given the matter careful consideration, they believe that on broad grounds of public policy it would be largely to the interests of the entire state that a special session of the Legislature be called early in the month of November, to consider certain questions which have arisen, and which in our judgment should be acted on before the regular session of the Legislature. Furthermore, we believe, in view of the fact that a Senator is to be chosen at the next regular session and the ordinary business of the state is of such moment that it will require all of the time at the disposal of the Legislators, that it would be to the interest of the state to have the matters herein referred to, in connection with such other matters as to you or to other citizens of the state may seem meet, disposed of at a special session.

"First—We believe that in view of the fact that at the election held in June last an amendment to the Constitution was adopted, incorporating the principles of the Initiative and Referendum into our organic act, and that the same was adopted almost unanimously, and there is a doubt as to the amendment being self-operative, such legislation as may be necessary to make it effective should be enacted before the regular session of the Legislature.

"Second—The Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition and Oriental Fair is an enterprise in which the entire state is interested equally with the City of Portland, and it is known that an appropriation will be asked for from the Legislative Assembly to aid in furthering this fair. It is our belief that this matter should be considered at a special session, free from any entanglements of any kind, and purely on its merits, and that the appropriation for the same, if made, should be made at the earliest date practicable in order that the matter may be presented most favorably to the Legislatures of adjoining states, and that the board of directors of the fair may know exactly what they can depend upon.

"Third—As is well known, the City of Portland, by and through a vote of its citizens, has adopted a charter for the government of the city, which awaits the Act of the Legislature to become a law. While in a measure local, yet the question of the government and conduct of the affairs of the City of Portland is of general interest, and while we would not petition you to call a special session for the purpose solely to matter how important it might be to the citizens of this city, yet we feel that if a special session is called the consideration of the proposed charter of the City of Portland should be one of the objects named in the call. It is unnecessary to point out to you the great importance of this to the people of this city.

"We therefore respectfully request that you call a special session of the Legislature to consider the subject above enumerated, as well as any others of public importance, which you may deem necessary."

(Signed),  
A. L. Mills, R. L. Gilsen, J. Thorburn Ross, R. D. Inman, Wm. MacMaster, Allen & Lewis (by F. A. Spencer), Irwin White, W. M. Killingsworth, Walter P. Burrell, F. H. Page, Adolphe Wolfe, S. M. Mears, A. F. Giesy, A. H. Bryman, D. W. Hoelbling, Walter J. Burns, H. C. Wortman, Thomas Scott Brooke, G. G. Gammann, Paul Wessinger, F. A. Hattkemper, J. N. Teal, J. Goldsmith, W. M. Ladd, H. W. Fries, A. F. Biles, Wm. S. Gibson, Roderick L. Macleay, J. O. Ainsworth, Leo Fredie, R. Livingston, Horace D. Ramsdell, George W. Bates, E. T. Williams (by D. Mackay), G. Rosenblatt, C. A. Bennett, O. H. McGowan, R. G. Jubbitt, W. R. Russell, C. O. Hill, Jacob Rosenthal, Jno. W. Cook, C. F. Neom, F. S. Akin, F. W. Mulkey, Henry Hahn, A. H. Devers, J. C. Flanders, Renj. I. Cohen, Dr. L. M. Davis, F. M. Sellar, Thos. C. Devlin, Holt C. Wilson, B. Neustadter, C. I. Reed, Martin Winch, Ben Seling, E. L. Harmon, D. Honeyman, David S. Stearns, S. A. Brown, J. Land.

## FIGHT FOR IMMIGRANTS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Joint agencies shortly will be established by Southwestern railroads in New York, Boston and other Eastern cities, and also in the principal European capitals, for the purpose of turning the tide of immigration into the Southwest. This move, says the Times, involves an aggressive competition with the Northwestern roads, which have been carrying the greater portion of West-bound emigrants for several years.

## FOUGHT A DRAW.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 30.—Peter Maher and Philadelphia Jack O'Brien sparred six rounds tonight at the Pennsylvania Art Club with even honors.

## GENERAL MILES ARRIVES.

MANILA, Oct. 30.—The United States Army Transport, Thomas, with Lieutenant-General Miles and party on board, anchored in Manila harbor tonight.

## PROMOTED HIS WIFE.

YOKOHAMA, Oct. 30.—The Emperor of Korea has raised his favorite wife to the rank of Empress.

## CLEVELAND ADDRESSES

### Immense Throng of People at Morristown, N. J.

## DISCUSSED TARIFF REFORM

### He Was Given a Tremendous Ovation Upon His Arrival in City

### THINKS HIGH TARIFF IS PROTECTION TO TRUSTS ONLY AND AN UNJUST AND UNFAIR BURDEN UPON THE MASSES OF THE PEOPLE.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Oct. 30.—

Former President Cleveland spoke here tonight at a political meeting held in Lyceum Hall. Special trains brought hundreds of people from other cities and towns in this vicinity, and Mr. Cleveland was given an ovation. Ex-President Cleveland said:

"I am pleased to learn that tariff reform has been made a principal issue in the canvass you have in hand. Never within my experience has there been a time when this should be more earnestly, persistently and honestly pressed upon the attention of our countrymen than now.

"Of course, customs duties must continue to be a source of Government maintenance until another plan is devised, but the tariff, constructed for the purpose of protection as its chief object, is at all times and in every feature of it an unjust and unfair burden upon the masses of our people, but the bold and arrogant development of its unfairness and injustice in recent years, and the new direction they have taken, ought especially to arrest the attention and apprehension of every thoughtful, sober-minded citizen."

"I call your attention to the fact that, in 1887 competition, which, if unrestricted, might modify the effect upon our consumers. High protective tariff was spoken of as too often strangled by combinations quite prevalent at this time and frequently called trusts. When this was written I suppose trusts and combinations mentioned as 'quite prevalent,' so far as they were at all important, might have been counted on the fingers of the two hands.

"When the friends of the tariff took up the work of its reconstruction these trusts and combinations had increased by hundreds. It was as plain then as now that high protective tariff defends them against foreign competition, and that, by agreement, associations and confederacy in production and price, they defend themselves against competition at home; that present tariff conditions have assumed a complexity which not only checks a check on its aggressiveness, but actual amendment is at last admitted among those responsible for this condition.

"I need hardly refer to the prevalence just at this time, among the supporters of high protection of declarations and professions in favor of tariff adjustment. We hear it on every side. What does it mean? It means that they see the handwriting on the walls which they have never seen before. Does it mean that they are sincerely willing to do something for the people as against old comrades who have heretofore paid well for the neglect of the people? We believe that when we see still parades up and down before our sight a hoary-headed, bloated and malodorous old fraud and pretense that the tariff should be revised by its friends. What have these friends of the tariff done that they should be again trusted? They have quieted people's fears and pacified the solitude for their welfare and promised to lead them to pleasant places, and now that the shoals and rocks have been struck, they seek by another promise to mend the whole affair and retain the confidence and trust of those they have deluded."

## SIX FIREMEN HURT

### LADDER BROKE AND PRECIPITATED THEM TO GROUND—BIG FIRE.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 30.—Six firemen were injured at midnight in a fire that entailed a damage estimated at \$250,000. A six story building, occupied by the Minneapolis Paper Co., and owned by J. C. Oswald & Co. was gutted.

Captain George Smith, of Engine Company No. 16, was leading a squad of men up the ladder when the ladder broke, precipitating the six men to the ground. Captain Smith suffered internal injuries that may prove fatal.

## NEW DEFENDER

### NOW IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION—HERESCHOFF IS THE DESIGNER.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Secretary McCormick, of the New York Yacht Club, announced tonight that the construction of the boat to defend America's cup is under way. Hereschoff is the designer. The yacht will be sailed by Captain Barr. The syndicate is composed of E. H. Williams, Clement Griscom, J. F. Hill, William B. Leddes, Norman B. Ream, William Rockefeller, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Henry Walters and P. A. B. Widener.

## REPUBLICAN DISCUSSION

### Of Political Issues at Cooper Union New York City

## WILL PRES. ROOSEVELT

### Be Sustained In His Administration of National Government

### IS THE ASPECT OF THE POLITICAL SITUATION—COMPARE TRUSTS WITH WEEDS IN GARDEN OF PROSPERITY—DIFFUSION OUTSTRIPS CONCENTRATION.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Cooper Union

was filled tonight with people who had come to attend the Republican meeting, the principal speakers being Mayor Low, Governor Odell and Secretary of War Root.

Secretary Root said the national issue of this political campaign in its most important and political aspect is whether President Roosevelt shall be sustained in his administration of the National Government.

"What is there which calls for change?" the Secretary asked.

"Is the reason to be found in the desire for the curbing of trusts? For effective treatment of labor troubles, or for the revision of the tariff? Certainly not.

"Our Democratic friends talk as if some capitalist, securing undue profits, and some tariff provisions, becoming outgrown with the changing conditions and some stubborn contests between employers who want to pay less, and wage earners who wish to be paid more for their labor, were new and strange phenomena threatening our social and political system and calling for desperate and revolutionary remedies.

"They are not new, or strange, or threatening. They are but the reappearance, in a slightly varied form, of some of the difficulties which have always accompanied material prosperity since the beginning of successful enterprise.

"Unfair and oppressive trusts, so-called, are weeds in the garden of prosperity. It is easy to kill them if you will; flowers and fruit also, but if you would keep the weeds down and have the garden grown, you must devote yourself, not to desperate and destructive remedies, but to the patient, discriminating and unceasing process of pulling out the weeds and leaving the useful plants; so, in curbing and regulating these combinations of capital which are injurious to the public, care must be taken not to stop the great enterprises which have legitimately reduced the cost of production; not to close the mills and the mines; not to throw the millions of workmen out of employment.

"Our industrial history shows that steady courts of process have always been and are now toward this, better and not toward the worse conditions; that diffusion of wealth is outstripping its concentration."

## PERSONALS

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N. Peterson, of Silverton, was in the city yesterday, returning to his home in the evening.

Seth Raestrick, of the Brownsville Woolen Mills, was a Salem business visitor yesterday.

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Mrs. E. E. Whiting, of Portland, is visiting relatives in this city for a few days, having arrived from the metropolis last night.

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Mrs. Minnie C. Kramm, of Oakland, Cal., who has been visiting the family of F. Bredemier, of this city, departed on last night's overland for her home.

E. F. Baird, traveling freight and passenger agent of the Burlington Route, was in the city yesterday looking after some hop business for his road.

E. R. Coniff, of Mitchell, S. D., arrived in the city last night. He is one of the many new-comers from that state, and will purchase property here if he can find something to suit.

Hon. James W. Abbott, commissioner of highways of the Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast divisions of the Department of Agriculture, is in the city conferring with "good roads" enthusiasts.

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## SPANISH NEWSPAPER

### EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR IN TROUBLE OVER PUBLISHING LIBELOUS ARTICLE.

MANILA, Oct. 30.—Legal proceedings have been instituted against the editor and proprietors of Libertas, a Spanish newspaper published in Manila, on account of the publication of

an article attacking General J. Franklin Bell and his plan of aiding the people of the provinces of Batangas and Laguna, Luzon and of Island of Mindoro. This plan was put into effect after the cessation of hostilities.

It consisted of selling rice and supplying the people with seeds and farming implements, and it resulted in profits amounting to \$27,000.

The Libertas printed an article charging General Bell with the attempt to steal this fund, but saying the commission had forced him to surrender the money.

## AUTO FIEND IN PRISON

### NEW YORK JUDGE MAKES EXAM- PLE OF A MAN FOR NEGLIGENCE.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Six months' imprisonment was the sentence pronounced today by City Judge Kellogg, of Yonkers, upon W. B. Raymond, the automobilist, who was arrested after his machine had been in a collision with a trolley car on Sunday last. The accident caused injuries to twenty-two persons who were on the car. The occupants of the automobile escaped unhurt. Joseph Nagle, the motorman of the trolley car, testified at the trial that the automobile had crossed the track in front of the car three times within a short distance. Raymond said that he had done so in order to afford those with him a better view of the river. He acknowledged that in crossing the track he had failed to look back to see if a car was approaching. The car came in contact with the rear of the auto, and turned over on its side. Judge Kellogg, in sentencing Raymond, said he was convinced that the automobilist had been negligent, and he should be punished.

## WANTS TO DROP CLAIM

### OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—A PROMINENT ENGLISH DIVINE CREATES A SENSATION.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—Very Rev. William H. Fremantle, dean of Ripon, addressing a meeting of the Churchmen's Union on the subject of "Natural Christianity," created a sensation by suggesting that the idea of the immaculate conception should be left out of account, because, except in St. Matthew and St. Luke, the virgin birth of Christ is not mentioned in the New Testament. The speaker then proceeded to ask whether it was irreverent to believe that Christ in the matter of miracles, such as the raising of the dead, etc., could not have failed to make a distinction between death and various forms of unconsciousness. With regard to the resurrection, the dean of Ripon said he considered that was meant spiritually and not materially.

## METEOROLOGICAL

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 30.—Following is the weather forecast for the 24 hours ending midnight, Friday, October 31: Western Oregon, Washington and Northern Idaho: Friday, showers. Eastern Oregon: Partly cloudy, and occasionally threatening.

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## America's Famous Beauties

Look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Blisters, Sores, Pimples. They won't have them, nor will any one, who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema or Salt Rheum vanishes before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chills. Infallible for Piles. 25c at Dr. Stone's Drug Stores.

## ARBITRATORS BEGIN WORK

### Spent Yesterday in Touring Upper Coal Regions

## WITNESSED PRODUCTION

### In Every Stage From Digging to Its Delivery to Market

### WERE VERY TIRED AFTER EIGHT HOURS' WORK OF INVESTIGATION AND OBSERVATION—DISPLAYED GREAT INTEREST AND EAGER FOR INFORMATION.

SCRANTON, Oct. 30.—The seven

commissioners appointed by President Roosevelt to adjust the differences existing between the anthracite miners and their employers made a tour today of the extreme upper coal fields and saw every step taken in the production of coal, from the time it is taken from the ground, hundreds of feet below the surface, up to the point where it is sent to the market ready for the use of the consumers.

The arbitrators had an interesting day and returned to their hotel at 6:30 o'clock tonight, grimy from coal dust, and tired after eight busy hours of observation and investigation. This was a novelty to most of those in the commissioners' party, some of whom never had been in the hard coal regions.

The commissioners displayed the greatest interest in every feature of coal mining, and went about their work in a manner that was pleasing to the beholders. The superintendent accompanied the commissioners.

The seven arbitrators had to endure many discomforts; make their way through the wet places in the mines; almost crawl along some of the gangways in the workings and pass through clouds of coal dust in the breakers. Notwithstanding this, their eagerness for information was not diminished and they expect to put in another day's hard work tomorrow in this vicinity.

It would be unfair to say that one commissioner displayed more interest than another, but it can be truly said that Bishop Spaulding asked more questions than any one of the others. All the commissioners were good listeners but poor talkers when it came down to getting an expression from them on any feature of the mining business. From their actions today it is certain they have agreed not to say what they think of the questions that will come before them.

## PERSONAL AND GENERAL

Hermann, the Great, is to appear in Salem within a few days. He is the son of the original bearing that title, and the nephew of the other. They are both dead. He is in many respects greater in the world of magic than either his father or his uncle.

The trade of Salem merchants is very satisfactory at this time. They made no mistakes in putting in very large stocks of goods and splendid ones, too, in expectation of the best season's business in the history of the Capital City. There have been many cases of reordering already, in lines that were expected to last through the holidays.

Not the least of the improvements being made in Salem is in the stores that are being refitted and refurnished and prepared with more elegance than of work of this kind is being done for heretofore. Just now a splendid piece of work of this kind is being done for a jewelry store, and also for a drug store. Salem has already some of the finest store interiors in the state, and the number of elegant ones is on the increase.

"Why, Maude," said the Salem husband, "I thought you told me you sat up till nearly morning reading this magazine."

"Yes, I did," she answered.

"But none of the pages are cut."

"You don't have to cut the pages to read about the corsets and baby food."

Thomas Call, an Indian from the Potlatch reservation, got into serious trouble at Leavenworth, Kansas, recently, by getting his cousin, Albert Ross, so drunk he could not testify in cases in which he had been subpoenaed. Thomas Call is in the habit of getting into trouble, all over the country.

Senator Quay, according to the Philadelphia Ledger, went to the Adirondacks a few weeks ago to prepare for the return home of his family. He rode up the mountain in a coach that was distressingly tardy and which was followed after another that, if possible, was even slower. He chafed for a time at the pace, and then bit upon a plan he thought would serve to speed both teams. He leaned over to the driver and offered a dollar if the latter would get ahead of the team in front. The driver smilingly agreed and then raised his voice to say: "Hey, I say, Bill! Bill! Turn yer rig to the side of the road, will yer? There's a guy here says he'll give me a dollar if I pass ye, and I'll divide it you make room!"

## WILL EXPAND NAVY.

YOKOHAMA, Oct. 30.—The Japanese Cabinet has adopted the proposed scheme for Naval expansion. It involves an annual expenditure of \$3,250,000 for three years.