

Gov. Geer Scoring Higher

Thursday a Block Going to Scott

One More Vote and Geer Could Win With the 17 Democrats

Fulton Men Are Standing Firm Against the Field of Candidates

Mr. Fulton is more confident than ever of success. Ex-Governor Geer's friends are jubilant over his senatorial prospects. Jonathan Bourne wears the same calm, serene smile. Col. Mazuma has not opened his headquarters. The joint ballot today was feature-ful for the fact that Bailey, of the Multnomah delegation, changed from G. H. Williams to Geer just after the roll call had been finished. Ex-Governor Geer again received the vote of the nine Multnomah county men who cast their initial ballot for him yesterday, and Paulsen, the Clatsop county representative, who yesterday abandoned the Clatsop county candidate balloted for Geer today. Senator Johnston, of Eastern Oregon, was present at the session today, and this gave Geer two more than he received yesterday.

Dimmick. Eddy. Edwards. Emmitt. Farrar. Gault. Ginn. Hahn. Hale. Hansbrough. Hawkins.

Miles. Phelps. Purdy. Rand. Riddle. Shelley. Smith of Yamhill. Webster. Williams. Mr. Speaker. Mr. President.

For T. T. Geer 27. Johnson. Johnston. Judd. Kay. McGinn. Mulkey. Myers. Nottingham. Paulsen. Reed. Simmons. Wheeldon. Steiwer.

Wood 16. Olwell. Pierce. Robbins. Smith, of Umatilla. Sweek. Wade. Wehrung. Williams 5. Mays. Smith of Mult.

The corridors were crowded today, but there was no speech-making, or anything out of the ordinary, for the entertainment of the spectators. The roll resulted: Fulton, 32; Geer, 27; Wood, 16; Williams, 5; scattering, 1; paired, 2; absent, 3. The detailed vote follows:

For C. W. Fulton 32. Hines. Huntley. Barnaban. Kuykendall. Carter. LaFollett. Cornett. Marsters.

Fisher. Hodson. Jones of Mult. For D. J. Malarkey—Banks, Orton—2. For B. F. Mulkey—Hume—1. For M. C. George—Hunt—1. For A. L. Mills—Malarkey—1. Absent—Adams, Claypool, Fulton—3. Paired—Hermann (Fulton) and Jones of Lincoln (Hermann)—2. House Passes Bills. H. B. 44, by Blakely—Providing for protection of stock growers; passed.

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PORT OF PORTLAND COMMISSION

Causes Division in the Delegation

Jack Matthews Asks For a Few Changes

The Multnomah delegation got mixed on the appointment of the commissioners for the Port of Portland. The leaders of the delegation, of course, designated who should be appointed, and they named them according to political inclination. Then, after it was all supposedly complete, one of the members received instructions from W. F. Matthews, in Portland, that changed three of the names recommended for commissioners. Then the rest of the delegation began to "see" things, and discovered who was at the head of the business. The trouble was over the rate of interest to be charged. Dr. Smith stood for the 4 per cent rate, and got the senate to support this. Sanderson Reed wants the higher rate. When the matter came to the house he moved that the house refuse to concur, so this morning the bill was again referred to the committee, where the matter will be settled.

TRIBUTE TO SOL HIRSCH

By the Senate of the State of Oregon

The senate today paid a tribute to the memory of the late Solomon E. Hirsch, who was for 18 years a member of that body, and for two terms served as president of the senate, and who was also ex-minister from the United States to Turkey.

Spain Gets Damages

Edenburgh, Feb. 18.—The judiciary court today awarded Spain \$337,000 damages against the Clyde Shipbuilding Co., for its delay in delivering four torpedo boats before the outbreak of the Spanish-American war. Spain claimed that if the vessels had been delivered she could have stopped Cuba filibustering, and successfully ended the rebellion, thus obviating hostilities with America.

Dinner for 125 Widows.

Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 18.—A. A. Howlett, the veteran bank president and business man and the original "David Harum," gave a dinner last night in celebration of his eighty-second birthday. One hundred and twenty-five widows were invited, but no man was there save the host. Every widow whose husband Mr. Howlett has known was asked. Mr. Howlett says: "Widows are too often left out of society. Here I've been in business ever since 1840 and I know a great many widows. There are widows from New York, Chicago, Oswego, Duluth and other places. And they are all prominent people. There is not a man in the house." To carry out the idea in all its appropriateness Mr. Howlett engaged a ladies orchestra, a woman caterer and women waitresses.

Flat Salary Bill Passed the House.

The bill placing state officers upon a flat salary, introduced in the house by Mr. Kay, passed last night with but two dissenting votes, Bilyeu and Both. This allows the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer a salary each of \$5000 per year; the attorney-general \$2000 per year; the chief justice of the supreme court \$4500, and the associate justices \$4000 per year. The bill will not be effective until 1905.

Street Fair meeting at police court room tonight. Don't fail to attend.

SHELLEY'S PLUCKY FIGHT

For His Deficiency Judgment Bill

Wins Out in House Against Adverse Report

Shelley, of Lane county, demonstrated considerable scrapping qualities this morning in securing the passage by the house, over the adverse report of the judiciary committee, of his bill which proposes the abolishing of deficiency judgments upon the foreclosure of mortgages. Under the present law when a piece of property is sold under execution to satisfy a mortgage, and the proceeds of the sale do not equal the amount of the mortgage, then the deficiency remains against the creditor. When the bill was reached, Shelley appealed to the members of the house for deliberate consideration of his bill, which, he insisted, had meritorious features. The speaker recognized the futility of attempting to have a bill passed over the adverse report of the committee, but he proposed to try it anyhow. He then pointed out that the operation of the present law works a hardship on the creditor. The motion to indefinitely postpone was defeated, and all debate was headed off by a motion for the previous question. The bill was disposed of by a vote of 38 ayes.

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STANDS BY THE WIDOWS

The House Passes a Resolution

To Give the Tracy-Merrill Victims \$1000 Each

The committee on resolutions this morning reported favorably on H. C. R. 9, by Judd, directing the ways and means committee to insert in the appropriation bill an allowance of \$1000 each for the relief of the widows of the three guards who were murdered at the state prison outbreak last June. By a vote of 25 to 12 the resolution was adopted.

County Clerk Roland this afternoon issued marriage licenses as follows: Clyde A. Bellinger and Hattie A. Morelock; R. W. Reid and Elmo Johnson; and Stephen A. D. Correy and May Worsham.

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H. B. 254, by Reed—Providing for recording of assessments of sheriff's certificates of sale; passed.
H. B. 218, by Test—Relating to county commissioners and their compensation; passed.
H. B. 260, by Hahn—Relating to executors and administrators; passed.
H. B. 38 by Hermann—Amending law relating to Second Southern Oregon District Agricultural Fair, increasing appropriation from \$1800 to \$3600 per annum; passed.
H. B. 221, by Robbins—Relating to sale and purchase of stocks; passed.
H. B. 292, by Hale—Relating to exemption of property from taxation; passed.
H. B. 138, by Shelley—A bill to abolish deficiency judgments upon the foreclosure of mortgages. Adversely reported. Motion to indefinitely postpone defeated. Bill passed with 38 ayes.
H. B. 123, by Eddy—Amending law relating to tide lands, giving up-land owners first right to acquire tide lands; passed.
H. B. 342, by Eddy—Creating repair and improvement fund for state prison out of the earnings of convict labor; passed.
H. B. 264, by Eddy—Amending section relating to levying of tax by county courts for school purposes. Considered by house in committee of whole, with Malarkey in chair. Bill adopted; passed.
H. B. 161, by Kay—Assessing bank stock; passed.
Resolutions Adopted.
Committee on resolutions reported as follows:
S. J. R. 6, by Daly—Authorizing printing of 14,000 copies of Oregon school laws; adopted.
S. J. R. 7, by Hunt—Asking congress to call convention to amend constitution of United States, so as to secure United States senator by direct vote of the people.
H. R. 22—That on last two days of session members be permitted to call up one senate bill each in alphabetical order; adopted.
S. C. R. 23, by Kuykendall—Relative to compiling list of survivors of Indian War Veterans. Amended so as to have work done by attorney-general, without expense to the state, and adopted.
S. C. R. 29, by Kuykendall—That session adjourn at midnight Friday. Amended to Saturday night. Vote on amendment 20 to 20 and adopted by vote of Speaker Harris. Resolution, as amended, adopted by 31 ayes.
S. C. R. 26, by McGinn—Authorizing State Agricultural College to make exhibit at Lewis and Clark expedition; adopted.
S. C. R., by McGinn—Transferring medals from state to Oregon Historical Society; adopted.
Senate Proceedings.
H. J. R.—To direct the state printer to print 1400 additional copies of the history and records of the Second Oregon's campaign in the Philippines; adopted.
S. C. R. 30, Williamson—To authorize state land board to appoint a commission to formulate a bill for the next session relating to irrigation; adopted.
Action on House Bills.
H. B. 163, Kay—To provide salaries of state officers; read first and second times and referred to judiciary.
H. B. 139, Davey—To compel attendance of children at schools supported by United States and state of Oregon; read first and second time, and referred to education.
H. B. 350, Bilyeu—To amend charter of Albany; advanced to third reading and passed.
H. B. 303, Davey—To change name of Reform School; read second and third times and referred to penal institutions.
H. B. 365, Danemann—To incorporate Olex; advanced to third reading and passed.
H. B. 363, Ways and means—For

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