

## Line-up, Flawless, Featureless

### Fulton Seems to Have Best of It

No Speech-Making Was Indulged at Friday Noon Session

About a Stand-off Between Four Prominent Candidates and a Dark Horse Possible

The Final Rush. Nearly as 8:30 this morning the race from the city began towards the Capitol, and continued at intervals all day. Some were lobbyists, and the remainder comprised the crowd who came to miss nothing that takes place. The regular list of "potty larcenous" have been perpetrated, and all notable properties—principally baskets, ink wells, etc., have disappeared. The lady clerks, especially, consider themselves entitled to these articles, perhaps on account of the salary they received—they need all they can get. The senatorial situation at the close of this session is about a stand-off between Fulton, Geer, Scott, Bourne, a dark horse, with chances in favor of the first named. The Republican members from many sections of the state are here by hundreds for Fulton, excepting from Jackson county, that as sent up a strong contingent for Geer. Individual Republicans from smaller places in the state are here to declare that the rank and file of the Republicans, while they may have voted for Geer on election day, are now for Fulton. There is still a strong Republican contingent in the state at large that demands Geer, and

taking these Republicans and the Democrats, Socialists and Populists, they make a majority of all the people of the state, but not of the Republican party, and that seems to be what is determining the minds of most Republicans. The Geer supporters are united in his behalf, but no less earnestly are the Fulton men solidly lined up, and no one expects them to make a break from their man. This is a dispassionate statement of the situation as it appears to a spectator who is standing outside of the fence near the race track and merely looking on.

The Ballot Featureless. The joint ballot Friday noon was featureless. There was no speech-making, changing of votes or anything to repay the large number of people who had gathered to witness the event. All attempts at oratory and demonstrations of this character are probably being reserved for the session tonight.

Final Joint Session. When the vote had been announced at noon today, the joint assembly, on motion, adjourned until 8 p. m., when the ballot for United States senator will be resumed.

Admission Will Be Limited. By the provisions of a resolution, that was adopted by both houses this morning, there are a great many who will be a great many who will be unable to gain admission to the interesting session tonight. By the terms of the resolution, the number of persons that will be admitted to the body of the house is 210, and these will be regulated by ticket, no admission being had otherwise. The tickets are to be given two each to the members of the two houses, and all of the

state officers, while the bona fide members of the press, who are entitled to the recognition, will receive a ticket of admission. The tickets are to be taken up by the sergeant-at-arms and the doorkeepers at the door, and destroyed at once. When the 210 tickets have been exhausted there will be no further admissions granted. No return ticket will be given, and in order to enjoy the courtesies of the occasion a person holding a ticket will be obliged to remain until the entire thing is over. The president of the senate and the speaker of the house have been authorized to appoint a total of eight assistants to maintain order.

Friday Noon Vote. The vote at noon was identical with that of Thursday. There was not a single change. Fulton and Geer retaining their relative positions in the race.

In the Senate. The senate has passed the house bill appropriating \$100,000 for the relief of the Indian War Veterans.

The salary of the pages of the senate were, by resolution, raised from \$2 to \$3 per day.

The Portland Commercial Club has extended an invitation to the members of the senate to be present at their club rooms, in the Chamber of Commerce building, next Saturday evening.

Senate—Thursday. Called to order at 2 p. m.

H. B. 221, Robbins—Relating to the sale and purchase of stocks; passed.

H. B. 38, Hermann—To authorize the governor to appoint commissioners for Southern Oregon Agricultural Society; passed. Miller voted "no."

H. B. 262, Haines—To amend the charter of Forest Grove; passed.

H. B. 14, Orton—For a commissioner of labor; passed. Farrar voted "no."

H. B. 22, Reed—Relating to commissioners; passed.

H. B. 130, Davey—Indefinitely postponed.

H. B. 251, Hayden—Relating to county road matters; passed. Brownell and Mulkey voted "no."

H. B. 213, Simmons—To protect sub-contractors; passed.

H. B. 264, Eddy—Relating to the levying of school tax; passed.

S. B. 50, Booth—For protection of forests; the veto of the governor was sustained. Croisan, Daly, Dimmick, Farrar, Hobson, Howe, Miller, Mulkey, Pierce, Smith of Umatilla, Sweek Wade, Wehrung voted to sustain the governor.

H. B. 296, Bilyeu—To fix salary of superintendent of Linn county; advanced to third reading and passed.

H. B. 318, Hume—To fix salary of school superintendent of Curry county; advanced to third reading and passed.

H. B. 281, Hahn—To amend charter of Astoria; passed.

H. B. 85, Bilyeu—To provide for the compensation of Indian War Veterans; referred to committee on claims.

H. B. 270, Orton—Relating to the purchase of paper by the state printer; passed.

H. B. 198, Olwell—To regulate the manufacture and sale of foods and drinks; advanced to third reading and passed. Miller voted "no."

H. B. 6, Banks—To amend code; read second time and referred to judiciary.

H. B. 344, Malarkey—Relating to surety companies; advanced to third reading and passed.

H. B. 331, Hobson—Relating to Port of Portland; advanced to third reading and passed.

H. B. 326, Galloway—To fix salary of clerk of Yamhill county; advanced to third reading and passed.

Thursday Evening. S. B. 178, by McGinn—Relating to cemeteries; passed.

S. B. 137, by Sweek—Regulating sale of liquors; passed.

S. B. 156, by Wehrung—Providing for payment of costs in appeal cases. Adjourned to 9:30 a. m. Friday.

Senate—Friday. Called to order at 10 a. m. Prayer was offered by Rev. Rabing.

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### GOVERNOR VETOED JONES

Bill For a Summer Normal School

Jones Got Note Reconsidered and the Bill Passed

Speech of Session and was Heartily Congratulated

The big fight in the house today is over the governor's veto of the little normal school bill passed by the efforts of Jones, of Lincoln county. The plucky representative from Lincoln made a successful fight to get the bill through both houses.

The Newport Veto. Governor Chamberlain today vetoed the bill by Representative Jones, of Lincoln, appropriating \$5000 for a summer normal school at Newport. The action of the governor was sustained by the house with only 18 votes against the veto.

A number of reasons are assigned by Governor Chamberlain for returning the bill with his disapproval. Having advocated and urged in his inaugural address that the number of normal schools in the state be reduced to two, and that no other such institutions should be established; the governor recites in his message to the house that he is unable to approve a measure that proposes the creation of an additional normal school at the expense of the state. The governor further stated in his message that the number of teachers that would be able to attend the school would be small, and that the project would in reality be more of a summer excursion than a means of deriving any ultimate good to the state and the profession it proposed to benefit. For these reasons the governor refused to approve the bill.

Effort to Reconsider. This afternoon Jones, of Lincoln moved to reconsider the veto by which the veto was sustained.

The house this afternoon took up Jones' Newport normal bill, on motion to reconsider the veto by which the governor's veto was sustained. Mr. Jones made one of the most telling speeches of the session, and was applauded by both his fellow members and the crowds in the galleries. He made a gallant fight and won, the bill passing over the governor's veto.

### Affairs in Congress

Washington, Feb. 20.—On strict party lines the house committee on insular affairs this afternoon decided to accept the senate substitute to the Philippine currency bill. The Patterson amendment, providing for an international money congress was stricken out. Another amendment was offered providing that all debts may be paid in coin that was legal when the debt was contracted. Henderson laid before the house an invitation from St. Louis to attend the dedication exercises of the exposition. A committee of eight representatives and senators will be appointed. The echo of the Schley controversy in the house committee on naval affairs was heard this afternoon when Mudd called up the bill to give the admiral active pay on the retired list, as laid on the table by an overwhelming majority. Morgan soon yielded the floor to Burton, of Kansas, who started a speech favoring the omnibus bill, thus demonstrating that the statehood fight has been transferred from behind closed doors.

Dubois, of Iowa, followed, and filibustered against the treaty, making it evident that the Democrats were lending aid to Morgan. There is no indication of a break in the deadlock.

Cuba Wants Reciprocity. Havana, Feb. 20.—The foreign committee of the senate made a favorable report on the reciprocity treaty with the United States this afternoon.

### CEDAR RAPIDS FIRE

Four Dead Fifteen Still Missing

Most of the Victims Delegates to Y. M. C. A. Convention

Undoubtedly Many of Missing are in the Ruins

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Feb. 20.—Four fatally and 25 seriously wounded and 15 unaccounted for is the result of a fire in the Clifton hotel early this morning. The hotel, the third largest in the city, was filled beyond its capacity. Delegates to the state convention of the Y. M. C. A. had cots in the halls. The fire broke out in the second story. Both second and third stories were filled with smoke. The guests, cut off from the fire escapes, jumped from the second and third stories. Of 25 who may possibly die, seven are already dead. How many dead are in the ruins cannot be known until the debris is cleared. Many who could have been taken down in safety became panic stricken. One woman jumped from a window sill while a fireman was trying to seize her, and was picked up dying.

Later lists show the number unaccounted for unchanged, but it is believed that only four of the injured will die. It is now believed the fire originated from a defective electrical appliance in the basement. There were 120 guests in the hotel. Owing to the wind and the inflammability of the building, it required less than an hour to burn. Loss 140,000. At noon three bodies had been recovered. Physicians now say that three of the injured cannot recover.

A 2 o'clock three more bodies had been recovered, making six, four of the injured are now said to be dying. Five bodies are charred so badly they cannot be identified.

### ASTORIA A MAN-LESS EDEN

Feminine Loveliness Alone Holds Sway

Wild Waves Saying "Come Back Charley to Me"

Astoria Poll tax Man, Could do Business in Capitol

Astoria is today a city of temporary widows and orphans. As the symbol of Roderick Dhu brought the clans pouring down from the highlands of Scotland, so the senatorial situation has brought Astoria's wide-awake citizens here to whoop it up for their favorite. One enthusiastic Astorian told The Journal man that the only business man left in Astoria had just been operated on for appendicitis, and was in the hospital. There was a rumor last night that the up-river cannermen were going down the river to jump the town, but the report is not corroborated. The coming of the whole town is certainly very flattering to Mr. Fulton, but not more so than the self-sacrificing spirit of the Astoria ladies, who boldly send their worse halves out into the wicked world, regardless of consequences, to work in his behalf.

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