

## HOUSE SUSTAINS SPEAKER

### First Vote Taken on an Appeal From the Chair

### Reverend Selleck Prays for the Senior Senator From Oregon and the Committee Clerks

The house opened with prayer by Rev. Selleck, of the First M. E. Church of Salem. His prayer was unique in containing a petition on behalf of the legislative clerks and for the honored senior senator from Oregon, John H. Mitchell.

Kay moved to suspend the rules and take up senate bills. Opposed and on roll call the house refused, 42 eyes, 16 noses.

Kay called attention to the necessity of going through the whole order of business, and wished to appeal from the decision to the contrary by the speaker. Under that ruling the senate bills would never be reached. He wished the house to decide now this important matter. The speaker stated that the rules required after reading of journal "the following order should prevail," and the order followed consecutively from one to the close. The speaker was sustained and the regular order continued.

#### Reports of Committees.

The committee on fisheries tried to hurry a bill to regulate fishing on the Rogue river. This aroused Vawter, who asked that the bill be referred to delegation from Josephine, Jackson and Curry counties. So ordered.

#### ROUTINE BUSINESS

**House—Thursday Afternoon.**  
H. B. 22—Edwards. A bill for an act to amend the charter of Junction City. The bill was passed by a unanimous vote.  
H. B. 106—Mayger. A bill for an act to incorporate the town of Houlton. Referred to cities and towns.  
H. B. 66—Fawk. A bill for an act to incorporate Falls City. Referred back to cities and towns, as the bill contained an emergency clause.  
H. B. 109—Mayger. Referred back to committee on account of emergency clause.  
On motion the chief clerk was instructed to correct the enacting clause in all bills as recommended by the judiciary committee.  
H. B. 82—Bramhall. A bill for an act to incorporate Estacada. Was passed by a unanimous vote.  
H. B. 39—Chamberlain. A bill for an

act to incorporate the city of Athena. This bill contains an emergency clause. The bill was passed.

H. B. 69—Richie. A bill for an act to regulate the state library. The bill was passed. Heretofore the state librarian has been elected by the legislature, but the Richie bill places the appointment in the hands of the supreme court.

H. B. 54—West. A bill for an act to fix salary of the county school superintendent of Tillamook county. By the bill his salary is increased from \$600 to \$1000 a year. The bill was passed.

H. B. 3—Vawter. A bill for an act to authorize the state school board to execute certain papers. The bill was passed by a unanimous vote.

H. B. 42—Barnes, by request. Indefinitely postponed.

H. B. 41—Vawter. A bill for an act to provide for the condemnation of real property, water, etc., by the state. The bills was passed by a unanimous vote.

H. B. 71—Kay. A bill for an act to pay state employes monthly. They are now paid quarterly. The bill was passed without opposition.

H. B.—Smith of Josephine. The bill was indefinitely postponed.

H. B. 13—Burns. Indefinitely postponed.

House adjourned until 10 a. m. Friday.

#### Bills Introduced.

No. 213—By Kuney, of Sherman, charter of Wasco.  
No. 214—By Caldwell of Yamhill, charter of Dayton.  
No. 215—By Laws of Clatsop, to appropriate \$8000 for Lewis and Clark fair.  
No. 216—By same, to authorize county court to levy 5-mill tax for court house of Clatsop county.  
No. 217—By Caldwell, of Yamhill, to abolish normal schools at Drain and Ashland.  
No. 218—By same to amend law relating to assessors.  
No. 219—By Vawter, of Jackson, to amend local option law.  
No. 220—By Blakeley, of Umatilla, by request, to create county of Hot Lake.  
No. 221—By Mears, of Multnomah.

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## STRIKERS STILL STRIKING

### Employers Declare Will Not Concede to Demands

St. Petersburg, Jan. 20.—The striking workmen had their ranks swelled by a large number of sympathizers who have been marching. The employers again declared that they would not concede to the strikers' demands, and at once processions began forming. Similar demonstrations are reported from other cities. It is feared that, should the parades continue, rioting will result. Troops have been sent to the Butloff works to protect them.

As the afternoon progressed the strikers became more bold, and they broke into several factories and the state printing works, and forced the workers to join them. The police advised the manager to allow the printers to quit. A large force of strikers marched through the Vassiliostroff district, compelling the owners of all work shops and stores to close their establishments. The strike has spread to the spinning trade. The employes at the Sangalli and Koliaki mills quit work this afternoon.

Workers on the left side of the Neva are joining in with the strikers. It is reported that a man is endeavoring to obtain the co-operation of the employes of the German war material factories, with the object of forcing the government to stop the war. The ranks of the strikers have been swelled by the addition of 25,000 workmen from Kharkoff and Kiev districts.

There is a strong probability that troops will be called out to cope with and disturbances which may be caused by the strikers. The soldiers are now at their headquarters, under arms, and ready to answer a hurry call. The strikers, it is learned, will hold a large meeting tonight, at which their future program will be discussed.

## ROAD WORKERS MEET

Next in importance to the making of laws at the state house the last two days have been the sessions of the county road supervisors. The second session opened this morning at 9 o'clock, and all but two or three were present. County Judge Scott was in charge of the meeting. The first order of business was the giving out of account books to each of the supervisors, and they were instructed to keep accurate copies of all lumber bills ordered by them, etc. Also to keep tab on all accounts which they marked "O. K."

Judge Trechard, of Astoria, was present, and was called upon for a speech. He said a number of good things about road building. Mr. C. A. McKee, of Monitor, gave a lengthy talk on the volunteer work he had succeeded in having done in district No. 9 during the past year, about \$400 worth having been donated by interested farmers. An interesting discussion followed, and the supervisors were instructed to have as much volunteer work done as possible, as they would be that much ahead. The next subject brought up was on wide-tire wagons, and it was the decree that this kind of tire was the only kind for good roads.

A motion was made and carried that the supervisors receive \$3.00 per day when he goes out and uses his team on culvert work; on general work for team, \$1.00 per day of eight hours.

At this juncture District Attorney J. H. McNary came in to look things over and on being invited to speak made a short talk on matters in general.

The early part of the afternoon session was taken up with reading paper by Judge Scott on organizing good road leagues, and the necessity of attending good roads conventions. He then urged all the supervisors to attend the Good Road Convention at Portland in June, if possible.

Judge Scott requested the members to pay strict attention to the enforcement of the law in removing Canada thistles.

The supervisors have been receiving \$2.50 per day for their services when they work and \$1.50 for their team, if used, and Wm. Taylor made a motion that they be allowed only \$3 this motion carried. A motion was also made

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## SHOT IN HIS ROOM

### Prominent Promoter Killed by Unknown Party

New York, Jan. 20.—Major Jacob Ridgeway Wright, a prominent mine owner and promoter of Wilkesbarre, was mysteriously shot in his room in the Imperial hotel early this morning, and died at 11 o'clock. Dr. Howard A. Pardee, who was in Wright's room when the shooting occurred, was detained by the police, and later arraigned at the Jefferson Market court. Wright was shot above the hip, and the bullet passed through his body. Pardee says Wright shot himself. Coroner Scholer says he does not see how it is possible for Wright to inflict the wound.

#### Land Fraud Cases.

Portland, Or., Jan. 20.—E. W. Carter and C. C. Ragsdale, of Medford, Or., were witnesses before the federal grand jury this morning. Both were victims of the fraudulent operations of Miller and Kincaid, timber cruisers, being located on worthless claims. Charles E. Nichols, of Medford, editor of the Southern Oregonian, and United States Land commissioner, was before the grand jury explaining how he came to acknowledge alleged fraudulent entries. The jury in the case of George Sorenson, charged of offering a bribe to Former District Attorney Hall, is still out at a late hour this afternoon. At noon the judge called the jury in and had the evidence in the case again read.

#### Increase Clerkships.

Sacramento, Jan. 20.—After one of the bitterest fights in the history of the legislature, the house today voted to increase in number the attaches, swelling the daily payroll to \$800, exclusive of the members salaries.

#### Sold Russia a Tug.

Kiel, Jan. 20.—The large tug Swartez has been sold by the Dutch consul, Diedrichs, to Russia. The tug has already left for Libau and will probably accompany the third Russian squadron to the Far East.

#### LaFollett Will Be Chosen.

Madison, Wis., Jan. 20.—Governor LaFollette will be chosen next Monday night at the joint session of the Republican legislators as senator, to succeed Senator Quarles.

## SMOOT TESTIFIES IN HIS OWN BEHALF

Washington, Jan. 20.—Smoot took the stand this morning in his own behalf. He stated that he was born at Salt Lake, January 10, 1862. He was a son of Abraham and Anna K. Smoot, both Mormons, and the latter a plural wife. He was married September 17, 1884, in the temple at Logan, to Alpha M. Elders, by whom he had six children. He had no other wife, and had cohabited with no other woman. When 18 years old he took the endowment ceremony, at his father's urgent request. He had never taken it since, and could not, if he would, give the details.

Smoot denied anything in the endowment obligation about vengeance, and was surprised that such a statement should have been made, as Joseph Smith had formulated the obligation, and it had never been changed, and Smith could hardly call for vengeance on account of his death, when he was still alive. In 1872 Smoot moved to Provo, where he has lived ever since. He was counsellor to President Smith for five years, and in 1900 he became an apostle.

"I took no oath as such," he declared, "and when I later took the oath as United States senator, there was no mental reservation, and there has been nothing in my past to hamper my work here."

Up to 1848 he had been a Democrat, when reading and thinking converted him to Republicanism.

Having been solicited by friends, mostly Gentiles, witness, in 1902, decided to be a candidate for United States senator, and so announced at a public meeting prior to that. He had asked the presidency of the church if it had any objections, and for a leave of absence, so that his duties as United

States senator would not interfere with the duties of the church. The request was granted. Then he organized his campaign, with which the church had nothing to do. In answer to a question, witness said: "As senator, I would vote just the way I thought best for my country. It is not the business of the church how I vote, and I would not submit to any such dictation." Smoot knew President Smith had several wives, but didn't know his relation with them since the manifesto. At the time of the manifesto there was an indefinite understanding between the Gentiles and the Mormons that the existing cases of polygamy were not to be disturbed, and the practice would be allowed to die out.

#### More Labor Troubles.

Berlin, Jan. 20.—The Tageblatt reports an outbreak at Petrogeonje, province of Moscow today. The revolutionists dynamited the government buildings. Chief of Police Poti was shot and Magistrate Peus wounded.

#### No Senator for Missouri.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 20.—The fourth joint ballot of the legislature for United States senator resulted in Neidringhaus 80, Cockrell 81, Kerens 9, Pettjohn 1. No election.

#### Three Burned to Death.

New York, Jan. 20.—By the burning of a shack at Cromwell avenue early this morning, three Italians, two men and a woman, lost their lives. The bodies are not yet identified.

#### Damaged By Fire.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 20.—The plant of the Terre Haute Traction & Light Company was damaged by fire this morning to the extent of \$100,000.

## RUSSIAN SOCIALISTS DISPERSED

Riga, Jan. 20.—The Socialists have organized, and a demonstration was made here today. The crowd marched through the street, distributing their proclamations. The police stopped the processions and tore down the red flags and dispersed the crowds. Several shots were fired, but none were injured.

## PRESIDENT MITCHELL SUSTAINED

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 20.—In the miners' convention today President Mitchell announced that, after the violent abuse he had suffered from Delegate Randall, either Randall or he must quit the organization immediately. A resolution was adopted calling on Randall to apologize. He refused. Randall was then expelled.

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