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## STUDENT BODY POLITICS SHAKEN AT HIGH SCHOOL

### STRUGGLE OF THE STUDENTS FOR DIRECT REPRESENTATION ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—ANOTHER ELECTION TO BE HELD IN DECEMBER.

The statement of City Superintendent J. M. Powers, at the last student body meeting of the Salem high school has caused great interest to be manifested in student body affairs by the whole community. After considerable sparring and accusations of bad faith on the part of some one, Superintendent Powers, who usually does not get himself to the front very much, arose and said he was compelled to speak from a sense of responsibility to the students and to the people of this school district, and on account of this sense of responsibility that should be felt by the students themselves. He deplored the introduction of pernicious political methods in the management of student body affairs. Matters had been conducted very irregularly, and in a manner highly improper. If let go without rebuke there was danger that all the purposes of our school system, for which the parents and the students gave their time and money, would be brought to naught. He spoke with good feeling, but with earnestness and some anxiety.

**What Powers Stated.**  
Mr. Powers stated in substance that official representatives of the student body had admitted at a conference, at which he was present with other witnesses, that they had knowingly committed acts in violation of their own constitution and by-laws. Two students admitted such acts and declared they would apologize. At the meeting just before Powers spoke they did not apologize, but sought to justify their acts. The executive committee of the student body, of which they were members, declared the acts unconstitutional and illegal, and which were protested against when they committed them.

**Asked for Representative.**  
Last May and June the student body by petitions to Principal Kirk had three times demanded the right to elect a representative, who should be a member of the faculty. The executive committee had assumed the right to review and supersede their actions as a student body, and the students demanded a representative who would represent them and their interests. As students they complained that they were never allowed to insist on any proper conduct of a student body meeting, when that organization is for the very purpose of developing ability for self-government in matters not regulated by state law or under the control of the Board of Education. At last the right to be represented was conceded to the student body, but action was delayed, and it was not until November 9 that an election to fill this place was held.

**Election Was Irregular.**  
The constitution provides that the election shall be held from noon until 3:30 p. m., and that ballots shall

be received and opened by the president of the student body, who named two lady tellers. The election was held without announcement. The polls were opened at 1 p. m. and closed at 1:20. When challenged on this, and the constitution cited, the tellers reopened the box and went on with the election, but President Simpkins and Mr. Jewett, of the executive committee, declared the election closed, and proceeded to make the count. The result of the election was about two to one for Prof. Schreiber over Prof. Davis. Prof. Davis had been nominated by Principal Kirk, and was the "administration" candidate, while Schreiber was nominated by the students. The objection to Davis was not personal, but because he was already treasurer of the executive committee, and, as representative of the student body, would have to audit and pass on his own accounts. A session of the executive committee was held for about two hours, and at 3 p. m. the student body was called to order and President Simpkins announced that the election just held was illegal and unconstitutional, and was thrown out, and this in the face of the fact that they had carried on the election over the protests of the friends of the successful candidates.

**Overrules an Appeal.**  
The decision of President Simpkins was appealed from on the floor of the student body, a viva voce vote taken, and declared lost, in spite of the fact that the vote was against the chair by a tremendous acclamation. A protest was entered against Simpkins' ruling on the ground that he had no right to interpret the constitution. The student body alone had that right. Motions and protests were ruled out of order. Paul Hendricks made the point of order that, as the appeal was on a matter relating to an election, the vote should be taken by ballot, and moved for that. His motion was ruled out of order, and President Simpkins stood his ground by saying: "You may discuss the actions of the executive committee as long as you like; it avails you nothing."

**Sustain the Administration.**  
That seems to be the gist of the fight put up by Simpkins, who has mistaken loyalty to the executive committee for loyalty to the student body and the policy of self-government by the pupils. The successful candidate for the position on the executive committee was summoned into conference with the committee, and asked if he, as a member of the executive committee, would stand by the administration. Prof. Schreiber said, as faculty representative, he would be governed by his sense of right and justice and the constitution of the student body. Confessions were in order, and Jewett admitted that the election was entirely illegal and unconstitutional, and Simpkins admitted that his own election as president of the student body was brought about in the same way. Joe Kaiser, who was there as a witness, said that instead of bringing Prof. Schreiber there to explain anything, they owed him an explanation, and the student body an apology. On this Simpkins and Jewett promised to make this reparation, apologize, and assume all the blame of the illegal election. Schreiber had objected, his objection was overruled, and the election was sustained until it was found he was elected. Then it was kicked over, after a confer-

ence between Kirk, Simpkins and Jewett.

**Large Sum Involved.**  
These meetings were all gone over at the second student body meeting, held Thursday, November 16, when Simpkins made his report and stated that executive committee sustained his finding, and all motions, protests and objections were overruled. What the student body has been kicking at is close corporation methods, in which they have had no direct representation, and involving the accounting and disbursing of about \$800. The efforts to secure representation have been fought off with delay, and the matter will not come up until the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in December when the election should have been held last May. The student body is very determined to have direct representation and direct accountability from the management.

## THE THIRD DEGREE AT THE GRAND

"The Third Degree," an excerpt from the life in some of its most interesting phases, is perhaps the best description of the remarkable play by Charles Klein, who will be agreeably recalled as the author of the American drama, "The Lion and the Mouse." The play, in brief, is a forceful and beautiful relation of the adventures of a young man from the high paths of life who contracts an unconventional marriage. The subject has, of course, before been the subject of dramatic literature, but the skillful and unusual treatment accorded it in this instance by the masterful playwright gives it all the attractiveness and originality and when there is added the entirely novel element of psychological interest, it may be said to be a complete departure in theatrical presentations. The play, in four acts, has been given a most interesting and lavish scenic presentation by the United Play company, whose efforts invariably bear the hallmarks of artistic work. The cast engaged is thoroughly consistent with the value of the book and production and includes Franklyn Dale, Minnie Radcliffe, Charles Burnham, Neil Barrett, Harry Forsman, Kenneth Stewart, Wesley Todd and others. The "Third Degree" will be seen here in Salem for one performance at the Grand opera house, tonight.

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Prospecting for oil near Cottage Grove.

Jan Kubelk, violinist, in Portland soon.

Real estate is very active at Woodburn.

Medford wants a railroad to Woolypport.

Klamath Falls has a ministerial association.

Medford Elks have been doing the charity act.

"Gypsy" Smith is a little rough on the Smith family.

A 22-year-old Boise girl is in jail for horse stealing.

Looted banks at Seaside, Philomath and Vancouver.

Medford has a Mothers' and Teachers' Co-Operative club.

Operations have been resumed digging for oil near Dallas.

Don't marry a girl who can't make her own clothes, if necessary.

Roseburg is taking steps to install a water and light plant.

Banker Cooper Morris is learning the tailor trade at the pen.

Cottage Grove Schools have a Patrons' and Teachers' association.

The women voters of Washington are fighting compulsory vaccination.

There is certainly enough variety in aldermen candidates to pick from.

Large Tacoma corporations have been found stealing from city water mains.

The West Coast Life Insurance company is being sued for a \$1000 policy.

The Woodburn Bachelor's club is growing in popularity under persecution.

The candidates for the United States senate against Bourne are not materializing.

Mrs. Maud Holand and Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Shelton have reopened the Seio hotel.

Men feel encouraged at the two first California women juries finding them not guilty.

William B. Andreesen, Grant B. Dimick and Dr. A. L. Breathe will try for mayor of Oregon city.

Congressman Lafferty, at Portland, seems to be making a winning campaign for renomination.

The Harriman home at Klamath Lake, known as "Pelican Lodge," has been sold for \$125,000.

C. T. Prael, of Portland, president of the Good Roads association, is touring the state for the \$20,000,000 bond issue.

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We will sidetrack the story of our business in this chapter, and tell you how well other people think of our orchard tracts.

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