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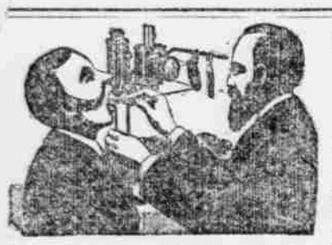

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GOVERNOR VS. COURT.

THE LATEST PHASE OF THE KANSAS LEGISLATIVE MUDDLE.

The Rump House of the Populists Recognized by the Chief Executive of the State.

The Republicans Ask the Supreme Court to Order Secretary Osborne to Surrender the Certified List of Members.

The Democrats of the House Answer to the Republican Roll Call—The Third Party Demagogues Reject a Proposal to Leave the Settlement of the Contests to a Judicial Tribunal—The Republicans Hire Another Hall—General Notes.

Special Dispatch to the Daily Eagle.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 12.—At 9 o'clock this evening a caucus of the Republican members is in session. Both houses took a recess, by agreement, until 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Mr. Dunsmore said to your correspondent tonight that the people would find him to be a "reasonable man and willing to put things in proper shape when he would once get a chance."

"We will get the message of the governor tomorrow," said Mr. Dunsmore, "and will be recognized by the senate. Then I will be in shape to make some concessions. Doster, Breidenthal and Clements have been running things so far, but the thing has got to stop. When we get to the contests we will do what is fair. The courts will get a whack at it, perhaps, but we will do the right thing."

This sounds as though he knew that the supreme court would sooner or later be called upon to decide which house is legally organized. It is believed that at least twenty populists will be governed by the court's decision, and, if it says that the Republican organization is the legal one, will immediately answer roll call.

Tonight at 9 o'clock Secretary of State Osborne had the contest papers. There had been a rumor that the populists had them, but it had no foundation. Many Republicans believe that he will obey the order of the supreme court and will turn over the papers to the Republican speaker if it should so order. Others believe that he will do no such thing, and thus force a collision.

The Republicans still hold the treasury of the state, as Mr. Biddle has not yet filed his bond.

Mrs. Lease says: "We have gone too far to retreat." Mrs. Diggs does not pretend to say that the acts of the populists are not revolutionary, but does say: "I believe that they have considered the matter fully and will carry it out to the logical end—the impeachment of the judges of the supreme court if they interfere. The people will say which is right two years from now. The end sought to be obtained may be of sufficient magnitude to justify all this, but I do not see all this as clearly as some of my friends."

Tomorrow will be an eventful day.

THE HOUSE FACTIONS.

TOPEKA, Kan, Jan. 12.—The members of the dual house were all promptly in their seats at 9 o'clock, but no pretense of transacting any business was made. No agreement having been reached by the joint peace committee, each house maintained its organization. The usual motion to adjourn and to meet again, in order to make a legislative day was adopted by both sides; but beyond that, nothing was done, and in the early hours of the day the members killed time as best they could, pending a further conference of the committee.

The three Democrats, who yesterday decided to affiliate with the Republicans on the question of organization broke the monotony at 2 o'clock by announcing their decision publicly. The Republicans had worked themselves into a pretended squabble over the reading of their journal, in order to have a roll call to give the Democrats an opportunity to proclaim their position. As their names were called, Messrs. Chambers, Meagher and Rosenthal, Democrats, arose from their seats and, in turn, stated that they believed the Republican house to be the legally constituted one, and had therefore decided to participate in the proceedings of that organization. This action by the Democrats was received with loud cheers by the Republicans. The populists pretended to make light of it, but their leaders were evidently greatly disturbed. The addition of the three Democrats to the Republican membership gives the Republican house sixty-seven members, a majority of five, composed of one Republican, one independent (Wilson) and the three Democrats.

The excitement caused by the action of the Democrats soon subsided, and the monotony of waiting for further developments was resumed. Soon it was announced on the populist side that the senate and governor would shortly recognize the populist house. The members on both sides waited impatiently for such action. It had been agreed that the senate should recognize the populist house by resolution, and that the governor should recognize it by a communication to the speaker. The plan miscarried. The senate adjourned without taking the agreed action. Before the governor could be informed of that fact, however, his communication was on its way to the house. The populist sergeant-at-arms (Chase) was called to receive the governor's messenger, and as Secretary Close was recognized the populists arose and began cheering. The populists' speaker, Mr. Dunsmore, rapped for order, and restored quiet, the Republicans making no demonstration.

Secretary Close called out, "Mr. Speaker Dunsmore." This official recognition gave the populist side another opportunity to cheer. The women shook their handkerchiefs in the air and the members climbed into their seats and waved their hats. There were catcalls from the Republican side as the populist chief clerk read the following:

"To J. M. Dunsmore, speaker of the house of representatives:

"In answer to your communication sent me Jan. 10, 1893, notifying me that the house was duly organized, with Mr. Dunsmore as speaker, R. H. Semple as speaker pro tem., Ben C. Rice as chief clerk and L. F. Dick as sergeant-at-arms, and is ready for business, I desire to say that I will communicate with you further in writing. L. D. LEWELLING, "Governor."

The populists again cheered, but the Republican speaker, Mr. Dunsmore, rapped for order and said: "The legally organized house of representatives will come to order."

Some minor resolutions were then offered on the Republican side and a roll call was ordered on one of them. The call showed that sixty-seven members answered to their names.

The excitement occasioned by the recognition of the populist house by the governor continued for some time, the populists cheering exultantly over their apparent victory, and the Republicans taunting them with the failure of the senate to carry out the program of recognition. After a half hour of excitement things quieted down again. The leaders got together and agreed to adjourn both houses, without prejudicing the position of either, until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. In accordance with this agreement both houses adjourned at 8 o'clock until the hour named.

THE DAY AT THE HOUSE.

TOPEKA, Jan. 12.—Ten o'clock arrived this morning and still no agreement had been reached between the conference committees which had undertaken to settle the dispute between the two organizations of the house. An all-night session resulted in no progress being made, and both houses were called to order promptly on time. Neither house attempted to do any business, but both, after the rolls were called, settled down to the program of inaction pursued yesterday.

Mrs. M. E. Lease and a number of other women leaders occupied seats on the populist side, and encouraged their members to stand firm.

"The time for prayers has gone by," said Mrs. Lease, "and the time for action has arrived. The verterbras are all ossified, and not one inch will be yielded. There is not a jellyfish on our side of the house."

The Republicans have about perfected arrangements to begin mandamus proceedings in the supreme court, to compel the secretary of state to turn over certain papers in his possession to the Republican organization. When this proceeding is begun the question of the legality of the respective organizations will be fairly before the supreme court.

At 1 o'clock it was rumored that the senate, in executive session, had agreed to recognize the populist house. The Republican sergeants-at-arms were sent in all directions for the members, who had escaped to eat their noon meal in quiet. Nearly all the populist legislators were in their seats and the others in easy reach.

At 3 o'clock Mr. Hoch, for the Republicans, called the house to order and a squabble over the reading of the journal was taken as an excuse for calling the roll. The reading of the roll was interrupted by Mr. Chambers, Democrat, of Comanche, who stepped forward and addressed the speaker. He said that up to this time the Democratic contingent had recognized neither party and had sought a compromise. Everything had come to naught, and as the Democrats never had a doubt as to which body was the legally organized one, they would recognize the Republican roll call and vote aye on the proposition. The Republican members went wild, and there was a scene of confusion which could not be stopped for five minutes. At its conclusion Mr. Dougherty, a populist Democrat, speaking for the populists, said that as a Democrat of twenty years' standing he would do nothing to give encouragement to a Republican organization. Mr. Meagher, Democrat, of Leavenworth, recognized the Republican organization, and so did Mr. Rosenthal. This gives the Republicans sixty seven members—four more than a constitutional majority.

There appeared to be an implied understanding between the members of the two organizations that neither side should make any further move until the senate investigating committee had concluded its work and made the report. There was little likelihood, if this understanding were carried out, that anything would be done before tomorrow morning. Should the senate finally decide to recognize the populist house the governor would, of course, do likewise, but until the senate had acted he would do nothing.

Populist Speaker Dunsmore, in an interview at noon today, said that the senate and governor would certainly recognize the populist house in the end. The Republicans were also inclined to believe that this would be the outcome of the frequent conferences between the governor and the populist leaders.

CAPITAL GOSSIP.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan.—Mrs. Lease had this to say in regard to the situation:

"Kansas is passing through another political upheaval. We are on the eve of a revolution—that is, if the representative men now occupying the state house were any other than Kansas men. As it is, notwithstanding the complications arising from the fact that the representatives of two political parties claim a majority and are asserting their right to organize the house, matters will in all probability be settled amicably."

All felt today that a crisis was imminent. Both sides stood firm, and the air was full of rumors. Some definite action was to be taken within the next twenty-four hours. The governor's recognition of the populist house was momentarily expected, and yet a feeling of uneasiness prevailed that the problem would yet remain unsettled. It did not seem to be generally understood that the courts held the key to the situation, and much anxiety was felt as to the amount of determination that would be displayed by the senate. Already the deadlock in the house had created a feeling of general uncertainty and vague unrest in business circles, but it was conceded by all that the party that first resorted to violence would sign its death warrant. It was generally expected, however, that an amicable adjustment would be reached by 3 o'clock p. m.

THE OUTCOME DOUBTFUL.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 12.—This has been the greatest day of scenes and situations since the legislative muddle was first on. Surprises have come one after another in quick succession. The first was the desertion of the populists by the Democrats, which occurred at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and which struck terror to the hearts of the populists, who were not expecting such a move. This was followed at 5 o'clock by the recognition of the populist house by Governor Lewelling. This had hardly been disposed of when, at 6 o'clock arrived and just as the supreme judges were leaving for home, mandamus proceedings were filed by the Republicans to compel Secretary of State Osborne to surrender the certified copy of the list of members now on file in his office. These three surprises have placed the legislative, senatorial and state printer muddle in more of a muddle than it ever has been before, and of all the shrewd politicians in Topeka tonight not one will venture an opinion as to the final outcome of the matter.

THE REPUBLICAN PROGRAM.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 12.—Immediately after the adjournment of the two houses this evening the Republicans held a caucus to fix upon a line of action to govern them tomorrow. They decided to assemble in representative hall at 9 o'clock, as provided for in the agreement by which the adjournment was had this evening, and to proceed to the transaction of business in a regular parliamentary manner, and to await action by the populists. They anticipate a recognition of the populist house by the senate and that they (the Republicans) will be ordered to withdraw from the hall. They have decided to offer no resistance, but simply to remain passive and force the populists to remove them bodily. In anticipation of being ejected from the hall, they have selected a hall down town, in which they will meet tomorrow and where they will hold their sessions until the whole matter is decided by the courts.

THE STATE SENATE.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 12.—Soon after the senate convened the appointments of the members of the new police commission for Wichita were laid before it for confirmation. A motion to go into executive session was held to be out of order, but while the discussion on this point was in progress F. G. Close, the governor's private secretary, was announced. Mr. Close stated that he had two private and confidential messages from the governor. The senate then went into executive session to consider them, and the floors and galleries were cleared.

The senate did practically nothing today. An attempt was made by the more radical members to force a recognition of the populist house, but it failed. All the morning and the greater portion of the afternoon was spent in waiting for a report from the committee appointed to inquire into the organization of the two houses. That committee was at work all day. At 3 o'clock the populist senators, impatient at the delay, voted in caucus to dismiss the committee. A recess had been taken to permit the holding of the caucus, and when the senate assembled a motion was made to discharge the committee and to recognize the populist house by adopting a formal resolution to that effect.

The motion aroused an animated discussion. During the debate the news came from the house that the three Democrats of that body had joined the Republicans. The effect was to cause the senators to proceed slowly. All the Republican senators opposed the discharge of the committee, and Senators Dillard and O'Bryan, Democrats, sided with the Republicans.

Pending the discussion Mr. Leedy, populist, of Coffey county, moved an adjournment until tomorrow, which was carried. Thus the resolution recognizing the populist house cannot come up before tomorrow.

TAKEN INTO COURT.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 12.—Mandamus proceedings against Secretary of State Osborne were this evening begun in the supreme court, to compel him to hand over to George L. Douglass, speaker of the house of representatives, the certified copy of the roll of members elected to the Kansas house of representatives, now on file in his office. The returns were compiled by ex-Secretary of State Higgins and show 64 legally elected Republican members of the legislature, a majority of two. Mr. Douglass is the speaker chosen by the Republican organization, and the object of the suit is to obtain from the court a decision as to whether or not the Republican organization is the house of representatives.

The court received the petition, but the matter was laid aside for consideration tomorrow morning. The Republicans have no doubt that the court's decision will be favorable to them, and hope in this way to checkmate the latest move of the populists, which resulted this evening in the recognition of the populist house by Governor Lewelling.

A COMPROMISE REJECTED.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 12.—The conference committee of fifteen, composed of members of the three political parties, adjourned from an all-evening's session at midnight, without having accomplished anything, although at one time they almost reached an agreement. The terms of this agreement were such that the Republicans would still retain the organization of the house on a bare majority, the contest cases to be left to a judicial tribunal. When it came to placing the senate contest cases before the judicial tribunal—upon which the Republican and Democratic members insisted—the populists objected, as this would prevent their throwing out enough members in the senate to give them a majority on joint ballot, and thus prevent them from electing a United States senator.

THE OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE.

Special Dispatch to the Daily Eagle.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Jan. 12.—The council spent the morning session in filibustering to prevent the appointment of the standing committees. At the afternoon session the Republicans secured the adoption of their list. It is as follows:

Judiciary—Charles H. Caraswell, O. R. Fegan, J. K. Clevinger, C. J. Wrightsman, J. M. Cannon.

Ways and means—J. C. Pringey, O. R. Fegan, J. M. Cannon, C. H. Caraswell, J. P. Lane.

Education—O. R. Fegan, J. C. Pringey, J. W. Clevinger, L. J. Pittman, J. M. Cannon.

County affairs—J. P. Lane, J. M. Candon, Hugh McCreedie, C. J. Wrightsman, L. P. Ross.

Municipal corporations—O. R. Fegan, J. J. Shaefer, Hugh McCreedie, L. P. Ross, F. S. Pulliam.

Agriculture and highways—J. M. Cannon, J. C. Pringey, J. J. Shaefer, C. H. Caraswell, C. J. Wrightsman.

Enrolled and engrossed bills—J. W. Clevinger, F. S. Pulliam, J. M. Cannon, J. P. Lane, Hugh McCreedie.

Railroads and corporations—C. H. Caraswell, Hugh McCreedie, O. R. Fegan, J. J. Shaefer, J. P. Lane.

Printing—O. R. Fegan, J. W. Clevinger, J. M. Cannon, J. J. Shaefer, Hugh McCreedie.

Elections—Hugh McCreedie, J. A. Pringey, J. J. Shaefer, J. P. Lane, J. M. Caraswell.

Public institutions—J. J. Shaefer, Hugh McCreedie, C. H. Caraswell, J. C. Pringey, J. P. Lane.

Federal relations—J. W. Clevinger, J. M. Cannon, O. R. Fegan, S. G. Pittman, J. P. Lane.

Maud Schermerhorn, Nellie Scothorn and Paul Murphy were appointed pages.

The council then adjourned till tomorrow morning.

The house did nothing during the day except to ballot for speaker. Following are the final ballots at the afternoon session.

Fifty first ballot—Greer, 13; Peery, 11; Allen, 2.

Fifty second—Greer, 13; Allen, 18; Brewer, 2; Peery, 1; Mayse, 1.

Fifty-third—Greer, 13; Allen, 12; Brewer, 1.

Fifty-fourth—Greer, 13; Allen, 13.

Fifty-fifth—Merrick, 13; Allen, 12.

Fifty-sixth—Merrick, 13; Allen, 12.

Fifty-seventh—Allen, 2; Merrick, 13; Brewer, 10; Peery, 1.

Fifty-eighth—Allen, 10; Merrick, 13; Brewer, 1.

Adjourned.

Quite an episode occurred in the council this morning. When President Pro Tem Pulliam declared the body adjourned, notwithstanding that a majority voted no, Councilor Clevinger called them back, and the motion governing the election of the committees was carried. It is probable that had the Democrats refused to come back Mr. McCartney, the president-elect, would have been installed. Mr. Pulliam's action in declaring an adjournment was, under the circumstances, inexcusable.

Tonight it is impossible to state what will be the outcome in the house. The Democrats will make every effort to secure the deciding vote. Mr. Wallace, the colored delegate, has been approached, but so far stands firm. Mr. Stovall is voting with the Republicans, and those who know him best say that he is a sleeper. The lobby is very active and the night will be spent in canvassing.

THE MISSOURI LEGISLATURE

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 12.—Forty-four bills were introduced in the house today, and there seemed no inclination on the part of the lawmakers to wear up. The house now has 198 pending bills. Never in its history has it had so many measures introduced before the appointment of the committees was made by the speaker. Mr. Maloney is expected to name the committees tomorrow, or on Saturday at the latest. Then the mass of legislation may be put in shape. Today Mr. Tatum of St. Louis introduced a bill providing that no franchises nor monopolies for the use of streets, alleys and public highways shall be granted except to the highest bidder on public notice. It provides that no such franchise or monopoly shall continue longer than twenty-five years, and be subject to revocation at any time on payment of a reasonable compensation. Mr. Gerone of St. Louis introduced a bill amending the registration system, doing away with the board of revision, and establishing in its place a board of election commissioners of six members, only three of whom shall be of the same political party. Many other bills were introduced before the house adjourned.

OTHER STATE LEGISLATURES.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 12.—The sessions of both the house and the senate were very tame. In the house a resolution was adopted to memorialize the senate and house of representatives of the United States in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver and the enactment of such laws as would restore silver to its rightful place in the currency of the country. The senatorial fight is being continued with unabated vigor by the leading Democratic candidates. The senate has adjourned until next Monday, so no vote can be taken before that time.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 12.—The Democratic caucus tonight nominated Senator Turple for re-election.

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 12.—The joint balloting for United States senator today was again unsuccessful.

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 12.—Governor Peck read his message to the Wisconsin legislature in person. The legislature adjourned until Tuesday, when the senatorship fight will begin in earnest.

THE NEVADA ASSEMBLY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12.—Ex-Attorney General R. M. Clarke of Nevada says that the legislature of that state is an illegal body, not having been elected on the basis of population. He says that a question has been raised touching the constitutionality of the act of 1891 apportioning representatives, and incidentally the power of the incoming legislature to elect a successor to United States Senator Stewart. Mr. Clarke says that it is probable that steps will be taken to prove its illegality. Should the legislature be proven illegal, the appointment of the senator would devolve upon the governor, who is a strong Republican.

THE NEBRASKA DEADLOCK.

OMAHA, Jan. 12.—Some very sensational senatorial rumors were in the air at Lincoln at midnight. Next Thursday the constitutional time for the joint convention of the legislature to elect a senator will have passed. If the present deadlock in the senate can be prolonged till that time, the rights of the legislature will lapse and the senator to succeed Mr. Paddock will be named by Governor Boyd, as he will yet be in office; for Governor Crounse can not be inaugurated till the vote has been canvassed by a joint assembly of the members. All three parties tonight held caucuses to discuss the matter and their future action.

THE MONTANA SENATORSHIP.

HELENA, Mon., Jan. 12.—The vote for United States senator tomorrow will probably show a decided change. Clark's supporters called a caucus of the Democratic members tonight. Twenty-six legislators all Democrats but Beecher (populist) responded. A ballot was taken and Clark got all the votes. The Clark men think victory assured. Sanders, Republican, still holds his thirty-three, and may get the two populists. If he should this would leave Beecher with the deciding vote, and today he jumped into the Clark ranks.

INDUSTRIOUS VOTERS.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 12.—In the testimony in the congressional contest in the Eleventh district of O'Neill, Democrat, versus Joy, Republican, it developed today that in one precinct there were 64 more ballots than voters. Mr. Joy's district plurality was but 67.

POLITICAL SCIENCE.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 12.—The seventeenth session of the American Academy of Political and Social Science convened this evening in Drexel institute. Professor Edmund James Wharton of the School of Finance and Political Economy was in the chair. Representative bankers from Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore occupied seats on the stage. The topic of the evening was "National versus State Banks of Issue." Papers had been submitted to the academy on this subject by Horace White, editor of the New York Evening Post; Hon. W. L. Trenholm of New York, ex-comptroller of the currency; Congressman Harter of Ohio, and by Hon. A. S. Hepburn, present comptroller of the currency. The discussion had a significance far beyond that of a mere academic debate, as the first three gentlemen are known to be intimate advisers of President-elect Cleveland in financial matters, while Mr. Hepburn represents President Harrison's administration.

DIGHTON DOTS.

DIGHTON, Kan., Jan. 12.—[Special.]—Tot Lobdell, the bright little daughter of Representative Lobdell, had a very narrow escape from death the other day. In some manner her pony became frightened and ran away, throwing her off in such a manner that her foot became entangled in the stirrup. She was dragged more than a hundred yards before she was loosened from her hazardous position, and had not her shoe torn she would undoubtedly have been dragged to death. As it was it was a narrow escape, but, aside from a few bruises and a general shaking up she is all right and is able to get around.

In the death of Mayor Northcutt, Dighton loses one of her most enterprising citizens, and one whose loss will be felt in business circles. Mr. Northcutt was a pioneer, a "Forty-Niner" and a Mexican war veteran, and had a varied and checkered experience during his life time. Elder Harvey, who preached the funeral sermon, paid a splendid and eloquent tribute to his life and character. The Odd Fellows conducted the funeral.

The board of county commissioners is in session this week and is very busy with the usual routine of bills. It is also considering the advisability of putting in a couple of steel cells to hold prisoners, so that the county will not be put to so much expense in the matter of caring for prisoners in other counties. The vaults of the treasurer and district clerk will be enlarged, so that the records and files may be safely cared for.

Sheriff Nell took Lewis McElhiney the rapist, to the insane asylum at Osawatomie last week, it having been proved that he is insane.

WHITECAPS.

JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 12.—A proclamation commanding the lawless Whitecap organization, whose depredations have been so numerous lately in southern Mississippi, to disperse, and offering a reward of $500 for the arrest and conviction of each and every member of said organization, and enjoining the officers of the law to especial vigilance has been issued by Governor Stone.

A POWDER PLANT.

LOUISIANA, Mo., Jan. 12.—A Delaware syndicate has secured an option on a tract of 1,000 acres of land near Louisiana, on the St. Louis, Keokuk and Northwestern, in this county, and will establish a powder making plant larger than any now in the world.